



Little Hunting Creek Citizens Association

NEWSLETTER

Stratford Landing • Mt. Vernon District • Fairfax County

20 November 1969

I. FROM THE PRESIDENT:

To the over two hundred community residents who took time out from their busy schedules to attend the association's election meeting, sincere thanks. A neat and orderly transition in the Executive Board has taken place. If there are goals which we have set for ourselves for the new term of office, they include ascertaining the successful completion of Burma Road, a growing association cultural program, a growing and self-dependent teen club, a final plan agreeable to all on the future of the Stockton Parkway/Little Hunting Creek Area, expansion of athletic facilities at the Stratford Landing Park, the construction of an ice skating rink, a new community directory, reduction of vandalism and violation of traffic rules, and growing recreational programs for our Jr. high school age children. We are gratified that without major issues facing us our attendance at meetings has not gone below 200 -- at the same time, though, we are volunteers trying to do a job for our community - at a very considerable cost in time, energy, effort, and even money - it's all only as good as the support and good wishes of our neighbors.

PETER H. BRINITZER
2321 Wittington Blvd.
780-9388

II. FROM THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

ICE SKATING RINK

In conjunction with the County Park Department, we are just about ready to give our community the first ice skating rink of its kind in the county - this will be a self-help project. The Teen Club Executive Committee is planning to authorize 50% of the construction and maintenance costs being borne by its Club's treasury. Our Executive Board is recommending to our membership to assume the remaining costs. Constitutionally we require your approval of a non-normal operational expenditure in excess of \$50. We expect that based on your approval our share may reach \$200. This newsletter contains a voting slip through which you are asked to voice your opinion. It has been decided to query you through this means rather than calling a special meeting. Please cooperate by filling out the attached form and getting it to your bloc captain IMMEDIATELY so that we might move ahead for you and your family's recreational pleasure this winter.

The County will furnish the water supply, afford us construction guidance and purchase required equipment for us. Our teens will do the actual construction. IT IS ENVISIONED THAT ONE WEEKEND WILL BE REQUIRED TO GET THIS JOB DONE. WE ARE SINCERELY AND SERIOUSLY ASKING THAT OUR MALE ADULTS HELP OUT WITH THE WORK AND GUIDANCE. PLEASE CALL 780-9388 and come aboard. This is one time when you shouldn't just sit back and reap the benefits - this is for our community and your family will benefit - pitch in and help build it! Next month, when we hope to have it constructed, we will furnish details on how it will be administered, maintained, and how we can all best pool our available skates to give everybody a chance to join the fun without having necessarily to buy new skates.

BUS EXPRESS SERVICE

Under the active leadership of the Mt. Vernon Council of Citizens Associations, an express bus service originating at Ft. Belvoir through all of Ft. Hunt Road, where stops will be made all along the road and from there straight to the Pentagon and another service straight to the Federal Triangle will commence on December 1st. Appropriate return express service will also be instituted. Assuming the strike is over, these express runs will save considerable time and eliminate the need to fight the traffic with your own cars. The success of this service depends exclusively

upon the volume of use. Special flyers and announcements will be circulated later this week delineating schedules and all other details. By all means, try out this service - it's been a hard fight to bring it about.

NURSING HOME

The vote by member families was 117 against and 15 for supporting the request for construction of a nursing home. We attended the Board of Zoning Appeals hearing - it was inconsequential -- this Monday night at the County Courthouse the County Planning Commission will have a public hearing on the application. We'll welcome support there as we try our best to support your wishes. Current County ordinances permit construction of 50-bed maximum nursing homes in single dwelling residentially zoned areas, so we will have a difficult task on Monday night -- we could use your support. The applicant has agreed to reduce the size of the home from 80 to 50 beds, thus making our task harder yet. We will keep you posted.

