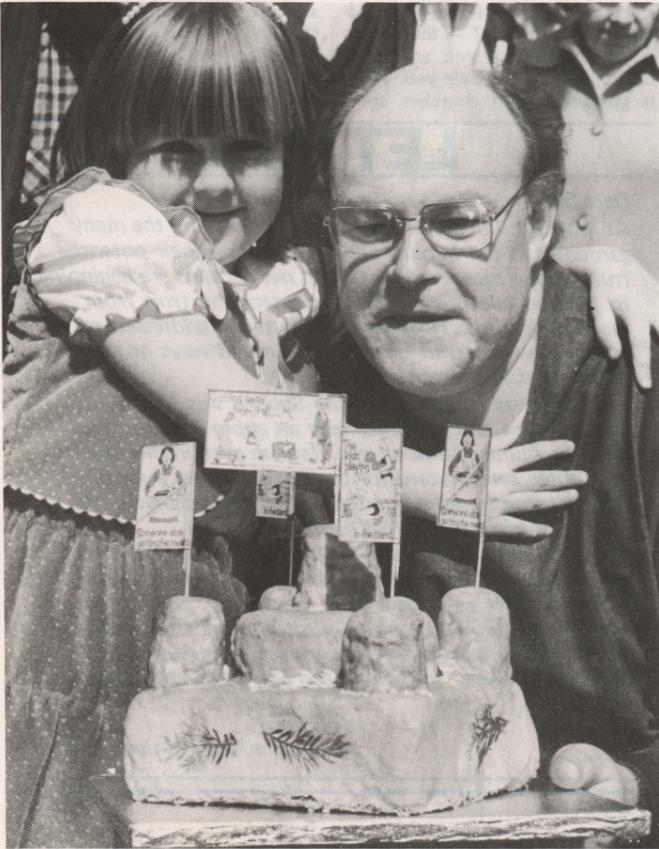


HILL CLOSE

FETE TIMOTHY WEST HELPS RAISE £4,300 FOR F.H.A.



Timothy West, who had just rushed his wife, Prunella Scales to hospital, is presented with an appropriately sand-castle-shaped cake by five year old Joanna Holland.



Patrick and Joan with their grandson, Barney.



Hardworking helpers. Linda Laurance, Jill Kempster and Mandy Last show off their FHA T-shirts.

Almost the only hot day in a very damp May was chosen by Joan and Pat Laurance for one of the Suburb's most popular annual events, the Hill Close Fete. The tiny close was thronged with residents enjoying the sunshine and the stalls, raising £4,300 for the Family Holiday Association.

The charity was founded by Patrick and Joan Laurence in 1975 to provide a week's holiday for families living under constant stress and for many their first family holiday ever. Few will be aware of the tremendous progress of the association which is now recognised throughout the U.K. as the only charity specialising in this particular field. In 1975 17 Barnet families were provided holiday grants to the value of £1,217. The corresponding figures last year were 464 and £59,622.

Applications are received from the far North of Scotland to Cornwall and the map in their office, (still the spare bedroom) is covered with blue pins representing an area from which applications have been received.

For the first six years Patrick and Joan coped with all the office work on their own but the volume of work now necessitates a part-time administrator. However the association are proud that their administration costs amount to less than 10% of their total income.

Fund raising is a non-stop process, appeals to trusts and firms and a variety of fund raising events many of which are striking for their originality. An evening's gliding at Dunstable, a Cake-a-



Barbara Honeyball and Jessica.

thon, Family putting tournament and in preparation, a Puzzle Guzzle (supper for fifty couples, followed by a Jig-saw competition.)

The association would welcome anyone who would like to join their fund raising committee. The F.H.A. 5, Hill Close, NW11 (455 1777).



Brenda Sydor, Mark and Stephen with a find from the toy stall.



Daniel, Debbie and Olivia making the most of the occasion.

SUBURB DRAMA

If you feel the urge to get away from the confines of your television or video, without the hassle of traffic and travel or the worry of parking, then discover the stimulation of 'Live Theatre' just around the corner.

Full details of productions and other activities can be obtained from the Membership Secretary, Jennifer Morrison, 202 9447.

ORGANISING EVENTS?

