

Medal of Valor Awards to Five Police, Six Citizens

Five area policemen and six citizens received the Women's Crusade Against Crime Medal of Valor in ceremonies held at 4:00 P.M. Wednesday, October 6, at the Breckenridge Pavilion Theatre. Col. Edward M. Davis, Los Angeles Police Chief and President of the International Association of Police Chiefs, made the awards and addressed the audience of past winners, family members, co-workers and interested citizens.



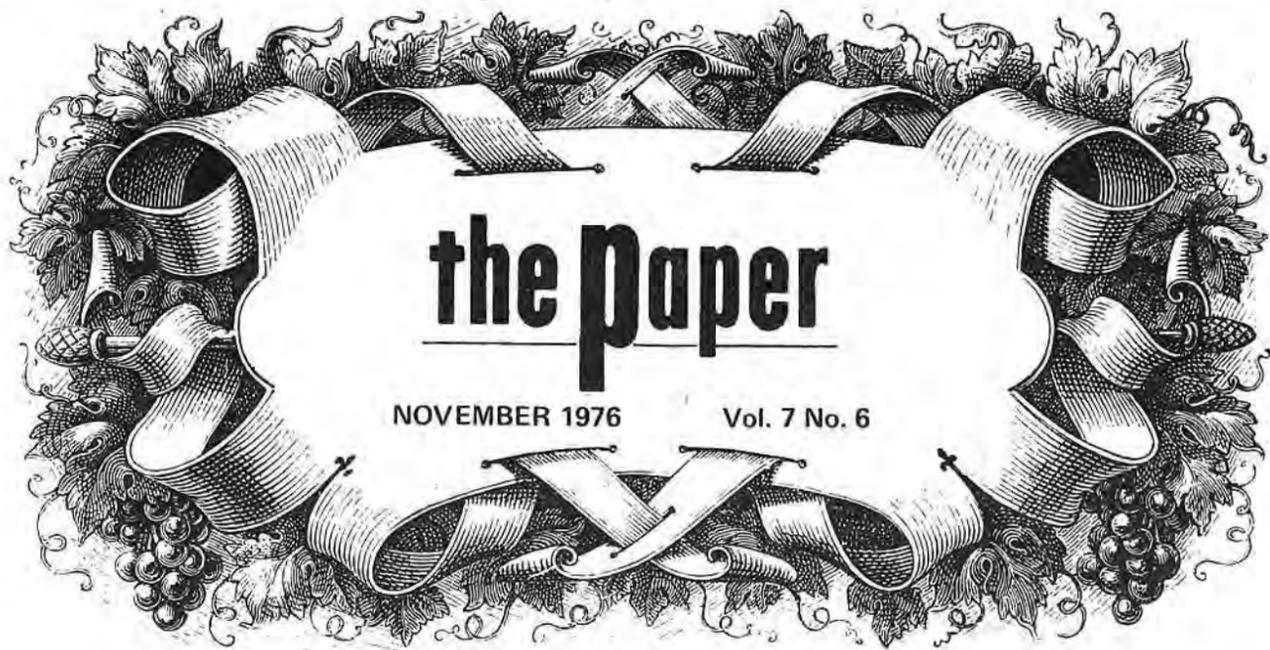
Police awards which recognize "heroic action beyond the call of normal police duty" went to Patrolman Robert Darlington, Kirkwood Police; Patrolman Terry Dean May, Granite City Police; and Patrolman Daniel Crowe, Detective Benny Green, and Detective Daniel Swan of the Metropolitan St. Louis Police.

For the third time in the eight-year history of the Valor program, medals were accorded citizens. Guidelines for Citizen Aid-to-Police are specified as an "heroic act within lawful conduct and primarily motivated by an instinctive concern for the safety of a police officer or the prevention of a crime."

The six citizen awardees are Jesse C. Haggerty and Scott Haggerty, Steven Dudley, Clifford Cockrell, John Merriweather and Larry Wilson. All were nominated by the Metropolitan St. Louis Police Department.

Steven Dudley, who recently joined the Navy, was given leave from boot camp at Great Lakes Naval Training Station in order to be present.

Judges for this year's nominees were Mr. J. A. Baer II, Chairman of the Board, Stix Baer & Fuller; Albert J. O'Brien, civic leader and former President, Ralston Purina Company; Nathaniel Shipp, Administrative Assistant, DePaul Hospital; Leo Konzen, Attorney, Madison County, Illinois; and Ann Slaughter, Co-chairman of the Women's Crusade Against Crime.



CALENDAR FOR NOVEMBER

1	No School at St. Roch's. All Saints' Day
2	Election day
6	Bloodmobile at St. Roch's Scariot Hall, 9:00 a.m.-2:00 pm
6	Neighborhood School's Fall Flea Market and Rummage Sale; Grace United Methodist Church, Skinker at Waterman, 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
8	St. Louis Symphony Concert "A Musical Offering" at Grace United Methodist Church, 8:00 p.m.
11	Veteran's Day. No School at St. Roch's and Public Schools
12 & 13	Mustard Seed Festival, First Unitarian Church, 5007 Waterman, 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
14	Vocal Music Concert in sanctuary at Grace U. Methodist, 4:00 p.m. Marquita Moll, soprano; David Porkola, organist.
15	No School at Neighborhood School. (Teachers' Meeting)
18	No School at Public Schools (Parent Teacher Congress)
18	St. Roch's School Assn. Meeting, Scariot Hall, 8:00 p.m.
18	WHN General Meeting, 7:30 p.m., Des Peres Library.
19	First Performance by The Deli Players of "No Opera At The Op'ry House Tonight," 8:00 p.m. at Grace U. Metho. Fellowship Hall (Skinker doors). See story.
20	Dinner-Theatre Party. See same story as above.
22	St. Louis Symphony Concert "A Musical Offering" at Grace United Methodist Church, 8:00 p.m.
25 & 26	No School at Grace Pre-School, Neighborhood School, St. Roch's, and Public Schools.
29	St. Louis Symphony Concert "A Musical Offering" at Grace United Methodist Church, 8:00 p.m.

Bloodmobile At St. Roch's



by Rose Storey

The Red Cross Bloodmobile will be at St. Roch's Church Saturday, November 6, 1976.

Your donation of a unit of blood provides the blood that you and your household (including parents, parents-in-law, grandparents, and grand-parents-in-law) may use for one year from the date of donation in any hospital in the U.S., which will accept the transfer of Red Cross blood.

Every eight minutes, a hospitalized patient needs a blood transfusion. The availability of that person's blood type immediately, when it is needed, makes the difference between life and death. What better reason is there for you to lend a unit of blood to a person in need now?

Please call St. Roch's School 721-2595-St. Roch's Rectory 721-6340 or 727-1727 or Rose Storey for pledge cards. Blood donors are scheduled every 15 minutes from 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. Remember Saturday, November 6 is the day.

