

The *TIMES* of.... SKINKER DEBALIVIERE

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Holiday Spirit Abounds

One of the many attractions to living in the West End are the numerous cultural events that the area's churches and institutions sponsor.

Bordering on Forest Park, the Art Museum, Missouri Historical Society, Zoo, and Science Museum are literally at our front yards. Washington University, Fontbonne College, and CASA provide lectures, concerts, and exhibitions enabling residents to attend events of cultural and educational significance.

The churches of Skinker-DeBaliviere, representing diverse and culturally aware congregations, are also part of the neighborhood's rich cultural environment. And at no time is this more evident than at Christmastime when concerts and special services are available to all residents—no matter what their religious backgrounds may be.

Following is a list of special holiday events at local churches. Check the Calendar on page 3 for additional events at area institutions such as the Art Museum and the Historical Society. Everyone is invited to attend, whether or not one is a member of that particular church or denomination:

Neighborhood Church Christmas Events

Delmar Baptist Church

(Washington Avenue at Skinker)

- 12/6 5 p.m., Family Night at Christmas, Hanging of the Greens, Children's Program (visit from Santa); Pot Luck Dinner, 6 p.m.
12/20 10:45 a.m., Sunday service, *Gloria in D* by Antonio Vivaldi

Grace United Methodist Church

(Skinker Boulevard at Waterman)

- 12/6 12:16 p.m., All Church Pot Luck; 1:30 p.m. Ecumenical Choir Christmas Concert
12/13 4:30 p.m., Annual Candlelight Christmas Carol Service and Readings
12/18 7:30-8 p.m., *A Child's Christmas in Wales* by Dylan Thomas with refreshments following
12/19 2 p.m., Young Singers of Missouri, Christmas concert
12/20 12:15 p.m., Annual Christmas Dinner, Fellowship Hall
12/24 7 p.m., Candlelight Christmas Eve Service
11 p.m., Candlelight Christmas Eve Service

Grace and Peace Fellowship Church (Presbyterian)

(5574 Delmar Boulevard at Clara)

- 12/11 7:30 p.m., Young Singers of Missouri—An Evening of Madrigal and Holiday Music
12/20 6 p.m., Christmas Musical Evening including children's production of "Listen to the Lambs" followed by neighborhood caroling
12/24 11 p.m., Candlelight Christmas Eve Service
12/25 10:30 a.m., Christmas Service

St. Roch Roman Catholic Church

(Waterman Avenue at Rosedale)

- 12/13 3 p.m., Bel Canto Choir Christmas Concert including Bach's *Magnificat*
12/24 10 p.m., Christmas Eve Mass
12/25 7, 9 & 11 a.m., Christmas Day Mass

Outdoor Lighting Contest

The Skinker DeBaliviere Community Council announces the second annual holiday outdoor lighting contest will be held the week of December 19. The contest was held for the first time last year in conjunction with the Christmas Walk—House Tour. While SDCC is not planning a house tour this December, board member Georgi Fox is coordinating the lighting contest.

No formal entry is necessary; to be eligible lights and decorations (visible at night) must be in place by December 19. Judges will tour every block in the neighborhood that week and every decorated building will be considered. One winner each will be chosen in Washington Heights, Rosedale, and Parkview. The three winners will receive a commemorative Christmas ornament.

The 1986 contest winners included: Janelle and Lessie Stephens, Washington Heights; Maverine Wilson, Rosedale; and Jim and Kathy Merlo, Parkview.

Again, judging will take place the week of December 19; lights/decorations must be in place by that evening to be considered.

The Times Begins Search For Perfect Hors d'oeuvre

Take note: While you're enjoying yourself during this holiday season, take notes. We are beginning to make plans for another cooking contest to be held in February for the benefit of *The Times*. But this time, rather than searching for the perfect chocolate chip cookie, we'll be looking for the best appetizers.

What makes the ideal hors d'oeuvre? How will our judges decide? Hot or cold? Best on a toothpick? Best with cheese? Or with meat? Is it really better if it sits on a Ritz? We're still working on what criteria or categories we'll use. How about the best disguise for a vegetable you wouldn't ordinarily eat?

We'll give you more details about where and when in the February issue of *The Times*. Meanwhile, we hope you have a happy holiday and a successful search for the perfect appetizer.

Dr. Martin Luther King To Be Honored Jan. 9



The Skinker-DeBaliviere neighborhood will honor the Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr. with a commemorative service that will include singing, dance, drama, and an inspirational address.

The service will be held at 7 p.m. January 9, 1988, at Grace and Peace Fellowship, 5574 Delmar. It will be followed by a potluck dessert reception in the church's fellowship hall.

The commemoration is sponsored by the Skinker-DeBaliviere Community Council.

Betty Thompson, chairwoman of the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. St. Louis Support Group, will be the keynote speaker at the event. Thompson will speak on, "The Civil Rights Movement: Eliminating Poverty and Apartheid through Non-Violence."

The St. Louis Support Group raises funds for—and disseminates information from—the Martin Luther King Jr. Center for Nonviolent Social Change, an Atlanta-based education forum.

Foster Solomon, a student at Washington University's Department of Performing Arts, will present a dramatic rendering of excerpts from Dr. King's speeches. Solomon, whom Performing Arts faculty member Stephen Duncan describes as a "sterling actor," has generously agreed to return early from his Christmas break to participate in the event. Another faculty member has volunteered to coach Solomon in his performance.

The service also will include a dance recital and a presentation by a gospel choir. The choir director will lead the audience in singing a signal hymn of the civil rights movement.

