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SECURITY PATROL BEGINS ACTION

July 1, 1981, was the starting date for the security patrol VECA has worked for six months to get organized.

Tom Givens of Universal Investigative and Security Service began the service with over 400 families signed up. Since the required number of 500 families was not reached, the subscription fee was raised by one dollar. Subscribers were to receive notice from Universal.

The money, either \$16 for non-VECA members or \$15.60 for VECA members, subscribers paid to VECA was turned over to Universal, and they are using it for an enrollment fee, returnable if the subscriber discontinues service. This money is not the first month's service fee, but it went to buy uniforms and to put a down payment on the car used for patrolling.

VECA residents should take note of the revised boundaries: N. Watkins on the west, Vollintine to the north (Rainbow Circle is included), Trezevant/E. Parkway to the east and Poplar to the south. This includes neighborhoods not in the VECA boundaries but represented by Mid Memphis Improvement Association. This expansion was necessary because neither neighborhood group had enough subscribers separately to institute the service.

The drive for subscribers is by no means over. Because of the expanded area, it is imperative to push the number of subscribers up to 1000 to get the second patrol car to adequately cover the large area. Subscribers are reminded that the amount of patrolling in their area is determined by the number of subscribers. If you want to see that green patrol car with the gold seal a lot, talk your neighbors into signing up.

Givens said he expected to use as many cars as he had available in the beginning until he felt the area was under control.

Tom Kepple, the man VECA owes much for his efforts in the organization of the security patrol, extends his appreciation to Carolyn Pontius, Mrs. Earl Shannon, Mrs. Dale Parker and Carl Holmes for their work in adding subscribers.

For more information on how to sign up for the Universal Security Patrol, call Tom Givens at 274-1794.

By Dorinda Smith



The VECA Community Yard Sale on May 2 at Southwestern was a big success especially for the Evergreen News which made over \$100 from the staff's bake sale. E/News editor Dorinda Smith handled publicity for VECA and hawked posters for the E/News at the event.

SUMMER FUN

Need an end-of-the-summer pick-up for yourself and your children? Then the day camps at Evergreen Presbyterian Church are for you. The camps, held from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., are August 3-7 for those completing grades 1-3 and August 10-14 for those completing grades 4-6.

Under the leadership of Director Jane Deupree, there will be music, crafts, a free T-shirt, recreation and daily field trips to places like the FBI building downtown, the Pink Palace, and the Navy Base at Millington. On the two Fridays, there will be swimming and a picnic at Shelby Forest.

Helping Mrs. Deupree will be Beth Patton, a recent graduate of Southwestern who is serving as summer pastor at Evergreen Church and assistant director of the day camp. Other counselors include Malcolm Sharp; Ann Reed Held, associate pastor at Evergreen; Samuel Upchurch; Melinda Mason; Mrs. W. H. Gragg, Jr.; Mrs. Ed Mason; and Mrs. John Barlow.

"Last year was terrific and the kids are looking forward to it again this year," says Mrs. Deupree. "It's just an easy-going camp, a time for good supervised fun."

There is a \$15 fee plus each young person needs to bring a sack lunch. Registration blanks may be picked up at the church office or at the gym. There is a 40-person limit for each camp.

By Tina Egge

NEXT VECA MEETING

Monday, September 21, 7:30 p.m. at Lindsay Memorial Presbyterian Church.

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NEWS BRIEFS

☆ Vollentine Elementary School celebrated its 50th birthday on May 21. A festive program consisting of a production called "2001 Vollentine Odyssey" was performed by grades K through 3 and was viewed by several people who taught there in the 1930's. The current students presented a quilt they had made depicting Vollentine's history to the school.

☆ A one man show of recent paintings by Stephen Hudson opened at Brad McMillan Studio/Gallery July 10 and can be viewed through the end of the month. The gallery is located at 116A South Front Street.

☆ Lamplighter Montessori School has announced that two satellite pre-school classes will be offered this fall at Springdale United Methodist Church at 751 North Trezevant. The classes, one morning and one afternoon, will be for children 3, 4, and 5 years of age. For more information, call 332-7500.

☆ Southwestern is presently developing a listing of off-campus housing available next fall to Southwestern students. If you are an apartment building owner, or if you have a garage apartment or guest house, you might want to consider the advantages of renting to a Southwestern student. This can provide you with additional security as well as additional income. If you are interested, please call the Dean of Students office (274-1800, ext. 347) to request an off-campus referral form. There is, of course, no charge for this service.

☆ Vacation Bible School at First United Lutheran Church, 1548 Jackson Ave., will be August 10-14. Classes will be offered for all age groups. The community is invited, and refreshments will be served.

In the last few months, the VECA executive committee met on May 19 and June 16, and the general membership met on May 11 and discussed the following topics:

Crime. The May general membership meeting was devoted to an in depth discussion on crime and its prevention with members of the Memphis Police Department. Eight officers from both the West and North Precincts talked with the membership divided into three groups. Members who participated in the discussion learned a great deal and left the meeting with a good feeling about the Memphis Police Department.