ST. ROCH'S FORMS "AMBASSADORS" GROUP

The Executive Committee of St. Roch's Church is organizing a new group, the St. Roch Ambassadors, to bring the parish census up-to-date. When that task is completed the Ambassadors will act as a welcoming group to new neighbors and will keep the parish files current.

Joe Botz is in charge of the new program, which will include some forty to forty-five ambassadors when it is completed. Each ambassador will be responsible for a particular area and will contact each resident in that area. Joe hopes to have all the ambassadors ready to go by November 1st and to have the census completed by the end of this year.

The Ambassador group will welcome new residents in each area. They will bring newcomers information about services at St. Roch's, information on the neighborhood organization and block units in their block, a fact sheet on such things as trash pick-ups, etc., a copy of The Paper, and generally perform any service they can to welcome new neighbors to our neighborhood.

If you see someone wearing the badge pictured on page 4, you'll know a St. Roch's Ambassador is at work.

LOCAL THESPIANS TO PERFORM NOV. 19th & 20th

For the third consecutive year local amateur actors and actresses, under the direction of Rita Sweets, will be performing for the benefit of the Rosedale Neighborhood Association. In each of the two

previous years the play was performed only once. This year there will be two performances, one Friday, November 19th and one Saturday, November 20th, both at Grace United Methodist Church, Fellowship Hall.

This year's melodrama is "No Opera At the Op'ry House Tonight, or Too Good To Be True." Assisting Rita Sweets are Stage Manager Cherie McKee and Assistant Stage Manager Susie Roach. The cast includes such luminaries of stage and screen as (in order of appearance) Ms. Cathy Williams, Mr. Victor Mann, Mr. Dudley Weeks, Mr. Ed Stout, Ms. Dee Vossmeier, Mr. Dan Shea, Ms. Betty Nerviani, Ms. Marjorie Weir, Ms. Karen Bynum, Mr. Richard Lake, and Ms. Christina Lange. Entrance tickets are under the management of Ms. Mary Bea Stout

Friday night's performance will begin promptly at 8:00 p.m. in Grace U. Meth. Church's Fellowship Hall, 6199 Waterman. Unlike the Saturday performance, the Friday night show does not include a

cocktail party or dinner. Friday night tickets will be \$2.00 per person.

Saturday night's entertainment will begin at 6:00 p.m. at St. Roch's Scariot Hall where playgoers may enjoy hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar. At 7:00 p.m. they will walk up to Grace United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall for a 7:15 p.m. curtain of the melodrama. Following the performance they will return to Scariot Hall for dinner and socializing. Tickets for Saturday night will be \$5.00 per person.

The dinner is under the management of Neville and Jo Ann Vatcha. Anyone who wishes to volunteer assistance with the dinner is urged to call the Vatchas at 726-6974. If you can offer assistance in setting up tables, running errands, etc., please call Brad Weir, 863-7558.

Tickets can be obtained from members of the cast listed above and from Nancy Shelton, 721-2631. Last year's Dinner-Theatre Party was a sellout, so don't wait until the last minute to get your tickets!





Letters to the Editor

Women's Clinic

In April a new Women's Clinic began seeing women on a once-a week basis at the People's Clinic, 6010 Kingsbury Ave. The hours are 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. every Saturday, no appointment necessary. The staff is a group of women committed to offering health information and inexpensive GYN tests to community women. The tests offered are:

- breast exam
- pelvic exam
- pap smear
- VD blood test
- vaginal infection smear
- pregnancy test
- gonorrhea smear

These tests are offered for an initial visit fee of \$5.00. Subsequent tests are available for a minimal charge. Self exam is taught during the visit and each woman receives a plastic speculum of her own. We see this clinic as a "well women's clinic", and encourage women to come to learn about the health care system. Our philosophy is to de-mystify GYN health care and to educate women about their bodies.

Louise Bauschard
St. Louis Women's Health Collective

WHN MEMBERSHIP— Worse Than Bad

By Rich Lake

During the most recent meeting of the Washington Heights Neighbors Board Of Directors the Membership chairperson, Anna Busch, mentioned that there are 48 paid members in the Washington Heights Neighbors. This means in the entire WHN area, from Des Peres to De Baliviere and Forest Park to Delmar only 48 individuals and/or families feel concerned enough for their neighborhood to join the WHN. Membership may not be the only indication of activity in the area but it is certainly one measure.

The dues for this membership are only \$3.00 per year and that amount is for the household not just the person paying. Even in these inflationary times \$3.00 is little enough that should not be a stumbling block.

In the past, membership drives have been conducted by mail and door to door canvass. In all cases the results have been worse than bad. It seems the majority of WHN residents don't want to have any voice in their neighborhood.

I find it impossible to believe that there are only 48 people in the entire neighborhood who care about what happens to this area. The general meeting on November 18, 1976 will have a presentation by the WHN Study Committee on their efforts to date. In addition we will be electing 3 members to serve on the Redevelopment Advisory Committee.

Come to the meeting. Bring \$3.00. Join Washington Heights Neighbors. Don't sit back and let just a few represent us all. We can't make the progress we are capable of with only 48 memberships.

This article is an expression of how I feel as a resident of Washington Heights, a member of WHN and as a member of the Board. I hope that some of you feel the same way and will show that feeling on November 18.

Neighborhood Kids Write Captain Svetanics

Out of concern for the problems faced by firemen in our neighborhood one week recently (small fires and false alarms), Sarah Stuart of the 4th Grade at St. Roch's School suggested that the class write notes to Captain Neil Svetanics of Firehouse 30 on DeBaliviere to express their feelings. A representative sample of those letters follows. The letters have been transcribed without corrections in spelling, punctuation, or sentence structure to preserve their charm.

Dear Captian,

I am truly sorry about the fires last Friday. on the 6100 block of McPherson. Hopefully you won't have anymore trouble.

Sincerely,
Sarah Stuart
of the 4th grade of St. Roch

Dear Captain, I'm sorry about about the false alarms in the neighborhood. But we don't no who is doing all these false alarms. But we will try to find out.
Sincerely, Daren Lewis

Dear Captain, I am so sorry that you have running back and fouth. To the fires and back to the sation and to fales Alarms. But I rilly didn't do it.
Sincerely
Sarah Mensing

St. Roch School

Dear Captain,

I do not live on Mc Pherson but I would like to thank you dearly for being so partisapint in putting these fires out. I myself would not like to be in that line of work. so someone has to. Thanks alot.
Sincerely,
Anne Christopher

Dear Captain

I hope no more flase Alarmes go off. You are a great Captain. and I hope you keep on working. we are praying for yow
Sincerely
Jeanna Crawford

Dear Captain,

I can't stop all those fires but I sure hope those people who cause the fires don't do it any more.

