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WEST END NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

NOVEMBER 2016

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West End Neighborhood Association Fall Meeting

November 17th, Thursday at 7 p.m.
At DeTurk Round Barn

You'll get a chance to meet new City Council members Chris Rogers and Jack Tibbetts. Join us for a special showing of "Santa Rosa: The Chosen Spot of all the Earth". This short documentary was produced to tell Santa Rosa's story. The Historical Society of Santa Rosa came up with the idea and joined forces with SR's own Don Cambou, an executive producer for the History Channel and A&E historical programs.

Come out and meet your neighbors!

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2016 W. E. Dates:

W. E. N. Association 2016 Meeting-

Nov. 17th, Thursday 7 p.m. at DeTurk Round Barn

Repeating:

Every 1st Saturday 10 a.m.- [First Saturday](#) Creek Cleanup

The 2nd Sunday of every month 3 p.m. West End Poodle Party at DeTurk Round Barn Dog Park 819 Donahue St.

Holiday, Events and Happenings:

November 15th at 6:30 pm Shadow of a Doubt and documentary Santa Rosa: The Chosen Spot of all the Earth- double feature \$5 Location: Roxy Stadium 1485 Santa Rosa Ave

November 25th, Friday 4:30-8:00 pm- [Winter Lights](#) Downtown SR's annual event- free and open to the public. Tree Lighting event, Remembrance Candle Lighting, pictures with Santa Claus, food and more. Location: Fourth and B Streets

December 6th, Tuesday The [1st annual Railroad Square Bar Crawl & Toy Drive](#). Visit all of your favorite RRSQ bars.

[Railroad Square Carriage](#) rides begin Thanksgiving weekend and run each weekend through Christmas, including Christmas Eve.

[6th St. Playhouse](#)

The Santaland Diaries December 2-18

A Christmas Carol November 25- December 23rd

A complete calendar at www.srwestend.com

Shop While You Can

The West End Farmers Market offers a wonderful variety of foods and products. Take the opportunity to shop outdoors before this year's season ends on November 27th.





WEST END UPDATES

Annual West End Kids Halloween Parade & Street Party

Mother Nature tried to rain on our parade but that did not stop the West End from gathering as a community to celebrate



We simply added umbrellas and tents to protect ourselves from the elements and showed up to enjoy our well-loved tradition.



Trick and Treaters started a bit earlier than usual due to the weather and there was no shortage of candy or youngsters.



A special thanks to the organizing committee- Katherine Gallagher, Veronica Jordan, Jacquie Smith and Lea Barron-Thomas and to the folks who brought healthy snacks, activities to the party. To keep this tradition alive next year, we will be looking for committed volunteers that will help with the clean up.

Neighborhood News

Classic Neighbors ♦ Anita Mendia

Long Time Resident Anita Mendia Passed away on October 18, 2016 at the age of 93. In her honor, we are reprinting an article from July 2006.

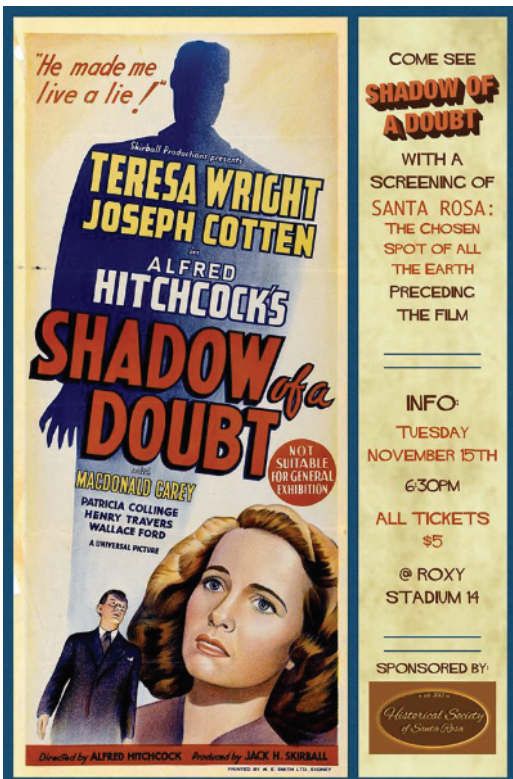
Anita Mendia has been a resident of the West End Neighborhood since 1969. She was born on July 26, 1923 in El Rosario Nayarit, Mexico and moved to the U. S. in 1951 with her husband Ricardo. Before living in Santa Rosa's West End District, Anita and Ricardo lived in Healdsburg and Petaluma. Ricardo worked on various ranches in Healdsburg doing fieldwork and later worked in Novato and worked as a landscaper. In 1969, Anita and Ricardo were informed by a friend that a house in the West End was for sale and they purchased the home on West 8th Street. They moved into the 2 bedroom &



1 bath house with their six children: Ricardo, Theresa, Francisco, Ana, Irene and Roberto. Anita shared with me about some of her fondest memories of living in the West End. She spoke of hearing the train "horn" and recalls enjoying the sound a lot. She wonders why they ever stopped running the train and hopes that it will return. Anita also spoke of an incident when her youngest son, Robert got hurt on his bicycle on Boyce St. and Nick Bastoni (husband of Marie Bastoni) carried Robert home. Anita explained that the most enjoyable aspect of living in the West End District was "the neighbors". She stated, "My neighbors, Rosie Babbini and Estella Bertolini were special friends and neighbors."

Anita received her American citizenship on April 6, 1999 and presently lives in her West 8th St. Home with her dog companion, "Pepeto". Anita continues to enjoy living in the West End District and can often be found walking around the neighborhood with Pepeto. I suggest stopping and talking with her- She is a wonderful lady and a pleasure to spend time with. Thanks so much Anita!

Written by Jacquie (Lichstein) Smith



DeTurk Winery Village Update

Preliminary Design Review and Landmark Alteration were **both** denied at a joint meeting of the Design Review Board and Cultural Heritage Board on Thursday, November 3, 2016. The meeting took over 6 hours and 40 minutes.


The project proposes 185 units with 15 of those units for very low income and 20,000 Sq Ft of commercial space with 130 off-street parking spaces. The next step would be for the developer to appeal the denied project to City Council.

Food for thought: Compare that to the Southeast Greenway that currently proposes only 150 living units (at the most!) on its 57 acre site.

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