RIVERSIDE PARK

As you know, Yeonas is now actively selling the 28-home Riverside Park complex which is contiguous and actually a part of Stratford Landing and is within the constitutionally defined geographic area of our association. Yeonas has paid 50% of the membership dues for one year for his new residents to join our association. Our executive board has approved our treasury paying the other 50%. Hence the 28 new residents will all become members of our association as they move in. We hope that the day is not too far off that the 28 new members will agree to have the name on their beautiful entry sign changed to Stratford Landing.

BURMA ROAD

The road will be temporarily reopened on November 29th. In the interim, please DO NOT use the road. If you have been close to it recently, you have noticed the outlines of the new configuration and its new width. PLEASE make the detour and don't impede work by trying to get through it now. We hope you share our pleasure that this project continues to move as a tangible example of what can be accomplished.

LONDONDERRY/ELKIN TRAFFIC PROBLEM

We have had the State Highway Department post stop signs and construct an island. Failure to heed the stop signs in making the curve from Riverside to Elkin can result in a major accident.

WITTINGTON BLVD./ELKIN ST. SAFETY HAZARD

Wittington, now paved, coming into Elkin at an angle presents a dangerous blind corner on the left. The County will be removing trees at our request, later this week to enable better vision.

DIRECTORY

Publishing a new directory is a major task - it is also a costly task - The preliminary work has now been accomplished, and all the data has been alphabetically organized thanks to our past membership chairman, Jane Bush. She and her successor Kay Gray are now preparing it for publication. The Executive Board has been faced with the decision of whether to pay for the total cost of such a directory or whether to offset it by the insertion of a limited number of advertisements. To protect a relatively healthy treasury and to offset some of the expenditures, limited tasteful advertisements will be accepted. It is foreseen presently that the directory will be distributed to all members with the December newsletter.

TEEN CLUB ACTIVITIES

Were you at the Hallowe'en costume judging contest in the park the other week? More than 200 of your children were! It was a beautifully planned and executed affair, run exclusively by girls of the Teen Club. Our sincere thanks to Debbie Gray and her group of responsible, reliable, and just simply great gals.

Were you at the Big Dance held by the Teen Club a couple of Saturdays ago? It was a huge success, and again our kids did the work and came through with flying colors. Ben Withers and his 40 odd volunteers made it possible and we owe them our admiration and respect for a job well done.

The Alexandria Gazette has heard of our Teen Club and will run almost a full page feature story on the club. Our teens are doing the writing and editing, and we can look forward to a big story complete with pictures, names, and the works very soon.

The Club president has a beautiful letter of appreciation from the Stratford Recreation Association for the work done by a group of the club fellows - just great - The club has been in existence less than a year and I certainly hope it's here to stay -- read their Newsletter (attached) and look at their financial statement!

CONCERT

Plans are now underway with the Fairfax County Symphony Orchestra for the second annual symphony concert to be given by the orchestra in the Mt. Vernon District. Once again we plan to be the sponsor and calls for help will be going out soon. The date of the concert is Monday night the 2nd of March '70. If you were at the last one, you know it was a gratifying experience and we hope we can count on your help to sell out this second annual event also.

CHRISTMAS PLANS

As in past years, this year too, we plan to enlist the assistance of our Fire Department to have one of its pieces of equipment transport Santa Claus throughout our community on Sunday, December 21st, starting at 3:00 p.m. He'll have plenty of goodies for all the kiddies. Don't disappoint your children--mark your calendar now!

As in past years, this year too we intend to sponsor a Christmas decorating contest. The best and most originally decorated properties within the community will be impartially judged, with winners being appropriately recognized.

VANDALISM AND HARASSMENT

It is pitiful to listen to the irate and upset parents whose children have been harassed by older children at the Stratford Landing Park. It is equally frustrating to listen to the home owner and the car owner as he describes the theft of his property, or its destruction. It is shocking to hear the complaints of residents, the safety of whose children has been seriously jeopardized by reckless drivers.

Stratford Landing Park is a wonderful place, and it is being fully exploited. If necessary, we shall ask for adult monitors to be in the park during play afternoons and weekends to curb the maliciousness of our young (12-14 yr.) teens.

