Nine Homes Featured on Third House Tour

By Bernard Casey FHNA Social Committee

The Forest Hill Neighborhood Association is hosting its third "Country in the City" house tour on Sunday, September 20, from 12:00 pm to 5:00 pm. Grab a friend or neighbor and meander along the tree-lined streets of our diverse neighborhood to visit the nine homes on the tour.

When you need a little breather wander over to Good Shepherd Episcopal Church on the corner of Forest Hill Avenue and 43rd Street and enjoy a beverage with light snacks and pastries. Donations are encouraged.

Tickets can be purchased in advance for \$12 at the following locations: South of James Farmers Market, 43rd Street Gallery, Crossroads Ice Cream & Coffee (both locations). In Carytown tickets are available at Ruth & Ollie, Mongrel, Salon 23 and the Glave Kocen Gallery. Tickets also may be purchased at Williams & Sherrill in the Huguenot Village Shopping Center.

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Everyone has fun at the 43rd Street Festival. And the art's good too!

Patrick Henry Charter School Opens in 2010

By Kristen Larson

Plans to open the Patrick Henry School of Science and Art (PHSSA) in 2010 are moving at a rapid pace. This will be Richmond's first charter school and will provide an additional choice for kindergarten through fifth grade students in Richmond Public Schools. Organizers hold meetings at 8:00 pm on the first Thursday of every month at the Patrick Henry building, 3411 Semmes Avenue. To learn more about the school plan to attend one of the following:

Curriculum 101 – Find out about the progressive teaching methods at PHSSA (Patrick Henry School of Science and Art) and the integration of the Forest Hill and James River parks. The year-round school will emphasize environmental

awareness and social responsibility. Find out more about PHSSA's teaching methods at Curriculum 101 on Thursday, September 3.

Facilities 101 – Join in on Thursday, October 1, for an overview of the school building and scheduled renovations. Take a tour of the building and check out the classrooms that students will use starting in July 2010.

Also, Chik-fil-A is sponsoring a "Spirit Night" at the Forest Hill restaurant at the Target/Ukrop's shopping center on Thursday, September 10, 2009 from 5:00-8:00 pm. Twenty percent of the sales that night will go to Patrick Henry. Come out and support this great new asset to the Forest Hill Neighborhood. For more information, go to www.patrickhenrycharter.org.

43rd Street Festival is Sept. 19

By Robin Cage

The 43rd Street Festival of the Arts will be back in your neighborhood this month! A full day of fine arts and crafts, music, and food will be available on Saturday, September 19th, from 10:00 am - 5:00 pm. Festival sponsors are hoping for a beautiful, clear day, with cool temperatures for the show. As part of the vibrant Forest Hill area that is home to the Southside Farmer's Market, Music in the Park and House Tours, the Forest Hill Neighborhood Association is a proud sponsor of this event.

Support your local artisans and bring art into your life with the great variety of work provided by the 70 juried craftsmen in the show. We also have a great line-up of music organized by John Sankey of the Bluz Catz, which includes: Huge Guitars (10:00 am-11:00 am), Blue Line Highway (11:30 am-12:30 pm), Tinker's Dam (1:00 pm-

2:00 pm), Bluz Catz (2:30 pm-3:30 pm), and Susan Greenbaum (4:00 pm-5:00 pm). There will, of course, be great food available all day.

Remember, aside from a great way to visit with friends and buy art, this is a fundraiser for Freedom House, our local homeless provider. Bring a few dollars to share by taking a chance on the raffle, getting this year's T-shirt, buying an Empty Bowl ticket, or dropping change in the donation barrel. Also, pick up some bottled water from the kids from Good Shepherd Episcopal school; they share the proceeds with Freedom House and raise some money for the

As always, a special thanks goes out to the Episcopal Church for the use of their space and all the neighbors who clean up their yards, put up with moving cars, and have their streets filled with folks and traffic for a day!

GRACE NOTES

Neighborhood Institutions Define Quality of Life

by Grace LeRose, FHNA President

The line was almost out the door and I was hungry and in a hurry. I looked around and surveyed the clientele while I waited for my bagel and coffee.

There were two elderly gents parked at the big round table right in the center of activity, commenting on the days' events. There was a young Mom with three rambunctious boys in tow who were climbing all over the couches, laughing and wrestling as they rolled over each other. The cop was standing in line behind the tattooed girl who resembled a slightly disheveled Betty Boop – or was it Betty Paige? The man in dusty work pants was filling his coffee at the bar. His thin frame looked delicate and sinewy.