The date of the commemoration was chosen to allow participation by members of the St. Louis Support Group before their January 15 departure for Atlanta, where they will take part in the annual Freedom March.

As declared by Congress in 1985, the formal federal holiday honoring Dr. King is the third

Monday in January. The Skinker-DeBaliviere commemoration will be among the first events in the city's week-long recognition of the holiday.

The commemoration was proposed last August by Jim O'Neal, a Rosedale Neighborhood Association representative to the SDCC. According to the written proposal, the service is intended to "enhance the solidarity and strengthen the common values of Skinker-DeBaliviere residents."

"In this nation's recent history, no person has better exemplified conscientious rebellion in the service of human dignity than Dr. King," the proposal stated. "This courageous man fired the conscience of all Americans, pointing up and resisting institutionalized racism. His constructive, non-violent methods were as honorable as his goal of realizing the human equality promised in the (amended) U.S. Constitution.

"Although dramatic marches and sit-ins have given way to more prosaic political and economic reform movements, Dr. King's dream lives on as an inspiration and a challenge to all people of good will. It is especially fitting that Skinker-DeBaliviere, a racially integrated neighborhood in a largely polarized metropolis, should honor this American hero and spotlight the ideals he fostered.

O'Neal is chairman of the Martin Luther King Commemoration Committee of the SDCC. Other members of the committee are Neville Vatcha and Jack Wright, at-large representatives to SDCC; Bob Mahon, Parkview representative to SDCC; and Shirley Polk, a longtime neighborhood organizer. Council President Jim McLeod and SDCC Executive Director Nancy Farmer are ex-officio members of the committee.

Volunteers are needed to perform a variety of tasks associated with the event. To offer your assistance, please call the SDCC office at 862-5122.

Thank you...

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"Magna Carta: Liberty Under The Law" Celebrates Bicentennial Of U.S. Constitution



King John Riding to the Hounds, manuscript illumination, courtesy of the British Library. From the exhibition, "Magna Carta: Liberty Under the Law," at the History Museum in the Jefferson Memorial Building through January 31.

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Any pictures or illustrations submitted should be in black and white. The editor retains the right to omit or alter any material.

Send all correspondence to 6010a Kingsbury, 63112. Deadline: 15th of the month.

Colorful banners adorn the Loggia of the History Museum in the Jefferson Memorial Building in Forest Park in anticipation of the coming of "Magna Carta: Liberty Under the Law," which will be on view through January 31, 1988. St. Louis is one of four cities in the United States to host the exhibition, in celebration of the Bicentennial of the U.S. Constitution. National Super Markets is the major sponsor of Magna Carta in Missouri.

The History Museum will be open seven days a week from 9:30 a.m. until 4:45 p.m., except for Tuesdays and Thursdays when it will be open until 8 p.m. Admission is \$3 for adults; \$2 for senior citizens (65 and older); \$1 for children 6-18; and free for children under six. National Super Markets will offer a coupon good for \$1 off any admission, with two children admitted for \$1.

Bright banners, bearing the costs of arms of the barons who forced King John to agree to the terms of Magna Carta, will welcome visitors into the exhibition. With spotlights illuminating the paintings and dazzling artifacts, such as the replica of King John's sword, the low light levels throughout the Lionberger Gallery will protect the precious documents on view. Guarded by layers of bullet-proof glass, Magna Carta is housed in a stained white oak cabinet, equipped with alarms and a meter that sounds a warning should the light level rise above 10 foot candles.

561 years older than the Declaration of Independence, Magna Carta is written in Latin on vellum with oak gall ink. It is one of four extinct originals dating from 1215 (two are in the British Museum, one is in Salisbury Cathedral) and is on loan from England's Lincoln Cathedral.

"My colleagues and I...believe that Magna Carta should be seen by as many people as possible," said Oliver Fiennes, Dean of Lincoln. "The forerunner of so many American documents relating to liberty, it is exceptionally pertinent in the context of the Bicentennial of the American Constitution."

Alongside the original 1215 document, artifacts from England and America will augment the Magna Carta story: Roman and early medieval utensils of clay, bone and stone; a 13th century stained glass window; and a vellum illuminated manuscript Bible. Paintings will highlight individuals and events in the development of liberty under the law: Sir

Edward Coke, Oliver Cromwell, John Smith, The Landing of the Pilgrims, The Signing of the Mayflower Compact, James Madison (by Thomas Sully), and George Washington (by Gilbert Stuart).

Special emphasis will be placed on Missouri's quest for liberty with drafts of the 1820 Missouri Constitution drawn up by William J. Pettus, the secretary to the Missouri Convention, and letters from the History Museum's Thomas Jefferson collection. Other documents include a rare book by William Penn, and the Pinckney draft of the U.S. Constitution, on loan from the Library of Congress.

Coordinated with the exhibition will be a series of public programs that will focus on the Anglo-American heritage of rule under the law enjoyed in the United States. (See the Calendar on page 3 for specific programs.) School groups from Missouri and Illinois visiting the exhibition will be offered interpretive tours by the education staff of the Missouri Historical Society.

In addition, a film festival is being coordinated with the exhibition. Films begin at 7:30 p.m. and will be introduced by a short commentary. Admission is \$2 per person, and popcorn and lemonade will be available.

The following films will be shown:

- Robin Hood* (with Errol Flynn), commentary by Peter Michel (12/10); *A Man for All Seasons*, commentary by William Maltbey, chair, department of history, University of Missouri-St. Louis (12/17); *Cromwell*, commentary by Derek Hirst, history department, Washington University (1/7); *1776*, commentary by Arthur Schaffer, department of history, University of Missouri-St. Louis (1/14); *The Autobiography of Miss Jane Pittman*, commentary by Barbara Woods, Afro-American studies, St. Louis University (1/21); *Absence of Malice*, commentary by Patricia Rice, feature writer, St. Louis Post-Dispatch, (1/28).