Were all praying in school that all those fire stops.
Sincerely, Julia Morris

WHY NOT VOTE?

by Jo Ann Vatcha

The pollsters call it "voter apathy." To me, it's more like cynicism. And how does one who has retained a willingness to commit himself convince a cynic that it's important to vote? A recent poll quoted by Joseph Kraft cited as an important reason of those who refused to vote that "it doesn't make any difference who is elected because things never seem to work right." Isn't there rather a significant lack of hope implied in this answer? How can one believe that "things" will ever work right if he withholds his two cents worth? How can one feel right complaining for the next four years if he hasn't taken even one step towards making "things" better?

Many of us were youthful cynics about politics until we discovered such programs as the Peace Corps, which was put into effect by a President who was hardly a saint, who made many mistakes and compromises (and who, incidentally, was voted against by many simply on the basis of his religion). And if I felt I had contributed to the Vietnam War by having voted for LBJ, then isn't it equally important that I commit my vote to the candidate who I feel will do the right thing by that war's remaining casualties? On that issue, there are differences. And there are differences between the candidates too. If you watched their debate can you now say there's no difference between Mondale and Dole? If you still can't get excited by the presidential race, isn't there even one issue you care enough about to commit your vote to? Not even the sales tax proposition?

Perhaps none of the candidates enunciates all my beliefs, but then neither do my friends and neighbors, and that doesn't keep us from being able to work together on projects we do share a belief in. Isn't government really just an extended such group trying to work together? Shouldn't it be?

Still need inspiration? Think about this description from, of all places, a Nero Wolfe novel (and more cynical than Archie Goodwin you're not likely to see):

"The most interesting incident Tuesday morning was my walking to a building on Thirty-fourth Street to enter a booth and push levers on a voting machine. I have never understood why anybody passes up that bargain. It doesn't cost a cent, and for that couple of minutes you're the star of the show, with top billing. It's the only way that really counts for you to say I'm it, I'm the one that decides what's going to happen and who's going to make it happen. It's the only time I really feel important and know I have a right to. Wonderful. Sometimes the feeling lasts all the way home if somebody doesn't bump me."

Think about it. There's always a chance that nobody will bump you.



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Are you ready for November? Don't forget the major production of the season coming up later this month, the 3rd annual Dinner Theatre. Let us hope that many of you will also volunteer to help in whatever way strikes your fancy.

There are many additions to the population this month: Dan and Jill McGuire welcomed their second son, seven pound, eleven ounce John Broughton Thomas McGuire, on October 5. Congratulations to the McGuire family.

Incredible, but true—with all our grandparently news last month, there's still more! We are delighted to announce the birth of Bryan David Gerard, born on May 7 to Tina and and Bryan Gerard, who live on the 6000 block of Pershing. The happy grandparents are Jean and Vincent Eberle of the 6200 block of Waterman.

On Westminster, Judy and Utilis (Vince) Vinson are enjoying their new baby girl, Rachael Elizabeth, who was born on September 22, weighing 7 pounds, 9 ounces. Rachael is the second Vinson granddaughter of Phyllis and Bob Towns.

Just across from the Towns/Vinson home on the 6100 block of Westminster, Cindy and Ben Bodewes are due for their second child in December. Look for news of this coming attraction.



Above, Karen Busch, who has been selected as captain of the Nerinx Hall Hockey Team. The proud parents are, of course, Horace and Anna Busch.



Vicissitudes

by Jo Ann Vatcha

From the 6000 block of Pershing, we have learned of two new babies. Ida and Jerry Dale had a baby boy in October, named Jarrell. And Bonnie and Nick Barnes had a girl in July, named Nicole. Congratulations to the Dale and Barnes families.

There are a few grown-up additions to the neighborhood of late as well. On the 5800 block of Pershing, a Brown-Mensing rehab effort has been sold to Dorothy Roper. Newly arrived in Parkview are Stephen and Margo Jay, who have bought the Deppe's home on the 6200 block of Waterman. Dr. Jay is working with the music school called CASA (The Community Association of Schools for the Arts). Welcome to the Jays, and to Ms. Roper. We look forward to meeting all our new neighbors at the Dinner Theatre. Welcome!

Lovely news has reached us that Sally Storey, daughter of Waterman's Rose and George Storey, and Terry McGinn, son of Pershing's Jim and Ilene McGinn, plan to be married here next summer. Sally and Terry met in Kansas City, where they are both working. Congratulations!

Our magnet school news this month includes the news that we have another principal in our midst. He is Jerry Buterin of the 6100 block of Waterman. Jerry is now principal of Ames School, located at Hadley and St. Louis Avenues, near Highway 70. Ames is the P. L. A. N. (Program for Learning in Accordance with Needs) Magnet School, a fascinating and ambitious experiment in which daily information about each student is fed into a computer center in Iowa City. The computer works at night and each morning returns to the teachers a "prescription" for each student in each subject, including information on which text would be of most help to the student in understanding a particular skill. The basic non-competitiveness of the system is an important feature of PLAN. Interestingly, this is the only magnet school which is presently oversubscribed by both black and white students. Jerry and his PLAN coordinator, Dr. Doris Harrington (who has three years experience with a similiar school elsewhere), invite any interested residents to visit the school.

We are happy to inform you that Mrs. Lillian Hood, of the 6100 block of Westminster, is now at home, following a two week hospital stay. We hope that she continues to improve and that we are able to see her again very soon.

May we also devote a moment to the future students hereabouts. If you aren't aware of it, there is a fine pre-school story hour program at the Des Peres Branch Library. Children 2½-5 are entertained by stories and short, usually animated, films, at 10:30 AM on Friday mornings. There is coffee and conversation for the mothers as well. This is a long-standing program which many of us have taken advantage of, but we could use a little expansion! If you can come this is an excellent way to introduce your child to a relaxed child/teacher setting while you are securely close by, enjoying a few lazy moments of your own. And the kids love it!

And one more short plug—for the Ha's Family Bi-Rite Store, in the old A & P location. Those of us who have complained about the lack of a neighborhood grocery store now have a decent one, and we ought to be using it more. It's a clean, well-stocked, friendly store. The people are very helpful. The milk is fresh, and I think you'll be impressed. Please don't overlook this badly needed service. Even if you have a constant car, it's closer, easier, and cheaper to go only a few blocks. Give it a try!

Don't forget to let us know any news you would like to see included in this space next month.



The Bulletin Board

The women of St. Roch's are sponsoring a quilting-needlework kaffee klatsch every Wednesday from 10 am to noon in the convent basement, 305 Rosedale. Please come to socialize, have a cup of coffee and just relax. Any questions? Call Susie Roach 862-5893.

Ha's Bi Rite is now open on Sunday's until 5 p.m. Also Ha's is now authorized as a Union Electric bill payment point. Two more services from the new neighborhood market. The Ha's are filling an important need in our neighborhood. Help them continue by patronizing the Bi Rite. And help The Paper by telling the Ha's you saw it in The Paper.

The St. Louis Community Development Agency is offering residents of the city and county tulips at a reduced price. Packages containing six City of St. Louis Tulip and Peony Flowering Tulip—cost 75c each. A dozen mixed tulips sell for \$1.

