



Once again, the Department of Parks Recreation and Forestry will provide free firewood to residents of the Saint Louis area.

Logs will be delivered to the following locations beginning Tuesday, September 4th and may be picked up on a first come, first serve basis:

Forest Park — Lower Opera Parking Lot
O'Fallon Park — adjacent to the Park Maintenance Bldg.

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 program will end March 1, 1979.

The Department of Parks, Recreation and Forestry has provided free firewood to the public for the past five years, and the program has been well received by the area residents. It was originally initiated to help combat the energy crisis, which still exists, and to help reduce heating costs for the citizens of the St. Louis area!

THE PAPER Drive

THE PAPER is faced with a financial crisis. This belated issue appears only by the grace of angels—the Skinker-DeBaliviere Community Council, Grace Methodist Church, Rosedale Neighbors and individual residents of Skinker-DeBaliviere. We intend to print on a regular basis again as of November. This will be possible only with your support.

One of your neighbors should soon be contacting you, asking for a tax deductible contribution of up to \$10.00. If you are not called, please make your check payable to the Skinker-DeBaliviere Community Council and mail to Karleen Hoerr, 6106 Kingsbury, St. Louis 63112.

Our neighborhood needs THE PAPER. We have no other forum for our problems and our achievements.

If you have not done so already, send your check today.

NINA PLACE DEVELOPMENTS

On September 10 the Skinker-DeBaliviere Community Council Board met at Grace and Peace. On the agenda was the resolution proposed by the Nina Place Committee. The resolution called for the creation of a neighborhood based rehabilitation corporation comprised of a 13 member board of 7 Nina Place residents and 6 others selected by SDCC. The goals of the corporation would be to provide individual property owners with information and assistance, to facilitate the securing of loans, to set standards and exact commitments from property owners, to assist in relocation, to secure individual tax abatements and establish subsidized housing.

The SDCC Board formed a task force to study the feasibility of implementing the resolution. The five member task force consists of Ed Walsh, SDCC Board president, Willis Lloyd, president of the Nina Place block organization, William Bolden, president of Washington Heights Neighbors, Roy Bell, Rosedale Neighborhood Association, and Remmi Shuter, Parkview representative.

The next SDCC board meeting is October 8, 7:30 pm at Grace and Peace, 6003 Kingsbury.

Coming next month to THE PAPER: New Management

Folk Dancing

Would you like to join a folk dancing group? If you have done some dancing or have had some formal training, I'm sure you will enjoy our group. As of now we plan to meet on Sunday afternoons from 2 to 4 P.M. Please call 862-2197 for more information.



Hospital Care VS Health Care

by King Schoenfeld

No doubt you've watched the agonizing progress of the City's hospital consolidation with some feelings. What folks feel seems to depend on who they are. With its mix of politics, racial pride and economics, the issue is complex.

Strangely, what makes any decision about hospitals somewhat irrelevant to our well-being is the failure of modern medicine to affect our health in some ways. Of course, hospital care is great for most sick people, but doctors and hospitals really have little effect on us who are trying to keep from getting sick.

Dr. John Vavra said as much recently, according to the Post-Dispatch. "Patients get good care while they are in the hospital," he said, but added that after expensive and sometimes lengthy stays, they return to situations that lead right back to the hospital."

You know what he's talking about. I think he's right in saying, in effect, that when patients leave the hospital where the professional healers are in control, they return to their neighborhoods where no one concerned with health is in control.

The truth in this analysis is of concern to the people of the People's Clinic. Multiplying clinics will not directly affect the basic causes of poor health. Ill health comes from lack of the right foods, lack of good shelter (including heat, electricity and other utilities at rates we can afford), lack of employment (and/or education), bad

health habits, as well as lack of self-esteem, a feeling of community and love (that is, something to live for).

If you think about it, medical care is only a small part of what keeps you and me from serious sickness. Some other factors include Laclede Gas, Union Electric, landlords, schools, churches and families.

Your neighbors who volunteer their time so that we can have a People's Clinic have been thinking about better health care, too. For the 20,000 people who live in our area, better care may mean a good clinic facility that's open *days* as well as nights, for one thing. A recent survey of 52 homes showed that 8 out of 10 would use the People's Clinic as their *main* source of care, if it were open in the daytime.

To become a full-time, full-service clinic would probably mean hiring medical staff, buying new equipment and, perhaps, locating in a larger building (hopefully, without losing our relaxed, friendly atmosphere!). At this point, we are not sure that such growth is possible.