There are so many events on the Suburb that organisers often find that competing attractions are scheduled for the same day. At the suggestion of Miss Jean Henderson a forward Calendar will be affixed in the entrance lobby of the Crewe Hall in the Institute on which can be written forward dates of local events. Alternatively organisers can telephone John Enderby on 455 9951.

Residents and Trust back Barnet Over Oakwood Road Infill

RA Chairman, Garry Mansell, spoke strongly in support of Barnet Council's refusal of permission for a detached house and garage on land adjoining 38 Oakwood Road at the Hearing at Hendon Town Hall on 17th May of an Appeal by the owners, Investment and Securities Trust Limited.

The Association, he said, fully backed the opposition by neighbouring residents and was also concerned on grounds of strong public interest about the danger to the quality of the Suburb as a whole.

Written representations had also been made on behalf of the Association's Conservation and Amenities Committee and neighbouring residents had sent a Petition to Barnet.

Originally part of the garden of 38 Oakwood Road, this land was sold separately and in 1968 outline planning permission for a house and garage was allowed but this lapsed and was before the Suburb was designated as a Conservation Area.

Other applications have been made since. The present application was refused in April 1982 and the Appeal was against that refusal.

The Inspector, Mr Edward Seymour, M.R.T.P.I., was told that the Suburb was one of the finest examples of early twentieth century planning and domestic architecture and that the houses in Oakwood Road, mostly designed by G.L. Sutcliffe, were carefully related to adjoining properties and open space.

Some twenty residents attended the hearing of whom nine voiced their objections.

Objection was also made on behalf of the Trust by their Managing Architect, Christopher Gotch, R.I.B.A., who read a statement sent to the Inspector by Dr. Mervyn Miller of the Trust Council, and said that this land was not regarded by the Trust as a building plot.

The Appellants were represented by learned Counsel,

Mr. Norman Banks, who called Mr Gerson Rottenberg F.R.I.B.A. as expert witness. He indicated that the proposed house could be modified if necessary. He denied this development would form a dangerous precedent as he was not aware of any similar sites which would have a chance of receiving permission. If the appeal were disallowed the site was likely to remain derelict waste land.

The Inspector's decision is now awaited. Full report in our next issue.

NEW RESIDENTS

The RA's Wardens and Membership Chairman, Tony Mandelson has announced a New Residents Party for October.

Wardens will have been noting new residents so that they can be invited. If you have been living on the Suburb for less than two years and do not receive your invitation and a chance to meet fellow residents and the Council please remind your Chief Warden or Tony Mandelson on 458 2763.

WHAT'S ON

Residents Association monthly council meetings: 6 September, 4th October: 8.00 pm The Community Room, Bigwood House. Visitors Welcomed.

- 10 July The Bishop of Edmonton at St Judes. Parish Eucharist. 10 am.
- 17 July Pavilion Children's Centre, Lyttleton Playing Fields Summer Festival. 2 pm - 4.30 pm. Games, Music, Stalls. All Welcome.
- 23 July Temple Fortune Oxfam Group. Collectors Market, St Albans Church Hall. 10.30-4.30. Good quality bric-a-brac, jewellery, lace, books, clothes of yesteryear. Ploughmans lunch and refreshments all day.
- 30 July HGS horticultural Society: Flower Show. Free Church Hall. 3-6 pm. Teas available.
- 17 September HGS Horticultural Society
- 20 September Hampstead & District Scots Association: Scottish Country Dancing. Golders Green Parish Church Hall, West Heath Drive N.W.11. 8-10.30 pm and every Tuesday until end of June. Enquiries (pm's) to Miss Jane Chaplin 435 5152 or Miss Sheena Dallas 455 9096.
- 24 September St Judes Autumn Market - Stalls, Refreshments, Entertainment 11 am onwards.
- 25 September Free Church. Harvest Festival Service. 11 am.
- 1 October Free Church Jumble Sale. Free Church Hall. 2.30 pm.
- 2 October St Judes Harvest Festival. Children offer Harvest Gifts at 10 am. Parish Eucharist.

Future Deadlines for Period covering:

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| 3rd October - 8th January (1984) | September |
| 9th January - 1st April | December |
| 2nd April - 1st July | March |

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