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# ART FAIR

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an all-volunteer, non-profit newspaper  
which has been serving the Skinker-DeBaliviere  
area since 1970.

6100 block  
of  
KINGSBURY

### EVENTS

SATURDAY, MAY 7

**10 am til sold out**

Washington Heights Neighbors Flower  
and Plant Sale, 5792 Waterman.

SUNDAY, MAY 8

**8:30-12:30**

Pastry Breakfast for "The Paper"  
Scariot Hall.

**10:00-5:00**

Neighborhood School Flea Market  
6063 and 6100 Kingsbury.

**1:00-4:45**

House Tour Tickets at Information  
Booth and Houses on the tour. See  
page 6 and 7.

**12:00-5:00**

Art Fair on 6100 Block of Kingsbury.  
Featuring, in addition to the artists:

- \* Aquarian Community Center, corn  
on the Cob, lemonade
- \* First Aid, People's Clinic  
6101 Kingsbury.
- \* Hamilton Br. 3 Plant Sale.
- \* Hot dogs, popcorn, lemonade,  
People's Clinic.
- \* Pickles and Peanuts sold by Block  
Club of 5900 Waterman.
- \* Rosedale Neighborhood Association  
Men's Lib Cake Sale.
- \* World Community Center,  
438 N. Skinker, International Foods.

## Art Fair-House Tour

The Skinker-DeBaliviere Art Fair-House Tour, the oldest neighborhood festival in St. Louis, celebrates its 10th anniversary on Mother's Day, May 8. From noon to 5 pm the 6100 block of Kingsbury will become a pedestrian mall where 150 artists will display and sell their work while competing for cash prizes. The judging for these prizes will be done by Helen Schwartz.

Tickets for the House Tour are \$1 for the entire tour featuring six homes. Tickets may be purchased at the Information Booth or any house on the tour. Free bus transportation will be provided for those taking advantage of this yearly opportunity to view the variety of designs, furnishings, and lifestyles available in our neighborhood. The busses for this are provided through the cooperation of Washington University. There will be a bus stop for those embarking from the Art Fair at the McPherson-Kingsbury alley on Rosedale just South of the entrance to the Fair itself.

For other special activities, as well as places to stop for refreshments, see other features and advertisements in this issue of The Paper.



## GUEST EDITORIAL

## Desegregation Can't Be Painless

by Ted Bynum

*Ted is the Executive Director of St. Louis Teachers' Association. This article first appeared in SLATE, the association's newspaper. As always, The Paper invites your responses and/or reactions. Send to 6037 Pershing, 63112.*

About a year ago I had a tumor removed from my chest. Although it was believed to be benign, there was always the possibility that it could have been cancerous. One thing was certain, however, it had to be removed. I believe you're beginning to see the analogy. Surgery was necessary to remove the tumor and surgery, as I'm sure most of you know, leaves problems of its own, but the tumor could not have been removed without it.

Desegregation is much the same. We cannot desegregate the St. Louis Public Schools without some discomfort, some inconvenience and some sacrifice. Segregation was not painless to the black community. It caused and continues to cause great hardship for blacks and for the nation as a whole. Have any of you ever considered how much wasted effort is expended in dealing with people because of race? How much talent has been lost? How it continues to be a stumbling block for our city in resolving community problems?

We delude ourselves if we say we want to desegregate the schools and do not want to make the personal sacrifice to achieve it. This has been the major obstacle to desegregation these days, the personal sacrifice. It was a lot easier to talk about when it was some other community, some other neighborhood, but day, it calls upon this community to make a personal commitment. Unfortu-

nately, many are saying, now, that it's not worth it. Saying, in essence, that separate should be equal: that "quality" education is the issue and not who sits next to whom.

Quality education is the issue, but quality depends very much on the access to equal educational opportunity and it has been determined that segregated schools do not and have not provided that access. Because of the unwillingness to make some sacrifice, there is a renewed movement, albeit the last 200 years of history, to make separate equal.

The St. Louis Public School doesn't offer the children of St. Louis the type of education it should, now. Desegregation will not be the cause of a poor education. We should not confuse the issue.

The cry is made that, "Oh, if we could only desegregate without busing!" Well, we can, but that would require integrating (oops, bad word!) desegregating the neighborhoods, eliminating the effects of job discrimination and educational inequities that have existed for years and not many people are working for these things or willing to make these "sacrifices," either.

## Schools Can't Do It Alone

While the school district has not taken an affirmative stance, until recently, in desegregating the schools, it cannot do it alone. For segregation, after all, is a community problem. The citizens of St. Louis must work to have a desegregated community.

It will not evolve from citizen inaction, at least, not in the way that will be best for the community.

The scar from my surgery has long since healed. It's still there, but eventually it will get smaller and not be noticeable. But the important thing is, the unwanted growth is no longer there.



Dear Editor,

It has recently come to the attention of a number of residents of the Skinker-DeBaliviere area that plans for a four-stall, do-it-yourself Car Wash are well underway for the corner of Skinker and Kingsbury.

We PROTEST, and hope everyone will actively join with us!

A car wash, open 24 hours a day — with a large neon sign flashing SOAPERY is aesthetically offensive, a potential public nuisance and a hazard to our young children.

The traffic flow on Skinker from Delmar to Milbrook is already at saturation point. We do not need the added horror of more cars pulling on and off Skinker Blvd. The reasonably effective control of speed on our streets, by use of the one-way horseshoe pattern, will be nullified by cars zipping down the McPherson-Kingsbury alley and around Kingsbury back to Skinker, or up the McPherson alleyway to Rosedale — to Des Peres.

This enterprise will undoubtedly draw many people we could well do without. If you doubt this, drive by the three car wash businesses now operating within three blocks of Skinker and Kingsbury.

The loud music, the beer drinking, and the undershirts of many who use these facilities are not in keeping with the type of area we are trying to preserve.

Our sympathies are with those who live nearest to this proposed blight and will suffer most from the noise, the loiterers and the loss of property values. They will feel the impact first, but eventually it spills over to the entire area.

Skinker Blvd., while never a complete thing of beauty from Delmar to the park, is in danger of becoming a tremendous eye-sore. We already have two fast-service filling stations, Church's Fried Chicken is trying to establish itself on Skinker and Delmar and the corner where our drugstore used to be (Skinker and McPherson) looks sadly neglected.

We have worked too long and too hard to maintain the residential character of our neighborhood to let another undesirable business venture move in without doing everything possible to stop it.

Suitable business establishments — YES — We need them.

Car washes and fast food—NO!!!

Bette Botz, Joe Botz, Dan Lodes, Bobbie Lodes, Mary Gioia, Mario Gioia, Joan T. Bender, James R. Dyer, Virginia Cunningham, Lynne Tilton, Virginia LeGuey-Feilleux, Mary E. Nerviani, Pat & Bill Kohn, Helen Hitchcock, Rebecca McEneny, John McEneny, Ronald Tilton, George & Marie Doggendorf, Bob & Betty Newsham, Jim & Anne McCarthy, Dick & Donna Lottes, Mary Ann Lindley, Mrs. J. H. Lindley, Debbie Bracey.

Dear Editor:

What does it mean to be a member of a neighborhood association? This is the time of the year for general meetings and election of officers. Yet, very few of our neighbors are aware of this.

I found out this week that Rosedale had their election about two weeks ago. Since the beginning of the year, I had been telling people that I wanted to run for the RAC position for Rosedale. I missed my chance because I did not know the date for the election and Rosedale does not have regular meetings where I could have found out about the date. I have talked to individuals living on the 6000 block of the six streets of the area and people on each street were not aware of any election.