But we are all able to grow in our knowledge of how to care for ourselves. Good health care is mostly up to you and me. We turn to a doctor or other professional occasionally, of course, but most of the time we're on our own.

The People's Clinic sees a great future in learning together how we as neighbors can help each other stay well in a healthy community.

League of Women Voters Discussion Unit to Resume

Like to learn more about such topics as "Gentrification"? You are a likely candidate to become a part of the monthly League of Women Voters Discussion Group. Anyone interested, member or not, is invited to join the group, which meets at Grace Methodist Church at 10:00 to 11:30 a.m. on the fourth Tuesday of every month, September to May, excluding December. "Stay N Play" babysitting service is available during that time at the church for a nominal fee.

Join our informal group to discuss "Gentrification" in September, ERA in October, and many other topics in the coming months. It is a chance to get some in-depth information on issues of mutual interest and concern, as well as a chance to meet other people in our neighborhood, of all ages, interested in such issues. For more information, call Pat Krippner, 725-2955.

DEVELOPMENTS IN HISTORIC DISTRICT

by Brad Weir

The Historic District Review Committee has had two quarterly meetings since the committee was formed in December, 1978. These meetings were held at the Skinker-DeBaliviere Community Council office in February and May, 1979, for the purpose of providing an opportunity for residents of the Skinker-DeBaliviere Historic District to discuss what effects, if any, the recently-passed Historic District Ordinance was having on the community. Since there was no public outcry at either meeting concerning the ordinance, it may be tempting to conclude that the passage of the ordinance hadn't caused a ripple in the neighborhood. Such a conclusion would be wrong.

It has come to the attention of members of the Historic District Review Committee that a number of residents of the Skinker-DeBaliviere area have experienced delays in obtaining routine permits for such building work as replacing back fences, repairing back retaining walls, or repairing back porches. Formerly, it was customary to receive the permit the same day the application was made. It appears, however, that since the passage of the Historic District Ordinance, employees in the Building Commissioner's office have taken the view that all permit applications must undergo the special review procedures provided for in the ordinance without regard to what sort of work was being contemplated. This view is distinctly at odds with the understanding of most of the people who have had anything to do with the Historic District Ordinance.

During the time that the Historic District Ordinance was being discussed for our neighborhood, it was emphasized again and again that the Appearance Standards would apply only to those parts of a house which are visible from the front of the structure. Thus, permit applications for work involving such parts would have to be reviewed by the City Plan Commission and by the Landmarks and Urban Design Commission to insure that the work would not result in a violation of the Appearance Standards of the ordinance. In the case of work not involving the front of the building, however, the procedures for permit applications were to remain unchanged. It is clear that this was the intention of those neighborhood volunteers who worked on drafting the Historic District Ordinance.

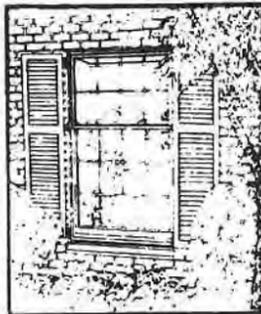
Unfortunately, this idea didn't find its way into the ordinance in any clear and forthright statement. There is no specific language in the ordinance which states that the Appearance Standards apply only to the parts of houses and grounds visible from the front. Furthermore, employees of the Building Commissioner's office rely, for their interpretation, not upon the Skinker-DeBaliviere Historic District Ordinance, but upon an earlier ordinance, which provides the enabling legislation for all such Historic Districts. This ordinance, No. 56100, passed in February, 1972, contains a section entitled "Procedure for Obtaining a Building Permit In Historic District":

1. The Building Commissioner upon receipt of an application for any excavation, construction, erection, demolition, alteration to the exterior, change of the exterior by painting, or removal of architectural detail of any structures, wall, fence, street, walk, drive, or sign within the boundaries of a designated Historic District shall forward same, together with all plans and specifications relative thereto, to the staff of the City Plan Commission. . . etc., etc.

Note that this section makes no distinction between the front or back of a structure.