Outside two dogs were barking their displeasure at being left outdoors. This, my friends, is a snap shot of our neighborhood on any given day. The scene, of course, is Crossroads Coffee & Ice Cream Shop on a busy Friday morning. It is places like Crossroads that bring us together – to eat, to sit and visit, to gather and spread news, rumors, or just to watch the colorful and fascinating parade of life.

Crossroads is technically between Woodland Heights and Forest Hill, but our "neighborhood" boundaries are loose and fluid. We share lots of things with both Woodland Heights and



Westover Hills. They partner with us to put together Music in the Park. We all supported the conservation easement that now protects the James River Park in perpetuity. We share beautiful, sometimes historic older homes, tree lined streets. Forest Hill Park, James River Park, schools, churches and many fine restaurants.

What would we be without these neighborhood institutions? Crossroads is relatively new to us –

(it is almost impossible to remember life without them!), but many fine establishments have been here for decades. Our children play together – perhaps even attend the same school. We eat together, worship together, grieve together and laugh together. These shops and churches and neighborhood joints give us a place to "be" together. Our neighborhood is infinitely better for them.

I hope you have seen the Forest Hill flag flying on your street. It is a beautiful green on green flag with "Welcome" and "Forest Hill" spelled out. I have enjoyed seeing them pop up on streets around the neighborhood when I take my dog for a walk. Many thanks to Dorna Braswell for her creativity! We have

sold out of our first order – but the next order should be in shortly. If you would like one, you can pick one up at the Farmer's Market – or shoot me an email and I'll drop one by.

We have a busy fall planned with the House Tour on September 20th, the Sunday after the 43rd St. Festival. We have a fantastic list of homes for your viewing pleasure – from large four-squares to charming cottages. Each home is unique, both in architecture and in the artistry of the inhabitants. Look for tickets to be sold soon.

This is our big fundraiser for the year – the money that is earned by the neighborhood in this one event keeps us going for a year. So grab your friends and take a walking tour of Forest Hill and enjoy some our most historic and beautiful homes.

We hope that the Forest Hill Neighborhood Association is one of the institutions that make this a better place to live. To join us, or just to find out what we doing next, come to a meeting – every second Wednesday of the month, at the Forest Hill Presbyterian Church at 44th and Forest Hill Ave. Like we say on the flag – Welcome!

Historic Designation Effort Continues for Forest Hill

What do you know about the history of our neighborhood?

- 1. Which Civil War general retreated from Richmond along Forest Hill Avenue at the end of the war?
- 2. Who built the gray stone house at the end of Taylor Avenue?
- 3. Which Supreme Court justice lived on Forest Hill Avenue in the first block on the right from Forest Hill Park?
- 4. For whom was Boscobel Street named?
- 5. Who was the City Sargeant (sheriff) who built the home at 4314 Forest Hill Avenue?

If you are interested in the history of the area or have information about the history of your home or others in the neighborhood, the committee for Historic Designation for Forest Hill would like to have your help.

Please visit our website for a detailed set of answers to frequently asked questions about the benefits of historic designation.

The ultimate goal of the organization is to help the Forest Hill Neighborhood take its place in history by entering FHN homes into the National Register of Historic Places and the Virginia Landmarks Register

Send us an email at cmp4312@yahoo.com or visit our website: historicforest-hill.com to post a comment.

*Find answers to the questions on our website.

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We are looking for a volunteer to take over newsletter layout starting with the April '10 issue. Contact the Flyer Editor if interested.

Friends of Forest Hill Park to Meet September 29

By Debra McClane

The next regular meeting of the Friends of Forest Hill Park will be held on Tuesday, September 29, at 7:00 pm at the Stone House. Guests and new member are always welcome.

The lake restoration project continues to progress and headway is being made in the excavation of the sediment.

The project appears to be on deadline and all improvements, including repaving of the pathways around the lake and construction of the new bridge, should be completed by the end of the year.

