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Snowden Student Wins in Geography Fair

Carl Beck, a seventh grader at Snowden Jr. High and a VECA resident, recently returned from a ten day trip to Ireland as a member of Parade Magazine's Young Columbus Program. As the regional winner of the junior division of the Geography Fair, Carl was awarded the all-

expense paid trip to the Emerald Isle in April.

Carl and senior high winner, Jessica Fleming from Craigmont High School, traveled first to New York, joining 135 other student participants, plus escorts and chaperones, from all over the United States. The group traveled via Aer Lingus to Dublin where they were greeted with a spirited welcoming ceremony to begin their Irish adventure. Highlights of their four night stay in Dublin included a visit to the U.S. Embassy, a meeting with the Lord Mayor of Dublin, and tours of Christ Church Cathedral, Dublin Castle, Trinity College, St. Declan's School, and the Dublin Writers Museum. The group also attended a Gaelic football match, dined in Irish pubs, shopped on Grafton Street, and partied at Disco Club 92 and the GAA Club.

From Dublin, the tour continued to the Mitchelstown Caves, Killarney, a visit at Traditional Muckross Farms, and the Ring of Kerry. After a two night stay in Killarney, the group moved on to Bunratty where they visited Bunratty Castle and the Bunratty Folkpark and Village, a living reconstruction of the homes and environments of Ireland a century ago. The trip con-

cluded with a Medieval Banquet at Knappogue Castle.

For Carl, it was not only a chance to explore another country but an opportunity to make friends from many places. "It's amazing that 200 people can come together for ten days and become such close friends."

Evergreen News changes name to Vollintine-Evergreen News

This newsletter has been the Evergreen News since it was started in 1974. VECA stands for Vollintine-Evergreen Community Association. Vollintine and Evergreen are the streets that divide the neighborhood into four quarters; this is from where the name VECA was taken. At the time, our neighbors to the south of North Parkway were called the Mid-Memphis Association. After they became a National Register Historic District they changed their name to Evergreen Historic, after the Evergreen Social Club at the corner of Evergreen and North Parkway. (That is the building with Evergreen Peak written on the front.) The name Evergreen News gets VECA confused with Evergreen Historic in the public's mind. Therefore it was decided by the VECA board to change our

newsletter to the Vollintine-Evergreen News. This will call for a vote of the VECA membership at the May 9th general membership meeting.

VECA's Pot Luck Supper and Pool Party

Our annual Pot Luck Supper and Pool Party will be July 30th at Rhodes College. Bring a dish and come and enjoy the fellowship of your neighbors. It's at 6:00 p.m., come bring your food and have fun. Children under 14 must be accompanied by a parent.

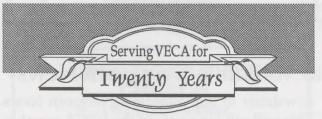
The Vollintine-Evergreen News—How does this newsletter get to your door?

by Mary Wilder

The news editor (vacant) and the coordinating editor (Ann Munns) decide on the stories for the issue. The news editor then asks the writers to send in articles, collects articles from contributors (churches, businesses, etc.), or writes the articles. Then Ann Munns collects the ads from the advertising editor (Margaret Brown). After the articles are collected, Ann, keys-in the information for the layout editor (Danny Munns). The layout and graphics, and advertising are put together by Danny and the newsletter is sent to Center for Neighborhoods (Nancy Hall) for proof reading. Danny does any final revisions before it is taken to the printer. Ann is the person moving the newsletter between places. When the newsletter is finished printing, the distribution editor (Steve Gadboise) picks it up from the printer. Steve then counts out and delivers the newsletter to distributors who in turn give them to individual street carriers. The carriers then bring the newsletter to your door.

The advertising underwrites for the cost of the bi-monthly newsletter. VECA has been publishing the newsletter for twenty years. The work and effort of the newsletter staff goes unnoticed and unheralded. As a past editor, I want to thank the current folks for their hard work. We, in the VECA community, read your work and appreciate what you do.

If you want to write an article or make a comment please send it in. VECA needs a news editor to collect and write stories. If you are interested please contact Ann Munns at 274-0588.



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276-1412

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VECA NEIGHBORHOOD FOCUS

Organizing a street clean-up

Today many groups are doing community clean-ups. Not only do clean-ups improve the beauty of our neighborhood, but they also show others that you take pride in your community. A neighborhood cleanup can have a contagious effect and cause others to

spruce up their area too.

Begin your effort by organizing a street clean-up or beautification committee. Decide what areas are to be cleaned. The committee then schedules a date and a rain date. Decide if you want a Dial-a-Truck for large objects. You will need to call one month in advance for the truck. The phone number is 576-6508. The truck will be parked in front of a consenting owner's house. You can also notify Sanitation 576-6851 for debris pick up. Remember the ice storm has put a strain on the Sanitation Department.

Notify residents, businesses and other groups in the area of your cleanup. Make flyers and distribute to the neighbors. This way everyone is aware of the clean-up day. You may want to have refreshments for the volunteers. This is a good time to help out a senior on your street. Call VECA - we will come by with a camera put your work in the Newsletter. Clean-ups are a good way to start block clubs and to get to know your neighbors.

Good luck!

VECA says thank you to Rich Olcott

Rich Olcott has stepped down from his six year job as VECA secretary. His long and committed effort is greatly appreciated. Rich has lived in the VECA area since the early seventies. His children attended Snowden, Central and Rhodes. Rich worked with Julie Borys on the Memphis Transportation Coalition which monitored the Sam Cooper and I-240 Interchange proposals. Volunteers are a vital asset and Rich Olcott's service is a valued contribution to VECA. Thank You, Rich!





Hunt-Phelan House

The historically rich Hunt-Phelan House at 533 Beale St. will be open for public tours during the week of May 20-30, 1994, in conjunction with the Civil War re-enactment at Shelby

Farms. The house will be open this week only and will not re-open until Spring 1996. At that time all renovations should be completed. Call 525-8225 for tour times and costs.

Stonewall Block Club Organizing

Stonewall, between Jackson and Vollintine, is on the move. Willett Gray and Gloria Singleton passed out flyers for the first meeting April 7th at Gloria Singleton's house. Ten people attended. The group discussed Neighborhood Watch, clean-ups and a block party. The Stonewall Block Club plans to meet the first Thursday of the month. If you live on this section of Stonewall look for the flyer announcing the next meeting. The group participated in the City Beautiful Bag-athon clean-up April 22. Neighbors cleaned up around Stonewall and Jackson. Neighbors on Garland were seen cleaning up too! The new members of the Stonewall Block Club are: Willett Gray, Conita Grigsby, Dr. Darrell Richardson, Mary Hughes, Gloria Singleton, David Tillman & Family, Robert Howell and John McCarver.

Good work Stonewall! Neighbors who know each other are a community's best resource. If your street is having an activity drop us a line Vollintine-Evergreen News will run your story.

VECA Representatives

Northeast Area - Jennifer Jenson, Steve Gadboise, Rick Cartwright, Bette Ackerman Northwest Area - Willett Gray, Conita Grigsby, Gloria Singleton, Tom Ridenhour

Southwest Area - Margaret Blackmon, Martha Heinemann Southeast Area - Ann Munns, Danny Munns, Kay Blues

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vacant - news editor

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Writers Mary Wilder and VECA residents who send in articles.

Meet the 1994 VECA Board

Steve Gadboise - President Mary Wilder - Vice President Martha Hienemann - Treasurer Rick Cartwright - Secretary

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