The group of organizations that make up Magna Carta in Missouri, responsible for bringing the exhibition to St. Louis, include the Missouri Historical Society; The English Speaking Union, St. Louis Chapter; the Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis; the Winston Churchill Memorial and Westminster College; St. Louis Mercantile Library Association; and the American Jewish Congress, St. Louis Chapter.

Winter Calendar

Continuing: Magna Carta: Liberty Under the Law. Exhibition of documents, photographs, paintings and artifacts showing development of rule of law from Magna Carta through the U.S. Constitution features actual Magna Carta held by Lincoln Cathedral since 1215, a draft of the U.S. Constitution, and Jefferson papers and Louisiana Purchase documents. Admission \$3 for adults; \$2 for senior citizens; \$1 for children. Museum open daily 9:30 a.m. to 4:45 and until 8 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays. Exhibition continues through January 31.

Through Christmas; Mary Engelbreit's Drawings at Left Bank Books, 399 North Euclid, 367-6731.

Through Dec. 31: Debra Drexler's *Modern Goddesses* at the University City Library (6701 Delmar) is a look at how characteristics of classical archetypal goddesses appear in modern women. Mon-Fri, 9 a.m.-9 p.m.; Sat, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.; Sun, 2-5 p.m. "Textures & Styles," at Componere (6509 Delmar) features Paper Collages for Walls and Wearables by Ellen Klamon Greenberg and "Designer Trunk Show" of new fashions by Kathleen May. Hours 11 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday-Saturday.

Through Jan. 3, 1988: *The Ebsworth Collection: American Modernism, 1911-1947*, St. Louis Art Museum.

December 1987

- 5 **Storytelling at the Kingsbury Kiosk**, 11 a.m., 28th Ward Headquarters, 6010 Kingsbury at Des Peres.
- 6 "Directions 1988: New Works by Gallery Artists," Elliot Smith Gallery, 360 N. Skinker. Opening reception, 2-5 p.m. Show through 1/3/88.
Music for Hanukkah, performed by Cantor Leon Lissek, 1 p.m., Art Museum Auditorium. Carols by choir of St. Michael & St. George, 1:30 p.m., Sculpture Hall; A medley of spirituals by the Legend Singers and songs for the holidays by the Union Electric Choir, 2:30 p.m., Art Museum Auditorium; Vivaldi's *Gloria* performed by the Second Presbyterian Church Choir, 3 p.m., Grigg Gallery, Art Museum.
"Missouri and the U.S. Constitution: A Love-Hate Relationship," talk by Duane G. Meyer, 2 p.m., Missouri Historical Society. Free.
- 8 Sculptor Creighton Michahel will discuss his recent work, 7 p.m. with reception following. An exhibition of his work through 1/31/88. St. Louis Gallery of Contemporary Art, 524 Trinity. Call 725-8655.
- 10 Robin Hood (film), with Errol Flynn. 7:30 p.m., Emerson Auditorium, Missouri Historical Society. \$2 admission.
- 11 Top Hat (film), with Fred Astaire and Ginger Rogers. 1:30, 7:00, and 9:15 p.m., Art Museum Auditorium. \$2; \$1 for Friends.
"84 Charing Cross Road" in a dinner/theatre production by the St. Louis University Theatre; Dinner, 7 p.m., play, 8 p.m. Tickets \$13; call 658-2998.
Young Singers of Missouri will perform madrigals and holiday music, 7:30 p.m., Grace and Peace Church, 5574 Delmar at Clara. \$2 donation suggested.
- 13 "The Americanization of Magna Carta," talk by David T. Konig. 2 p.m., Missouri Historical Society. Free.
Bel Canto Choir performs Bach's Magnificat and other work, 3 p.m., St. Roch Church, Waterman at Rosedale.
Vision of Gospel: A Musical Celebration presented by the Washington University Association of Black Students and featuring Zella Jackson Price, Arlene McClendon, Hiram Kisart, the St. Louis Community Choir, the Black Repertory Gospel Choir of Washington U., Shirley LeFlore. 6 p.m., Graham Chapel, Washington University. Tickets \$5. Sponsored by Hamilton Community School, 367-6996 or 367-6969.

- 17 A Man for All Seasons (film), 7:30 p.m., Emerson Auditorium, Missouri Historical Society. \$2 admission.
- 18 **A Child's Christmas in Wales** by Dylan Thomas, 7:30-8 p.m. Refreshments following. Grace Methodist Church, Waterman at Skinker.
- 19 **Young Singers of Missouri** in concert, Grace Methodist Church, 2 p.m., Waterman at Skinker.
- 20 **Christmas Musical Evening** including "Listen to the Lambs," 6 p.m., Grace and Peace Church, 5574 Delmar at Clara.
- 25 **MERRY CHRISTMAS** from the staff and Board of *The Times*. Our next issue will be February 1988; deadline is January 15.