Vollintine Courts. On May 1, applications were accepted, and 500 applicants were reviewed for residence in the renovated Vollintine Courts. Of the 128 units, 28 are already rented. Tenants were recruited from the Klondyke area. The courts should be ready soon for occupancy.

Secretary. Sandi Chando volunteered to serve as secretary.

Treasury. Martha Heinemann reported \$1200 in the treasury.

Next Meeting Dates. The next membership meeting will be in September. The executive committee will meet July 21 at 7 p.m. at Lindsay Memorial Presbyterian Church. By Dorinda Smith



BUY BURGER BUCKS



The staff of the *Evergreen News* is busy selling Burger Bucks, a fund raising activity sponsored by the Burger King on Cleveland. The bucks are good for one dollar's worth of products and cost one dollar. What's in it for you besides delicious food? The continued publication of the *Evergreen News*. For every buck sold, the *E/News* keeps 50¢.

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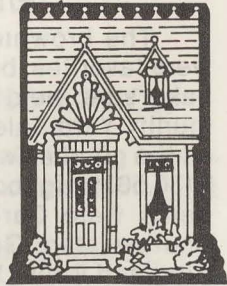
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Although every old building is a monument to human endeavor, Memphis Heritage is concerned only with preserving those structures which can lead to a useful life today and provide a financial return to the owners and to the city. Demonstrating the feasibility of restoring older structures is not Memphis Heritage's only goal. They serve as an information resource for Memphis on preservation related issues and provide a speaker's bureau for the com-

munity. Present projects include providing a revolving loan fund for people interested in restoring older structures, as well as developing tours of historic neighborhoods and districts.

In addition to all this, Memphis Heritage also holds monthly membership meetings; selects the Paul Gruenberg Award winner for the best adaptive use project each year; conducts seminars for preservation and restoration of older structures; sponsors an annual fund-raising picnic; and works with the Memphis Landmarks Commission to promote and sponsor preservation related programs and issues.

Anyone interested in becoming a member of Memphis Heritage can write Memphis Heritage, Inc., P.O. Box 3143, Memphis, TN 38103. A yearly \$10 contribution is requested.

By Karen Lorenz

HAIL TO THE SHIRT

What started out as an advertising gimmick three years ago soon became a special entry in the *Guinness Book of World Records!* One solid piece of brown material was transformed into a t-shirt ten feet wide and eight feet long. A coat hanger twelve feet wide by seven and one half feet long was constructed to match. Credit goes to Wes Barrett and his mother Charline who own Everything Else, 1574 Vollintine. The shop specializes in screen and textile printing, a fine line of t-shirts and apparel and over 3000 promotional products. The store also has several computerized games, a jukebox and snacks to munch for your waiting pleasure. Recently, Fruit of the Loom surpassed the coveted record by creating an even larger t-shirt. So the Barrett record has been broken. Are Wes and Charline working on an even larger model? "Shirtingly!"

By Susan Helms

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STREET FUN

The weather was beautiful, complete with a breeze. The table built three years ago by J. W. Lester for the first picnic was in place. The food ranged from fried chicken to pecan pie. The familiar faces were there plus some new ones. The third Lyndale-Hawthorne-Mignon Block Party was a success. For a while the usually quiet Hawthorne buzzed with conversations that included new paint jobs to all the delicious food brought by neighbors. Tom Kepple even came along to answer questions about the new security patrol.

Neighbors having fun included the Lesters, Youngs, Wades, Banes, Elcans, Berrys, Bramuchis, Pages, Dickeys, Jameses, Webbs, Davids, Stevens, Moores, Densons, B. Thompson, R. Templeton, B. Renegar, C. Cauthen, T. Nancy, D. Weeks, G. Palmer and J. Elam.

By Tina Egge

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Information on Universal Security Patrol, 274-1794
Midtown Council, Tim Mashburn, 274-5761
Zoning information, Joe Sohm, 278-6962
City Beautiful Commission, Ann Moore, 274-2163

E/NEWS BAKE SALE

The brownies and the chocolate chip cookies were favorites, but everything at the *Evergreen News* bake sale, held in conjunction with VECA's Community Yard Sale in May, sold easily. By two o'clock all the goodies were gone, and the *E/News* had made \$130.56. Neighborhood businesses who contributed items were Carl's Bakery, Bosi's Grocery, Dino's Southwestern Grill, Delicious Foods Bakery, Burger King and White Way Drugstore. Also helping out by baking were Julie Borys, Nancy Tiller, Rebecca Russell, Janice Gowdey, Deb Mashburn, Pamela Mashburn, Katherine Martin, Peggy Stark, Margaret McKelroy, Kathy Fletcher, Camilla Holmes, Fran Griffith, Susan Helms, Sue Fagan, and Dorinda Smith. Hawkers included Brant Smith, Ann Moore, Sue Fagan and Susan Helms. Debbie Monroe and Tina Egge were the organizers and did a lot of everything. The *E/News* would like to extend a special thanks to each and every person and business.

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