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LAST CALL – YOUTH NIGHT

A final reminder that YOUTH NIGHT will be held at Devonshire School on Thursday, April 20th at 7:30 p.m.

We know there are many talented youth in the Downs; however, it is impossible to contact every family individually. Does your child sing, dance, play an instrument or enjoy giving speeches? Perhaps your girl would like to model some of the clothes she has made in our Fashion Show. Also, we would like to exhibit any trophies our kids have won and display their hobbies such as painting, wood carving, art work, jewelry making, knitting, etc. If your child would like to participate, in any way, please contact Jo McCarthy, 532-0626, or Lois Owens, 532-2235.

This is a night totally dedicated to the young. It is a time for all of us to see and enjoy the accomplishments of the youth in Greenway Downs. A night for them "to do their thing." It is also a good time for newcomers to the area to find out about the various activities available to their children. Hope everyone in the community will take time out from their hectic schedules to join in the fun and cheer our kids on by attending YOUTH NIGHT.

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APRIL MEETING

DATE	Thursday, April 20
TIME	7:30 p.m.
PLACE	Devonshire School Cafetorium Graham Road and Lee Highway
PROGRAM	Youth Night

**BUSINESS MEETING
REFRESHMENTS**

OUTSTANDING CITIZEN

It has been brought to our attention that due to hazardous weather conditions on the evening of February 17, there were many people who did not attend the Third Annual Greenway Downs Outstanding Citizen Award. This award, as most of you know, was given to Mrs. Bernie Lucas, a truly fine person and an outstanding citizen in every respect.

Due to an oversight, this was not published in the March issue of *The Downs*. Our apologies as well as our most sincere congratulations are extended to Mrs. Lucas for this well-deserved honor.

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

by Henry Rodriguez, President

In last month's issue of *The Downs* I mentioned that the County's Master Plan for the next five years called for a strong citizen participation element. I also mentioned that we were to discuss this vital issue at our March meeting. Unfortunately there was only enough time to just touch on the subject. Consequently, a motion was made and approved to the effect that the executive committee prepare a draft resolution on this subject for presentation at the May meeting.

The April 5 meeting of the executive committee was devoted almost exclusively to this subject, but much more work remains to be done. We plan to discuss this further at our scheduled May executive committee meeting and as often thereafter as necessary to be in a position to present a draft resolution to the general meeting on Thursday, May 18.

In the meantime, the executive committee invites you to submit any suggestions you may have for a better County to Bruce R. Meiser, Vice-President, Greenway Downs Citizens Assn., 2836 Marshall Street, Falls Church, Va. 22042.

Jo McCarthy, Chairman, Annual Youth Night, tells me she has an interesting program planned for our April meeting. See you there.

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SPRING PLANTING

Our Beautification Committee chairmen have been able to obtain 200 free autumn olive shrubs from the Soil Conservation Service. We would like to plant these shrubs along the creek between Greenway and Cameron where they will not only improve the appearance of the park but will eventually serve as a barrier between the ball field and creek. The autumn olive grows to a height of 10 to 15 feet, has silver-green foliage, sweet-scented flowers in spring and an abundance of berries in fall and winter. This strain of autumn olive has been tested extensively by the Soil Conservation Service and has been found to be hardy, not fussy in its growing requirements, and very attractive to birds because of its berries. The problem now is that we need lots of help in planting these shrubs. If you would like to help please call Brenda Miskelly at 534-5981, or Joan Rodriguez at 533-7795. If you don't call us, we may call you!

Welcome to . . . Jim and Irene McDonald, recent arrivals to Greenway Downs, who are residing at 2803 Marshall St. Our sources also tell us that the McDonalds are the parents of a nine-week-old daughter, Maria Anastasia.

WANTED: GOOD HOME FOR "CHARLIE"

Description: "Charlie," a beautiful Blue Point Siamese cat, has been neutered and de-clawed. He is 3 years old and possesses the patience of a saint and the disposition of an Angel. These are honors not easily earned for a cat that has been raised as the pet of a boisterous little boy!

Reason: The doctor has discovered that our little cat-chaser has an allergy to animal danders. For further information and investigation call the Tyson residence—534-0538.

SCHOOL NEWS

Devonshire

April 21 Pre-School Conference for children who will be five on or before October 1, 1972.

May 9 PTA, 7:30 p.m. Cafetorium.