January 1988

- 4 **Skinker DeBaliviere Community Council** meets, 7:30 p.m., 6010a Kingsbury. Public welcome.
Registration through January 15 for **Hamilton Community School's** winter session. Classes beginning January 19 range from G.E.D. to Word Processing for Adults. Call 367-6996 or 367-6969 for information.
- 7 **Cromwell** (film), 7:30 p.m., Emerson Auditorium, Missouri Historical Society. \$2 admission.
- 8 Medieval Feast: hearty food and drink, musical entertainment; \$25 per person, 7:30 p.m. Missouri Historical Society. Call 361-9265 for reservations.
- 9 **Martin Luther King, Jr., Commemorative Service.** 7 p.m. followed by potluck dessert reception, Grace and Peace Church, 5574 Delmar at Clara. Sponsored by SDCC. See page 1 for details.
Storytelling at the Kiosk, 11 a.m., 28th Ward Headquarters, Kingsbury at Des Peres.
- 10 "The St. Louis Area in 1215," slide talk by Suzanne Kuterer-Sibiart, 2 p.m., Missouri Historical Society. Free.
- 14 1776 (film), 7:30 p.m., Emerson Auditorium, Missouri Historical Society. \$2 admission.
- 16 Medieval Day: garbed members of the Society of Creative Anachronism to demonstrate crafts, games, foods; 11 a.m.-4 p.m., Missouri Historical Society. Free.
- 17 "They Have No Rights: The Dred Scott Case," talk by Walter Erlich, 2 p.m., Missouri Historical Society. Free.
- 21 **Skinker DeBaliviere Business Association luncheon meeting.** Call 862-5122 for information.
The Autobiography of Miss Jane Pittman (film), 7:30 p.m., Emerson Auditorium, Missouri Historical Society. \$2 admission.
- 24 Baroque and 18th Century Music, performed by the Laclede Quartet, 2 p.m., Missouri Historical Society. Free.
- 18 Absence of Malice (film), 7:30 p.m., Emerson Auditorium, Missouri Historical Society. \$2 admission.
- 29 Synchronia in concert, recent works from Europe and Asia including compositions from Boulez, Meno, Toru Takemitsu, and Friedheim Dohl. 8 p.m., Ethical Society, 9001 Clayton Road, \$6.50; \$4 students, seniors. 725-8930 for information.

Y.S.P. Is Getting High Off of L.S.D.

by Kalimba Kindell, Coordinator
Hamilton Community School

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4. Help for the elderly, peers, youth, and adults in the community
5. Adopting grandparents
6. Big brother/Big sister program
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8. Drug awareness and prevention
9. Scholarship fund
10. Academic excellence
11. Community newsletter

Our youth are also a part of various leadership programs including Government Conferences, Career Conferences, Leadership Camps, and the Congressional Awards.

For more information to become a member or to volunteer as a mentor, please contact K. Kalimba Kindell at 367-6996 or 367-6969. Office hours are 2 p.m.-9 p.m., Monday thru Thursday. Answering Service available 24 hours.



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C.T. Stuart making his edible fire.

Photo by King Schoenfeld

by C.T. Stuart

I am Calvin Truesdale Stuart III. Most people call me C.T. Some call me other things too, but that's not important. I am nineteen years old, and am the son of Calvin and Georgianna Stuart at 6124 Kingsbury. I am currently employed at the National Super Market at Clayton and Big Bend.

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A new graduate program designed for health care professionals who work with the chronically ill will be offered in January 1988 at Washington University in St. Louis.

The Master of Health Science Program in Health Care Services (M.H.S.) is an interdisciplinary program that emphasizes clinical and research expertise as a foundation for planning innovative programs for the chronically ill. M.H.S. courses will be offered during flexible hours to health care professionals with a bachelor's degree in related health care fields. Students enrolled in the 30-credit program will be exposed to the latest state-of-the-art research on chronic diseases.

The program is sponsored by Washington University's School of Medicine, Department

of Psychology, and University College—the evening division of the Faculty of Arts and Sciences. Washington University established the program in response to "an increasing demand for health professionals who can develop unique services for the chronically ill—from the more traditional health care program to those with the preventive health focus of the future," says Debra Haire-Joshu, M.H.S. coordinator.

The M.H.S. curriculum includes five required courses with elective courses selected from the schools of medicine, business, social work and the education and psychology departments at Washington University.

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From the Mayor's Desk

by Vincent C. Schoemehl, Jr.

In December of 1984, I instituted an Executive Order pertaining to the hiring of construction firms working on city projects or projects assisted by the City. The goal of the Executive Order was to ensure that city residents would share in the economic benefits associated with the City's recent growth and development. The Executive Order was to be in effect for a five year period with the intent of placing city residents in 25 percent of apprenticeship positions in the construction industry's metropolitan workforce. In addition, contractors would strive toward having 20 percent of their journeymen workforce be residents of the City of St. Louis. By 1989, the goals were to increase to 30 percent for apprentices and 25 percent for journeymen. For each figure, a goal was set stipulating that half of the city employees would be minorities and 10 percent would be women.

Since the inception of the Executive Order, significant progress has been made toward achieving the specified city employment goals. I am confident that the goals can be achieved by the 1989 expiration date. It is my desire to extend the Executive Order an additional three years, continuing through 1992. By extending the Executive Order, the employment goals will be maintained at the optimal levels for an additional three years.

Although the goals of the Executive Order are not quotas, contractors must demonstrate a reasonable good faith effort in meeting

them, given the qualifications of the individuals available for hiring. A contractor that refuses to participate in the program or flagrantly violates its goals can be barred from all future work involving the City. By applying the goals to the contractor's area-wide workforce, the Executive Order was designed to open the greatest possible number of jobs to city residents. The Executive Order specifically focuses on apprentices because that is where we could build long-term opportunities for city residents. I am pleased to report that this is the area where we have had the most success.

With a majority of the figures in for the third quarter of 1987, 18 percent of all apprentice positions in the metropolitan area's construction trades were held by city residents as were 12 percent of journeymen positions. This compares to 10 percent of apprentices and 8 percent of journeymen in the third quarter of 1986, the first quarter for which data comparable to current figures was compiled.

