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CRUCIAL ISSUE TO BE DISCUSSED

By Nancy Hamilton

Tuesday, May 24th, will be an important date for all education-minded people in our community. A meeting will be held at S. M. Inman School Auditorium at 7:30 p.m. to discuss opportunities available to students.

Mr. Robert Jennings, teacher of the gifted, will moderate a panel which includes Inman School teachers, students, parents, and the PTA president-elect.

Public education is a crucial issue for the survival of intown neighborhoods. Public education must offer adequate opportunities for all children and eliminate the need for returning to private schools. The purpose of this meeting is to answer parental questions regarding our local school. Learn how Inman responds to you as a parent, tax payer, voter, and civic supporter.

Sponsors of this program include Inman School and PTA, Virginia-Highland Civic Association and Midtown Neighborhood Association.

No regular monthly Civic Association meeting will be held in May. Instead, we urge your attendance and support at Education Night, Inman School, Tuesday, May 24, at 7:30 p.m.

May 13-22 marks the beginning of the Annual Piedmont Arts Festival.

This year the Festival Committee has need for additional volunteers to staff the exhibition tent as sales persons and security force.

The work schedule has been divided into 3½ hour shifts. Contact Pat Gann daytime at 523-6971 to volunteer.

Mark your calendar now for the biggest event of the year – the July 3rd picnic, parade and games!!

Volunteers are needed for serving food, baking cakes, parade organization, and games coordination.

We need everyone's participation, young and old, to make this year's event the "most fantastic" ever. Let's hear from you, please!! Call Wilson Andres at 872-3467 or Jackie Naylor at 872-2996.

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CIVIC LEADER ELECTED

Bill Todd was unanimously elected to serve as the Steering Committee Chairman for the coming year. Bill, a long time resident, has been active in many major areas of our Civic Association. We look forward to another year of outstanding guidance with Bill as our Chairman.

Our thanks and appreciation go to Dennis McConnell, retiring Chairman, for his leadership in spearheading our many successful projects during the past year. Dennis, of course, will continue to serve our community in many special interest areas.

TAXES TO BE APPEALED

By Charles Longley

As most of you know, property tax assessments in our neighborhood were raised this year. In a special newsletter, it was suggested the residents appeal to the Joint City-County Board of Tax Assessors, since only a small part of Fulton County received new assessments.

Thus far, the Board has not been cooperative in our request to have all our assessment appeals heard together. Therefore, we have retained Foy Devine, an attorney living in Morningside, to sue the Board to have our cases heard as one.

At present, the stature of our appeals is still confused. Further information regarding this problem will be made public as it becomes available.

Shopping Basket

By Peggie Hahn

(This is the third in a series of articles featuring neighborhood businesses in the Virginia-Highland area. We hope residents will become better acquainted with local merchants and more aware of the products and services available in our community).

Hot and tired from Sunday softball, I entered the Park-'n-Shop Ice Cream Parlor to research this story determined to withstand the temptations behind the counter in favor of my diet. Impossible, you say? Right!

Who can resist the lure of every flavor that Breyers and Sealtest produce dished up in every conceivable fashion? Or frozen yogurt with a choice of toppings? Not me — or anyone else I know. I succumbed.

Frances Kotsikos presides over this cheerful, yellow and white store with the enthusiasm of one who is living out her fantasies. Long time residents of Virginia-Highland, Frances and her husband owned a restaurant downtown for many years. Following its closing, Frances decided she was too young to retire, so, lucky for us, she has opened her ice cream parlor.

In addition to cones (single dip, 29¢; double, 47¢; triple, 63¢) and cups, there are shakes, banana splits, floats, and sundaes. Frozen yogurt is available in two flavors and Frances has some incredible ways of serving it. Picture a slice of honey-dew melon, topped by a scoop of Frogurt with a dollop of honey. Other toppings include fresh fruit, chocolate chips, wheat germ, coconut, granola, or crushed pineapple in its own juice. You can even get a "skinny split," a banana split made with yogurt.

Fresh popcorn and candy is available as well as the cold goodies. Coffee and sandwiches are on tap for the winter. Frances plans to expand to baked goods soon with pastries and birthday cakes. The

premises are available for birthday parties as well.

The Park-'n-Shop Ice Cream Parlor is located adjacent to the new Park-'n-Shop Food Store at North Highland and St. Charles. It is open 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. daily.

