The Downs

The Newsletter of the Greenway Downs Citizens Association

March, 1985

Falls Church, Virginia

Annual Yard Sale

Circle Saturday, April 5th, on your calendar! This is the date for the second annual Greenway Downs Community Yard Sale. Last year's sale was such a success, we decided to do it again this year. Like last year, we will advertise in the local newspapers and have signs out on the roads prior to the day of the sale. The sale will run from 9am to 4pm. If you want to come down to the park to sell your wares, you must reserve a spot ahead of time. Each space will cost \$5. If you would like to help with the yard sale, please contact Terri Jo Warren after 5pm at 534-6480 or Carl Kannapel at 534-8745. Remember, start to clean out the attic, basement, closet or garage and keep your items for the yard sale. Your trash is someone else's treasure!!

Neighborhood Watch

The stickers attached to this newsletter are to help you remember what to say in an emergency. By following these instructions when reporting the location of an emergency, unnecessary confusion and delays can be avoided. This is especially important for 911 calls which may be answered by a regional switchboard in Arlington. Patrol Area 400 gets the operator within a mile of the scene, expedites the finding of obscure streets and eliminates confusion with similar street names in other areas. Do not say Falls Church when giving the location since this can be confused with the streets across Lee Highway that are in the City of Falls Church. These stickers may be placed on your phones for easy reference.

There are electric inscribers available which can be used to put your Social Security number on valuables. Anyone wishing to use them please call Keith Brescia, 536-7734.

1986 Directory Additions and Corrections

Next month we will publish any additions or corrections to the 1986 Directory in the DOWNS Newsletter. All additions and corrections to the current resident listings should be submitted to David Johnson, 2809 Winchester Way, by March 31. This is also a good opportunity for any additional neighborhood youths interested in spring yard work and lawnmowing to get included.

Board Meetings

The last meeting was February 12th. Minutes are available from Marilyn Williams, Recording Secretary, 534-3803.

The next meeting is March 19th in the Timber Lane Elementary School cafeteria following the general meeting and feature program (see reverse). Agenda items include: (1) April 5th Neighborhood Yard Sale; (2)Neighborhood and Park clean-up-after-yard-sale; (3) Stop sign petitions for Summerfield and Marshall and other Community Imporvement Program Issues; (4) Regulated parking petition for W. Geo. Mason; (5) Radon Gas issue; (6) Community Improvement show and tell block parties; (7) Nominations for 1986 officers; (8) General meeting and pot luck dinner; (9) Neighborhood picnic; (10) Reports by various board members and Association representatives; (11) next issue of THE DOWNS.

The Board will meet again at 7:30 pm on April 17th, at Karen Kelley's, 2848 Monroe.

THE PRINCIPALS SPEAK

AT A GENERAL MEETING OF THE GREENWAY DOWNS CITIZENS ASSOCIATION, INC.

ED RYAN, PRINCIPAL, FALLS CHURCH HIGH SCHOOL

EARL WILSON, PRINCIPAL, LUTHER JACKSON INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

COS RENZI, PRINCIPAL, TIMBER LANE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

MEET THEM AT 7:30 p.m. WEDNESDAY, MARCH 19 IN THE CAFETERIA OF THE TIMBER LANE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, 2737 WEST STREET, FALLS CHURCH, VA.

EACH WILL SPEAK FOR FIFTEEN MINUTES ON HIS SCHOOL. QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIOD WILL FOLLOW.



RANGE OF SCHEDULED TOPICS INCLUDE:

- O SIZE OF STUDENT BODY, FACULTY, LIBRARY, GROUNDS, BUILDINGS
- O SPECIAL PROGRAMS AND FACILITIES
- o STUDENT TESTING, SCORES, TRENDS
- O WHERE DO NEW STUDENTS COME FROM? WHERE DO GRADUATES AND NON-GRADUATES GO?
- o DRUGS IN SCHOOLS
- o OTHER CRIME IN SCHOOLS

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING TO FOLLOW QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

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COMMUNITY YARD SALE - MAY 11, 1985

The Greenway Downs Citizens Association is sponsoring a Community Yard Sale on Saturday, May 11th, from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm. Everyone in Greenway Downs is encouraged to participate. Whether you have lots to sell or only a little, here's an opportunity to hold a "hassle free" yard sale. The Association will do all the hard work. We'll buy the ads in the Journal and the Post. We'll put up the signs to get the customers to you. All you need to do is gather up your unused household items and put them out for sale. It's a great opportunity to clean out your basement, storage shed, or attic; and you'll be amazed at what people will buy. What is one man's trash is another man's treasure. Watch first hand as people actually pay money to take last year's present from Uncle Harry off your hands. If you've never had a yard sale before you'll discover that in addition to cleaning out the basement and makeing some money, you will have an awful lot of fun.

Where to sell your items?

With this Community Yard Sale you have the choice of selling in your front yard or bringing all your "stuff" down to the basketball court and setting up shop there. There are obvious reasons for choosing one over the other. In your own yard it will be much easier; at the basketball court, however, you probably will have more customers. either case, you'll be responsible for supplying the tables on which to display your wares and for selling and collecting money for your own things. If you wish to sell on the basketball court, please fill out the form in this newsletter and return it by May 8th. There is a limited amount of space, so reserve a spot early. Each space, (no fee involved) will be approximately 12 feet (2 picnic tables) wide. If you decide to sell in your own yard, no need to let us know, just have your items ready for sale early on Saturday morning, May 11th. Be prepared! The crowd will start arriving early, despite our advertised 9:00 am opening.

BAKE SALE

To help defray the costs of advertising, etc., the Association will sponsor a bake sale table at the basketball court that day. Donations of baked items from everyone will be very much appreciated. Please bring items for the bake sale table to the basketball court any time after 8:00 am on the morning of the sale.



To help us advertise this yard sale, please use the back of page one as an original to make Xerox copies that you can post on bulletin boards at work, school, church, or other appropriate locations.

RAIN DATE - MAY 18th

Unless it is actually raining on May 11th, we will probably go on with the yard sale as scheduled. If you have a doubt, please call one of the numbers listed below that morning.

533-0291	Dick Howlett	2852 Greenway Boulevard
532-0734	Marianne Gick	2814 Cameron Road
533-2291	Jacob Goodwin	2821 Monroe Street
533 - 7795	Henry Rodriquez	2834 W. Geo. Mason Road

Fill out the form below and return it to one of the addresses listed above ONLY if you wish to sell at the basketball court. Please have them in by May 8th! Remember there is only a limited amount of space at the basketball court so reserve your space early for the best spots.

	Reservation for space at basketball court for Yard Sale - May 11, 1985	
NAME.		
ADDRESS		
PHONE		
	Date Returned	

SUGGESTIONS FOR A SUCCESSFUL YARD SALE

- 1. Be prepared.
- 2. Price all items ahead of time.
- 3. Have lots of change (especially Quarters and Dollar Bills).
- 4. Place items within easy reach of buyers (keep as much as possible off the ground.)
- 5. Be ready early in the morning as some people always come earlier than you'd believe.
- 6. Wear a silly hat or somehow identify yourself as the seller.
- 7. Have an electric outlet available to test any appliances you may wish to sell. (Not possible at basketball court.)
- 8. Cut your prices in the afternoon on all items you really want to sell.
- 9. As you're getting ready, start a "FREE" box for items not worth selling.
- 10. Have a supply of paper bags for your customers to haul away your stuff.
- 11. Don't be shy; suggest possible uses for items; offer to hold babies so mothers can shop liesurely.
- 12. Be willing to "deal"!! Remember the main point is to get rid of your stuff.