All tulips are available at the Beautification Field Office, Union and Lindell in Forest Park, every weekday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

A colorful poster printed in Holland depicting the City of St. Louis Tulip is free with any purchase.

The Washington Heights Study Committee meets each Monday at 7:30 pm. The meetings are held at Grace and Peace. All Washington Heights residents are invited to attend.

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They would like to know the names, ages and license number of all residents living at the same address. They would like to start this program by November 1, 1976, would like to start on the 6100 block of Pershing and work toward the east end of the area. As well, they are willing to come to any block meeting or neighborhood meeting to explain the program to all residents.

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Historic District

Sue Tepas

On October 11, 1976, the Skinker-DeBaliviere Community Council voted to extend the boundaries of the proposed Skinker-DeBaliviere-Parkview Historic District to include the "industrial triangle" area north of the boundaries previously approved, *contingent upon the agreement of the larger industries thus included* (Angelica Uniform, Dorris, Crescent Plumbing Supply, Weissman, Washing Well, etc.). These companies will be contact by Cal Stuart, SDCC's executive director, along with members of the committee, to get their reactions to the historic district idea and their suggestions on possible tightening or change of emphasis within the very loose set of industrial use and appearance standards the committee and the Council have recommended.

The rationale behind including the "triangle" (about 1/2 of the area is actually zoned industrial) rests on two main points:

1. Control and standards applied to that area can mean that the last remaining entrance to our neighborhood is reasonably attractive and free of some things we would not wish to have so close to our residential area. In effect, we will be including all the uncontrolled area which, if left to itself, could pessimistically greatly detract from an historic district close by. University City, Forest Park, and Pantheon's redevelopment area surround us with the proposed new boundaries.
2. The businesses and industries from Delmar north cannot be anything but helped if the area on all sides of each of them is gradually made more and attractive. Workers, salesmen, customers and neighbors would all be happier with a more pleasant appearance throughout the area, and all businesses would benefit from this. Also, the idea of control over some of the undeveloped land which could possibly be someday developed by dirty or noisy or troublesome industries would perhaps encourage a feeling of community among the members of the historic district, to the great benefit of everyone. The railroad tracks and Forest Park are natural boundaries, and the Pantheon

redevelopment area to the east promises improvement. To the West, University City has been engaged in code enforcement and development of some sense of community along their eastern boundaries, so tacking down the City side of the line is the last job which must be done if the entire area around our residential end of the City is to be looked at optimistically.

A Pat On A Large Neighborhood Back

A letter, dated October 7, 1976, from James H. Praprotnik, Head of Development and Design Evaluation at the St. Louis Community Development Agency, informs us that the staff of the Planning and Programming Division has completed its preliminary review of the proposed Residential / Commercial-Use / Construction Standards for the proposed Skinker-DeBaliviere-Parkview Historic District and "finds them of sufficient detail to enforce under Procedural Ordinance 56100 requirements." Unofficially, Jim said we've all done a very good job!

Comments on Current Issues

Al Nerviani's article, in the September issue of *The Paper*, all about building permits, stresses the basic philosophy of safety for City residents. That's why you must have a building permit to do anything major to your building and why your plans and actual construction must be reviewed and inspected. An actual case of architect-drawn plans for a porch rehabilitation which were rejected by a building inspector has come to our attention. The inspector suggested an alternative construction for the point he'd rejected, based on his long-time experience with older buildings and materials, and will provide several on-site inspections throughout actual construction. Thus the low fee paid for the building permit (under \$20) is actually going to pay for the benefit of a professional's thorough review of the preliminary plans (so costly adjustments won't have to be made later), his experienced suggestions of alternatives, and his time and knowledge on-the-site during construction. The fee is not a way for a city to make money, but a way for a city to be sure that its citizens are both safe and happy with their rehabilitated home.

Code enforcement is based upon the same philosophy of citizen safety and satisfaction with himself and his neighborhood. The building inspectors are not "out to get you"—not currently nor in the proposed historic district situation. Building inspectors in sympathy with their area tend to lean toward enforcing that which is enforceable and practical in that area, consistent only with the overall safety of the community.

My own personal response to Mike Stahl's letter in the October issue of *The Paper* (I cannot speak for any other member of the Committee) is that the area encompassed by our proposed historic district is significant to the City for its selection of housing. Our argument for selection as a historic district is that our neighborhood runs the gamut from small to large in housing size and enables income levels from low to very high to exist within the same neighborhood—and has done so since its inception during the first quarter of the 20th century. It was developed to do just that! Now it is an actual neighborhood integrated economically as well as racially and by age of residents. If Mike's neighbor cannot maintain his present home, in safety to himself or his neighbors, perhaps he should sell it and look elsewhere. But not as Mike suggests, in North St. Louis, or Wellston, or University City north of Olive "where he won't be hassled by city inspectors"—hopefully, anyone who lets his property run down will be hassled anywhere he does it. But if the neighbor really has felt the pressure of our inflation/recession situation, as we all have, and that is the only reason he's having trouble, why not look elsewhere for housing that's economically possible—elsewhere in our very own neighborhood! Or has "yesterday's snobbishness" lingered to today? Let's face it—the "omelette" Mike suggests we may be preparing by way of our hoped-for historic district designation—that omelette is what we are today. All kinds of eggs were broken to make it quite some time ago! But you don't just throw out the eggs if you find out that they were broken into what's turned out to be a good pan. You rearrange the eggs as part of the whole thing until they are cooked together just right. And I believe that right now our neighborhood is really cooking!

The Rehabit

Mary Jo Consiglio



Happy Thanksgiving Rehabers!

Here are the instructions for finishing off the plaster wall that meets with the brick wall you are so proud of. This project is simple but must be done carefully.

The items needed are: drop cloths for the floor, putty knife, trowel, spray bottle with water, quick drying cement, sand paper, and a piece of screen cut slightly larger than the space that is to be filled.

With sandpaper in hand, start by smoothing the edges of the plastered wall. Force the piece of screen inside space between the brick and plastered wall. The screen should be moved back far enough in order to allow 1/2" thickness for the cement. This screen will add extra support for the cement. Start mixing cement per instructions on container. (Remember, work fast and neatly.) With the spray bottle, wet the screen and the brick wall that will be immediately covered by cement. Now fill in the space with the cement by using a putty knife and smooth it with the trowel. The cement should set up quickly.

The procedure is much simpler between the floor board and brick wall. Mix the cement per instructions and pour the cement into the space. Smooth with your finger or some other small item.

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CLINIC FACES CRISIS

Christine Smith

People's Clinic was recently informed that their present source of government funding—the Manpower program—will be phased out on April Fool's Day (does the government have a sense of humor?) Sources of further government funding are very slim, so the Clinic is faced with a great funds shortage, sufficient to cripple the operation if not relieved.