Washington Heights is having their election this week and I am sure that many individuals on each street are not aware of an election taking place. What is the point of having a neighborhood association if we do not give the people an opportunity to participate if they want to? I would be willing to help the communication process if the officers of Rosedale would want me to.

Gordon Carlson

*EDITOR'S NOTE: After receiving Mr. Carlson's letter, The Paper contacted the past president of RNA who assured us that each block in the neighborhood had received flyers announcing the meeting. There is, perhaps, some difficulty in distribution on Mr. Carlson's block, but several residents of 6000 blocks were present at the meeting which indicates that this was not a problem on every street.*

*At a recent RNA Executive Committee meeting our communication system was discussed and the officers of Rosedale accepted gladly Mr. Carlson's offer of assistance.*

Dear Editor:

The April issue of the PAPER carried a reply to my previous criticism of the Historic District Ordinance. I appreciate the objective unemotional tone of the letter and hope it will be part of a continuing dialogue, which — hopefully — will result in a better piece of legislation — or perhaps no legislation at all.

I appreciate the hard work that has gone into the Historic District Proposal and agree that the method they have chosen — rehabilitation — for implementing historic district idea is by far the best of the various alternatives they have considered, but I still feel that as presently written, the Historic District Ordinance is a remedy whose side effects are far worse than any of its curative powers. No doubt I should have made my objections known earlier, but then the time to bitch is forever, and I'm glad the PAPER providing me with this opportunity to do my griping in public.

The Historic District Committee's letter states (accurately) that I am opposed to the ordinance because I think it will aid in the creation of an upper income ghetto. They seem to feel that maybe the reverse is true, and in their argument they have come up with a neat prescription against redlining. Poor people, they tell us, have a hard time becoming homeowners because the banks won't lend them any money. Now if we can upgrade the property in a neighborhood, the banks will be impressed by its credit-worthiness and money will start flowing to everyone including poor people. If that formula would work, Creve Coeur and Ladue would be the ideal places for poor people to buy into. The reason it won't work is that a bank is a place where you can borrow money if

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# CALENDAR

## MAY

- 2 No School Neighborhood School
- 7 Sidewalk Clothing Sale, Des Peres & Kingsbury, 10am-2pm
- 9 No School Grace Pre-School
- 12 Track Meet Mercy High, 9am-1pm  
Grades 4-8 St. Roch's
- 14 Rummage Sale at St. Roch's Scariot Hall, 8am-1pm
- 14 Junktique—Grace Methodist, Fellowship Hall, enter North Skinker Door—Admission 25c, 9am-3pm
- 16-20 Neighborhood School Camping Trip.
- 21 "The Leftovers" Rummage Sale, Grace Methodist Church, 8am-2pm
- 22 Rosedale Neighborhood Association, Membership Blitz
- 22 Concert by David Porkola at Grace Church, 4pm
- 23 Redevelopment Progress Report tentatively scheduled for Scariot Hall 7:30 pm (see article)
- 25 St. Roch's School Picnic
- 30 No School St. Louis Public Schools  
No School Grace Pre-School
- 31 Graduation at St. Roch's

## JUNE

- 4 RNA Annual Dinner Meeting

It may be possible to have some minor exterior work done on your porch, fence, etc., through the Skinker-DeBaliviere Summer Youth Program. For more information call: Cal Stuart: 862-5122  
Selma Wesley: 863-1992

Women of St. Roch will sponsor a spring luncheon furnished by Schnuck's Supermarkets on Monday, May 23, at 11:45 am in Scariot Hall, St. Roch's Church, Waterman and Rosedale. Games and prizes will be furnished. Tickets \$1.50. Call Nancy Hinkebein, 727-2205.

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you can prove you don't need it, and any time the banks start investing heavily in Skinker-DeBaliviere you may be sure that the last poor person has left the neighborhood. Only HUD (through Section 235) has been willing to take the necessary chances to promote people from lower income groups to the status of homeowners.

The Historic District Committee has also come to grips with my charge that the provisions of the ordinance can easily be abused by various vigilantes in the neighborhood. I wish I could feel assured by the committee's assertion that the members of the Landmarks and Urban Design Commission are all honorable men who would never be a party to such a scheme. The insidious thing about building code abuse is that it is not necessary to break the law in order to use the code for purposes that have nothing to do with its intent; all one has to do is to enforce it. In the case of the dilapidated porches it's all perfectly legal: Anyone who can't afford to fix his porch is obviously poor. So by enforcing the porch provision of the Historic District Ordinance it is possible to eliminate the problems of having a poor person living next-door. One of these problems frequently is crime. So by applying the law in the right place the neighborhood can rid itself of a crime center.

But there is also a more subtle way in which the Historic District Ordinance is discriminatory, and it has to do with the impact which rehabbers have had on the older, less affluent, mostly black residents whom they are displacing. Anyone who

attended last night's meeting with FNMA representatives must be painfully aware of the resentment which these older residents feel and of the additional problems caused by the fact that communication between the two groups is practically nonexistent.

The mechanics by which this strained relationship will manifest itself if the Historic District Ordinance becomes law are something like this: A rehabber is nailed with a porch citation. He is badly strapped for cash. So he calls SDCC to explain that he's just put on a new roof and can't possibly afford to rebuild his porch at this time. It is unlikely that his plea will be ignored, and he's bound to get an extension of time. Would a resident with a 235 loan avail himself of the same opportunity? I doubt it. Rightly or wrongly he perceives the rehabbers' establishment as the Enemy, and people do have their pride you know.

We are all agreed, it seems, that we want this neighborhood to be as open as possible to people of all backgrounds — social, racial or economic. The Historic District Committee's letter made a strong statement to that effect and I'm sure it is sincere. That is why I'm completely baffled by their failure to see the way in which their proposal works against this commonly shared goal. Maybe in drafting the ordinance they have been so busy researching the architectural significance of this neighborhood that they haven't had time to think about the social implication of their proposal, but perhaps my harping on the subject has had some effect. If it has, if they begin to see the way the Historic District Ordinance works to disadvantage the disadvantaged,

## West End Residents Work to Revitalize Financial Outlook

by Kathleen O'C. Hamilton

The financial, lending climate has been vastly improved recently in the west end, particularly the Skinker-DeBaliviere area with the entrance of the Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae) into this community where it is launching a pilot project to stimulate inner-city lending, especially for rehabilitation of existing housing. The FNMA task force chose two neighborhoods, Shaw and Skinker-DeBaliviere to concentrate on. These areas are characterized by architecturally important brick housing, dating from the turn of the century. There is also a noticeable movement of people back into these areas.

The revitalization of an urban area was given national impetus when Senator William Proxmire (D. Wisc.), introduced a bill this past January, to encourage financial institutions to more effectively meet the credit needs of the localities they are chartered to serve, consistent with sound lending practices. This bill, The Community Reinvestment Act (S.406), does not inject any new element for a lending institution to follow, but makes more explicit that the community need criteria already contained in existing law and regulation, also includes credit needs. This is what has frustrated a new or existing urban homeowner when he applies for mortgage or home improvement credit loans. Credit needs have been denied in the past. This bill also encourages testimony from community organizations at deposit facility application hearings. A lending institution can play a substantial role and prosper while helping to rebuild and revitalize communities that have been threatened by decline.