Nevertheless, members of the Historic District Review Committee and others continue to believe that a simple permit application for replacement of a back fence or the like is not a proper subject for review by either the City Plan Commission or the Landmarks and Urban Design Commission. With this view in mind, a meeting between representatives of these two bodies and the Skinker-DeBaliviere neighborhood was set up in June, 1979. Out of this meeting came a consensus that it should be possible to streamline the permit application procedure and to separate, at the City Plan Commission, permit applications into major and minor categories. Minor applications would require no further review and would be granted immediately, while the others would go through the full review process. In this way, it is hoped, a majority of residents would be spared a wait and a second trip to City Hall, while, at the same time, the City Plan Commission would be meeting the letter of the law.

The next meeting of the Historic District Review Committee will be held on Tuesday, September 25, at the Skinker-DeBaliviere Community Council office at 7:30 P.M. One of the prime topics for discussion will be whether a streamlining procedure for building permits is working and, if not, what needs to be done to get one in place. All interested members of the community are invited to attend.



Window on Washington Heights

by Karen Brown

New people in Washington Heights include Demetrias and Jennifer Owens at 5832 DeGiverville. Demetrias is a "black belt" in Karate so we will be wary of him. Also new to DeGiverville but not new to the neighborhood are John and Thelma Young.

Christopher Hexter and children Anna and Joshua have moved to 5860 DeGiverville.

Congratulations to Joe and Esther Herron on their first grandchild, Courtney Ann born July 1, 1979.

We hear Vivian Dobbs has been off on a cruise. We hope she had a good time.

Eddie Sanders is now blockchairman for the 5900 block of DeGiverville.

Mrs. Dean Haywood of 5850 DeGiverville is home from the hospital after surgery. We hope she'll be getting around soon.

New people on the 5900 block of Pershing are Eric, Kalyn McNeal and their baby Joseph. They're really working from scratch on their house. Looks like they're doing a fine job.

The kitchen at Rich and Venita Lake's is no longer a construction area. It looks like Better Homes and Gardens. We'll remember that for the House Tour.

New on the 5700 block of Waterman are the Agnes Quinn family, Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Acquilino, the Don Fitz family, the Michael Robert Reed family and, all the way from Pershing, the Charles Rhem family.

The 5700 block of DeGiverville held a picnic in Forest Park this summer, due to Shirley Polk's planning and the work of many. "Adverse conditions" cancelled that block's annual bazaar, but Shirley quickly removed the items from the street to Garavelli's parking lot. As a family fun festival, it was well attended and everyone had a good time.

Ken Baker of the 5800 block of Waterman and his new bride Lois are settled in. Congrats!

And finally, happy news on the 5800 block of Waterman — Randy and Nancy Bailey are expecting baby number ONE!

Neighborhood School Relocates

Neighborhood School is alive and well starting its eighth year by moving to new quarters in Delmar Baptist Church's Educational Wing. This alternative school for children ages 3 to 12 welcomes inquiries from interested families. Phone 725-4620.



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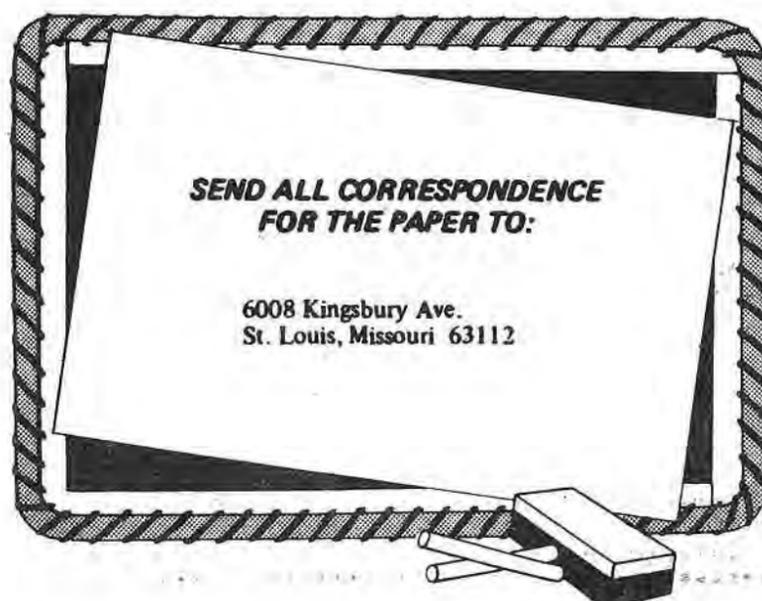
Registrations are now being accepted for the free course, "Exploring Your Public Library," which begins Sept. 29 at the St. Louis Public Library. Sessions of the seven-week course are held each Saturday at the Main Library, 1301 Olive St., free to the public.