Oh, in case you're wondering, I stuck with the frozen yogurt; it has only half the calories of ice cream. Had I known it was available, though, I would have had Tab.

PLAY BALL!

Co-ed sandlot softball is being played each Sunday at 1 p.m. across from Inman School at Virginia and Park. Athletic minded neighborhood adults are invited to come exercise, socialize and have fun.

SOUTH'S MARKET: 790 N. Highland Ave.
 Fresh vegetables, Fruits, Eggs, and many more items. Have specials each week. Cig. Reg. .49 and Longs .54 plus tax.
IF YOU DON'T TRADE WITH US WE BOTH LOSE

Application for Membership

I am interested in joining the Virginia-Highland Civic Association.
 Enclosed is my check for \$10.00 to cover 1977 dues.

Name _____

Address _____

Telephone _____

Would you be willing to work for the Association?

YES NO

If so, in what capacity? _____

Clip this blank out and mail to:

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- Steering Committee Chairman (Bill Todd) 874-0325
- Treasurer (Rita Tekippe) 874-9564
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Community Bulletin Board

MOTHER'S DAY OUT—Baby-sitting at Druid Hills Baptist Church, 1085 Ponce de Leon, Tuesdays 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. For reservations, call 874-5721.

WANT—Person to clean house. Call 875-4219.

WANT—To share house with retired lady. Kitchen privileges and convenient to bus. Call 874-8520.

WANT TO BUY—Baby crib and dresser set in excellent condition. Price negotiable. Sue McConnell, 875-3735.

Non-commercial personals accepted free from Virginia-Highland residents. For the next issue, send your item with name and phone number by June 1st to:

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Co-Op Purchase

The response to co-op buying has been strong in the area of railroad ties. Prices range from \$3.75 to \$4.25 each — the larger the order, the lower the price. Delivery will be made to highway right-of-way land for pickup. Payment terms are one-half of the total cost at order date with the remaining one-half due at delivery, which is scheduled near the end of May. Contact Dennis McConnell evenings at 875-3735.

Are you considering additional insulation of your home? Purchase of storm windows? Neighborhood Co-op buying will attempt to find the best product for the price, lock in a volume discount price for all homeowners, and offer a standard work contract. If interested, contact Dennis McConnell evenings at 875-3735 before June 1.

CREATIVE WRITING

From Children at
S. M. Inman Elementary School

In cooperation with Mrs. Willie Mae Poetter, Language Arts Resource Teacher for Area III of the Atlanta Public Schools, the intown neighborhoods are publishing in their newsletters randomly selected pieces of creative writing by children who attend their neighborhood schools. These selections were written by children attending S. M. Inman Elementary School.

Brian Lantz, 1st Grade:

If I were a tube of toothpaste what do you think I would do? I would brush everyone's teeth. That is, if someone put me on a toothbrush.

Aubrey Dokka, 4th Grade:

I broke my leg. It all happened when my brother was running to the bus stop and I ran after him. I ran across the street after him without looking for cars. I was hit. My brother ran across the street and said, "Are you all right?" I said, "Yes." I picked up my books and got up and yelled. An ambulance came later and took me to the hospital.

Yolanda Michele Murry, 4th Grade:

*Carters from Plains, Georgia
I like the Carters; they are nice. So is Amy. I think she's pretty. I hope I see all of them someday. Well, I'm going to tell you a little about the Carters. Well, Amy is in the 4th grade and is 10 years old. They have a nice home. Nice personality. I'm glad they won for President. He is too. Mr. Carter is handsome. But to tell you the truth, I'm not too interested in politics. Only some people are.*

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WHERE WILL YOUR KIDS GO TO SCHOOL NEXT YEAR?

Need the facts in order to decide? Have questions?
Concerned about the quality of elementary education?

You are invited to an open house with other concerned parents of preschoolers and those with questions about what is happening at S. M. Inman Elementary School.

Meet the principal. Talk with a panel of parents, teachers and students from S. M. Inman School.

Tour the building. Express your concerns.

GET THE FACTS!

WHEN: TUESDAY, MAY 24, 1977
TIME: 7:30 P.M.
WHERE: S.M. INMAN SCHOOL AUDITORIUM (Corner of
Park Drive and Virginia Avenue)

SPONSORED BY THE S. M. INMAN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL P.T.A.
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Please Come!