Four of the incorporators of the proposed Central West End Savings and Loan Assoc., David Allen, Kathleen Hamilton, Tom Scatizzi, Gary Werths, went to Washington last month to support the Community Reinvestment Act.

Tom Scatizzi and Kathleen Hamilton were invited to testify on behalf of this bill before the Senate Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

Tom Scatizzi, a central west end resident, testified that the type of institution envisioned in the proposed Central West End Savings and Loan Association, exactly matches the provisions a lending institution is encouraged to follow as outlined in the Community Reinvestment Act. It is to be community-oriented and supported, and controlled by area residents and businessmen who have commitments to the neighborhood and understand its needs.

Such an institution would be operated in an urban neighborhood, draw its resources from the neighborhood, and reinvest them back into the neighborhood.

Kathleen Hamilton, a resident of the Parkview-Skinker-DeBaliviere area, testified as to the critical importance of community support for a community oriented financial institution, stressing that community groups are a major cornerstone of the life of an urban neighborhood. Such groups are an invaluable resource for a lending institution with particular community commitments such as are outlined in the Community Reinvestment Act. Ms. Hamilton illustrated this statement by a brief recounting of the revitalization of the specific Skinker-DeBaliviere neighborhood, whose rebirth is largely due to the dedicated involvement and spirit engendered by the formulation of community groups to buttress and promote the area.

The Washington testimony of the St. Louis west end residents also stressed that city savers should deposit in institutions sensitive to their needs. The Community Reinvestment Act specifically stresses this point. Such positive reinforcing of an urban area's financial needs as has been demonstrated by FHMA, and the introduction of a bill such as the Community Reinvestment Act, are major contributions to the continued growth of healthy urban neighborhoods.

The Des Peres Library is attempting to have a showing of the complete film "Roots," by Alex Haley, if at least 10 adults (over 18) will agree to attend for six evenings. Persons under 18 will be admitted only if accompanied by a parent.

Dates for the film are: 7-9:30 on May 4, 9, 11, 16, 18 and 23. If you wish to register, call Mrs. Roberts or Mrs. Walker, 726-2653.

Check on during the day of May 4, to be sure that the series will be offered.

then it's not too late to modify the draft. Now that we have begun talking to each other, let's direct our common efforts to changes in the ordinance which would eliminate its discriminatory effect.

Mike Stahl

Alderman Schoemehl has requested a hearing before the Board of Adjustment regarding the permits issued to Church's Fried Chickens for their operation at Skinker and Delmar. The hearing will open to the public on May 11 at 1:00 pm in Room 208 at City Hall. All residents are encouraged to attend.

Enrollment for next fall is now being accepted at Grace Pre-school. If you have a three or four year old, please drop by for a short visit some morning between 9 and 12. Call Betty Klinefelter at the school 863-1992 for a time. We do make lots of trips in this spring weather. The school is located in the building east of the church (but connected) 6177 Waterman.



## The Paper SALUTES

### Good Neighbors

Jim Nicholas

Jerry Joyce

6015 Pershing

for clearing and planting the lot at Pershing and DesPeres (equipment and supplies furnished by West End Townhouse.)

Thanks from the whole neighborhood! It's this kind of volunteerism that makes Skinker-DeBaliviere a special place in which to live.

# Vicissitudes

by Jo Ann Vatcha

Happy Art Fair day to one and all from THE PAPER. Here are a few vicissitudes to help you keep in mind that the Art Fair is not all that's happening around here.

Our nomination for the best unintentional social event of the Season is the christening of a bus. No, Brad Weir didn't flip out waiting for the Bi-State. We're talking about the most recent craziness of Sam Green, of the 6100 block of Westminster, who has just taken a bus off the Springfield-Mountain Home line and converted it into a mobile showroom/camper. This baby has a bit more class than your basic van (for example, herringbone patterned wallpaper, hung by the Pro). This was no metaphorical christening either—Lu Green wields a mean champagne bottle. Some people get their kicks stripping woodwork and knocking plaster off brick, but this job certainly takes "rehabbing" a step beyond.

Our neighbors Ron and Phyllis Stutzman of the 6100 block of Westminster are leaving us in June to return to South America for a few months. Ron has received a two-year National Science Foundation grant to study and write about the history and culture of a unique group of people among the Andes in Equador. The study sounds fascinating and we hope to hear from the Stutzmans about their experience in Equador. They will return in December for the spring semester and again return to South America for another stay. Sounds like a hectic and irresistible two years!

We offer our sympathy to the family of long-time Skinker-DeBaliviere resident, Al Nerviani, whose mother, Mrs. Vittoria Nerviani, passed away in April after several years of illness.

Last minute happy news! Gary and Peg De Young, of the 6200 block of Washington, are delighted to announce the birth of a second son, named Gerrit Davison De Young. He was born on April 19, and weighed 7 lbs. 14 oz. Congratulations!



In other happy news, we learned rather late that Bob and Judy Little of the 6300 block of Waterman are anticipating the arrival of a baby come June. We congratulate them and their daughter Andrea on the exciting coming event.



Artist's rendering of the christening of the Greens' bus.

Two Washington Heights neighbors have been ill recently. Riley Rogers of the 5900 block of Waterman has been in the hospital and is now recuperating from surgery. We wish him a speedy recovery. And Blanche Reel of the 5700 block of Waterman has been ill at home during April with a case of shingles, one of the all-time horribly uncomfortable ailments. We hope both are well and can join us for the Art Fair.

As we are welcoming visitors to our neighborhood for our annual Art Fair-House Tour, it seems to me worth considering for a moment just what we are and what we want to be. This column is filled each month with news about you; why not one month by you? Think, write briefly, and the next issue will carry your opinions. Send your statement before May 15 to Jo Ann Vatcha, 6117 Westminster, or I will happily accept them at the Information Booth at the Art Fair. We eagerly await your response!

And please help THE PAPER stay afloat by attending our "Continental Breakfast" on Art Fair morning. There will be another Paper benefit in June which we're sure you'll be intrigued by—look for the article elsewhere in this issue about the genuine Prom we're going to sponsor. Ain't we getting classy?

# SCOUT NEWS

SENIOR TROOP 2886 cooks along with as many Scouting activities as each girl chooses. Anne & Mary Claseman went to Senior Week-end at Cedarledge and had a great time. Through registration has been completed, There is plenty of room in the troop for girls going into grades 10, 11 & 12 with 9th grades having the option of going either to Cadette or Senior

JR. GIRL SCOUT TROOP 2342, ST. ROCH'S will splurge the profits of the cookie sale on a day at Six Flags. The girls will make a spring visit to the elderly and present them with flowers they have made.

Rita Magyar  
Mary Alice Krueger  
Pat Schneider  
LEADERS.

TROOP 98, ST. ROCH'S attended the West District Camporee, April 22-24. A father-son canoe trip is being planned for June and the scouts are looking forward to a week of summer camp on July 12 to 23 at Camp Gamble. Troop 98 meets every Wednesday at 7:30 in Scariot Hall. For more information call...725-2933.  
Rick Bender, Scoutmaster.



(pictured l. to r.) Mary Magyar, Kitty Newsham, Rita Magyar, Beth Bender, Catherine Thomas holding lap quilts which they made and presented to residents of an old age home.

CUB PACK 31 had a beautiful windy-enough day for their Kite Flying Pack meeting on Art Hill. The kites they made fly very well for some and others brought purchased kites to fly. It was a fun day.