Statistics reveal that each quarter the Executive Order has been in place, the percentage of city residents in apprenticeship and journeymen positions has increased. The City will continue monitoring the progress of the Order as well as developing employment plans for contractors below the hiring goals. The City of St. Louis is committed to identifying and providing employment opportunities for its residents.



Photo by King Schoenfeld

On Halloween, before starting their "trick-or-treating," about 50 witches, ghosts, and assorted animals were entertained by magician Harold D. Russell. The costume prize winners at the 20th Annual Halloween party were: Natalie Bailey-pumpkin fairy; Matthew Bailey-upside-down person; Steve and David Ducker-dinosaurs; Miranda Fay-horse of a different color; Daniel Flynn-Roman soldier; Ann Gowoert-witch; Zoe Hawk-bride; Carolyn Holler-elephant; Boyd Nunley-spider; John Pitts-clown.



Photo by King Schoenfeld

Halloween fun at St. Roch Church brought Jim Flynn dressed as the devil here talking with Mary Gioia with Paul Ardekani (right).

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Nov. Council Minutes

Minutes of the Skinker DeBaliviere Community Council Meeting November 2, 1987

Present: Jim McLeod, Karleen Hoerr, Paul Kurtz, Neville Vatcha, Jim O'Neal, Jack Wright, Eddie Sanders, Bob Dowgwillo, K. Wobus, Nancy Farmer.

Guests: Jane Rund, Ginny Klevorn.

McLeod introduced **Jane Rund**, the Neighborhood Liaison Officer assigned to our area. Rund described her duties as an NLO: assisting individuals with City services, conducting field inspections for building an other City codes, handling complaints, providing information for aldermen, etc. NLO's work from the Neighborhood Assistance Center; there are currently eight for the entire City with each assigned 3-4 wards. Rund serves the 13th, 17th, and 28th wards. K. Hoerr asked Rund about her background. Rund worked for a State Rep in Jefferson City prior to this in a similar capacity—handling complaints, etc. She has a bachelor's degree in political science from Webster University.

Questions and discussion followed about a study proposed by CDA which will include our area; the lack of recreational facilities in our area and throughout the city for children and teenagers; the need for additional street signs, especially speed limits, children playing, and one-way.

J. Wright asked if Rund worked closely with the schools and if there is a chance of opening their facilities for neighborhood recreational use. Rund will check into this possibility.

McLeod asked what kind of complaints Rund receives from 28th Ward residents. Primarily complaints are related to refuse and dumpsters, as well as building code violations and abandoned, derelict cars. Kurtz asked if the backlog of derelict cars had been cleared and if the city is towing cars again. It is.

Rund was asked about several problem properties; she will follow up with the building division in citing code violations.

Farmer commented that Rund has been working very hard in our area and is getting a lot of things done: derelict vehicles removed from a lot on Delmar, monitoring problem properties, etc. She's a great help and resource.

McLeod thanked Rund for coming and invited her to attend as often as possible.

McLeod introduced **Jack Wright**, elected last month to complete Ginny Klevorn's term as an at-large representative. Directors welcomed him back to the board.

Safety Committee: Farmer reported that the committee did not meet last month. She, Licel Saller (Parkview Properties Manager), and Msgr. Polizzi met with Lt. Cognata and another representative from 7th District earlier this month to discuss auto break-ins and theft. As manpower allows, the Lt. will assign extra patrols in our area. Farmer has helped Saller set up a neighborhood safety meeting for 6000-6100 Waterman and Pershing to reinforce the Neighborhood Watch program especially with tenants.

McLeod added to the committee report that Paul Repetto has informed him that he would like to be removed as chairperson of the committee. McLeod asked directors to consider and suggest other individuals who might lead this important committee.



Sandy and Sue Rothschild's house at Washington and Skinker in Parkview won the 1987 Homer Award for Best Urban In-Fill Housing.

Photo by King Schoenfeld

Skinker Planning: McLeod reported that the committee is working with Parkview, businesses, and the churches on the parking problem along Skinker. Grace Methodist recently decided to close the parking lot behind the Sinclair station on Skinker to the neighborhood. A system of registering cars and clearing the lot for church use on specific days and times has been worked out on a trial basis. Plans for short term and long term solutions to the parking problem are being developed.

Social Service Committee: McLeod reported that the committee met in October and discussed services currently provided by institutions in this area; three churches operated food pantries and one operates a women's shelter. The committee is looking into the Missouri Energy Assistance program.

Wobus announced that Linda Emerson and the Breitmayer Ministry are organizing a job referral service. After the program gets going, they hope to offer job skills training as well.

Rosedale Neighborhood Association: Dowgwillo reported \$400 of the proceeds from Rags to Riches has been donated to *The Times*, and \$50 donated to the annual Halloween party. A letter and packet to welcome new neighbors to the area is nearly ready to be mailed.

M.L. King Commemoration: O'Neal reported the committee met earlier this month and feels it is appropriate for SDCC to sponsor a neighborhood event. The plans discussed include a performance by a gospel choir, a keynote speaker, a dancer, and an oral interpretation of some of Dr. King's writings. The artists and speakers will perform gratis. The committee discussed a catered reception following the program, but it is cost prohibitive. They plan, instead, a dessert "potluck." Programs, flyers, etc. can be copied at the office at nominal cost. The committee has tentatively scheduled the event for Saturday, January 9, 1988, at 6:00 p.m. This date does not conflict with any other activities. The committee will approach neighborhood churches to donate space for the event in the next few weeks. Plans for an essay contest are still being discussed. [Editor's note: scheduled time for this event is 7 p.m. at Grace and Peace Church. See page 1 for details.]