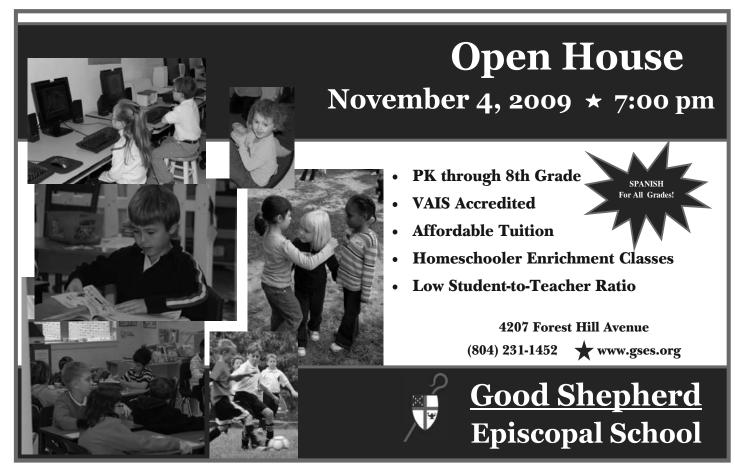
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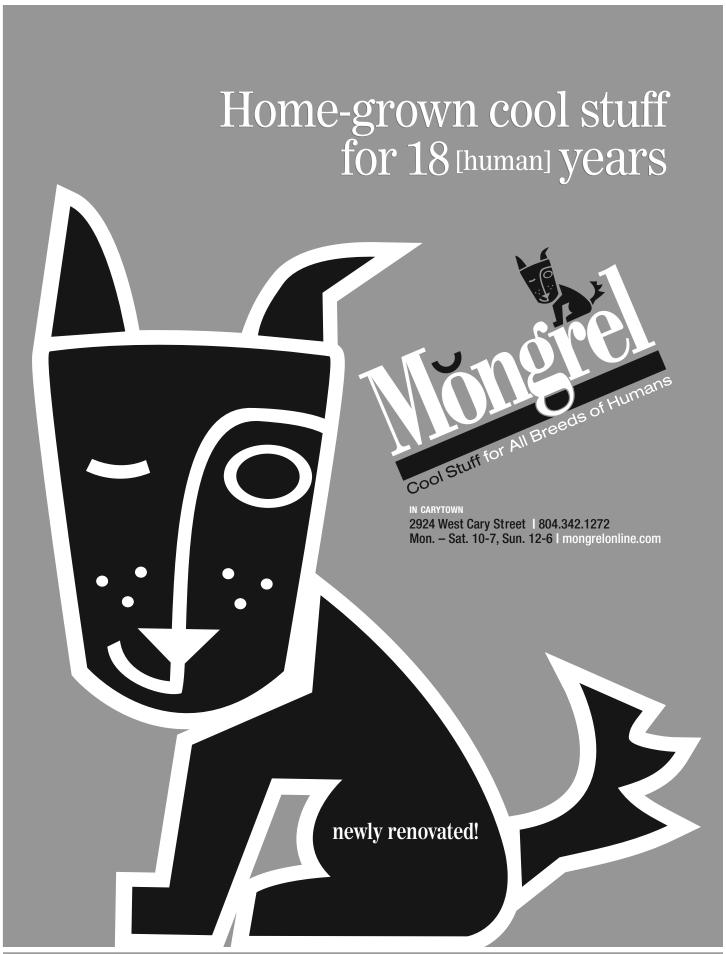


Lake Restoration On Target for Completion by Year's End

According to David Hathcock, city council liaison for Kathy Graziano, and ardent chronicler of the lake restoration, "The project is probably about 55-60% completed with the dredging, and the project is really moving ahead. The old stone walls around the historic lake are beginning to be uncovered, and the gazebo is being rescued. There are bull frogs still in the wet areas, and fresh deer tracks."

He continued, "Looking ahead, the contours will be restored, stone walls resurrected or restored, a new bridge constructed at the south end across Reedy Creek, new/replica lights restored, new/restored benches and shelters. I propose hot chocolate in the gazebo in January/February." Photo: Brent Tennefoss







City Council President, Kathy Graziano, escorting youngsters for a turn in the bouncy castle. Photo: Brent Tennefoss

Sunday in the Park Draws Record Crowd

By Debra McClane

On July 19, the Friends of Forest Hill Park and City Council President Kathy Graziano co-sponsored the fifth annual Sunday in the Park with Friends. The organizers could not have asked for better weather, which was much milder than past July Sunday afternoons!

The weather and excellent

publicity brought a recordbreaking crowd to Forest Hill Park for the afternoon. Over 900 hot dogs, 500 pieces of ice cream, 25 watermelons, and 1,000 bottles of water were distributed by mid-afternoon, indicating that between 1,500-2,000 visitors may have been at the park that day!