The May Pack meeting was more business it being "Roll call and Inspection" in preparation for re-registration. Mary Alice Krueger is a new Den Mother in the Pack. She has completed the basic Den Mother training and started meeting with the boys in April. Just in time, for the kids, as she has visited Hawaii (the April issue theme) and wore a mumu to her first meeting and showed slides with Hawaiian music in the background.

May Pack Meeting, Wednesday May 25, will be "Genius Night."

BROWNIE TROOP 533 spent most of April getting ready for the Methodist Men's Scout Family Night Dinner, ready for their part in the program, that is. And now, every girl a Shirley Temple!

Registration has been completed. Dolores Hoefel is coming into leadership in the Troop with Madelyn Jones.

CADETTE TROOP—we hope 1925 for a number — was organized April 12 with Pat Schneider as leader. Pat has been working with the Junior troop and seeing the need in the area for a Cadette troop—girls in Grades 7, 8, and 9 — has assumed that responsibility. Grace Church will sponsor the new troop.

Auxiliary Bishop John N. Wurm presented the Marian Award, a silver medal, to 216 Catholic Girl Scouts, Campfire Girls and Daughters of St. Peter Claver during ceremonies at the Cathedral on March 27th.

Local Girl Scout recipients were Beth Bender, Mary Magyar, Kitty Newsham and Catherine Thomas, who successfully completed a year long program of study, prayer and community service. Mrs. Rita Magyar, G. S. Leader of Troop 2342, provided direction and encouragement for this award.



What is one aspect of life in this neighborhood you feel is especially good/bad? or if you prefer—  
What do you want this neighborhood to be ten years from now?

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"GIVE AN OLD HOUSE A HOME"



One apartment and five house will be featured on the 1977 Skinker-DeBaliviere House Tour. A great variety of life styles will be seen in these homes, as well as beautiful woodwork, glasswork, and fireplaces.



### ← 6116 Kingsbury

Owners: Lynn and Ron Tilton

Dr. and Mrs. Tilton's home is the only three-story home on the tour. Built in 1909 by George Bergfield, who eventually developed most of Kingsbury, the house is rich in architectural details. The Tiltons, doing all the work themselves, renovated this home with the intent of returning it to its original state.

Features of this home are the original fireplace mantles, stripped woodwork throughout the entire house, oversized entry hall with large staircase, and original light fixtures. There has been effective use of wallpaper in the dining room and kitchen, and the entire house is spacious and beautiful.

The second floor is used for Dr. Tilton's office space and a sitting area that features another charming fireplace. The third floor consists of a large walk-in closet, Mrs. Tilton's private room, and the master bedroom, which also serves as a sitting room. The unique windows in the master bedroom, a combination of leaded glass and art glass, are original.

# House Sketches may be

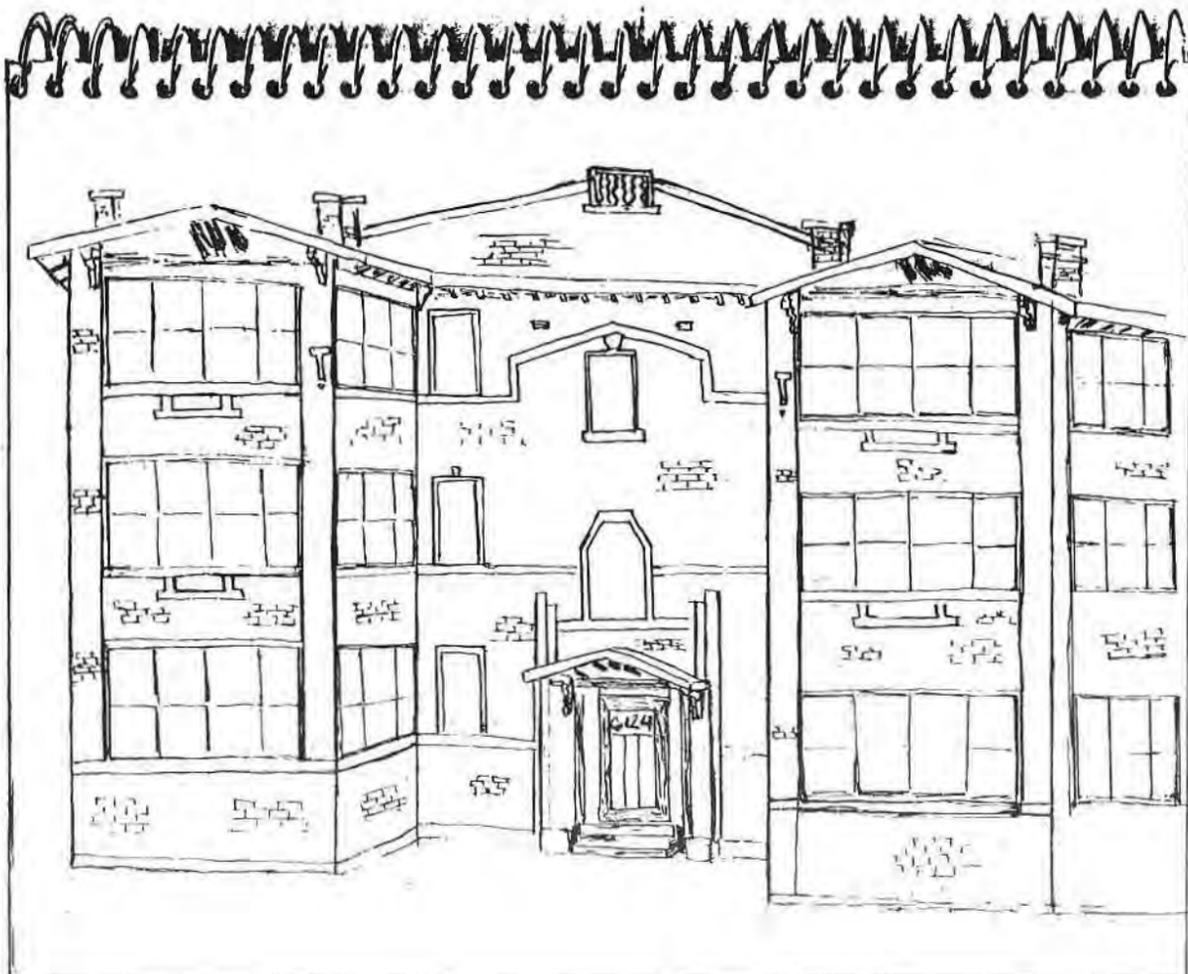
### 6109 McPherson →

Owners: Ken and Nancy Cohen

Mr. and Mrs. Cohen's home, built in 1909, is one of the five houses to be shown on tour this year. The Cohens have done almost all the renovation themselves.

The first floor features a modern kitchen with a natural brick wall and a tile counter-top, as well as a dining room with a large fireplace. Evident throughout the house is the bold use of color and eye-catching and attractive wallpaper designs. Mr. and Mrs. Cohen's hobby is also quite noticeable: massive antiques are displayed throughout, adding much to the personality of the decor.

The second floor features a large sitting room with a charming fireplace. Adjoining the sitting room are the master bedroom and a large close-in porch. Two other bedrooms and a full bath are also on the second floor.



### 6124 Pershing 3E

Tenant: Leana Boysko

This apartment building was built in 1912 by many fine apartment buildings. Miss Boysko has made her hobby her lifestyle, and it is obvious.

What was originally a dining room with a large table and chairs, is now a living room with many plants and lights. The living room features a large fireplace and a sitting area. Moreover, a closed-in porch off the back provides some seating.