For the first three years of operation, the Clinic depended on patient donations, grants and gifts for funds to operate. Only this year has there been a Membership program, with a system of modest fees. The neighborhood has responded to this program, and our recent fundraising effort to cover our malpractice insurance, very favorably. Therefore, we have decided to mount a fundraising effort WITHIN the community we serve, seeking new memberships and continued support.

We know that if every household in the community were Members, the Clinic would have funds to operate far and above its present level. The response to our earlier needs has convinced us that the community supports our efforts toward better health care. By funding most of the Clinic's operation within the community, the community will be better able to control and direct its operation.

Over and above its cost of operation, the Clinic puts approximately \$50,000 worth of skilled health care services back into the community in the work of its volunteers. The Clinic needs the community, and the community needs the Clinic. If you don't get a letter inviting you to become a member, or if you're not a member already...don't be shy: JOIN NOW. The charge is low: \$3.00 per year for an individual, \$5.00 per year for the whole family (and all family members 18 or over become voting members.) When the Clinic asks you to become a member, it means not only money for the Clinic: it means also your chance to support a needed service for yourself and your neighbors; a chance to take part in deciding who will run the Clinic, and how it shall be run; and a chance to build a health care service that responds to the needs of OUR neighborhood.

SWINE FLU UPDATE

In what has turned out to be the cliffhanger of the year, the City-wide swine flu immunization scheduled for Sunday, Oct. 17 and 24, was cancelled. A new date is pending from the Health Department, and will be announced in the media. The Clinic is still prepared to offer this service, when and if the Health Department makes final plans. Watch your newspapers for further information.

In the meantime, the Clinic will have a limited amount of the vaccine to be dispensed during regular clinic hours, Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, beginning at 6:00 P.M. This vaccine is issued in limited amounts on the physician's signature, but should be in adequate amounts to care for our usual clinic case-load. Therefore, those in the high-risk groups (over 65, or suffering from a chronic disease such as heart trouble, etc.) will have this service available in the community without waiting for the city-wide program.

CANCER CHECK DAY

For the second year, the Clinic is participating in the American Cancer Society's "Cancer Check Day" for women. This is a program that provides FREE Pap smears, breast examinations, and teach the technique of breast self examination.

This year, the dates will be Saturday, November 6 and 13, 1976, from 10:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. Put that on your calendar!

The secret to the cure of cancer is early detection and treatment. Most "lumps" in the breast (of which most are not cancer) are found by the woman herself, not by a doctor in routine examination. Every woman should have an annual Pap smear (of which the findings are usually not cancer), but the woman has to get to the doctor or clinic. So, this is a good time to repeat the Clinic's contention: it is the interaction between the doctor's knowledge and the patient's interest that brings about cures. A person is issued only one body in this life, and only that person can decide to take care of it! We are grateful that the Cancer Society can make the opportunity to have these tests free available to the women of our community: it is up to the women to make good use of the chance.

See you there!

DON'T GULP THE GOODIES or FIRST AID FOR CHOKING

Every month, the People's Clinic tries to do a little "health education" via the pages of THE PAPER. With Thanksgiving and Christmas coming up, the subject of movable feasts...and choking...comes to mind.

Small children usually choke over swallowing some small object, (remember our lessons on "out of sight, out of mind, out of mouth"); while adults more commonly choke on food, often due to improper chewing due to badly fitting dentures, etc. Often the choking victim is thought to be suffering from a heart attack or stroke. There is one way to tell: A stroking victim cannot breathe or make a sound, while a stroke or heart attack victims usually can breathe and talk.

When someone chokes, time is of the essence! The first thing NOT TO DO is pound the victim on the back, which will probably make him/her inhale sharply and draw the obstruction further down! If you can see the obstruction, you can use a napkin (or something like, it to improve the grip) and PULL the tongue out as far as possible (and we mean pull!), which will move the obstruction up further, and the first and second fingers like tweezers to pull it out. Restaurants

often are equipped with a plastic thin-gummy called a "Chokesaver", but everyone has fingers and when a person's life is at stake, don't be finicky!

If you can't see the obstruction, then you can try the "Heimlich maneuver", which is not named for the fictional detective, but for a doctor in Cincinnati. To do this, you get in back of the victim, wrap your arms around, clasp your hands into fists together, and jerk forcefully back just below the ribcage. This forces the diaphragm up, compresses air in the lungs, and expels the object. According to the good Dr. Heimlich, there is always enough residual air trapped in the lungs to make this method work.

Best of all, of course, is to chew properly and swallow slowly, or: Don't Gulp the Goodies!

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This two story residence has natural woodwork throughout and fireplaces in both living room and dining room. Second floor has four bedrooms and bath. Fenced yard. Attractive price of \$22,000.00. Susie Roach, agent 862-5893

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An exceptional two family has been modernized with excellent income. Living room, dining area, efficiency kitchen, two bathrooms and one bath in each unit. Patio and fenced yard. Priced to sell \$13,000.00 Susie Roach, agent 862-5893.

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Professionally remodeled home by Josef Mensing. Two story residence with atrium entry hall, living room with fireplace, dining area, new kitchen with dishwasher and disposal; two large bedrooms and bath on second level, cedar fenced yard, garage, two story yard deck, central air-conditioning. \$27,000. Susie Roach, agent, 862-5893.

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6234 Washington

This recently decorated home has a flexible first floor plan suitable for large or small family. New kitchen, fenced yard, front and back porches, four bedrooms and bath on a second level. \$64,000.00. Kathleen Hamilton, agent 863-6506.

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HAMILTON BRANCH 3 NEWS

by Carole Johnson

Fall has officially arrived and anyone visiting Hamilton Br. 3 would certainly see our fall manifestations. Rooms 201 and 204 had an extensive Nature Walk at the Museum of Natural Science and History October 11th. The children of Room 201 were curious to see if they could find some of the same signs of fall in their own neighborhood. They found and collected acorns, buckeyes, colored leaves and many other things to produce a bright, exciting fall bulletin board. Several children claim they even saw a Yellow-Bellied Sapsucker in the neighborhood. You'd be surprised what you have right in your own backyard.

Room 101 presented a Fall play *The Little Turtle That Could Not Stop Talking*. In learning about the play they discovered the names of several animals and what they do in the fall to prepare for winter.

The Kindergarten and the First Grades took a trip to the Rombach's Pumpkin Farm in Chesterfield, Mo., as an October activity. Most of the children and all of the teachers came back to school laden with pumpkins—some almost too big to carry. In addition to learning how pumpkins grow and seeing them still in the fields, we found out about a number of other vegetable crops grown on the Rombach Farm. Everyone had a wonderful time and the neighborhood should be sprouting a whole new crop of Jack-O' Lanterns between now and Halloween.

After the visit to the pumpkin farm, the children in Room 103 will be studying more about pumpkins. The room will use their room pumpkin for a Jack-O' Lantern. The students will experience eating the pumpkin seeds and also some pumpkin cake made from one of the pumpkins. They also will plant some of the seeds to see if they can grow a pumpkin.