Many thanks are due to both participants and volunteers for making this event such a success. Publicity was expertly handled by Lou Ann Ladin. Robley Jones once again provided top-notch volunteers who helped to man the hot dog tent and watermelon tent and generally kept the day going. Monica Rumsev and former Stone House resident Dennis Allen gave auided tours through the Stone House, and Keith Ashley shared some of the histories

and memories of the park and Forest Hill neighborhood that he has collected.

And many thanks are due to Laura Dysart who organized area organizations to provide children's games and activities. Thanks to Good Shepherd Episcopal School, Patrick Henry Charter School, Waldorf School, and the Westover Hills Library Advisory Group.

And the clowns from Alley 3 Clowns of America had a line for face painting all day long. Great music was provided by Klezm'Or'Ami'm, Cy Taggart, and Van Driver, and Jonathan the Juggler captivated the audience.

We also want to thank Fire House 17 and Fire House 20 for coming out to the park with their engines and thanks to the various units of the Richmond Police who participated in the day including the bomb, forensics, K-9, mounted, motorcycle, and community care units. It was a chance for us to say thank you to these men and women for their great service.

The Friends of Forest Hill Park would also like once again to thank our sponsors who make it possible to keep this event FREE to all! This year's sponsors included: Kathy Graziano, Dominion/ Virginia Power, Sue Durlak, Fulton Hill Properties, Westover Hills Merchant's Association, Westover Hills Neighborhood Association, Forest Hill Neighborhood Association, Woodland Heights Neighborhood Association, Ukrop's Supermarkets, Wal-Mart, and C.T. Woody.





One hungry attendee waiting for a fresh batch of hot dogs. Photo: Brent Tennefoss



Photo: Brent Tennefoss

What's your name and age?

My name is Chester Reece and I'm 8 years old.

Who's your human?

My human is Carolyn Reece; we live on W. 46th St., in a little house with a fence around my back yard – and my front yard, too!

Where and when did you get adopted?

I was adopted from Henrico Humane Society in October 2006,

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and I lived with my human in Alexandria for about 6 months until we moved to Richmond.

What's your heritage?

I'm a beagle (well, mostly, anyway).

What's your favorite toy?

I love "fat frog" the best, but I'm also very fond of fuzzy man and nyla bones.

What's your best trick?

I can disappear in an instant if I see a squirrel to chase. But my human doesn't like me to do that, so I don't get to perform that trick very often.

What are your best traits?

I'm a very excellent watch dog, and because my voice is so loud people think I'm a lot bigger than I really am. I'm also really good at digging holes in our yard. And I'm a good snuggler!

What else do you have to say about yourself?

I love going for long walks and sniffing around trees and utility poles, and you'll see my human and me most mornings walking through Forest Hill and Westover Hills. My neighbors are very nice, and I like to meet new people, even though I'm a little shy, and a little afraid of children.

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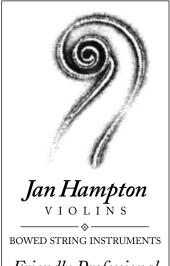
Membership Grows in Neighborhood Group

By Viki Atkinson

After only five months, the email list for the Forest Hill Gardeners already contains more than forty names. One of the members has created a Facebook page for the group; and many plants, seeds, and stories have been shared at relaxed Sunday evening gatherings.

Counting the eight-monthold that attended with his parents, fifteen Southside residents were in attendance at the first meeting in March. Men and women, twentysomethings and retirees – all seemed happy to know that they had found so many kindred spirits right in their own neighborhood.

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Sales · Rentals · Repairs Accessories · Bow Rehairing www.janhamptonviolins.com not a "club" in the typical sense of the word, but is more of a social group for people with a similar interest. Like the neighborhood Wine Club, the group's gatherings are also hosted by a different person each month and are attended by whichever interested Forest Hill residents choose to come that night. For the Forest Hill Gardeners, this provides the members with an opportunity to see each other's gardens.

"I love to view other people's creativity in their land-scaping," says member Grace LeRose, "and the brownies are wonderful!" In addition to taking a tour of the host's garden (or garden-to-be, if the member is a novice or has just moved in), the members bring food to share at the meetings, often made with the bounty from their gardens.

Each meeting finds both experienced and beginning gardeners discussing problems and solutions, favorite plants and great garden centers.

