



of GREENWAY DOWNS CITIZENS ASSOCIATION

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ABOUT OUR MEETING

Since our objective is to promote items of interest for all residents, no special program or speaker is planned for our first meeting of the season. It will be devoted primarily to a discussion of things that are of concern to the community. We want to give all members an opportunity to voice their ideas and concerns on the type of programs we should have during the course of the year. You will also have a chance to meet your new officers and catch up on many activities that have occurred during the summer.

We hope to have the latest reports on the latest liquor license request from the restaurant on Graham Road; curbs, gutters & storm sewers; Lee Highway road construction; park development; County 5-year Plan; etc. Many programs are underway at this time and we hope to see most of them through to completion this year.

We have one of the most active civic associations in all Fairfax County. It is important that everyone actively participate in our meet-

SEPTEMBER MEETING

DATE Wednesday, September 13
TIME 8:00 P.M.
PLACE Devonshire School Cafetorium
Graham Road and Lee Highway
PROGRAM A Forum and Report of
Current Projects Underway
REFRESHMENTS

ings if we are to remain one of the best.

Plan now to attend the meeting on Wednesday, September 13, and make known the type of programs YOU want during the year. We hope that many new residents in our community will join with the "oldtimers" in the pursuit of our common objectives and goals. Your concerns can be pursued by the Association only if they are made known.

SEE YOU THERE!

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

by Fred Kramer, President

First, I'd like to take this opportunity to welcome all those new families that have moved into Greenway Downs. I hope you will enjoy this area as much as we have during the past three years. September is the start of a new school year for all the children and their parents. It is also the beginning of our civic association activities which extend into June of each year. I sincerely hope each and every member of our community will participate in making this coming year as productive and rewarding as those of the past. Better, if possible.

What is the purpose of our civic association? Per our bylaws "the objectives of this Association are to protect and promote the interest of the citizenry; to foster a friendly and cooperative esprit de corps among the freeholders and residents; to maintain cordial relations and collective action with all agencies--local, county, state and Federal--and any other organized group or organization having for their purpose the promotion of the public welfare." How we accomplish these objectives depends on YOU. Each and every member of our community should have ideas on the various activities or programs which our Association could be involved in, or you are aware of a problem which the Association may be able to resolve through community action. This is YOUR Association and the extent that you participate, either by becoming involved in one of our projects by attending the general meetings, or by just attending one of the functions sponsored by your Association, will determine whether it will succeed in meeting its objectives or not.

Two of the many programs I hope we can accomplish this year and will be culminated in a manner acceptable to all are (1) the storm drainage, curb and gutter program started several years ago; and (2) the development and

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beautification of our park. On September 13, at our first general meeting, these two projects and others that you bring up will be discussed in further detail. I hope you will give this some thought in the next few days and months and that you will make your views known.

Lastly, I know you all will share with me in expressing our appreciation to Henry Rodriguez, our immediate past president, and the other officers who did such an outstanding job this past year.

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DEATH OF A MEMBER

We in Greenway Downs lost a good friend and an active member of our citizens association when KENNETH WALTON died suddenly of a heart attack July 2. Ken was our Delegate to the Fairfax County Federation of Citizens Associations. Our sincerest condolences to Dorothy, his wife, and her daughter Judy who continue to reside in our community.

REPLACEMENT FOR KEN WALTON

The Executive Board, in accordance with our Bylaws, unanimously voted at its meeting August 30, to have ELLWOOD KEYES fill the vacancy left by the untimely death of Ken Walton. Ken had just been returned for another 3-year term as our Federation Delegate at our elections held last May.

