



# West Salem Neighborhood Newsletter

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Downtown Living with a Small Town Feel

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## Music in the Park

### SAVE THE DATE!

**Sunday, September 9  
6 PM ~ Granville Park**

**C**ome casual. Let the kids run free. Take the time to catch up on all your summer activities and fall plans with your neighbors, meet new folks, and make new friends!

This month we will feature members of the **Triad Pride Men's Chorus**, an ensemble known as **NoteWorthy**. The group performs choral music to entertain, to enlighten, and to enrich, while promoting equality and social justice for all people.

**NoteWorthy** has been singing together for five years. They are wonderful, and we enjoyed the show immensely last October. Thank goodness it will be earlier this year, and a tad warmer. Under the direction of Mario Capano, NoteWorthy has been invited to perform for a variety of organizations. We are pleased that they are willing to come to Granville Park to perform for West Salem Neighbors and hope you will come out and enjoy the music, food, and fellowship!

For more information on the chorus, please check out their website:

[www.triadpridemenschorus.org](http://www.triadpridemenschorus.org)

**FREE Hotdogs & Sodas  
While They Last!**



**F**ollow-up from August's **Music in the Park**: Thank you to **Julian Hinshaw** for performing at the MIP in August. For those of you that missed it, it was a wonderful performance. Julian performed on the piano, accordion, and tuba. His rendition of Beatles music played on his accordion



was beautiful, as was the ragtime on the piano.

For the month of September, we look forward to the return of the Triad Pride Men's Chorus (check out the details in the column on the left). They will be performing on September 9<sup>th</sup>, 2007 at 6 PM in Granville Park. Hot dogs and drinks for all. We are anticipating a much more inviting weather forecast for the day. Please bring seats or a blanket on which to sit for the evening. It will be lots of fun for all.

**D**arkness cannot drive out darkness; only light can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate; only love can do that. Hate multiplies hate, violence multiplies violence, and toughness multiplies toughness in a descending spiral of destruction. . . . The chain reaction of evil – hate begetting hate, wars producing more wars – must be broken, or we shall be plunged into the dark abyss of annihilation.

Martin Luther King, Jr.

## Fundraising Campaign

Ah, the sounds of fall. School has returned to session, along with the great fundraising drives for PTAs, Team Supporters, etc.

For the association it also means a time to look at the funds and ensure that we are prepared for the fall events: MIP, Halloween Trick or Treat Trail, Winter gathering, and Solstice Singing.

Last year we also were involved in a very successful fundraising campaign. This year, in lieu of a major fundraising, we are proposing the following two activities for fundraising for activities.

Our first is quite simple. We invite all the households in the neighborhood to donate \$5, or more if your tax advisor suggests. The money covers all the newsletters and activities, such as the ice cream for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July party, or the hot dogs and performers at Music in the Park.

We have the luxury of being a 501 3-C organization and your entire donation is tax deductible. Please think about your activities and opportunities to meet with your neighbors, as well as the great communication tool of the newsletter. Please send your funds to West Salem Neighborhood Association Treasurer at 748 Granville Drive, 27101. You can also bring your donation to our next neighborhood meeting.

Our second fundraiser is more in keeping with our small town feel. We are having a bake sale the end of September or the beginning of October. The location has yet to be announced, for we are looking at a couple of great places. Be thinking of great recipes and treats to share. I know I have a great recipe for Rice Krispie treats that uses Milky Way bars. They are the bomb, but you will have to come and pick up a bar at the sale.

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**ALL NEIGHBORS WELCOME!**

REMEMBER! You do not have to be a homeowner to join the West Salem Neighborhood Association and become involved! EVERYONE can become a good neighbor!

**NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS...**

**Heartland Music Festival**  
**September 8th, 2007**

Tanglewood Park • Clemmons, NC

Gates open at noon, live performances from 1pm until 9pm! This is a family-friendly bluegrass festival produced by West Salem neighbor, Chris Koenig. For more information:

[www.heartlandmusicfestival.com](http://www.heartlandmusicfestival.com)

**SOUP BREAD & BROADS**

Calling all ladies! SBB is the monthly gathering for women. We meet on the last Sunday of each month at 6 PM. For details, please call Patricia, 725.6771.