Mary Ann Pikrone particularly enjoys this aspect of the meetings. "It's a great informal way to meet Forest Hill neighbors and to learn you're not alone in fighting pests, critters and weeds in the gar-



Forest Hill Gardeners member, Mary Ann Pikrone, shows off a bountiful patch of heirloom tomatoes in her back garden. Photo: Brent Tennefoss

den. We ask for help, get ideas and share solutions."

Mary Ann goes on to point out another bonus of the group: "When we've got too much of one plant, we just pull it up and divide it and share with one another. I've set aside a corner of my garden where I'm growing the free gifts I've gotten from folks in the group."

Even those who haven't

made it to a meeting yet are enthusiastic and express their appreciation for the informative emails noting upcoming garden-related events, like the annual Herbs Galore event at Maymont, or the Flowers After Five series at Lewis Ginter Botanical Gardens. Members regularly send emails to let the rest of the group know that they're dividing their hostas or getting rid of their daylilies and invite the members to come help themselves.

Member Jacqui Jones sums it up nicely: "The FHG provides a chance to get to know your neighbors, visit all those beautiful gardens, learn of and trade the plants that grow well in our neighborhood. It's also good to work with others to beautify our neighborhood one yard at a time."

The Forest Hill Gardeners meet the third Sunday of each month at 5:30 pm. If you would like more information, please contact Viki Atkinson at vikiatkinson@gmail.com.



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Self Defense Class Equips Students with Killer Skills

By Shannon Taylor

"I CAN DO IT!" screamed twenty-eight neighbors on the evening of July 28 as they punched at an imaginary attacker's nose with their tightly bound fists. Under the tutelage of Instructor Hubley and his four assistants from Martial Arts World, residents from Forest Hill, Woodland Heights and Westover Hills would quickly master easy techniques to defend themselves from criminals.

After a short warm-up, Instructor Hubley jumped to the heart of the lesson: how to stay safe and go home alive. Neighbors of all ages, sizes and athleticism paired up to practice the techniques needed to strike back at attackers. We learned that punching, kicking, twisting skin, poking eyes, striking nerves and screaming were all ways to escape danger.

The two hour class flew by, as we learned how to avoid becoming a victim by fending off stranglers, purse snatchers, and other nefarious criminals. We peppered him with questions like "what if my attacker has a knife?" or "what should I do if I'm on the ground and he's trying to get me?"

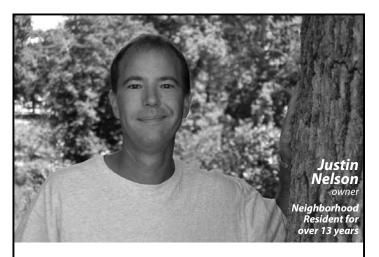
As a thunderstorm rumbled into the city, officially announcing the end of class, many of us reflected on what we learned. We now possessed the confidence and a handbag of skills to fend off danger and, more importantly, ways to avoid it altogether. We knew how to stand up for ourselves if threatened. We could even redeem the vouch-



Instructor Hubley showing a student where to punch on the hand.

ers that Instructor Hubley offered for a month of free martial arts lessons! Our attitudes had grown to match those four words we screamed at the start of class. I think, actually, I know WE CAN DO IT!

Did you miss the fun and the chance to learn basic self defense techniques? Don't worry, we hope to hold a refresher course in six months.





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Bank Card Thieves Hit Area Banks With Sophisticated ATM Skimmers

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entering your PIN.

By Shannon Taylor

Please be careful when visiting ATM machines in Richmond and the surrounding counties. The police in Richmond and Chesterfield have discovered a number of "skimmers" placed on ATMs in soveral areas.

in several areas, including Carytown, Chesterfield, Henrico and

Hanover (the bank ATMs include Sun Trust, Wachovia and possibly Bank of America).

The card fraud is perpetrated by a team of organized criminals who install equipment on a legitimate bank ATM. The team sits nearby in a car receiving the information transmitted wirelessly over weekends and evenings from equipment they install on the front of the ATM.

The equipment used to capture your ATM card number and PIN is cleverly dis-

guised to look like normal ATM equipment. A "skimmer" is mounted to the front of the normal ATM card slot that reads the ATM card number and transmits it to the criminals sitting in a nearby car.