Interested persons may register at the Adult Education Office at the Main Library, or by telephone at 241-2288, Extension 270. "Exploring Your Public Library" classes meet from 9 a.m. to noon Saturdays through Nov. 10. Course materials are supplied.

The series is designed to acquaint participants with the full range of St. Louis Public Library collections, and effective use of all resources and services. This is the seventh "Exploring Your Public Library" series to be offered free to the public, and is co-sponsored by Thomas Dunn Memorials.

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Going to the Dogs or Riding to the Hounds?

by Peggy Griesbach

The original suggestion for this article was to query a number of locally prominent people on the subject of the gentrification of the neighborhood — the rising property values followed by the rising income of residents followed by subtle and not so subtle changes in the social character of Skinker-DeBaliviere. That houses are selling for multiples of their prior purchase prices is not in dispute, but how to measure gentrification? By asking residents if they were planning to ride to the hounds or if their neighbors wore designer initials etched into their prescription sunglasses? To ask people to respond to the question of gentrification seemed to predispose them to acknowledge its existence in our neighborhood. I decided not to speak with people whose views were already well publicized and to try not to pose any leading questions. The best barometer of the character of a neighborhood seemed likely to be the people who live in it; accordingly I spoke with members from two Washington Heights households, two from Rosedale and two from Parkview within the city limits. In each area I sought out a long time resident and a relative newcomer. This doesn't purport to be a survey, just a sketch.

I would like to thank everyone who consented to tell me their thoughts about the neighborhood. Half were unknown to me before I began and though acquainted with the other half I was not familiar with their views.

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I spoke with Alton and Blanche Reel in tandem. They have lived on the 5700 block of Waterman for the past twenty-five years. They moved here because they wanted to graduate from apartment living and as Alton said, "I contend that I'm a city person. I'm not a county person."

They have been an island of comparative calm in the midst of a quarter century of changes. They recalled the part played by real estate companies in fomenting panic sales of homes when the neighborhood was integrated. Alton said it was the panic itself that most disturbed him. They told of how they were called upon by a real estate company, advised of an unsolicited high bid for their property and encouraged to sell. But they weren't inter-

ested in selling and they knew the offer was a fictitious one designed to make them agree to put their house on the market.

Blanche credited "the block units and churches, Grace Methodist, Delmar Baptist and St. Roch's especially" for keeping the neighborhood from disintegrating — in both senses of the word. Alton says at this stage "Pantheon's the stabilizing influence."

Despite Washington Heights' reputation as a more transient area, the Reels are the third owners of their home. To their east is only the second family that ever resided in that house and to the west just the third. On the end of the block the original and sole owner of that house recently passed away.

When asked what they liked best about Skinker-DeBaliviere both exclaimed, "Convenience!" in unison.

When asked what they liked least about the area Alton said for him it was "an intangible, an attitude that lacked pride in the whole environment." Blanche supplied the tangible examples: neglect of the alleys (Alton cited the installation of the dumpsters as the "best thing that's happened since babies were born"), failing to move cars on street cleaning days and pets being allowed to wander by their owners.

Asked for his prediction of what the area will be like ten years from now, Alton replied, "If the current trend continues it will be an integrated and stable neighborhood." He thinks a bonus in the way of new commercial enterprises, particularly needed grocery and drug stores, likely to be in our future.

Blanche concluded by stating, "I've never been sorry we moved here and I'm happier now that we stayed."

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Dock Gunn has lived with his wife, son and daughter on the 5700 block of DeGiverville for nearly three years. They had been living in the city in apartments and wanted to remain within the city limits when they purchased a home. That determination and a love of old houses drew them to their present address. They had watched the metamorphosis of the Bracey

house (in the Rosedale area) and were inspired with a romantic desire for a similar undertaking. After years of effort some of the romance is gone but Dock still enjoys the charm of their house and working on it himself.

When asked what feature he liked best about the neighborhood he said "the atmosphere." He listed "good relations with neighbors and access to whatever I need" as components of that atmosphere. In response to the question of what he liked least he said he was satisfied and would have to "nitpick" to come up with any objections.

He characterizes the neighborhood as "on an even keel" but was cautious about trying to forecast its future. "I'd like to see it remain basically the same. I'd hate to see the residents uprooted by renovation and not able to return."

