



### WELCOME HOME GARY LEE

The Greenway Downs Citizens Association wants to welcome home Gary Lee of Bolling Road. Gary and his family suffered the 444 days of his captivity in Iran. The neighborhood is certainly proud to have you and your family as neighbors.

### NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT

Last November 4th, Fairfax County voters approved the Neighborhood Improvement Bonds which include funds for construction of curbs, gutters and streets in Greenway Downs.

Greenway Boulevard has already been allocated construction funds. A recent call to the County indicated that construction should begin in late spring of this year barring any further problems with the State Highway Department. A meeting of Greenway Boulevard residents with the County is anticipated for late February or early March. Watch for more details later.

One additional street in Greenway Downs is to be funded in fiscal 1981 and two more in fiscal 1982.

Additional information can be obtained by contacting the County at 691-3014.

## ANNEXATION

Falls Church City Council is actively studying the feasibility of annexing portions of surrounding Arlington and Fairfax Counties. Greenway Downs is included in the portion of Fairfax County being considered. One purpose of this proposal is to attract families with children to stabilize the city's declining school population.

Many questions remain to be answered. What are the potential savings to homeowners in our area in real estate assessments? Could annexation be permitted under present state laws? The Greenway Downs Citizens Association will probably be looking into the pros and cons of such an annexation in the coming months. Please contact an association officer or plan to attend the general meeting that will be scheduled to voice your opinion.

## VOLUNTEER INCOME TAX ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

A free tax assistance program sponsored by the Internal Revenue Service is being offered again this year. Volunteers will assist taxpayers in preparing their tax forms for 1981 filing. The VITA program is directed to provide service to the elderly, the handicapped, the low-income and other taxpayers who might not be able to make use of a fee-paying service.

The volunteers receive two days of training from the IRS and have access to counsel by IRS via a toll free number. Dave Johnson of Winchester Way will be one volunteering.

The program has been set up locally at the Thomas Jefferson Library at 7415 Arlington Boulevard and began the 31st of January. Assistance is available every Saturday until April 15th from 12:00 until 4:00 p.m.

## LOST AND TO BE FOUND

Two electric engravers for marking home property have been mislaid by the Association. They were borrowed by residents for personal use and were never returned. Would any of you who have used the engravers please check to see that it is not still in your possession? Anyone locating one can call Dan Phillips at 532-9488. If an engraver is located we will list its recovery and subsequent availability for use in the newsletter.

## ASSOCIATION MEETING

The next scheduled meeting of the officers of the Greenway Downs Citizens Association will be held on February 24th at 8:00 p.m. in the home of Marianne Gick. She resides at 2814 Cameron Road. We hope to see you there.

The Association will likely hold a general meeting open to the public this spring. Follow THE DOWNS for details.

## GREENWAY DOWNS HOME SALES

A new feature in THE DOWNS will list the sales of homes from our immediate neighborhood. This information (which I might add is a matter of public record) is being provided by one of our residents, Mac McGovern. Mac works with a Century 21 Real Estate Agency.

The sales for the past three months were:

6914 Custis Parkway for \$69,000  
2825 Monroe Street for \$75,500  
2755 Marshall Street for \$80,000  
2851 Woodlawn Avenue for \$92,000

## GREETINGS FROM US TO YOU

The Association has resumed its practice of sending greeting cards to residents for special occasions. These occasions have been designated as welcome for new neighbors, new babies, weddings and deaths. Stastia Nordwall will be handling this effort and should be contacted at 533-0132 with details. Please do not hesitate to call her as this is just another friendly way in which we can remember our neighbors.

## PARKS

The 1977 Park Bond Issue included design and construction funds for the "Squirrel Woods" section of Greenway Downs Park at the end of Custis Parkway. The final plan was approved by the Parks Department in February of this year.

The final plan calls for construction of walking trails, play apparatus and picnic tables. A recent check with the Parks Department revealed that construction is scheduled to begin in late fall of this year.

### JIM SCOTT MOVES FROM GREENWAY DOWNS

Jim Scott, our representative to the County Board of Supervisors, has moved from his residence on Cameron Road to a home near his office in Fairfax. We regret his loss to our neighborhood but feel confident our interests will continue to be supported by him.

Incidentally, Jim's office address is 8739 Lee Highway and phone is 560-6946. Feel free to write or call him regarding local government issues.

### MEMBERSHIP IN GREENWAY DOWNS CITIZENS ASSOCIATION

In recent years membership drives by the Greenway Downs Citizens Association have been held on an irregular basis with solicitation occurring over extended periods of time. At the last two meetings of the officers of the Association, we resolved that no further memberships will be solicited until the beginning of the Association's fiscal year commencing July 1, 1981. All memberships are active until that date. New residents in the neighborhood are provided free membership until July 1st. Neighbors of new residents or the newcomers themselves can contact Randy Myers at 536-2739 for a membership card.

### PAPER DRIVE

Falls Church High School Band collects newspapers as part of an ongoing drive to buy new uniforms. Papers are collected from your home on the third Saturday of each month. Those interested can call Mr. Arnold Smith at 560-5663.

### EDITOR'S COMMENTS

I want to take this space to thank those contributing information and articles to this issue of THE DOWNS. They include Mac McGovern and Randy Myers. Randy in particular has been a frequent contributor to this newsletter.

Anyone who would like to contribute his time to write an article, deliver the newsletter or if you have any topic you would like to see featured, call me at 532-0734.

Marianne Gick