It is interesting to note that only a few years ago, after an electrical fire, which left Miss Boysko with nothing, including her plants, when she decided to renovate.

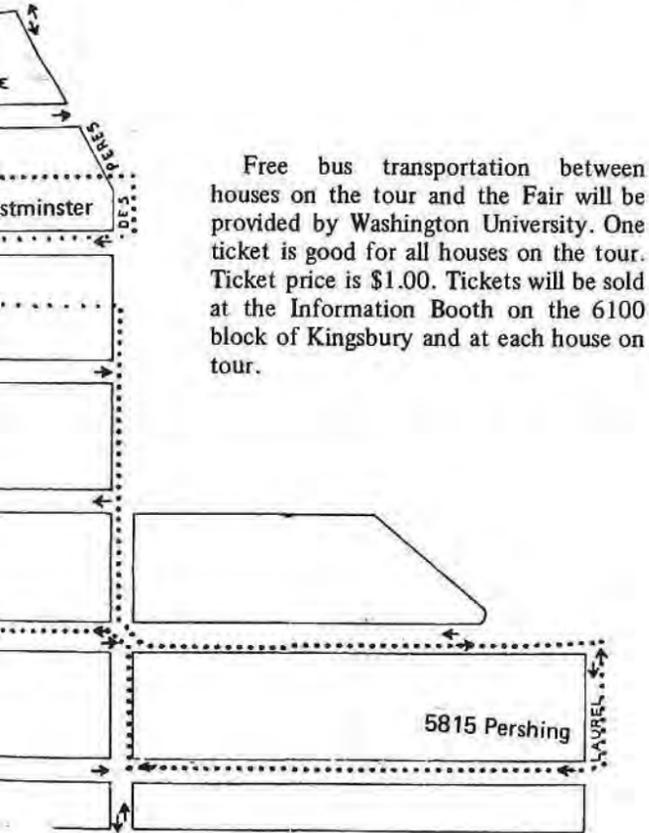
Members of the 1977 House Tour Committee:

- Mary Jo Consiglio
- Roberta Nehring
- Janey Cablish
- Cherie McKee
- Karleen Hoerr

Sketches by Chris Lange and Beth Hebert.

Special thanks to Sue Tepas.

# House Tour Sketches May 8, 1977

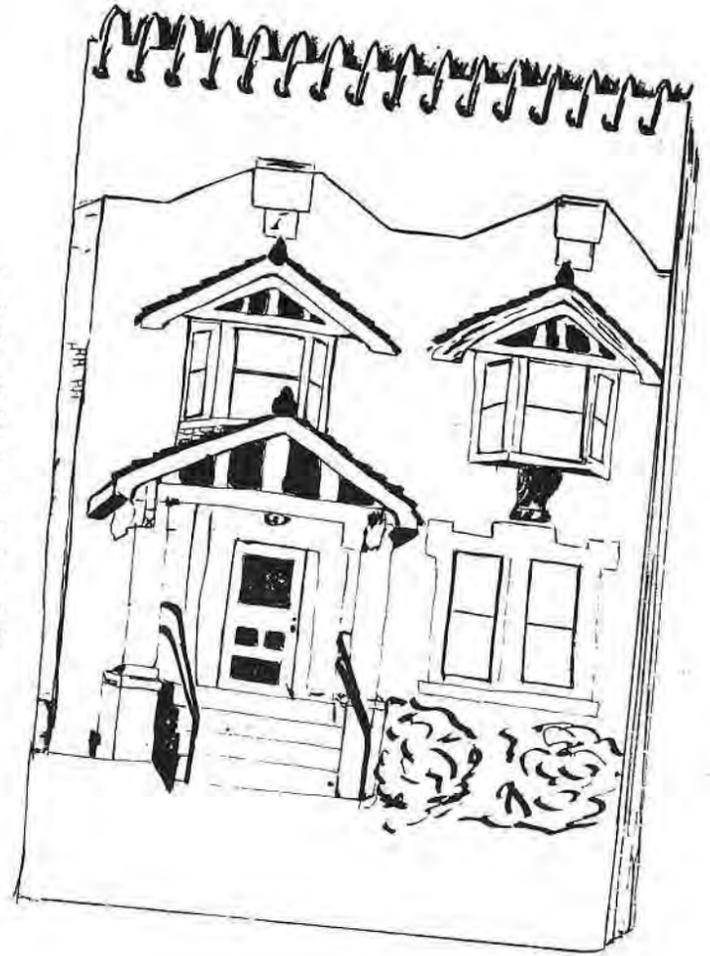


Free bus transportation between houses on the tour and the Fair will be provided by Washington University. One ticket is good for all houses on the tour. Ticket price is \$1.00. Tickets will be sold at the Information Booth on the 6100 block of Kingsbury and at each house on tour.

## 6147 Westminister

Owners: Steve and Joni Schiller

The attractive interior of this home was completely renovated by the Schillers. It reflects their personal tastes and lifestyle. Built in 1908, this house has had many different owners and was in need of much renovation when purchased by the Schillers. Features of this home include the modern kitchen unusual hardwood floors in the entryway, fireplaces, art deco on the dining room ceiling, and the antique front door with leaded glass windows, personally designed for the Schillers. There is charming use throughout the house of painted walls, wallpaper, and painted woodwork.



## 6047 Westminister

Owners: Susan and Richard Sindel

This two-story home, built in 1909, was originally a two-family flat. Mr. and Mrs. Sindel have purchased the home and are looking forward to being residents of our area.

Jim Mitchell knocked out the first floor entry walls in order to give the first floor open feeling. The closed-in staircase was replaced by a winding staircase with a large woodframe window that reaches to the second floor. An antique mantle was purchased and placed in the living room area. Another feature of the spacious kitchen which was achieved by knocking out a wall and combining another room. A working bar sits in the middle of the kitchen, which divides the eating area from the work area. The second floor includes bedrooms, a sitting room, and a large bathroom with a dressing area.

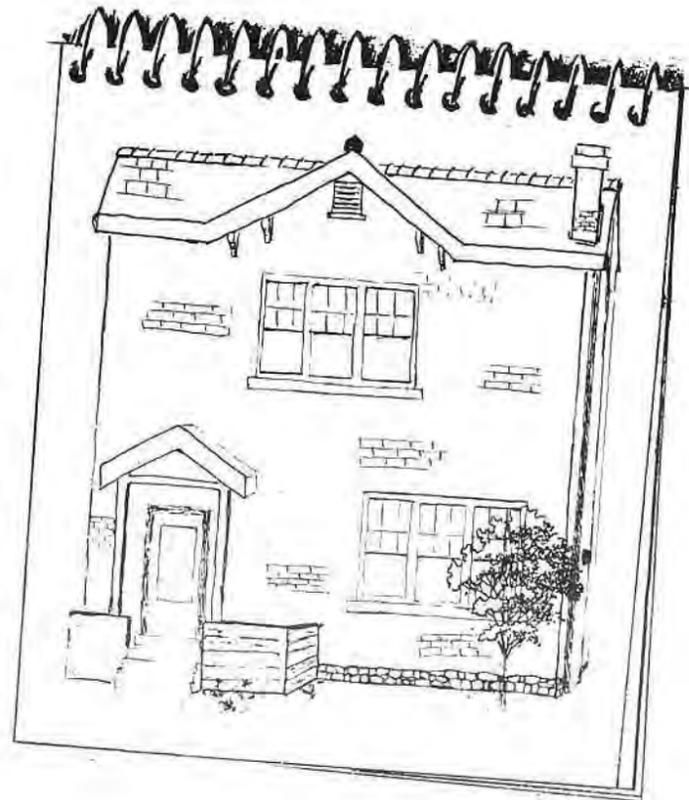


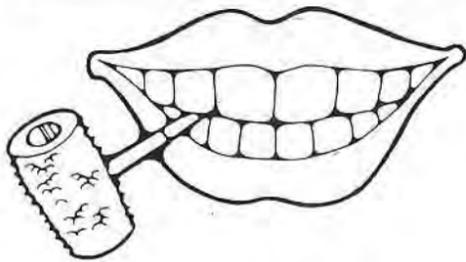
## 5815 Pershing

Owner: Dorothy Roper

Miss Roper's two-story home was built in 1928, one of the latest residences known to have been built in our area. When renovated by Joe Mensing, the house was in great need of repairs. Now, the architecture on the inside and the size of the home are perfect for a young single. The home features an open and modern design in keeping with this life style.