Directors Report:

House Tour: Farmer asked if the board wanted to sponsor the Christmas Walk/House Tour this year. It was included in SDCC's grant proposal to the Arts Commission. There have been several neighborhood events in the past three months: six concert series, Art Exposed, Brick party, *Times* fund raisers, and River Faces workshop, and attendance has been off. Attendance has been off at the Christmas Walk/House Tour the last couple of years as well. Skinker DeBaliviere sponsored one of the first house tours in the city and it has been an annual event for more than 15 years. On the one hand, it is a strong and rich tradition; on the other hand, maybe it's time to give it a rest. Discussion followed. Directors decided not to sponsor a house tour this year.

Nina Place: Thirty plus neighbors attended the Nina Place Advisory Committee meeting October 26. Dean Burns, president of Westminster Company, reviewed his plans for the project. They will begin Phase I, two six-family buildings, in December; the first 12 condos will be completed by spring. The first units will be priced in the mid-seventies. 95% FHA financing is available and there is a 10% per unit incentive for buyers through CDA For Sale Incentive Program. Those attending seemed enthusiastic about the plan.

DeBaliviere Retail Centre: Gary Mestman and Jerry Reznick spoke at the October SDBA meeting. They are a month behind schedule on the project, but they started excavating in late October. They anticipate the completion of Building B, facing DeBaliviere, by spring. They confirmed they have three tenants for the building: a movie store, a sub shop, and a carry-out Chinese restaurant. They also reported they rejected "suds and duds" (combination laundromat/bar) as a tenant. They are leasing space at \$15/sq. ft. They also mentioned Radio Shack and Frame Factory as possible tenants. For building A, they are looking for 3-4 tenants, maximum, but it might be a single tenant; they mentioned a supermarket or a movie theatre chain. There are some minor changes in design for the Retail Centre. They will appear before Heritage again on November 12. Farmer will attend and keep board members informed.

Edwards' Liquor Store/Lounge: Mr. Edwards has reapplied for a 3 a.m. liquor license; an application hearing has not yet been set. Farmer is the protest representative of record; does the board want her to continue to try to coordinate a protest to the application? Directors approved.

Community Reinvestment Program: Boatmen's is typesetting an ad explaining the program which will appear in the next ten issues of *The Times*; there is also an article about the program which will run in November. Farmer anticipates a lot of inquiries about the program.

Washington Heights Neighbors: WHN is celebrating its 25th anniversary this month. Farmer has helped identify and locate some of their past officers and members. They are planning a celebration/reunion, but the date has not been set. Farmer suggested SDCC acknowledge the anniversary and congratulate the organization. Directors approved.

Meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

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Vicissitudes

by Lisa Horner

Congratulations to artist Bill Kohn, 6100 Kingsbury, who was honored with Washington University's "Distinguished Faculty Award" on Founders Day. Bill is presenting a new audio-visual work "Pilgrimage to the Virgin of Rocío" on December 6 at Washington University's Steinberg Auditorium. The work is based in his experiences in Spain and captures the spirit of the Spanish people in their devotion and annual pilgrimage during a three-day, 45 mile procession on foot to the Virgin of Rocío. Bill also has an exhibition of new watercolors which will be featured in *Directions 1988*, a group show at the Elliot Smith Gallery on Skinker.

Joe Shaughnessy, of Lindell Blvd., president and chief operating officer of Bannes-Shaughnessy, Inc., a neighborhood construction company, received the Alumni Merit Award from St. Louis University. The award was presented at the annual Founders Week civic dinner on October 25. Joe co-founded Bannes-Shaughnessy in 1972. They have completed more than 750 area construction projects.

Delphine McClellan, also of Lindell, was on hand at the St. Roch Book Fair, Nov. 15, to autograph copies of her new book, *We Stayed to Fight for City Living*. She was also honored at a reception at Central Library on November 22.

Another neighborhood author, Norbury L. Wayman, 5700 Kingsbury Place, has just announced the publication of an expanded edition of his book, *St. Louis Union Station and Its Railroads*. The expanded edition includes a section on famous trains which arrived and departed from the station, and a section of historic pictures.

Kathleen Szczesniak, a resident of DeBaliviere Place, has been appointed vice president of property management for Lockwood Management, Inc., a fully-owned subsidiary of The Lockwood Group of St. Louis. The Lockwood Group specializes in the development, management, and syndication of apartment projects throughout the Midwest and the South. Prior to joining Lockwood, Szczesniak was vice president of Pantheon Management Co.

Gail Farwell, 6000 Westminster, has just received an Associates degree in nursing from Forest Park Community College. Gail already holds a Bachelor's degree in Home Economics and Business from Lincoln University.

Did you catch Jim McLeod on the November 15 program East Side/West Side? Jim was a guest, discussing a scholarship program at Washington University, where he is a professor of German. Jim also serves as president of the Skinker-Debaliviere Community Council.

Barbara Joffe Clewell is director of the new Riverway School which will open next fall in the renovated J.I. Sullivan Building at 11th and Lucas downtown. Riverway will offer an innovative year-round program, initially for children kindergarten through third grade and is designed to meet the needs of working parents. Barbara resides in the 6100 block of Pershing and is the former assistant director of New City School.

Everyone's pleased to see Paul Kurtz, 6000 Washington, up and about following a recent bout with pneumonia. Paul had a great chance to recuperate in November, however, when he took a business trip to the Virgin Islands.

A warm neighborhood welcome to Amelia and Edwin McClesky of 6100 McPherson. The McClesky's have moved into the home formerly occupied by Tim and Clare Hanlon and family. The Hanlons moved to Westerville, Ohio, just outside Columbus.

