

# VIRGINIA-HIGHLAND VOICE

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## Candidate Preview

Last month's meeting of the Virginia-Highland Civic Association featured the two candidates for the Georgia Senate 37th District, which includes the Virginia-Highland neighborhood.

The man who has held the position for eight years, Ed Garrard, described himself as a "commercial real estate developer" and stressed his seniority and experience in the Senate. Garrard defended his opposition to Sunday liquor sales and paramutual betting, contending that, in his opinion, the problems that would arise from them

would outweigh the advantages of the extra revenue.

Todd Evans, a lawyer by profession, stressed his ability to deal with the business of the Senate and promised to act as an advocate for neighborhood residents. Evans set forth a proposal to use neighborhood residents as a volunteer Senate staff and also vowed to tackle problems of double taxation of district residents and disposal of the cleared highway land.

Virginia-Highland residents will have the opportunity to vote in the Senate primary on August 10th. If you are not registered to vote, you have until July 9th to do so. Voters may register at the library or at local branches of the C & S, Trust Company, and Fulton National banks.

Saturday, July 3rd is the date of the annual Virginia-Highland July 4th Picnic. Watch for a flyer with details of how you can get involved in the fun.

## voter drive

by Nancy Hamilton

The Virginia-Highland Civic Association is sponsoring a voter registration drive on Friday, June 25th, from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., and on Saturday, June 26th, from 1-5 p.m., in the parking lot of the Fulton Federal Bank, corner Todd Road and Virginia Avenue.

You must be registered by July 9th in order to vote in the Democratic Primary on August 10th. Among the issues to be decided will be the selection of a Democratic senatorial candidate for the 37th District, of which Virginia-Highland is part.

You need to register if you have:

- \* never registered to vote in Georgia
- \* moved into Fulton County from another county in Georgia
- \* changed your name or address
- \* not voted within the past three years

## FREE CONCERTS

Four free concerts by the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra will be given in mid-June in four city parks:

- June 17-Piedmont Park
- June 18-White Park
- June 19-Grant Park
- June 20-Chastain Park

All concerts begin at 7:30 p.m. In case of rain, concerts will be moved to indoor locations.

A free rock concert sponsored by the City will be held in our neighborhood on Saturday, July 31st, as part of the same program that is providing the free symphony concerts in June.

The exact time and place for the concert will be announced later. Groups scheduled to perform are Thermos Greenwood and the Colored People, Scenic Drive, and Sea of Lions.

If you need information on Civic Association Activities, call one of the following people:

- History Project (GAIL NOVAK).....875-3126
- Home Improvement Referrals (TOM BELL).....876-6626
- July 4th Picnic (STARLING SUTTON).....876-2743
- Membership (BERNIE TEKIPPE).....874-9564
- Neighborhood Planning (CHARLES LONGLEY).....875-6345
- Newsletter Editor (KATHY COUCH).....873-2043
- Newsletter Distribution (SHIRLEY HOLLBERG).....872-6941
- Steering Committee Chairman (DENNIS McCONNELL).....875-3735
- Tour of Homes (PATSY TODD).....874-0325
- Urban Walls Contest (BILL DECK).....875-1324
- Zoning (BILL HOLLBERG).....872-6941

# History Report

by Pat Scott

Since the first announcement for a history study for the Virginia-Highland area, there has been quite a bit of activity and there is more to follow. The study has been divided into three phases:

- 1: (June 1 to July 15)  
Foundation study of the original settlers and lifestyle.
- 2: (July 15 to Sept. 15)  
Study of settlement after 1920. This phase will include interviews with older residents and the reproduction of available photographs.
- 3: (Sept. 15 to Nov. 15)  
All material to be organized and an exhibit prepared for display at Highland Branch Library in conjunction with the 1976 Tour of Homes.

The ultimate goal of this project is a permanent display and a brochure available for sale.

Any one who is interested in helping with the History Committee in any large or small way should contact one of the following people:

Gail Novak  
(Chairman) 875-3126  
Linda Diamond 875-6061  
Pat Scott 876-1368  
Prof. Tim Crimmins  
658-3255

We want your input. To suggest houses for possible inclusion on the 1976 Tour of Homes, call Patsy Todd, 874-0325. She'd also like to hear from you if you'd like to join the house-hunting effort in any other way.

# Art In Park For Kids

by Nancy Hamilton

This summer, art experiences for children will be no further away than Piedmont Park. "City Spirit," a pilot teaching program involving local high school students, will be conducted by the High Museum of Art, sponsored by the Atlanta Bureau of Cultural and International Affairs, and financed by a grant from the National Endowment for the Arts.

Beginning June 14th and continuing weekdays all summer, Art in the Park will provide opportunities for children to experience the creative and performing arts. Programs will be conducted in the area of the new Play-

Don't forget about the wall graphics contest in our neighborhood. To be eligible for cash prizes, your design must be ready to submit by June 25th. See last month's newsletter or call Bill Deck, 875-1324 for details.

Know of any good contractors (or bad ones)? Call Tom Bell, 876-6626, the Civic Association's Home Improvement Referral Service, and share your information with others.

## Paid Your Dues?

To pay your 1976 Civic Association membership dues send a check for \$10 to:

Dick Shanahan, treasurer  
Virginia-Highland Civic Association  
P.O. Box 8041 Station F  
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scapes in Piedmont Park (near 14th Street and Piedmont Rd), according to the following schedule:

M-T-Th-F: grades 1-6  
10-11:30 a.m.  
1-2:30 p.m.

Wednesday: ages 2-5 years  
10-11:30 a.m.  
grades 1-6  
1-2:30 p.m.

A schedule of events and activities will be posted on the door of the classroom to the right of the Playscapes. All activities are free and open to the public on a first come, first served basis.

## community bulletin board

Wanted: local boy to do odd jobs, lawn mowing, etc.  
Call 875-4219.

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Clarinet lessons and clarinet choir. Degreed, experienced music teacher. Call Arlene Witte, 874-4676.

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All types of home sewing.  
875-4798.

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Wanted: volunteer to handle routine public relations, press releases, etc. for the Virginia-Highland Civic Association. 873-2043.

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Non-commercial personals accepted free from Virginia-Highland residents. For the next issue, send your item with name and phone number by July 15th to:

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