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Celestine Cunningham moved to the 6100 block of Kingsbury with her family on the hottest day in August the summer before Pearl Harbor. "Mother didn't want to come to the city. We had always lived in Maplewood. I can remember when they had boardwalks there." But they wanted more space so they moved and discovered a village within the city. "We have always had good neighbors — always known our neighbors. It's been like a little tiny town."

Back then there were no children tumbling out of the big old houses — it was all older people. For her, one of the most delightful changes during her period of residence has been the influx of young families and the resultant commingling of ages.

She echoed the Reels' sentiment when she said, "The thing that has kept this neighborhood together is St. Roch's Church. I may be Baptist but I don't mind going over there to quilt."

To her mind the best feature of Skinker-DeBaliviere is its "friendliness — the willingness of people to look out for one another."

The biggest drawback comes not from within the neighborhood itself, but from a lack of cooperation on the part of the city with the things that contribute to the over-

all "humanity of the neighborhood." She noted the failure to attend to decaying autos along the alleyways and the unkempt, unweeded condition of Skinker, particularly at Millbrook. She believes that strangers to our area associate it with the eyesores and that the city's neglect is akin to red-lining. "We don't have any more problems than any other part of the city and surrounding area, we just get the wrong publicity."

Asked for her projection for the neighborhood for the year 1989 she said, "With the gas shortage, I think it will come back even more. I'd hate to see what some of these new houses will look like in ten years."

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Gail Hellan, her husband and two young sons have lived on the 6100 block of Kingsbury for one year. They had been living in University City and a bigger house was their first concern. "Price was absolutely a factor." They were torn between U City and Skinker-DeBaliviere as hunting grounds when a friend showed Gail an ad for their present home in THE PAPER. They loved the house though they still had qualms about moving to the city. "We decided to try it as an experiment for five years." When asked if she would move here again if she had it to do over, she said, "Without a doubt."

The most prized aspect of the neighborhood for Gail is "the neighborhoodness of it. Where we lived before the area rather smugly considered itself a neat neighborhood." Here they didn't have to make inroads — they immediately felt all avenues were open.

Responding to the question of what she liked least Gail said, "I am not comfortable with the public schools and I think that's the biggest drawback in St. Louis city living."

Her view of the area ten years hence includes "economic stability." She predicts that the trend of moving back to the city will have passed its peak but will still be an attractive alternative to the suburbs. She

Decade of Change •
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In the First Person

by Ken Cohen

When one of the relative newcomers to Skinker-DeBaliviere asked me (I suppose she sees me as a local greybeard) to write about the "decade of change," my immediate response was a firm no. But she smiled and I said maybe. If she had been fortunate enough to live here in the early seventies, she would have better understood my trepidation. She would have remembered that one person's change for the better is another's relocation problem. Well, I'm certainly not going to extoll the merits of one side or the other of that issue nor am I able to explain the intricacies of urban affairs as monotonously as those degreed to do so by our local universities.

Obviously this subject raises my anxiety level to about an eight and a half but there are a few thoughts I'm brave enough to set to paper.

Please, if you will, imagine that one of the persons who labored to build this neighborhood some seventy years ago and someone who participated in the so-called white-flight of about fifteen years ago were to return among us. The former would most likely be delighted that so much of his handiwork survives; the latter amazed that anything remains, then shocked by the rebuilding, the social organization, and, of course, the prices.

The cause of the flier's shock and the builder's delight is, I think, quite simple. The flier expected something the builder did not. He believed, indeed, he knew as a matter of fact that this area was doomed to total destruction. A report published by someone at Washington U said so and, if that were no sufficient proof, any fool could look around and see with his own eyes that it was true. Those who fled can only stare in disbelief because the most calamitous change this neighborhood was supposed to endure never happened.

It never happened because the people who lived here then and who continued to move here refused to let it happen. They and the local churches and Wash U supported the Community Council which became the backbone of the neighborhood. They formed block clubs, began the residential service, the art fair and house tour, THE PAPER, lighted the alleys, fought crime, rehabbed homes, elected sympathetic politicians and did all kinds of things (including making very good friends and enemies and having a lot of fun) necessary to make this a place where people didn't have to live but where they wanted to live. That sense of dedication, of common purpose, has diminished, but not the friends nor the fun. So we're not so much pioneers today and we're perceived by others as pretty much having it made. (Relatives who once thought us dumb turkeys now think us smart cookies and, believe me, that's change.)

Our homes and apartments have been saved or are being rehabbed or someone has ideas about it. The amenities remain and improve. And while we pause to congratulate ourselves, changes are occurring.