Friday the 13th will always be a lucky day for Mary and Hitch Powell, 6100 Westminster. Their son, Charles Philip Hitchcock, was born at 7 pounds, 20½ inches on November 13.

Ginny and Tom Klevorn bid their adieu to friends and neighbors last month when they took off for their new home in Brussels, Belgium. The Klevorns are planning to return to the neighborhood after a couple of years abroad. They are expecting their first child in April and promise to keep in touch and let us know.



Photo by Jeremy Schoenfeld

Kiosk Library volunteers Mary Wiltenberg (left) and Tova Carlin (right).

Christmas At The Kiosk

by Mary Ann Shickman

Two young library volunteers, Mary Wiltenberg and Tova Carlin, spent considerable time going through the Christmas books at the Kiosk.

Here are just a few of the ones they were enthusiastic about: *The Cat on the Dovrefell: a Christmas Tale* translated from the Norse by Sir John Webbe Dasent, illustrated by dePaola; *Eric and the Christmas Horse* by Hans Peterson; *Miracle on 34th Street* by

Davies; *A Christmas Carol* by Charles Dickens; *How the Grinch Stole Christmas* by Dr. Seuss; *Babar and Father Christmas*; *The Beautiful Christmas Tree* by Zolotow; and *Madeline's Christmas* by Ludwig Bemelman.

Leo Buscaglia's new book, *Seven Stories of Christmas*, is beautifully illustrated and the stories will warm your heart.

I just finished reading one of the best books I have read in a long time. *White Palace* (White Castle) by Glenn Saven mentions so many streets and places in St. Louis which are familiar. I've never been to Hugo's Bar in "Dogtown" but many say they went there on an excursion after reading the book. It is terribly funny and has an unusual love story with some steamy love scenes. Although it is not a Christmas story, it has a lot to offer.

Our last story hour at 28th Ward Democratic Headquarters had to do with the fire department and Rose Flynn had Michael Rapp of Firehouse 20 as her guest. The big, red firetruck drove up in the parking lot and all kinds of demonstrations took place.

On Dec. 5 at 11 a.m. Rose Flynn will have Christmas stories and there will be hot cocoa and cookies.

Merry Christmas to all from the Kiosk and many thanks to all our patrons.

Jan Pitts, 6100 McPherson, has just started a new business. She and her father-in-law have just opened Rainbow Finishes at 5839 Delmar next to McDonalds. They carry Pratt & Lambert and Benjamin Moore paints, as well as hand tools and all sorts of supplies for home do-it-yourself projects. They welcome your business. You can reach Rainbow Finishes at 367-4795.

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In Your Ear

by Tom Hoerr

I guess I had known that she was slipping—mentally, that is—for quite some time. For years now, I had avoided facing the truth and always ignored what was happening or found an excuse when she did something really bizarre. The crowning blow, though, was a few weeks ago when she told me that she had named all of her shoes.

"You've what?" I responded over the Apple-In-the-Middle cereal at breakfast. In the background, Willard Scott talked about snow flurries and wished happy birthday to someone in Iowa who had just turned 104.

"I've named my shoes," Karleen said in her soft voice.

I must not have flinched or even spilled my Nutrasweet, because she continued in a cheery voice.

"You know how I collect shoes? Well, sometimes even I get confused which shoes are which and where they are. 'I have my winter shoes,' she continued, 'and summer shoes and spring shoes and fall shoes. But then I have my cross-seasonal fall/winter and summer/spring and summer/fall and spring/winter shoes, unless, of course, you count my sandals which, while they're summer shoes, sort of, can be worn in the winter in the shower.'"

By this time I was too dazed to answer and just sat, looking at my breakfast bowl, searching for meaning in the formation of Apple-In-the-Middle within the milk. If you stare for enough time at the cereal in the milk, you can perceive patterns of squares. If you stare even longer and don't blink, the squares begin to circle in concert in the bowl, as if to dance to the beat of Bryant Gumbel's voice as he interviews some financier.

Karleen was talking to me, but looking at the toaster. Like the stove, it's been broken for months now, but she was attracted by the reflection of her moving lips on its shiny silver side and slowly rotated her head as she spoke.

She continued, "I used to call them by colors. I'd have my red flats with the open-toes or my blue heels with the white piping or my grey slippers with the ruby stones. But then I thought, 'hey, how would I like it if they called me the lady with the black hair and brown eyes; after all, my name is Karleen.'"

"Since I have between three and four hundred pairs of shoes, not counting those in the safe deposit box or the trunk of the car, I started naming them for friends and very close acquaintances. After a while I had used up all of those people, so I started to name the shoes for people I knew or had met once or twice. Finally, I began going through the phone book and naming the shoes after people whose names sounded interesting, people I thought I'd like to meet."

The Apple-In-the-Middles were now full of milk, looking quite porcine and somewhat pregnant. I jabbed at them with my spoon. Occasionally I'd get lucky and an air bubble would rise to the surface from some Apple-In-the-Middle hidden below the milk. I imagined that I was the captain of a World War II destroyer, seeking enemy subs in the white Atlantic. What appeared to be a simple spoon was actually a sonar device which enabled me to find the hidden submarines and squish the air from their hulls. The white waves were moving slowly, but there, below the surface I spotted a periscope beginning to rise. "Prepare depth charges," I called to the ensign.

"There are about six pairs of shoes that logically go together," she said to the toaster, "because they are all part of my outfits for doing ceramics."