OFFICERS FOR 1972-73

President	Fred Kramer ✓
Vice President	Willard Scott ✓
Treasurer	Ed Morrison ✓
Rec. Secy.	Mary Beyer ✓
Corres. Secy.	Lois Owens ✓

Executive Board Members

3-year term	Ben Blankenship ✓ Elling Reich ✓
2-year term	Irene Smith ✓ Emmett Westerfeld ✓
1-year term	Earl Hall ✓ Bernie Lucas ✓

Federation Delegates

3-year term	Ellwood Keyes ✓ (replacing Ken Walton)
2-year term	Frank Peterson ✓
1-year term	Joe Goodwin ✓

Standing Committees

Beautification	Joan Rodriguez ✓
Community Action	Willard Scott ✓
Editor of Downs	Irene Smith ✓
Hospitality	Beverly Scott ✓
Membership	Bob Beyer ✓
Park (new)	Henry Rodriguez ✓
Schools	Jo Ann Goodwin ✓
Streets & Util.	Earl Hall ✓
Youth Activities	Lois Owens ✓

Our thanks to the boys in Scout Troop 677 for delivering this issue of THE DOWNS.

TRASH REMOVAL WOES!

If you have an item too large or bulky to be picked up by the regular trash collection, please call for a special pick-up. The number is now 339-5600. It is much easier for them to find such items in the county if we will tell them where they are. Their system of automatic pick-up is too cumbersome to be very effective. So, please help keep our community neat by calling for special trash pick-up service. We all thank you.

ARE YOU REGISTERED TO VOTE?

For those new to this community or who are 18 years old on or before November 7, 1972, and now eligible to vote for the first time, you must be registered no later than OCTOBER 7, in order to participate in the upcoming election. If you were registered in some other community in Fairfax County and are new to our Providence District, you must apply IN PERSON to our Fairfax County registrar to transfer your registration. Our neighborhood registrar is Mrs. Tera Vinson, 2845 Rosemary Lane, 532-0342. A mobile unit will be in the Yorktowne Shopping Center at Arlington Blvd. and Gallows Road, every Friday from 9 AM - 2 PM and 6 PM - 9 PM. The county library at 7415 Arlington Blvd. will have a registrar every Thursday evening from 7 PM - 9 PM.

If you need to know about absentee voting call Mrs. Vinson or General Registrar's Office at 4101 Chain Bridge Road, Fairfax, 691-2886, for information.

DON'T FORGET TO VOTE!

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FAREWELL TO THE JACKSONS

Jake, past president of GDCA and his wife, Elaine, have retired to farm life in Pinetown, N.C. We are sorry to see them leave us but we wish them every happiness. They left last May to return to the place where Elaine was born and reared. Having bought the farm they are very busy remodeling the old farmhouse. Jake is having a ball using his new tractor and roto-tiller. We understand they have raised quite a vegetable garden this summer. Lucky people to have a place to grow their own fresh produce. Lots of work, but worth it! They sold their home on W. George Mason Road to their daughter and her husband--Jim and Elly Draper. We welcome them and their two children to our community.

OUR PICNIC AND MOTHER NATURE

Once again we were unable to get the cooperation of Mother Nature--she rained on our picnic! However, due to the great cooperation and help of many of our neighbors we still managed to have a good time in spite of the weather. The rain spoiled our plans for a parade and many of the games that were scheduled, but the food was still good and enjoyed by close to 300 people.

We wish to thank Glenda Glammeyer and her crew of helpers for preparing the meal. They were Fran Fisher, Marcile Goodrick, Jo Ann Goodwin, Sandy Klinger, Leona Jongkindt, Joan Omand, Elling & Mary Reich, Beverly Scott, Irene Smith, Betty & Bill Wells.

A special thank you goes to the Saunders Bakery for their donation of all the rolls and cupcakes used and to the Safeway for donating all the crushed ice used in the drinks. Without this generous help we would not have made a net profit of \$82.85 which will be presented to the Falls Church High School Band at our first general meeting. It will go into their uniform fund.

Others who helped were our own Boy Scout Troop 677 in the person of Ricky Lunsford and Dan Wilson who helped with the games. The Fairfax County Police Department furnished the megaphone that was used and the Jefferson Fire Department drove their big hook and ladder truck through the community to call attention to our picnic. This would have been the lead vehicle in our little parade if it had not rained.

The baby contest was held thanks to Nancy Greenwood, Evelyn Marquardt, Nancy Michie and our Supervisor James Scott who was our special guest. The queen was Teresa Millsback, 17 months old, and Mark Stokes, one year old, was our king. Runners-up were Michelle Durrence and Jerry Walker.