The full influence of the historic dis-

trict, of 353 developments, of condos and of gasoline prices has yet to be felt. Some skirmishes have been fought over who will live here and what they can do to their property. Perhaps these skirmishes will explode into outright disagreements and furious debates may soon be read on these very pages. I hope so. Strong opinions are what made Skinker-DeBaliviere what it is, and I feel that in the last few years a passionless contentment has crept upon us.

Having survived the ravages of urban neglect caused, in part, by absentee landlords and residents whose incomes or attitudes precluded repairs, and having endured the insults of lending, insurance and real estate companies, and the condescension of students from the George Warren Brown School of Social Work, can the neighborhood absorb the next great wave of new immigration — the urban gentry? It may be the most subtle and, yet, significant change of all and I wonder what a report written by someone at Wash U would say about it. And if written, how many of us having read it might be convinced the neighborhood is doomed, and flee?

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Baseball, baseball what do you see?
I see a batter looking at me.

Batter, batter what do you see?
I see a pitcher looking at me.

Pitcher, pitcher what do you see?
I see a back catcher looking at me.

Back catcher, backcatcher what do you see?
I see a pop fly coming at me.

Pop fly, pop fly what do you see?
I see a diamond down below me.

Diamond, diamond what do you see?
I see batting helments laying on me.

Helments, helments what do you see?
I see the coach picking up me.

Coach, coach what do you see?
I see my players looking at me.

Players, players what do you see?
Home runs and smiles are looking at me.

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Thanks, Doug and Cleo!

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Readers' Recipe Exchange



by Lois Schoemehl

As *The Paper* returns from its summer vacation, we're pleased to start a new column for our neighbors — a recipe exchange. I've agreed to supply the first couple of goodies and hope that our readers will donate some of their favorite dishes for future issues.

For those of you who are planning an end of the summer party or who simply want to save these for future reference, I offer the following delicious dips:

Artichoke Dip

1 can artichokes — chopped (plain not marinated)
 1/2 Cup mayonnaise
 Pkg. Good Seasons Italian Dressing
 Mix all ingredients and serve with Triscuits or other crackers.

Crab-Cheese Dip

1/2 stick melted butter
 1 can crab-crumbled
 1 small pkg. (8 oz.) Velveeta
 Heat and serve with crackers.

Spinach Dip

1 pkg. (10 oz.) frozen, chopped spinach, thawed and well-drained
 1 pkg. (8 oz.) cream cheese, softened
 1/2 Cup milk
 2 Tbsp butter
 2 tsps chicken-flavor bouillion granules
 1/8 tsp nutmeg
 1 Tbsp lemon juice
 Over low heat, combine cheese, milk, butter, bouillion and nutmeg; stir until thickened and smooth. Stir in spinach. Remove from heat and stir in lemon juice. Serve with crackers or chill to use as spread.

Okay, so now it's your turn. Please send me your favorites and I'll gladly share them with our neighbors. Send anything — appetizers, salads, main dishes, casseroles, desserts or whatever to me, Lois Schoemehl at 6168 Westminster or call me at 727-8199.

Anna Busch—



by Mary Kastens,
 Marie McReynolds and Blanche Reel

It is not unusual to walk down a street in Washington Heights, ask a question about any neighborhood organization to a resident, and receive the answer, "Ask Anna, she'll know about it." Anna Busch and her family have lived in our neighborhood since 1967. She has witnessed the changes and conflicts that exist within a growing economically and racially integrated community and has been able to put her finger on a crucial factor in the welfare of such a neighborhood — understanding and cooperation.

One of the qualities evident in Anna's life is her desire to bring people together to solve common problems. The list one could print of the activities she has been involved in reveals this. A major concern has been the need for understanding and cooperation between citizens and police. The "socials" she provided in her home several years ago were a big step forward in bringing the 7th District officers and the community together. She participated in the effort to get the 7th District police station moved to Yalem Center at Union and Enright. She has organized meetings in homes resulting in many families becoming block watchers and she has actively promoted the Operation Ident program.

In helping people to form block units she has strived for what she believes is the only answer for stabilizing a neighborhood from within — understanding and cooperation between those who live there now. She has been instrumental in showing that people can make a difference if they stick

"Understanding and Cooperation"

together. One example is when she chaired the Washington Heights' effort to get the Norfolk and Western Railroad right-of-way fenced as a safety measure for residents. She is a charter member of Women's Crusade Against Crime; an active member of St. Roch's; a volunteer in the Aid to Victims of Crime; she has been active in Women for City Living; and she is a past board member of the People's Health Clinic.