16 PTA Executive Meeting
7:30 p.m., Library

J. G. Whittier

May 3-4 PTA Variety Show

Falls Church High School

April 21 Choral Concert, 8:00 p.m.
Auditorium

22-23 Northern Virginia Youth Symphony Concert

26 FHA, 6:30 p.m.
Mother & Daughter

28-29 Spring Play

May 12 Spring Band Concert, 8:00 p.m.

SCOUT NEWS

Brownie Troop 575: Lots of action is reported this month from those girls-on-the-go, Brownie Troop 575. March 27 found them on a tour of the Jefferson Volunteer Fire Department. Both firemen and equipment came through with flying colors after withstanding a rigorous inspection by these young ladies. Encouraged by their success, another inspection tour was made on April 10. This time, the Brownies visited McDonald's restaurant on Rt. 50. So pleased was the personnel at McDonald's to learn that they met with the approval of our young gourmets, that they treated the Troop to free hamburgers and milk shakes! While the girls watched, each hamburger and shake was prepared to her exact specifications. Look out, Rive Gauche—you may be next!

SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS

April 20, Thursday

May 18, Thursday

June 17, Saturday — Picnic



Congratulations to . . .

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Seaman on the birth of a son, Jason Allen, born on April 6.

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Sams on the birth of their first-born, a daughter, who has been named Jennifer Anne.

Scouting News continued . . .

Troop leader, Judy Harlow, reports a profit of \$25.00 on the sale of Girl Scout Cookies by these young entrepreneurs. Mrs. Harlow also tells us that the Brownies are making preparations for a Mother-Daughter tea, to be held at Falls Church HS in May. Date and details will be announced later.

Cub Pack 677: Following a presentation of monthly awards, the annual Pinewood Derby was held at Devonshire School on March 24. Listed below are the names of both medal and Derby winners: (Derby Winners listed first.)

Den 1 — Jimmy Fry Den 2 — Kevin Hyatt
Den 3 — Richard Powell

Webelo #1 — David America

Webelo #2 — Joe Sherrill

Winner Richard Powell

Coollest Car Richard Powell

Old Timer David Yarbrough

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The Pinewood Derby is an annual auto race held by the Cub Scouts. Each participant is issued a kit containing a rectangular piece of wood, 4 nails, 4 wheels and 2 pieces to serve as an axle base. Out of this, the boy fashions a car of his own design. These unique little cars are raced, four at a time, on a wide track constructed by the boys' fathers.

Congratulations fellas!

Cub Scout Medal Awards – Pack 677:

DEN #1

John Reaves
Mike Lightner
Rodger Holman

Silver Arrow under Wolf
Silver Arrow under Wolf
Silver Arrow under Bear
1-year perfect attendance
2-year Service Pin
Went into Webelos
1-year Service Pin
Went into Webelos

Jeff Schlumph

DEN #2

Chuck Collier
Kevin Hyatt

2-Silver Arrows under Wolf
Transferred into Pack

DEN #3

Billy Pollack
Richard Powell

New Bobcat
1-year Perfect Attendance
1-year Service Pin
Denner Bars
Assistant Denner Bars

DARREL EKSTROM WEBELOS DEN #1

Bobby Harlow
Jeff Bloom
David America

Arrow of Light
Arrow of Light
Craftsman, Sportsman,
Outdoorsman
Citizen, Engineer

KEVIN TURNEY WEBELOS DEN #2

Bernie Manderville
Kenny Winslow

Traveler, Engineer
Showman

Boy Scout Troop 677

NEWCOMERS

Andy Zeigler Jeff Bloom Bob Harlow

AWARDS

John Schaffstall	God & Country Award
	5-year Service Pin
David Yarbrough	4-year Service Pin
Jim Gunnels	3-year Service Pin
Daniel Willson	4-year Service Pin
Ronnie Collins	2-year Service Pin

ACTIVITIES

After a successful 38-mile warm-up bike hike along the C&O Canal, the main event a 60-mile and overnight bike hike from Harper's Ferry to Chain Bridge was cancelled for the 8th and 9th due to foul weather. Rescheduled for April 28th and 29th.

Goshen Scout Camp this year will be Aug. 12-19, at Camp P.M.I. A \$10.00 registration fee is due now.

SPECIAL TRASH PICK-UP

Now is the time to begin cleaning out your basements, back yards and garages. Our annual special trash pick-up for large items of trash will be held **May 15th**.

NOTE: Brush will NOT be picked up at that time.