The first depth charge slipped over the side of the bowl and we waited breathlessly. No air bubbles came to the surface, so the spoon probed to the port side. "I named them the Clay family—y'know, ceramics and clay—get it?" but the toaster did not respond. "Ann, Bob, Carl, Doug, Edward, and Florence are their first names."

I decided that there was too much debris in the Atlantic, so I used my silver fork-lift to remove some of the Apple-In-the-Middles to

their final resting place. They could go peacefully, knowing that they had fulfilled their mission in life and had met their destiny. Moxie, our adopted attack dog, and Cleo, our answering service poodle, stood by the table waiting for a dropped depth charge. Moxie was a commissioned officer and Cleo was a non-com, but a good one. I smiled at them and they returned my hidden message by wagging their tails.

She must have gone upstairs without my knowing it, probably during a bit of stormy weather, because I now heard her coming down the stairs. I looked up to see Karleen carrying a shopping bag. She was wearing unlaced winter snow boots with no socks, and had another pair of shoes on her hands, red ones with black markings on the sides.

While I was looking at her, away from the bowl, I quickly charged my spoon into the milk, hoping to catch a submarine or two unawares. I can be really tricky when the stakes are high. Moxie and Cleo sat motionless and silently approved my deft action.

"Here are some friends I want you to meet," she said, and began to pull out her shoes one by one. Each shoe had not just a name it seemed, but a small biography as well.

"Todd Carter," she said, holding up a black sandal with a broken strap, "is an architect who moonlights as a meter reader."

"Leslie McDonald is a nuclear scientist who collects stamps and 1967 Chevrolets" and she threw a silver slipper over her shoulder.

"Professor and Mrs. Jonathan R. Medola," she shouted, and she held up a brown set of heels. "A researcher who studies alien life forms along with his wife, Emily, who works as a journalist for a daily metropolitan newspaper."

She pulled a beige pump from the bag and balanced it on her head saying, "This is Father Eduardo Domingo. He's a Catholic Priest who does missionary work in Central America." When she said Central America, she snapped her fingers and the shoe fell to her lap where she treated it as if it were a hot potato and threw it in the sink.

"Muriel Toospence, a telephone operator from Des Moines," and she held up a pink bedroom slipper.

"Here's Patty and George Rondeau," she went on, displaying a pair of winter boots. I started to ask her which one was Patty, but I was afraid she'd answer. Besides, I could see the Apple-In-the-Middles moving together to talk about me. I could tell that they were whispering, but my spoon was already probing below the surface near where they had anchored. Their minutes were numbered. Her voice was faster now, and she clipped off the names of her shoes as she reached into her bag and threw them on to the kitchen floor, one after another: "Abraham Shuttlebus, Mollie Marks, Linda Penelope, Dr. Jane Grimrad, Bob Biple, an undertaker, no less!" she chortled, "Felix Rasmussen, Susan Miranda, Pat and Ed Hilliker—and she held up a pair of scuffed cowboy boots—Adam Turner, Bill Turner, Carl Turner, Dennis Turner, Earth Mother Turner, Frances X. Turner, Galapagos Turner, Henry Turner, Ichabod Turner, Jackie Turner, Klaus Turner, Lee Turner; it's a family reunion!" she shrieked with tears running down her face. She paused because the bag was empty.

I could see the ripples as the torpedo sped toward my ship. Waves of milk bubbled and churned as it gained speed. I tried to avoid the collision, but it was too late. My spoon was stuck and the explosion would be inevitable.

"Battlestations, battlestations," I yelled into the intercom. "Secure for direct hit, secure for..."

The explosion occurred just below the milkline on the starboard side of the bowl. The flooding was intense and I knew that there wasn't enough time for lifeboats. I had been remiss in not preparing and now my men would suffer a quick death in the cold, milky Atlantic.

"Patty Turner, Quizzle Turner, Ralph Turner..." and I saw her holding what look-

ed like a long red slipper in her lap while she continued to pull other shoes from the canvas bag. I immediately recognized the shoe in her lap for what it really was.

"Quick," I screamed, "send me the lifeboat!"

"Sancho Turner, Terribly Tommy Turner..."

"The lifeboat," I screamed, and the milk was above the control panels and the ship was listing badly to the port. "Send me the lifeboat before it's too late!"

"Zeus Turner," she said with finality, and she wadded the bag and threw it over her shoulder. Another bag appeared from somewhere and she began to talk about what she called her "Presidential Bag"; all the shoes in this bag were named after Presidents of the United States, their spouses, or their children.

"John-John Kennedy...John Adams...Stephen Harding...Lady Bird Johnson...Todd Lincoln..."

"The lifeboat," I cried, and I felt the milk swirling around my feet, "send me your tired, your weary, your huddled masses." And everything grew white and the Apples-In-the-Middle smiled.

Washington Heights Celebrates 25th

Washington Heights Neighbors began its Silver Anniversary Celebration with a gathering at Hamilton School on November 10. It's hard to believe that it has been 25 years since WHN was first incorporated making it one of the oldest neighborhood organizations in the city. One of the questions we're trying to answer this year is how long was WHN in existence before it was incorporated?

This first gathering was a great start and featured renewed acquaintances, good food, friendly company, and some surprising artifacts from the past. Everyone attending received a copy of the OCTOBER 1962 edition of the Washington Heights Newsletter.

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A special guest of honor was Blanche Reel, one of the original incorporators of Washington Heights, and the only one who still lives in WH. Blanche was an active member of the Board, officer, and leader for many years.

WHN is compiling a *Silver History Booklet* highlighting people, events, and activities of the past 25 years; and memorabilia, artifacts, newspaper articles, etc. for a time capsule to be opened in the year 2012 for WHN's Golden Anniversary.

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