Mrs. Aubertin-Smith's room celebrated Johnny Appleseed Day by watching a Walt Disney film about Johnny Appleseed while enjoying apple juice and apple slices with sugar and cinnamon. A hop was given on October 12th for Room 204 because of their great record of attendance. They are credited with 10 perfect days of attendance. Refreshments were served. Keep up the good work, Room 204!

Although the children were not given a holiday from school, Columbus Day was observed through songs and all types of Nina's, Pinta's, and Santa Maria's.

A bathtub in a classroom? This may sound far out, but what better place to make yourself comfortable and read a good book. The water has been replaced by carpet tile and pillows, of course. You may stop by Room 101 to take a look. Seeing is believing.

The all-day Kindergarten program began October 4, but as we can only have the KED teacher, Mrs. Magraw, for only afternoons, only fifteen of our children are eligible for the extra session who are on a waiting list.

On Sept. 29 we had our first PTA meeting. We were quite pleased at the lovely turnout of parents. Officers were selected on a volunteer basis. Mrs. Patton will be a Chairperson; Mrs. Brown, Recording Secretary; Mrs. Higgins, Treasurer and Financial Secretary; Mrs. Rhem, Corresponding Secretary; and Mrs. Lloyd, Parent Congress Representative. Mrs. Lloyd will also serve as the alternate.



Neighborhood School children dissecting a frog with teacher Darla Templeton. From left: Mrs. Templeton, Tobias Gilk, Tony Young, Tim Ahmad, Aaron O'Neal. This science project was one of several that began the 1976 school year.

We also had several persons who volunteered to be committee heads— Mrs. Boyts, Fund-raising; Mrs. Harris, Room Mothers; Mrs. Scott, Book Fair; Mrs. Sinclair, Mrs. Epps, Mrs. Scott, and Mrs. Lloyd, Workshops; Mrs. Carter, Mrs. Jones, and Mrs. Sinclair, Picnic.

It was decided to have the annual PTA dues set at \$2.00 per family per year. Please bring or send your dues as soon as possible so we can use our school funds to enrich learning for our children.

Many parents indicated they would like to have daytime meetings. In hopes of accommodating everyone we will have meetings night in September, day in October, night in November, and alternating each month thereafter. We hope we will see even more parents at our next meeting.

We're certain many of you saw our Annual Halloween Parade with witches, goblins, and all sorts of scary characters winding through the neighborhood. We'd like to extend a special thank you to all the parents who sent treats so that all the room parties were a great success. And a very special thank you to the parents who helped supervise the little goblins both at school and in the parade.



NEIGHBORHOOD SCHOOL NEWS

by Darla Templeton

A three-day camping adventure to Silver Mine near Fredrickstown, Missouri, for 22 six to eleven-year-old children capped a busy month of activities for teachers and children at the Neighborhood School. Darla Templeton, Cathy Dolan, and Ann Manganaro supervised the group as they pitched their tents along the banks of the St. Francois. In addition to cooking their meals over an open fire, the children caught caterpillars and butterflies to bring to the cage at school for observing their life cycle. Crawdads and tadpoles were collected for the aquarium. A hike up the bluffs to the abandoned silver mine, singing around the campfire, a night hike, and walks in the woods culminated a terrific experience.

School activities during the month prepared the children for their outing. In science Darla Templeton included in her program the dissecting of a frog, the observation and data recording of the metamorphosis of a meal worm, and building an ant farm and collecting the queen and worker ants. Cathy Dolan worked with photography and picture developing as well as making butterfly nets. Ann Manganaro directed her children in writing about the children's experiences. Ann and Cathy lead the children on a walk around the boundaries of the neighborhood to prepare the children for a neighborhood survey.

Highlight of the month for the three-to five-year-old children was a trip to Eckerts' Apple Farm. Martha McNamara and Paulette Peterson commented that the trip was so successful for the 24 young children that a trip to a pumpkin farm is planned for November.

A reminder that the Neighborhood School has three openings for children in the three-to five-year old group. If you are interested in the school for your child, please contact Darla Templeton at 726-6532 or 725-4620.



DES PERES BRANCH LIBRARY NEWS

The survey by St. Louis University of all branches of the St. Louis Public Library is just now being finished, later than expected. Perhaps by the next issue we will have some information on its impact on Des Peres Branch. Meanwhile, after the neighborhood's heroic efforts to keep circulation up during the summer, circulation has again dropped in September and October. Can you help us again to raise Des Peres above being the lowest branch in circulation, to help show that it is needed and used in the neighborhood?

During November the Library will be having a display of the artwork of children from Big Hamilton School. Drop by and see what they're doing. We plan to invite each school in the neighborhood to display its work in the library during the year, so that everyone can see what talented children we have.

Another thing we'd like to help you share is your hobby. If you have a hobby or collection and would enjoy sharing it, we invite you to put it in one of our locked display cases for a month. Please call Jean Roberts, 726-2653, to schedule a time.

October has been a busy time for the staff, with school visits to all schools except St. Roch's now completed. St. Roch's will be visited on November 9, for storytelling and signing children up for cards.

Just to remind you—the Library closes on November 11 for Veteran's Day.

And a happy Thanksgiving Day to you.

Des Peres Library Staff



WISHING YOU A VERY HAPPY THANKSGIVING SCOUT NEWS



by Betty Klinefelter
and Joan Bender

Jr. Girl Scout Troop 2886 camped at the Lion's Den in late October. They will be visiting the Hillhaven Nursing Home on the first Monday of every month as their "Gift of Giving" project throughout the year to entertain and provide companionship.

Rita Magyar, Mary A. Krueger,
Pat Schneider, Leaders.

Troop 31, Grace Methodist meets on Thursday evenings at 7:30 in Fellowship Hall. New members welcome.
Ermin Rust, Scoutmaster
351-0373

Troop 128, Hamilton School meets every Tuesday evening at 7:00 p.m. in the Boys' gym of Hamilton School.
Warren Lovely, Scoutmaster

Troop 98, St. Roch's participated in the West World Fall Encampment, Oct. 1-3. Marvin Malone's patrol, The Untouchables, placed first in the competition. On Oct. 23rd, the troop hiked the Gateway West Historical Trail. The next outing will be a campout, Nov. 20-21 at Camp Staley.

Jr. Asst. Scoutmaster, Hugh Bender, addressed an organizational meeting for civic leaders and school officials of the City of St. Louis regarding Scouting and youth development.

Asst. Scoutmaster, Bert Bender, was elected as Order of the Arrow Section Chief. The section consists of eight O. A. Lodges in Missouri, Illinois, and Iowa.