The first floor features a natural brick wall and fireplace in the living room and a modern kitchen and dinette. The second floor has a full bathroom and two bedrooms that are open to the stairway, in which Miss Roper displays her plants.





### Silent Auction Success

by Mimi Newsham

Everybody at the clinic would like to give a big thanks to all who participated in the April Fool's Day Auction and Film Festival Benefit. Thanks especially to those neighborhood residents and merchants who donated those terrific prizes. There were some real quality acquisitions and a few very unusual ones. And what variety - paintings, dinners for 4, electric drill, tubs of Naugahyde, piano tuning, 4 foot high plant, refinished antique rocker, babysitting, room painting, 400 cardoor drink holders, and many more. Amidst the beer, hot pretzels, popcorn and movies the bidding became quite heated at times. In fact, it was heated enough to bring us \$800! Thanks again. If you missed the fun this time, don't be such an April Fool next year.

### Primary Health Care

by Mimi Newsham

Primary care is the label of the type of health care that everyone, in big cities at least, is trying to get back to. It isn't that specialists aren't needed in the sophisticated field of medicine, but that we need people at the other end of the spectrum too. Those people are the ones you go to first with your aches and pains. They can handle most of your situations directly. Their other main function is to help you utilize the rest of the sophisticated system when you need it. They do that by determining which kind of specialist you need and who and how to contact them. He also follows up after that specific problem is under control. An example is the pediatrician to whom you would go for check ups and shots, or for any suspected sickness. This is the kind of care you can get at the People's Clinic. We have information and advice, shots, connections, doctors, and some nurse-practitioners and physician's assistants. All are available to you without an appointment.

The nurse-practitioner (NP) and physician's assistant (PA) are auxiliary health care personnel who greatly increase the availability of primary care. They have special training in diagnostic measures. In the case of the NP, this is in addition to nursing skills and experience. They work with a doctor. They interview and screen patients, and present to the doctor anyone who needs further diagnosis and/or medical treatment. Another of their roles is to follow the cases of people who have been treated by a doctor for some condition and are currently keeping it under control with medication. An example is someone with high blood pressure. At check ups the NP or PA can answer questions and note any change in the patients condition that should be reported to the doctor. Though we aren't yet set up for it, NP's can see all the patients if there is a doctor on call. In these situations the doctor leaves very specific instructions which allow the NP to treat routine cases. If there is any unusual case the doctor would come in to see the patient. Making the health care system available to everyone in various locations and schedules is a big challenge. Auxiliary health personnel in neighborhood clinics is part of the solution.

### Leadership in Team Policing



Left to right: Lt. Hamilton, Lt. Gooden, Capt. Carraway, Maj. Brown.



Lt. Shea

by Sgt Ted Stewart

The quality of a man's work will be affected as much by his attitude as by his skill. Most good managers understand this. They realize that a person's job performance will be directly related to how he feels about it, about himself, and about his employer.

Because a worker's attitude is so important, the modern leader must be able to give advice and counsel when it is needed. Improving people's attitudes through counsel, in turn, requires certain attitudes on the part of the leader: He must believe in man's capability for growth and change. Improvement can only come with change, and if he doesn't believe that most people want to change for their improvement. He must have respect for the individual. He must respect human dignity. The good leader will try to provide, within the context of his

organization's objectives and within the limits imposed by the job, circumstances whereby subordinates can achieve freedom, self-fulfillment and self-direction. He must be open and honest with people. Excessive flattery or excessive criticism will, sooner or later, be taken by the subordinate for exactly what they are: phony gestures. People work best for a leader they know they can have trust and confidence in. He must understand others. People have defenses, ranging from excessively dependent to openly hostile. A good leader will see through these and understand them. Effective communication can only take place when a leader penetrates them to the real person underneath. He must understand himself. He must be aware that his own feelings can distort his perception. The degree to which he understands himself will determine whether or not his own feelings and conflicts lead him to press inaccurate or irrelevant advice upon his subordinates, when he should be engaged in developing insight.

For outstanding leadership, Team Policing and the community salutes: Major William H. Brown, Commander of Area three. Captain Gay Carraway, Commander of Seventh District. Lt. James Shea, Leader of Team One. Lt. Lawrence Hamilton, Leader of Team Two. Lt. Will Gooden, Leader of Team Three. Lt. Edward Longinette, Leader of Team Four.

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## Motoring with the Kids



Anne Judy

Last year we reached our summer vacation spot by motoring fifteen straight hours with four children aged 6½, 5, 2½, and 9 months — not my favorite way to travel! So, in the hopes that another family might benefit from our experience, I offer a few ideas that helped to ease the tensions and boredom for us.

As person in charge of entertainment I operated from a plastic laundry basket. Into this I stashed zip-lock bags to hold my tricks and prevent a lot of rummaging. I tried to ration the new gimmicks according to the current level of ennui. The basket also contained a tape recorder and tapes of some of the children's favorite records, (Scott Joplin was soothing; taped stories had no appeal).

Among those laundry basket gimmicks which worked were:

A set of kazoos, silly putty — we invented a game with this: players took turns pressing the putty onto something and letting the others guess the source of the impression.

Baby toys — the trick here was to find an assortment of things she'd never seen. She enjoyed a collection of kitchen gadgets from Target and she also liked a cloth which I had decorated with buttons, bells, keys, large rubber bands, rings, all securely attached.

Individual sacks with a tablet of paper, crayons and a sticker book for the older children.

A few new books and some from the library. U. City library has a good one on games to play in the car — Mom and Dad have to provide the enthusiasm to keep car games going.

Paper sacks for each child for clean-up.

Gummed strips for making paper chains.

Some safety suckers, crackers, and small chocolates for moments of crisis.

A few inexpensive novelties.

Wipe N Dipes, paper towels, not to mention Pampers and a change of clothes for the baby.

I'd recommend individual size cans of juice rather than a cooler or thermos for drinks en route. It's tedious handing out filled cups upon demand.

We left St. Louis at 3 a.m. The children had gone to bed all dressed, we stashed shoes in the car the night before. After the initial excitement of leaving, the children settled down until around 6 a.m. Then I passed around dry granola in cups, juice and rolls. After breakfast there was a period of adjustment: "How long'til we're there?" "Not 'til it starts to get dark," "What can we do now?" and so on. Eventually the children seemed resigned to spending a long day in the car and they behaved with amazing patience. They all slept after our picnic lunch and we also found that the quick stops for gasoline really helped lift sagging spirits.