At the same time, a wire-

less camera is disguised to look like a leaflet holder and is mounted

in a position to view ATM PIN entries. The thieves copy the cards and use the PIN numbers to make withdrawals from many accounts in a very short time.

As a precaution, make sure you cover your hand when entering your PIN number and do not use a machine that appears to be tampered with. If you see anyone suspicious near an ATM or attempting to manipulate the machine, please call the police at 911 and notify the bank.



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Potter Steven Glass and Wife, Joy, **Share Love of** Music and **Cooking**

By Martha Cooper FLYER Editor

Ouite a few artists, musicians, writers, and crafts people call Forest Hill home. Among them is Steven Glass, who plies the trade of pottery. Steven creates diverse and interesting bowls, vases, and functional pieces as well as decorative items.

How does one become a

Nominate your neighbor or yourself for the Know Your Neighbor series.

potter? Steven attended VCU, and met a fellow student who invited him to visit the craft department. Steven saw what the potters were doing, and said, "I was hooked." Later he had an apprenticeship in Wisconsin, and worked in France, England, Italy and most recently, Korea.

At one point, he had a studio at the famous Watergate Hotel making pottery for the hotel's upscale gift shop.

Currently, his works are on sale in the gift shop at the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts where he is an instructor, and at Quirk Gallery. He will also be at the 43rd Street Art Festival on September 19.

Steven, his wife Joy, and their daughter Emma, live on Springhill. They moved to Forest Hill in 1994 from the Fan to a home on Stonewall.

The opportunity to buy their current house came in 2002; Steven and Joy opened their home for the first Forest



Steven Glass, potter, is pictured with some of his work beneath a portrait of himself painted by a Russian artist, and a portrait of his wife, Joy, painted by her mother.

Photo: Martha Cooper

Hill House Tour a few years

Both are neighborhood oriented. Steven said, "I love this neighborhood! It is so comfortable."

Joy, a project manager at Capital One, is actively involved in getting a historic designation for Forest Hill. "This would be a great benefit for all of us," she explained. Joy presented information on this subject at the August Forest Hill Association meet-

Steven loves to cook, and Joy likes to garden. Their garden produces an abundance of things for Steven to cook, but he still likes to go to the South of the James Market.

"A vendor is selling rabbit," he said. "I have a great rabbit dish." He also has a great recipe for mussels. His preferred cuisine is French and Northern Italian.

Steven and Joy are both musicians. Steven sings and plays guitar in a duet with his brother. Joy plays violin and viola. Just your typical Renaissance family.

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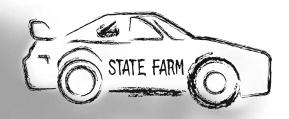
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The first librarian for the Westover Hills Library, Maxine Rogers, was among the honored guests at the library's 50th Anniversary Celebration held on July 10th. Mayor Jones redededicated the library during the ceremony.

Westover Hills Library Celebrates 50 Years of Service to the Community

By Laura Dysart

The Westover Hills Library 50th Anniversary Celebration was a huge success. It was wonderful to have so many members of the larger community to help us celebrate. On the evening of July



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10th, the Carol Covell Trio provided live jazz and catering was provided by O'Toole's which served heavy hors d'oeuvres. The library was decorated with original articles and photos from the library's opening 50 years ago as well as book lists of what people were reading at the time. A slide show of the library's history played throughout the evening.

The Westover Hills Library was honored with several special guests including Maxine Rogers, the first Librarian of the Westover Hills Branch and her family. One of the original 1959 photos displayed at the event showed then Richmond Mayor, A. Scott Anderson, directing the library's ribbon cutting, with Maxine's children, Carol and Alan, standing alongside. Both Carol Rogers Hand and Alan Rogers accompanied their mother to the 50th celebration as well. Several Westover Hills' residents fondly recalled Maxine Rogers from their visits to the library as children.



A 1959 photo showing the original dedication of the library by thenmayor A. Scott Anderson

The library was most grateful to have in attendance the Honorable Dwight C. Jones, who "rededicated" the library

to the service of Richmond's residents and announced renovation plans for our branch. City Council President, the Honorable Kathy Graziano, a strong supporter of the library, spoke as well and mentioned that her own grandchildren now attend story time here.

Richmond Public Library Board Chairperson, Greg Forman, revealed an architectural drawing of the upcoming renovation plans and spoke about the new master facilities plan for the library system. Westover Hills Branch Manager, Clay Dishon, spoke about the advantages of a small neighborhood library where the potential for interaction is greater than that which is often the case in larger settings. All library staff members were recognized for their work on behalf of our community.