Troop 98 meets on Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m. in St. Roch's Scariot Hall.
Andy Bender, Asst. Scoutmaster
725-2933

CUB PACK 31

The October theme of "Favorite Presidents" turned out to be both fun and challenge. Have you ever had to figure out a short skit to typify Millard Fillmore? Two more new boys came into the pack, John George Morris and William Collins. Barry Lee earned his Wolf Badge.

November is "Rural America" theme—not too hard to work through since we seem to have the good fortune to have nearby farms to visit. Gene and Delores Hoefel are the sponsoring parents this month. Pack Meeting is Wednesday November 17,

SENIOR GIRL SCOUT TROOP 2886

In preparing and serving the "Pony Express" dinner at Grace Church, the girls were billed as "Klinefelter's Kountry Kitchen" at the way-station and the "Klinefelter Girls" serving. They wore jeans, work shirts and their Arizona cowboys hats so service did have a different look. And the Texas stew was tasty!

The New Games Workshop at Forest Park C.C. is a November high light. The earth ball which the G.S. Council bought is a good-times piece of equipment.

BROWNIE TROOP 533

Under the leadership of Faye McEneny, the Brownies are in full swing. A good long hike high-lighted October as well as Betty Botz's leaf waxing meeting. Some of the beautiful fall leaves are now preserved for a long time. A trip to Oak Knoll to see the century of toys collection ended a varied month. The main plan for November is Investiture for new girls and Thanksgiving cooking.

Legislation Sought to Provide Protective Services for Elderly

The National Association of Social Workers Ad Hoc Committee on Protective Services for the elderly is recommending a total package of legislation for adoption in Missouri for adult clients. It is embarking on a campaign for a broad base of support through various organizations, social agencies, the Missouri Bar Association, legislators, business men, the elderly themselves and Missouri citizens in general.

The package of Protective Services Legislation which it is urging would accomplish the following objectives:

1. Provide for a form of temporary guardianship.
2. Provide for judicially authorized protective services without a declaration of incompetence.
3. Create a responsive office of the public guardian.
4. Obligate all guardians to use the least restrictive means to care for their wards (such as home delivered care as opposed to institutional care.)
5. Provide a mechanism whereby the less than wealthy can prepare for the advent of their own incapacity.
6. Inter-relate the activities of the social service system and the courts so that authority for effective action can be obtained to protect indigent and often alone individuals who are unable to appreciate their own acute conditions.

Skate and Hockey Sessions to Begin

As part of the special programs to be conducted at the Steinberg Memorial Skating Rink this year, Learn-to Skate and Learn-to Play Hockey sessions will again be offered.

Registration for participation in these programs by City residents only will be accepted during the Month of October through November 16 and non-City residents only will be accepted October 19 through November 16.

LEARN TO SKATE

The regular admission fee schedule - children 12 and under free and adults 50c - will be in effect for the Learn-to-Skate Program, however, the actual skating lessons are free. Classes will begin on Tuesday, November 2 at 6:00 p.m. The first session of this program will terminate December 21. The second session begins January 4. The Learn-to-Skate Program teaches the basic fundamentals of ice skating and students who successfully complete the course will be awarded certificates.

LEARN TO PLAY HOCKEY

The Learn-to-Play-Hockey Program is open to boys and girls age six to nine and is designed to teach the basic hockey fundamentals, skating and rules. Classes are held on Tuesday and Wednesday from 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. The Program is free, but participants must furnish basic equipment and be covered by medical insurance. Included in the program will be intersquad games, practice games, a tournament, skills days and certificates will be awarded to those who successfully complete the course.

The tentative opening date of Steinberg Rink was Wednesday, October 27 beginning with the Family Session at 6:30 p.m. followed by the 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. session. For further information contact Mr. Thomas H. Lyles, Rink Manager, 361-5103

Forestry Dept. Offers Free Firewood

Once again, the Department of Parks, Recreation and Forestry will provide free firewood to residents of the St. Louis area. Logs will be delivered to the following locations beginning Tuesday, October 19th and may be picked up on a first come, first served basis:

Forest Park - Lower Opera Parking Lot
O'Fallon Park-adjacent to the Park Maintenance Building
Carondelet Park-east of Grand Avenue

These logs are the product of tree removals being performed on City streets and in City parks by the Department of Parks, Recreation and Forestry Throughout the City. Trucks and trailers are not permitted within City parks; therefore, it will be necessary for all persons to use private automobiles when picking up firewood.

Logs will be delivered to these locations periodically each day; however, there is no time schedule. Deliveries are made when a truck has a full load to be brought to the park.

The Department of Parks, Recreation and Forestry has provided free firewood to the public for the past three years, and the program has been well received by the area residents. It was originally initiated to help combat the energy crisis.

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The classes listed are open only to individuals.

Group programs are available by appointment. Call 361-9265.

Education Department Staff:
Linda Claire Kulla, Director
Yvonne Condon, Museum Lecturer
Betty Thomas, Museum Lecturer

SCHEDULE OF CLASSES

November

- 6 Custer's Last Stand
- 13 The Old Red Pumper
- 20 Thanksgiving Stories
- 27 Sacajawea

December

- 4 The Long Prairie Winter
- 11 Victorian Toys
- 18 Christmas at Monticello

January

- 8 Jesse James
- 15 Filling the Ice House
- 22 Spies from the Blue and Gray
- 29 Mysterious Mound Builders

February

- 5 Escape on the Underground Railroad
- 12 Chief Pontiac
- 19 George Washington
- 26 Mark Twain and the Mississippi

March

- 5 Hugh Glass and the Grizzly Bear
- 12 Dick Dowling at Sabine Pass
- 19 A Day in Old Soulard
- 26 The Indian's Secret World

April

- 2 Meet Me at the Fair
- 9 Gun Totin' Ladies
- 16 Treasure in the Covered Wagon
- 23 The Spirit of St. Louis
- 30 Street Games Festival



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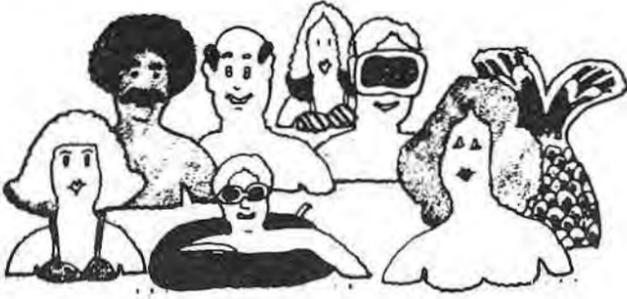
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CITY RECREATION CENTERS OPEN

The 1976-77 Division of Recreation's Fall, Winter, Spring Programs officially began on Monday, October 11, 1976 with the opening of 13 Recreation Centers, 7 swimming sites, and approximately 25 outposts.