This year we will probably make the same trip and I won't forget to pack a bottle of aspirin. We'll be faced with the additional challenge of traveling with a two year old. Anyone got any tips???

## SDCC REPORT

### From the Executive Director

by Cal Stuart

The past year has been an active and positive one in the Skinker-DeBaliviere area.

The developer of the Pershing-Waterman area, Pantheon Corporation, has begun initial rehabilitation east of De-Baliviere. Plans are now being completed for rehabilitation of the Ranleigh-Wilmar for housing for the elderly. As well, the developer hopes to soon submit to HUD a proposal for approximately 180 rehabilitated units around the Pershing-Clara area. Redevelopment at its best is a difficult process, but the Council is pleased with the progress that is being made.

The Federal National Mortgage Association has designated the Skinker-De-Baliviere as one initial site for its new

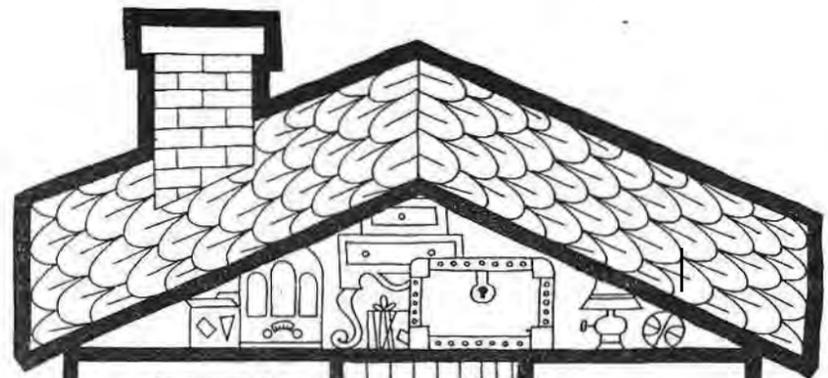
program designed to stimulate rehabilitation and improvement loans. Unfortunately, some blocks in the Skinker-DeBaliviere area cannot participate at this time, but efforts are being made to find what steps are necessary so that all blocks in the area can be a part of the program.

The Historic District Committee reports that I will soon be able to pass the proposed ordinance on to our Alderman for his comment and submittal to the Board of Alderman. The Committee has worked long and will publish the proposed ordinance in the June issue of The Paper.

Although other issues in the area have been going on the past year, it seemed best to highlight, in summary, the three areas that have attracted most interest from our residents.

## What is Residential

### Service All About?



#### THE RESIDENTIAL SERVICE

The Residential Service is an organization comprised of a voluntary group of neighborhood persons who help sell homes and assist those people who want to come into the neighborhood by having house tours on Saturday afternoons. Arrangements are also made for those interested parties who cannot attend a weekend tour.

Since the persons working on the Residential Service are not realtors, houses offered through the Service do not include a realtor's fee. The main purpose is to help those individuals wishing to have a home in our neighborhood.

Interested persons should contact the Skinker-DeBaliviere Community Council at 862-5122. Karleen Hoerr or Mary Gioia will be happy to answer your questions and help you become one of our neighbors.



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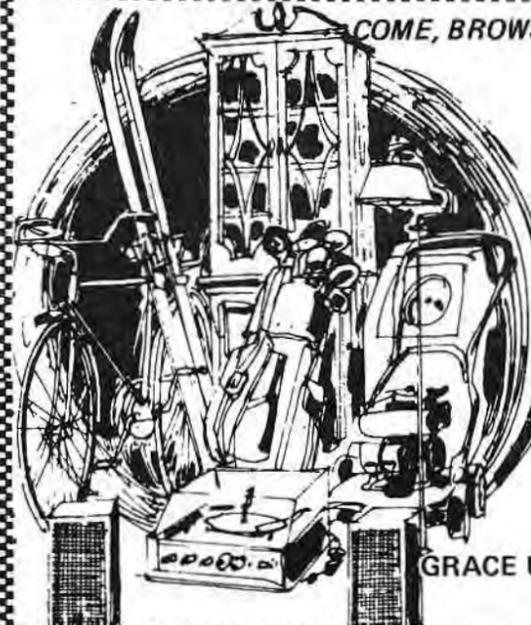
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Upper grade students practicing typing under the tutelage of Sr. Dorothy.



Primary children participating in dough sculpture class.

## St. Roch's Mini Courses

by Marcia Mitchell

Mid winter mini courses at St. Roch's organized by Yvonne Christopher, Mary Watkins, and Pat Fitzgerald have again enriched both generous volunteer teachers and eager children. A reminder of the gamut of talent and interest in the neighborhood, these eight Wednesday afternoon offered each child the opportunity to experience and practice a different and new skill. From art history (films on Chagall and Picasso) to tennis (basic techniques and tournaments), the frosting on the cake literally was a pastry decorating class that produced half inch bunny families inhabiting fluted eggs and Snoopies and life size baby booties on cakes. The mini courses are but another example of the quality of commitment and caring that make the area so rich a place to live—thank you to the teachers, St. Leo Ann, and the school association which picked up the expenses.

### Mini-Courses and Teachers

#### Primary

Basic sewing—Ms. Sanders.  
Crafts—Ms. Kester.  
Dough Sculpture—Ms. Starcher, Fitzgerald, Horner, Duckett.  
Beginning Needlepoint—Ms. Lottes, Newsham.

#### Intermediate

Embroidery—Ms. McCarthy.  
Crocheting—Ms. Nerviani, Flynn, Sr. Charles.  
Drama—Mr. Martin.  
Weaving—Ms. Hitchcock.  
Tennis—Ms. Morris, Saller  
Music and Folk Dancing—Ms. Mudd.  
Neighborhood History and Architecture—Ms. Little.  
Pantomime—Ms. Renard.

#### Advanced

Typing—Sr. Dorothy  
Cake Decorating—Ms. Crawford, Knoten.  
Chess—Mr. Ross  
Poster making—Ms. Nelsen.  
Macrame—Ms. Hancock.  
Art History—Mr. Wesley.  
Engineering—Mr. Flynn.  
Bridge—Ms. Watkins, Santen  
Advanced Drawing—Ms. LeGuey-Feilleux, Sullivan.

## FROM STIX SCHOOL

by Mary Parker

Stix Investigative Learning Center is a bit more colorful lately—both students and faculty are wearing bright T-shirts emblazoned with the school name. Another symbol of school pride is on prominent display in Mrs. Reece's office. It is a trophy awarded to the school by the Optimists Club for outstanding leadership and achievement. On March 31, Student Advisory Council (S.A.C.) officers, John Goldsby, president, and Julienne Creighton, secretary, accepted the award on behalf of the student body at a breakfast at Bel Air West.

Grade cards were given out at parent conferences on April 14, and at that time parents also received copies of Who's Who at Stix. The booklet was a project of the S.A.C., and contains useful information for all dedicated Stix fans.

School pictures were taken on April 15, and plans are presently being made for the school picnic, and of course, graduation.

On May 21, Stix has been invited to participate with Shaw's Garden in honoring Charles Lindbergh with a parade and float.