**West Salem Garden Club** meets Thursday, September 13 at 6:30 PM at the home of Patricia Olmstead. Bring seeds to share! Light refreshments will be provided. Bring a friend! **EVERYONE WELCOME!**

**GREEN STREET UM CHURCH**  
The **Green Street Wednesday Night Suppers— THE WELCOME TABLE**, will resume September 5, with serving starting at 5:58 PM. Green Street's **Health Ministry** will also begin its normal schedule on September 5, following the **Welcome Table**.

**THE WEST SALEM COMMUNITY GARDEN**

Although a great deal smaller, the Community Garden was again successful in providing a source of food to those in neighborhood who needed and enjoyed the availability of the garden produce.

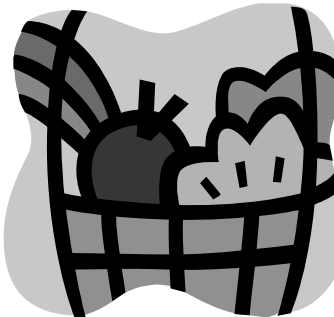
A new method of gardening was employed this year from years past. Instead of plowing and tilling the garden, potholes were dug for individual plants.

This resulted in good production from squash, zucchini, tomatoes and okra. Cucumbers did not do as well for some unknown reason. Weeds were a problem late in season as they got out of control.

A great deal of assistance was received from Caleb, a student at Piedmont Baptist College. Caleb comes from three generation of Georgia farmers and dug potholes, planted and weeded which was much needed and much appreciated.

As mentioned, the number of people served and the available produce were less than the first two years of the garden due to a smaller plot and wider separation of plants. Two or three people visited the garden daily and removed a small grocery bag of food. In general they picked reasonable portions leaving an additional amount for other groups.

The continuing philosophy of the garden is that anyone, at any time can remove food from the garden. Many people asked about the availability of the garden early in the season and were very appreciative of the effort.



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We anticipate both fundraisers will provide enough funds to help us continue our great activities. We also anticipate applying for and receiving a grant or two to help with Music in the Park. This fundraising is necessary to help with the grant process, so please choose to participate.

**WEST SALEM'S LETTERS TO THE EDITOR**

Have something to say? Want to voice an opinion about something? Send your letters to the editor to Patricia Olmstead, polmstead@triad.rr.com or 620 S Broad Street, 27101

**Hidden Wedges.**

Sometimes we find ourselves taking offense so easily. And sometimes we are too stubborn to accept a sincere apology. Who will subordinate ego, pride, and hurt—then step forward with "I am truly sorry! Let's be as we once were—friends. Let's not pass to future generations the grievances, the anger of our time." Let's remove any **hidden wedges** that can do nothing but destroy.

Where do **hidden wedges** originate? Some come from unresolved disputes which lead to ill feelings, followed by remorse and regret.

Others find their beginnings in disappointments, jealousies, arguments, and imagined hurts. We must resolve them—lay them to rest and not leave them to canker, fester, and ultimately destroy.

Let me share a story of two men who are heroes to me. Their acts of courage were not performed on a national scale but rather in a peaceful place known as Midway, Utah.

Long years ago Roy Kohler and Grant Remund were the best of friends. They were tillers of the soil and dairymen. Then one day a misunderstanding arose and a serious rift came between them.

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Sometime after the **wedge** came between them, it was fall, and Roy had just put up hay for the winter. That night the barn caught fire — the cause, spontaneous combustion. The barn, the hay, everything burned right to the ground. Roy was devastated. He didn't know what in the world he would do.

The night was dark, except for the dying embers of the fire, when suddenly coming up the road, in the direction of Grant Remund's place, the lights of tractors and heavy equipment were seen. As the "rescue party" stepped down off their equipment, Grant Redmond reached out to Roy and said, 'Roy, you've got quite a mess to clean up. My boys and I are here. Let's get to it.'" Together they plunged to the task at hand. Gone forever was the **hidden wedge** which had separated them.

May we harbor no **hidden wedges** but rather remember the Savior's admonition: "By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another."

Steven Shafer  
Beaumont Street

## WEST SALEM CLASSIFIEDS

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**FOR SALE:** Dinette table, 48" with four chairs and three matching 24" bar stools. \$150 for all. 725.8081

**FOR SALE:** Hibiscus Plants in various colors. Mature plants in decorative pots, \$10 each. 725.8081

**ART STUDIO:** The Chrysalis is a new art studio and Gift Gallery. It features recycled arts and crafts, like dog collars made from men's neck ties. For an unusual gift, come shop during the First Friday Gallery Hop – 7 PM—10 PM – or by appointment 336.970.0744. Located at 524 Liberty Street above the DADA Community Center.