The event was sponsored by the Westover Hills Library Advisory Group. Over \$2,000 was raised in the \$50 for 50 years campaign and the raffle. The celebration was a perfect way to commemorate the original opening of the branch on Westover Hills Boulevard.

The Westover Hills Library Advisory Group will continue to accept donations towards the \$50.00 for 50 years campaign. All proceeds will benefit the library and supplement the upcoming renovations. Donations are accepted at the library, or can be mailed to 1408 Westover Hills Boulevard.

Please make checks out to "WHLAG." The Westover Hills Library Advisory Group greatly appreciates the support of everyone who donated raffle items, purchased raffle tickets, attended our special celebration or donated \$50.00 to the \$50.00 for 50 years campaign including very generous donations from the Westover Hills Neighborhood Association and the Westover Hills Merchant's Association.



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Homes on Tour Span Both Sides of Forest Hill Avenue

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Tickets are \$15 on the day of the tour and can be purchased at Good Shepherd Episcopal Church beginning at 11:00 am. Tour booklets will be available at Good Shepherd as well as each featured house.

Westminster Canterbury has graciously offered two handicapped-equipped buses which will run throughout the event should you want to only want to walk some or part of the tour.

Interested in volunteering? Help host and greet on the day of the event at one of the homes for a 2.5 hour shift and receive a free ticket for the tour. Call Dorna, 363-3833, or Bernard, 519-0214, if interested.

For additional information on the tour, visit our web site at www.foresthillneighborhood.com.

The House Tour is the largest fundraiser sponsored by the Neighborhood Association. The proceeds from this allow us to do Music in the Park, National Night Out, the December Social and many other contributions toward neighborhood projects.

ticket prices

\$12.00 in advance; \$15.00 day of tour (at Good Shepherd)

advance tickets

South of James Farmers Market, 43rd Street Gallery, Crossroads Ice Cream & Coffee (both locations), Ruth & Ollie, Mongrel, Salon 23, Glave Kocen Gallery, Williams & Sherrill

hours/transportation

day of tour tickets on sale at 11:00 am tour begins at 12:00 noon and ends at 5:00 pm handicapped-equipped buses run throughout the tour

refreshments

Good Shepherd Episcopal will offer food and drinks as well as restroom facilities to the public

HOUSE TOUR AT-A-GLANCE

Join the Forest Hill Neighborhood Watch

Volunteer to be a Safety Coordinator for your block.

Increase your sense of security.

It's your neighborhood. You deserve it.

For more information contact Shannon D. Taylor at foresthillsafety@hotmail.com or 231-1789.

Department of Parks and Recreation Continues Maintenance and Reclamation Efforts in Parks

This fall Nathan Burrell, Trails Manager for the city's Department of Parks and Recreation, will continue his program of trail maintenance and reclamation in Forest Hill Park.

At present, Nathan's work is focusing in an area in the southeastern section of the park near the Patrick Henry school property. Trails that are

deemed unsustainable due to erosion and other factors are being reclaimed and new lengths of trails are being built.

This fall Nathan will begin planting native plants within the reclaimed areas.

If you are interested in helping with planting, cutting, or general trail maintenance or would just like to see what is being done in the park, please contact Nathan at: Nathan.Burrell@Richmondgovcom.

Similar work is being undertaken along Buttermilk Trail and within other parks in the city.

Nathan is responsible for all of these projects, so it is easier to reach him by e-mail rather than by phone.

FHNA MEETINGS EVERY 2ND WEDNESDAY @ 7:00 PM @ FH PRESBYTERIAN



Forest Hill Neighborhood Association Date: Membership Form Get a groovy you join! Add a little pizzazz Name(s): to your car bumper. Address:_ City/State/Zip:___ Phone: _ ☐ Household Membership \$15 ☐ 2 Years \$25 Corporate Annual Membership \$30 **Yes**, I want to join the ☐ **Yes**, please send me Pay by cash or check payable to Forest Hill Neighborhood Association Neighborhood Watch and email updates on current receive e-mail updates neighborhood events. ATTN: Roger Clark, FHNA Treasurer, about crime and safety in 4216 Stonewall Avenue, **No** emails please. our neighborhood. Richmond, VA 23225 For more information visit www.foresthillneighborhood.com