As usual, the first grade classes at Stix are busy doing fun things. Ms. Grade's class explored the airport and boarded a DC 9. Although they didn't actually fly, they did get a chance to see the cockpit. While at the airport, they saw The Spirit of St. Louis and some fighter planes. As a special Easter treat, the class went to the park for a traditional egg hunt. They have also recently visited the 4R Gallery and

made kites (which really flew). A field trip the group especially enjoyed took them to Cathedral School where they saw a movie about the Wright Brothers. In class activities include singing, movies, writing, reading, and arithmetic (they're doing plus and minus and using pictures to help visualize the problems). The class was fortunate to have Harry, the Mailman, as a recent visitor. He explained his job and showed the children how he avoids unfriendly dogs with a repellent spray. The students are learning responsibility by doing jobs in the classroom, and they just completed a unit on the Peoples of the World. As Ben Creighton so aptly phrased it, "Every week it's something different!"

Mrs. Sullivan's first grade class has drawn the interest of the entire school with their "match the pictures" game. Each student brought a baby picture and a recent picture for the game, and it isn't always easy to tell who's who. The class enjoys bringing items for show and tell, and one of the best presentations was a Benjy Pona who visited in Florida and brought back shells for everyone. Even the teacher got in on the fun by using the materials and information from a recent trip to Hershey World to teach a unit on the making of chocolate and cocoa. The class planted cocoa beans and are waiting for the first green shoots. Field trips include a whistle stop at the Zig Zag Railroad at the Learning Center on Westminster, a trip to the 4R Gallery to make kites, and a visit to the zoo to study mammals. Mrs. Sullivan also proud-



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ly reports that her class is very good at math. They are already doing second grade work.

Thanks to Mrs. Suga from Springboard, Mrs. Moore's third graders are learning about Japanese culture and doing origami. The class is studying drama now and hopes to present a play they have learned for another group of students. They will also be writing and performing an original skit as a part of a health unit on the four basic food groups.

The third graders in 113 have visited the zoo and made an animal mural to decorate their classroom...They have also visited Shaw's Garden and the library. They are currently working on a project called "colored solutions", and studying changes in molds by growing their own specimens. In May Mrs. Correll will take class to the Arboretum to study pond life.

In room 208 Mr. Steiferd's students are sketching and learning about birds. In a program sponsored by the Globe-Democrat, the class has been using the newspaper as a supplementary text. Although you may not have known that a kangaroo is the size of a bee at birth, Mr. Steiferd's class will know that and many other animal facts after a scavenger hunt at the zoo. The class will be divided into groups and given a list of 75 questions to be answered correctly in a specific amount of time.

Trees have been the subject of study in room 207 lately. To learn more, the students visited the park, checked books from the library, watched movies and did an art project. Ms. Mohrman's class is studying consumer affairs, the water cycle, and making graphic maps. They have made a bulletin board display on predators and their prey, and as a special treat for working so hard, they will be allowed to play kickball outside while the rest of the school is in class.

Ms. Thigpen's students are very excited about chess and challenged Crossroads School to a match on April 20. Presently, the class is studying the city of St. Louis. They have constructed a replica of the

Arch and are working on a wooden model of Stix School. In addition to creating games dealing with different aspects of the city, they are setting up a kit of historical data.

Ms. Jones students in Room 210 have set up an aquarium to observe the development of frog's eggs. Although some eggs did not hatch, there are presently at least three vigorous little tadpoles swimming around, but none have reached frog stage. Students took home river birch trees to plant in honor of Arbor Day, and they have a dove in residence which has not yet been named. The class is working on metrics and recently enjoyed a 100 meter relay race in the school yard.

In an alternative to the regular lesson, the students in room 206 are making their own books. These will eventually be bound and remain in the classroom as a resource. Recently, Ms House took her class to visit the old courthouse. While there Anthony McKnight tried on a 100 year old buckskin jacket and walked in the moccasins of a St. Louis fur trader. Billy Blevins experienced history by demonstrating the pioneer method of combine wool. Laura Caboos, Rodney Malone and Bernard Turner used an old-fashioned rug making loom. Other students took the parts of various participants in a trial, and Teresa Parker enjoyed being the judge. In the near future, the class hopes to return and stage their own mock trial.

Room 112, the special school for pre-primary 5-7 year olds, has been busy learning the alphabet and numbers through the senses. They are also working on the days of the week and the use of prepositions to understand relationships between objects. They have been using the Peabody kit for language development. The teachers are working in a structured program to prepare the students to enter regular classes.

Mrs. Reece has been very pleased with the frequent visitors to Stix and extends an invitation to anyone interested in getting in on the fun and excitement to drop by and get acquainted.

NEIGHBORHOOD

SCHOOL NEWS

by Pat Kohn
The parents of Neighborhood School have voted to purchase a one-story apartment building at 5960 McPherson and convert it into a school building for some-time during the 1977-8 school year.

At the Co-ordinating Committee meeting on April 18, Dave Schmidt, fund raiser for the school, announced the following news: the Neighborhood School has received donations from the Old Newsboys Fund for equipment purchase, the Sisters of Loretto and Episcopal Bishops' Fund for scholarships, and the Beaumont Foundation for this 76-77 year of a teacher's salary.

A new, descriptive brochure is now available describing Neighborhood School, its philosophy and educational policy.

Applications for the three available teaching positions have been received and are being reviewed. Anyone interested in teaching at the school on a flexible time basis must apply immediately, as the decision on teachers is imminent.

Enrollment for the 1977-78 school year is open. Applications for children from 2-12 are available at the School, 6199 Waterman, or at Grace and Peace, Des Peres and Kingsbury.

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The Neighborhood School is seeking flea market items for the Art Fair Flea Market at 6100 Kingsbury on May 8. We are happy to pick up - please call: Pat Kohn, 863-9259, Debbie Bracey, 727-0741, Dave Schmidt, 863-4512

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News From Hamilton Br. 1

The children in Mrs. A. Dripp's Primary One classroom at Hamilton Br. 1 helped Kevin Young celebrate his seventh birthday. His father brought a very special birthday cake for Kevin. It was decorated as a baseball diamond with players in all positions.

Mrs. D. Wilson whose daughter Ann is one of Kevin's classmates took pictures of the event.

The Primary Three students in Mrs. G. Smith's room enjoyed an unusual learning experience at the 4th R Gallery, followed by lunch at the Eads High School Cafeteria. They learned how important it is to know how to add and subtract, when you have to pay the waitress, Mrs. Smith and Mrs. Fultz ate with them.

On Friday, April 22, the Jewish Women Federation presented "The Little Engine that Could." This play received rave notices.

On Tuesday, May 3, the Bel Canto Ensemble will present the Story of Little Red Riding Hood as told to the music of Verdi, Mozart, and Leoncavallo.

Hamilton Branch #3

by Carole Johnson

With the return of warm weather our students have returned to neighborhood activities. Room 101, deciding that they "deserved a break today," cancelled their school lunches and walked to McDonald's for lunch.

The third grade classes are participating in a Citizenship in Education Project (CECH) which involves locating and securing the return of the trash containers that last year's students had decorated in bicentennial colors.

Many rooms have budding gardens. Room 101 has planted popcorn seeds. Room 103 not only has flowers, peas, corn watermelons, beans, and pumpkins but also little chickens hatching from their incubated eggs.

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Rooms 101 and 102 - Shaw's Garden April 29.
Rooms 202 and 204 - Shaw's Garden May 9.
Fifth and Sixth Grades - Huck Finn River Trip - May 17.
Third and Fourth Grades - Samuel Clemens River Trip - May 18.
Rooms 201 and 203 - Shaw's Garden May 19.
Rooms 103 and 104 - Wonder Bakery May 4.
Rooms 202 and 204 - Gateway Arch May 4.

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