Anna has spent much effort and time in informing people of the services offered by the People's Clinic and other neighborhood organizations. Her work with the Washington Heights Neighborhood Association has special meaning to her though, and along with directing the membership committee for many years she and her husband have supported and initiated many neighborhood functions.

Since 1971, she has been the executive secretary of the Skinker-DeBaliviere Community Council, a job in which she has dedicated herself to being an enthusiastic intermediary to help new and old residents find the assistance they need, no matter what amount of research or energy it takes. And despite the ideological differences that have arisen among leadership, she has maintained the firm conviction that problems can only be handled by allowing and demanding that each party express their understanding and their perspectives honestly and freely.

Who is Anna Busch? She is a woman who believes in people learning how to help themselves. And she loves every minute of it.

Decade of Change continued

thinks that because of the variety of housing the area can and will continue to house a variety of people.

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Mary Watkins, her husband and five children live on the 6200 block of Waterman. They have owned their house for twenty years. They had been apartment dwellers and were looking for a home to accommodate their expanding family. They were attracted by the convenience of the area, affordable but large houses and a safe environment in which their children could play.

They have lived through two periods of change — one of decline heralded by an increase in crime — but in this past decade Mary says that the changes have been for the better. "I'm happier as years go on to live here and my kids are proud of living here." She said her children had come to associate narrowness with the county and that they valued the variety intrinsic to city living.

To some neighborhood residents Skinker is seen as the *de facto* western boundary of the city, but Mary isn't one of them. "We feel very much a part of the neighborhood as a whole."

She cites convenience and the variety of people as her chief likes and the noise of traffic due to their proximity to Skinker as the thing which annoys her most.

As to the future she expressed concern about the area providing adequate services

for the elderly but on the whole, "I don't see anything but good things for the neighborhood."

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Ed Baum has lived on the 6200 block of Washington for a little over a year now. He came to the St. Louis area from Massachusetts.

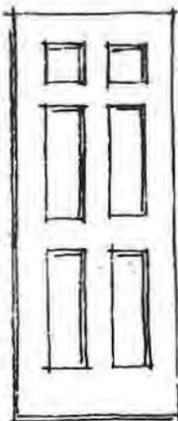
I didn't ask the occupations of any of the people with whom I spoke but he offered his as a footnote which explained his particular slant. He is an architect who was drawn to the area by its "architectural consistency" — the tree streets, the houses, the "visual and social structure." He said, "In a culture where everything tries to be different, I'm pleased with everything the same."

Would he move here again? "Sure." He sees it as "one of the few places with enough coherence to have a neighborhood."

What does he like least? The "ill-defined limits" that "peter out into tackiness." He suggests that in the DeBaliviere area there is a "lack of visual definition," that a sense of boundary is needed that might even be supplied by the erection of pillars as found in other parts of the neighborhood.

He foresees that buying a home in the area will become more expensive. Ten years from now there will be "high income ownership because there aren't any more of these. They just don't make them like this any more."

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SCOUT NEWS

Troop 98, St. Rochs began the summer with a River Canoe trip, June 16-17. 24 fathers and scouts enjoyed the float. Jon Brown & Brian Krippner attended Camp May as Den Chiefs for Cub Pack 31 in July.

14 Scouts went to Camp Famous Eagle with Hugh Bertsch and Dave Schmidt. 6 Scouts earned the mile swim award; 1 earned the Scout Life Guard.

17 completed merit badges; 14 partials. David Stanton, Sean Thomas, Matt Storey,

Paul Claseman and Brian Krippner were tapped out for the Order of the Arrow.

Brian Stanton, Brian Krippner, & John Brown remained for the Junior Leader Training Camp.

3 Members of Troop 98 worked on summer camp staffs again this year and went to the National Conference in Colorado. Hugh Bender was the conference Vice Pres. in charge of training, and Bert Bender became the first scout in St. Louis to receive the National Distinguished Service Award of the O/A--a great honor for Bert, Troop 98, & St. Rochs.

AWARD RECIPIENT

Bert Bender, Assistant Scoutmaster of Troop 98, received the "Distinguished Service Award" of Scoutings Order of the Arrow at the national conference in Fort Collins, Col.

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