Financial Report

<u>Income</u>	
Tickets & meals (287)	145.00
Drinks & misc. food	<u>58.75</u>
	203.75
<u>Expenses</u>	
Food Supplies*	61.55
Baby & game awards	14.33
Printing	9.50
Pepsi (by check)	<u>42.67</u>
* breakdown available	128.05
<u>Net Profit</u>	<u>75.70</u>
<u>Donations to band</u>	<u>7.15</u>
Total Donation to FCHS Band	<u>82.85</u>

by Willard Scott

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CALLING ALL STUDENTS . . . Would you like to see your jokes, poems, cartoons, etc. in print? We are soliciting such contributions from all students. Give your material to the editor or her assistant. Thank you!

NATURE PROGRAM

The Fairfax County Park Authority, with the aid of the Greenway Downs Citizens Association, presented a nature program in our park on August 3 at 8:30 P.M. Naturalists from the Park Authority presented a talk and showing of beautiful nature slides. The stars of the evening were a possum, a skunk, two mice, a snake, and a box turtle who wasn't frightened by all the people who touched it. All the animals were either held or petted by the children.

This affair was advertised by flyers which were distributed by children who live in our community. Our special thanks to the Stokes family who gave us permission to use their electrical outlet for the slide showing even though they were on vacation the night of the show.

by Joan Rodriguez

REQUEST FOR LIQUOR LICENSE GRANTED

We have been successful in the past in getting denied any request for a liquor license to the restaurant across the street from Devonshire School. However, the new owners of the Roman Forum Restaurant have had a hearing for an ABC license and it was granted August 31. If enough of us feel this should be denied, we must take action immediately. We need a current vote at our upcoming general meeting to show such objection is still valid. SO PLEASE SHOW UP AND VOICE YOUR OPPOSITION TO THE GRANTING OF THIS LIQUOR LICENSE. We are sure the PTA will also register its objection to it, too.

DEVONSHIRE PTA

The first meeting of the new school year will be held September 19. The new principal will explain his plans for the year and introduce all the staff and teachers. This will be followed by a question and answer period.

THE BAND WAGON

Under the direction of Jim Stegner (a Greenway Downs resident), the Falls Church High School Marching Band will present a half-time show on Sept. 23 at the University of Virginia-West Virginia game in Charlottesville.

This will be the first out-of-town appearance of the group since its award-winning performance at the 2nd Annual ORK Blossom Festival in the Shenandoah Valley last month.

The 1971-72 Jaguar Band performed for the last time on August 11 in RFK Stadium at the Redskins-Broncos pre-season game. It was a superior performance, not shown, of course, in the Metropolitan Area.

by Bernie Lucas

CALLING ALL SCOUTS!

The following Scout organizations serve this community, and if you have a child interested in Scouting, please contact the appropriate leader.

CUB PACK 677

Cubmaster Ed Powell - 533-9177

Boys in the 3rd grade to 10 years of age are invited to attend a Scouting Roundup at Devonshire School, September 28 at 7:30 P.M. Parents are also invited.

BOY SCOUT TROOP 677

John Yarbrough, Leader - 534-6502

Boys 11 years and up are eligible. The first meeting this fall will be on Monday following Back-to-School Night. They meet Mondays at 7:30 P.M. in the Scout House on Spring Street, Falls Church (the log cabin).

BROWNIE TROOP 575

Judy Harlow, Leader - 534-5165

Girls in the 2nd and 3rd grades should call Mrs. Harlow. Mothers who can help are needed, too.

JUNIOR GIRL SCOUT TROOP 601

Diane Rodgers, Leader - 533-2835

Girls in the 4th to 6th grades should contact Mrs. Rodgers. They will have a camping trip the weekend of October 13-15.

GIRL SCOUT CADET TROOP 2559

June Kingman, Leader - 534-5087

Girls in the 7th to 9th grades are eligible to join this troop. Their first meeting will be Wednesday, Sept. 20 at 7:30 P.M. at the Knox Presbyterian Church.

GOOD SCOUTING!