



# THE DOWNS

of GREENWAY DOWNS CITIZENS ASSOCIATION

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## ABOUT OUR MEETING

This month's program is dedicated to helping our citizens become aware of the growing problem of juvenile delinquency. A probation officer from the Fairfax County Juvenile Court will be the speaker, touching on such areas as our increasing juvenile crime rate, who is involved, how can the "average citizen" help, and what can parents do. This should prove to be a very stimulating evening and it is hoped that all our citizens will plan to attend and participate in the discussions.

BE AN INFORMED CITIZEN

## MARCH MEETING

DATE: Tuesday, March 28  
TIME: 8:00 p.m.  
PLACE: Devonshire School  
Cafetorium  
Graham Road and  
Lee Highway

PROGRAM:  
Juvenile Delinquency:  
What Is the Problem?

## SHORT BUSINESS MEETING

REFRESHMENTS  
Something good to eat while  
we chat with neighbors.

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

by Stan Robinson

The Cub Scout Blue and Gold Banquet held on February 24, was a lively affair with many Cubs and their parents attending. When the boys stepped forward to accept their achievement awards, some beamed with pride, others tried to appear casual, but there was no mistaking the look of pride on the parents' faces. It was my pleasure to accept the Pack Charter for 1967 from Mr. Fite, Neighborhood Commission, Boy Scouts of America. I'm sure these boys and their leaders will keep up the good work.

The Girl Scouts performed admirably as waitresses at the banquet. If any of you girls wants to continue as a waitress, I'll be happy to give you a recommendation. Few restaurants can boast of such speedy, efficient service.

The Association has received an increasing number of complaints of hot rodders in the neighborhood, including some adults as well as teens. Let's remember that there are a lot of kids in the neighborhood; they don't always take time to look before stepping into the street.

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SCHEDULE OF ASSOCIATION MEETINGS FOR 1967

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| March 28     | Tuesday                   |
| April 27     | Thursday                  |
| June 10      | Saturday, Picnic          |
| September 20 | Wednesday                 |
| October 26   | Thursday                  |
| December 5   | Tuesday, Election         |
| December 16  | Saturday, Christmas Party |

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The 1967 edition of the Directory of Private Schools in Northern Virginia is available from the Falls Church Branch, American Association of University Women, c/o Mrs. Joseph Brady, 10233 Confederate Lane, Fairfax 22030. Each copy costs only 25¢ for handling and postage.

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GOOD NEWS: The Jefferson Village Fire Department tells us that they have discontinued sounding the fire station siren between 11 p.m. and 6 a.m. on a trial basis. They hope to be able to reach enough members through use of their radio monitor sets during the wee hours. If this is successful, we can look for less interruptions during our sleeping hours. Additional monetary contributions, which are tax deductible, would enable them to buy more radio units and increase the hours the siren can remain silent.

NEWSPAPERS PAY OFF!

Cub Pack 677's February paper drive was a success with the Scouts adding \$49 to their treasury for training books, awards, and Den supplies. After the paper drive, the boys were treated to hamburgers and cokes by the Seven Corners Hot Shoppes Jr., thanks to Mr. Morgan, the manager. The next paper drive is scheduled for April 15. The boys will begin to pick up at 9 a.m.

New officers and Den Mothers have been installed for the year 1967.

Mr. Yarbrough, 2838 Winchester Way is our new Chairman, with Mr. Zeigler, 2834 Winchester Way, and Mr. Owens, 2836 E. Greenway Blvd., assisting as Committeemen. The Den Mothers, our most important leaders, are: Mrs. Yarbrough, Den 1; Mrs. Bealby, 2843 Woodlawn Ave., Den 2; Mrs. Patterson, 2819 Winchester Way, Den 4; and Mrs. Bishop, 7314 Lee Highway, Den 5.

Mr. Coverston, 2855 Oak Drive, is our Cubmaster and John Schaffstall is the Assistant Cubmaster. We have one Committeewoman, Mrs. Coverston, who serves as Secretary/Treasurer. Our Institutional Representative is Mr. Hughes, 2830 W. George Mason Rd.

Anyone who is interested in Cub Scouting, either as an adult leader or a boy wanting to join the fun, call Mr. Yarbrough, 534-6502, Mr. Coverston, 534-5016, or any of the Den Mothers listed above.

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Girl Scout Troop 601 had a very successful Father-Daughter Banquet. The theme of the evening "Sweden" was carried out in costumes worn by the girls.

On April 28 the girls will be off to Camp Wenona, Maryland, for a camping weekend. Everyone is asked to keep their fingers crossed for good weather.

1967 Committee Chairmen

If you have any questions on the following subjects or any information of interest to the community, please call these appropriate committee chairmen or Mr. Robinson, 532-9127.

- Streets, utilities and zoning Joseph Goodwin 532-2605
- Schools and county liasion Mrs. Bernie Lucas 534-6884
- Membership Thomas Thompson 532-1653

Garden and Area Beautification Mrs. Frances Thomsen 532-1653

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Welcome to Mr. and Mrs. Michael Contonio who have recently moved into 2850 Monroe Street.

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Thanks to the girls of Troop 511 who delivered the Downs as their community service project.

CORRECTION!

The correct phone number for the Harvey Daniels' is 533-3117. Please change your Downs Directory.

Any other changes to the Directory should be brought to the attention of The Downs.

## CHRISTMAS TREE VICTORY

CHRISTMAS 1966

The Boy Scouts are very pleased to announce that they made approximately \$400 from their sale of Christmas trees last December. Thanks go to Downs citizens who purchased the trees and to Mr. Jones of Herb's Auto Repair who let the boys use his parking lot.

The Scouts have really been busy this winter. Two patrols participated in the Winter Camporee held at Dalton Pond, Quantico in January. Each patrol received a second place prize and each individual received patches.

On February 25 the Troop participated in the George Washington Festival held at Fredericksburg. In the morning the boys visited historic shrines such as Kenmore, James Monroe's Law Office, and Mary Washington's home. Scouts Ned Wright and Doug Guernsey attempted to duplicate young George Washington's legendary feat of throwing a dollar across the Rappahannock River. The Troop received a cup for its participation in the parade that afternoon.

The Spring Camporee, to be held April 8 and 9, will have as its theme "Conservation."

Every home should have one or more away fire extinguishers located in easily accessible places. Call John Redden at 534-4972 if you are interested. They're only \$1.95 each.

You will soon be able to purchase American flags from our Troop. The

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Although the annual Children's Christmas Party got off to a late start, it ended as a big success, with 120 children receiving refreshments and talking to Santa. To keep everyone well entertained, the girls of Scout Troop 601 sang Christmas carols, lead the children in games, and helped Santa pass out gifts.

Santa, portrayed jovially by Ben Blankenship, was decked out in a suit beautifully made by seamstresses Jean Robinson and Irene Smith.

Many thanks for our success go to Mary Weddle, Carol Kerr, Joan Rodriguez, and our Chair-lady, Carole Blankenship. Thanks also to Phil Kerr, Bob Owens, and Henry Rodriguez who helped with last-minute preparations. Two neighborhood teenagers, Janet Edwards and Janean Collett, lent a helping hand by marking the gifts as coming from the Association.

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boys will be calling on you with a brochure containing a wide selection of flags from which to make a choice. The Troop needs your support with this worthwhile project.

It is with regret that the Troop bids good-bye to Doug Guernsey who is moving to Germany.