## **N**eighborhood Communication

If you would like to be included in neighborhood emails regarding upcoming events, or news, then please send an email to: [stevenshafer@sprintmail.com](mailto:stevenshafer@sprintmail.com) with **WSNA emails** in the subject line.

Please include your name, address, and phone number. In the unlikely event that the email is mistyped, we would like to get back in touch with you for confirmation of the email address. We will have you added as quickly as possible. In the unlikely event that you wish to be removed, merely reply to any emails that you have received from the neighborhood association, and we can remove you from the list. Many of us use email for communication, and want to use all methods to stay in touch. Communication is what maintains the small town feel of our community.

## **S**eptember's West Salem Neighborhood Meeting:

Since we have gone for three months, the September meeting will be used to get everyone back in the swing of things. We will be discussing Place Properties re-submission for development, the ballpark development, Latham School involvement, Granville Place involvement, and the activities for the rest of the year and also discussing some plans and budgeting for 2008.

It is never too soon to plan ahead. We will be meeting on Tuesday, September 4<sup>th</sup> at 7 PM. Yes, I know you will still be recovering from the Labor Day Weekend, but please come anyway to the Christ Moravian Fellowship Hall. We will see you there. A more detailed agenda will be emailed to the neighborhood the Friday or Saturday before the meeting.

## WEST SALEM'S SEPTEMBER CALENDAR

**If you would like a one-line announcement of community activities published monthly in our newsletter, please call or email Steven Shafer.**

### SEPTEMBER 4 ~ 7 PM

West Salem Neighborhood Association meeting, Christ Moravian Church Fellowship Hall. For details see [www.westsalemneighborhood.org](http://www.westsalemneighborhood.org)

### SEPTEMBER 9 ~ 6 PM

Music in the Park, featuring Noteworthy. Granville Park

### SEPTEMBER 13 ~ 6:30 PM

West Salem Garden Club meets at the home of Patricia Olmstead, 620 S Broad Street. Everyone is invited!

### SEPTEMBER 23 ~ 7 PM

Green Street UMC sponsors **GOD'S TROMBONES**, a concert of Jazz and Spoken Word featuring poems by James Weldon Johnson. Judge Denise Hartsfield, orator, and music by Sabbath Indigo. Everyone Welcome!

"I believe that...you are *supposed* to stretch everything that you are, you are *supposed* to love with all your might, you are *supposed* to have a big life, so when all is said and done you can say to yourself, with feeling, 'I loved my life so much.'" -- Mary Wells Lawrence



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**Up and Down in West Salem**

In most city blocks in West Salem, if you go anywhere, it's either up or down. You'll notice, if you really search it out, that there is a paucity of basketball courts—one missed pass and it's chase the ball down the hill. When flatlanders, such as myself, settle down in West Salem, we don't go for long walks as we did back in the Midwest. Back there, we went over to a friends house; here you go up to or down to.

The city block where I live is higher on one end and lower on the other more than most. The first time my wife and I decided to go for a constitution-building walk, we made the virtually fatal decision to start our walk in the direction that went down.

We started off at a brisk pace, swinging our arms in rhythm the quick, long strides that took us down the road at a pace of which we were immediately proud. We looped around at the extremity of our walk and began the return home. Chatting lightly about the beautiful flowers in the yards and pots on our neighbors' porches, we breathed deeply of the cool spring air. At that moment, we were smugly proud of our excellent judgment in choosing to leave Chicago for the blessings of West Salem here in Winston-Salem.

But, uphill brought us back to reality. Our re-tired legs dropped the "re" and were just plain tired. Each step grew more challenging than the one before. For a moment, I toyed with the idea of sitting down on the

steps of a lovely old home there and telling my wife that I wasn't certain just what type of daffodils these were and so would need to really examine them and think the thing through and so would she go on home and come back in a few minutes and pick me up and we could ride on down to Mr. Barbecue for lunch. I stopped toying with the idea and sprung it on her.

With hands on hips, she told me the name of the daffodils, sat down beside me and said, "OK, tricky hubby, you go get the car . . . and I'll take you up on the offer to take me out for lunch."

Every story has a moral; here it is that, what goes up always comes down, but what goes down may not always make it back up.

Frank Hartwig