The program will include a variety of activities for all ages: from pre-school youngsters to senior citizens. Many of the Recreation Centers will be open daily including Saturday and Sunday with programs from 9:30 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

The following Recreation Centers officially opened Monday, October 11, 1976:

Cherokee Recreation Center*
3200 South Jefferson-664-0582

Dunn-Marquette Center
4025 Minnesota-353-1250

Buder Center*
2900 Hickory-772-1760

Soulard Center
1614 S. 8th-621-1286

Desoto Center*
1301 N. 20th-421-0254

Gamble Center
2907 Gamble-531-0505

Vashon Center
3145 Market-652-6112

Visitation Center
836 Belt-367-4424

West End Center*
724 N. Union-367-4141

*Swimming sites

Tandy Center*
4206 Kennerly-652-5131

Wohl Center*
1515 N. Kingshighway-367-2292

Capri Center
19th & Colte-241-0254

12th & Park Center*
1410 S. 12th-436-2691

Swimming programs will be offered at Cherokee, Buder, 12th & Park, Desoto, Tandy, West End, and Wohl Center Pools. The programs include: Learn to Swim, Water Safety, Lifesaving and Recreational swimming sessions. Pools are also available to groups on a permit basis. Program information is available by calling the Center Director.

The competitive sports program includes an active adult and children's league program in volleyball (men, women, co-ed, children) basketball, flag football, and soccer.

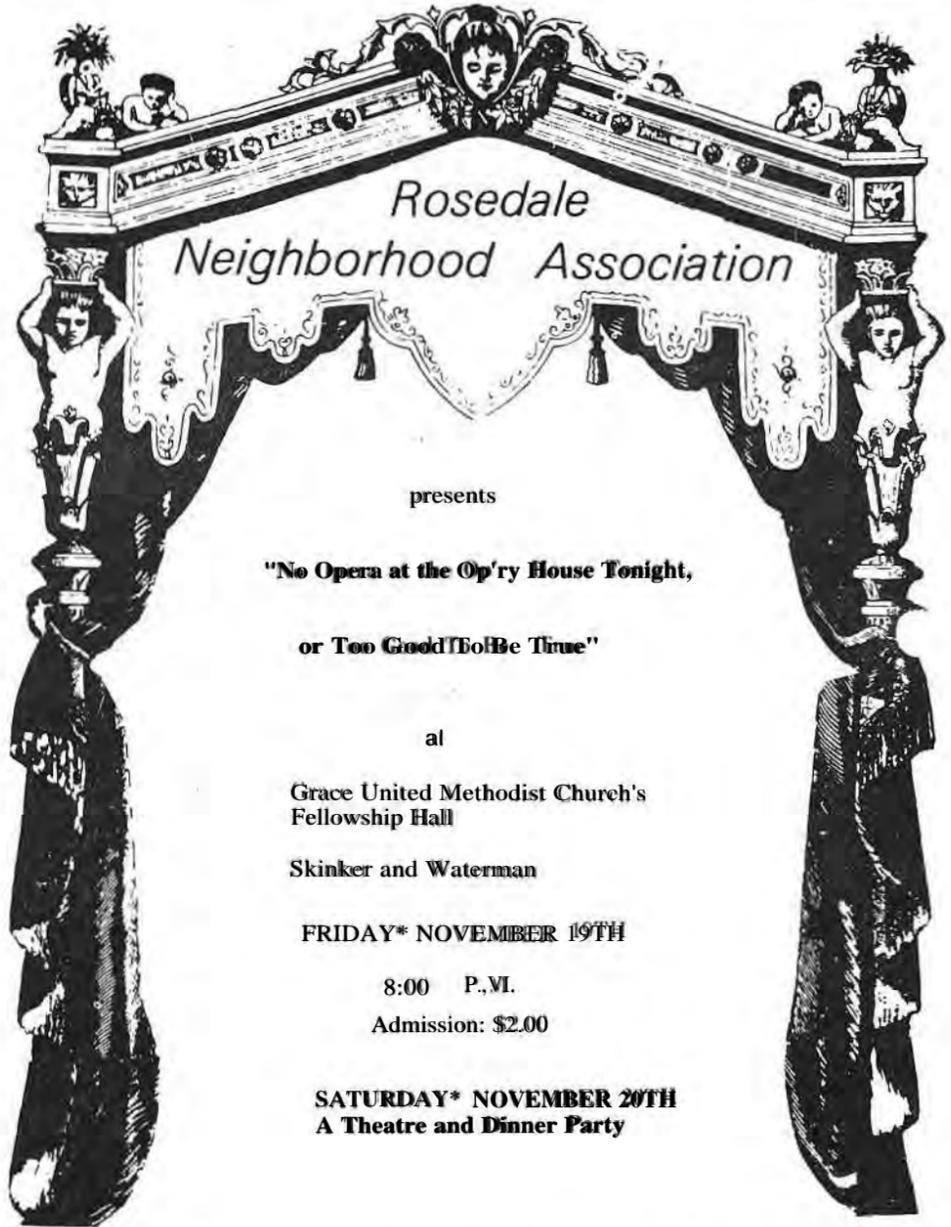
The Recreation Division's "Learn To" programs, includes instruction in basketball, boxing, volleyball, roller and ice skating, tennis, swimming, tap, ballet, and modern dance. Opportunities for tumbling, trampoline, and various exercise classes will be available.

The boxing program, which led to the development of Olympians, Michael and Leon Spinks, will be offered at eight training sites. The program is highlighted by the annual Diamond Gloves Boxing Tournament which attracted 8,000 spectators last season.

Arrangements may be made through the Department of Parks, Recreation & Forestry for the use of public parks, athletic fields and facilities.

The craft program for adults includes ceramics, needlepoint, general crafts, oil painting, sewing and water coloring. The children's classes will offer design and assembly of special craft items, woodwork, paper mache, handwork, and special projects. Displaying highlighting these projects will be shown at Kiener Park, City Hall Rotunda, and the Jewel Box.

Tiny Tot programs for youngsters 3 to 5 years of age are being offered at each Center and selected outposts. The program of activities includes crafts, games, storytelling, use of special equipment, trampoline, tumbling, singing rhythms, dancing and pre-kindergarten academics. Special activities for this group includes visits from Santa, special teeny-tiny track meets, formal graduation exercises, traditional holiday celebrations and field trips.



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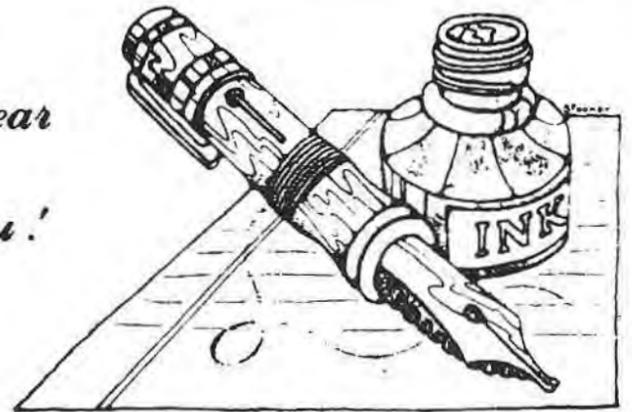
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