

MAY 1982

POT LUCK DINNER

The annual pot luck dinner for Greenway Downs residents will be held on Friday, May 21st at 7:00 p.m. at the Falls Church Community Center, 223 Little Falls Street. Children are welcome and expected. A general meeting, election of officers and an award presentation will be held at the same time. Meet in rooms "A" and "B".

Please come and bring along a main dish and a salad or a dessert. Bring enough food for your own family plus enough for two others. Rolls, butter, drinks and tableware will be furnished by the Association.

These dinners have always been most enjoyable and provide an opportunity to meet and talk with your neighbors and friends. We hope to see you there.

ANNUAL ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Avery year the Association holds an election for the available positions in the Greenway Downs Citizens Association. This year's election will be held on May 21st, Friday, in conjunction with the pot luck dinner.

A committee headed by Carl Kannapel has prepared its set of nominations but nominations may be made from the floor. The positions open are president, vice president, editor, corresponding and recording secretaries, treasurer, Federa-

* HOME SALES

There have been two homes sold in Greenway Downs since January of this year and eleven in the past calendar year. Those sold in 1982 are:

2758 Greenway for \$94,000 and 2812 Summerfield for \$92,000

Those currently listed for sale through realtors are:

2845 Summerfield for \$99,750 2838 Greenway for \$95,450 2809 Greenway for \$92,500

GREENWAY DOWNS PARK CONSTRUCTION

The Fairfax County Park Authority intends to further develop the Greenway Downs Park. The plans call for the construction of a sled run, tot lot, walking trails and plantings. The majority of the park construction will be on the tract of land west of Woodlawn at the end of Custis. The plans will be available for viewing at the pot luck dinner on May 21st.

The advertisement for construction bid proposals will take place in August with construction to begin in October. Call Randy Myers at 536-2739 with your questions.

MISCELLANEOUS NOTES:

If you need tree branches or brush collected you must call the County and make arrangements. The number is 631-1484.

Residents on Woodlawn can relax. Janet Ice is your block captain and replaces Charlie Savich.

Residents are reminded that it is against County Code for dogs to trespass on anothers property. Please respect other's property and do not let your dog run loose. Excessive noise from barking dogs is also forbidden. Call the Animal Control Unit at 830-3680 if you are plagued by roving or stray dogs.

The balance in the Association's treasury is \$717.47.

Home sales data provided by Mac McGovern of United Century 21 Realtors.

Marianne Gick Editor tion delegate and two directors on the Board. If you wish to nominate yourself or a friend you can call Carl at 534-8745 for information about the position or attend the meeting on the 21st.

The slate presented by the election committee is as follows:

President	Current Mike Arm	<u>Nominated</u> Marianne Gick
Vice President	Jan Nelson	Henry Rodriguez/
Recording Secretary	Marty Sowers	Garry Moore
Corresponding Sec'y	vacant	Marty Sowers
Treasurer	Elling Reich	Elling Reich
Federation Delegate	Henry Rodriguez	Ahmed Selim /
Directors on Board	Dave Johnson Stewart Sharpe	Susan Howlett Janet Ice
Editor	Marianne Gick	Beth Bleaken /

OUTSTANDING CITIZEN AWARD

Pat Mastroleo of Greenway Boulevard has been named the recipient of the Outstanding Citizen Award for 1982. The award is given by the Greenway Downs Citizens Association. Pat was tireless this past year in organizing the membership drive, in working as block captain for his street's improvements and in coordinating efforts on the telephone directory. We all owe Pat a great deal of thanks. What better way to show our appreciation than to attend the presentation ceremony on May 21st.

TELEPHONE DIRECTORY

All our neighborhood telephone directories have been delivered. Any new resident can obtain a free copy by calling Mike Arm at 534-0225. Those established residents wishing a copy can purchase one for 50¢.

OF THE PROPLE - BY THE PEOPLE

reenway Downs has problems with vandalism, noise and youth rowdiness!? Other communities with these kinds of problems have worked together to find ways to protect their neighborhood.

During discussions with the County concerning the possible closure of Cavalier Trail, representatives of the County indicated that they have the programs and resources to remedy problems such as those described above but that they had not volunteered help for two reasons. First, they had been unaware, until recently, of the severity of the problem in at least a portion of our community. Second, County programs are only effective where the community takes the initiative to help solve its own problems. We have not yet shown that we are willing to accept responsibility for our portion of the solution.

The County suggests that we can begin to solve a community wide problem by focussing our initial attention on a smaller trouble spot, such as the Trail. The issue is now squarely before us. We are either a neighborhood or simply a collection of houses. Those residents concerned with the problems of vandalism, burglary, theft and security should attend an open meeting scheduled for 7:30 p.m. May 26th at the Devonshire School. Contact Garry Moore or Marianne Gick at 532-8988 and 532-0734 respectively with questions.

PROPERTY TAX ASSESSMENTS

All of you have received your new assessments for your homes. The average rate of increase for the County was 10.3%. While no figure is available for Greenway Downs a sample of six homes shows an increase of 6.5%. The tax rate per \$100 of assessed value has been reduced by the Board of Supervisors from \$1.51 to \$1.47. This rate does not reflect the additional costs for trash pick-up and leaf collection. The average homeowner in Greenway Downs should expect to pay an additional 3.9% in property taxes for 1982. If you dispute your assessment you can call the Office of Assessments at 691-2371.