We ask all residents to combat undesirable practices by reporting them to me, and as appropriate to the police. Try as best you can to get the identity of wrong doers. A check of the mufflers of your family's cars and the condition of the car lights and back lights is in order now!

TREASURER'S REPORT

19 November 1969

Cash Balance as of last Treas. Report October 13, 1969	\$1994.94	\$1994.94
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Receipts:

Membership dues in, 17 Oct.	453.00	
Membership dues in, 24 Oct.	447.00	
Membership dues in, 13 Nov.	42.00	
Check #165 voided	<u>.20</u>	
	942.20	<u>\$2937.14</u>

TOTAL CASH

Disbursements:

Alexandria Gazette, subscription for use of president	11.10
Weadon Printing Service, 60 posters for Teen Club	22.88
Peter Brinitzer, sign printing re: closing Burma Rd. & Oct. meeting	15.00
Donna Brinitzer, refreshments for Oct. meeting	2.78
Barbara Hower, fruit punch for Oct. meeting	7.28
Sheltered Occupational Center - printing Oct. newsletter	26.31
Billy Welsh, printing of Hallowe'en signs	10.00
Debbie Gray, advance for Hallowe'en party and prizes	30.00
*Woodlawn National Bank, savings acct.	1000.00
*Woodlawn National Bank, certificate of deposit	<u>1000.00</u>
	\$2125.35

Total Disbursements

CASH ON HAND AS OF NOVEMBER 19, 1969

\$811.79 (*\$2811.79)

*(See next page)

* By a unanimous vote of the Executive Board, the Treasurer was instructed to invest the Association's cash reserves, over and above immediate, foreseeable needs in interest-bearing accounts. The savings account brings interest of 4%, compounded quarterly and the certificate of deposit is a 90-day one at 5% yearly.

SECRETARY'S NOTES

Any and all organizational news from residents of the community - Scouts, clubs, religious activities, etc., for sale items, wanted items, services offered and/or wanted, etc., are welcomed for free of charge insertion into this newsletter. They must be from residents of the community and they must be submitted in writing to the secretary no later than the 15th of each month.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

By vote of the Executive Board, now that the membership drive is completed, the five residents of the community who have chosen not to join will not be receiving the newsletter or the soon to be published directory.

Many thanks must go to all of the bloc captains throughout the community who without exception did an outstanding job in swelling our membership rolls. With all our homes as members (except the five) they can be justly proud of a job well done.

Peter H. Brinitzer, Pres.	780-9388	Lou Denit, Recreation	780-1052
Ed O'Callaghan, Vice-Pres.	780-9420	Kay Gray, Membership	780-1917
Nancy Shafer, Secretary	780-8914	John McAleer, Community	
Barbara Hower, Treasurer	780-4758	Improvements	780-8455
		David Bryant, Rules	780-4537

III. OTHER ORGANIZATIONAL NEWS

STRATFORD RECREATION ASSOCIATION

At the annual meeting of the Association members on October 28, 1969, the following individuals were elected to a three year term on the Board of Directors:

Bettye O'Callaghan Pete Gerlach Norm Hawkinson

At the meeting of the Board of Directors following the membership meeting, the following officers were elected: President, Norm Hawkinson, Vice-President, Lynn Adams, Secretary, Bettye O'Callaghan, Treasurer, Jack Bentley. The following committees were appointed:

Operations: Lynn Adams, Chairman Bob Gray, Vice-Chairman
Improvements Committee: Jim Bell, Chairman Jim Mayer, Vice-Chairman
Activities Committee: Pete Gerlach, Chairman
Rules Committee: Tom Freaney, Chairman
Membership Committee: Jack Bentley, Chairman

Bob Gray is the new Swim Team representative, and Bettye O'Callaghan is the Diving Team representative. It is suggested that any families in the area who desire to join the pool get on the waiting list now. It is anticipated that there will be some memberships available between now and next Spring due to some families leaving the area. You may call Jack Bentley at 780-1591 for further information.

Norman A. Hawkinson
President

FT. HUNT CREW CLUB

Ft. Hunt Crew Club wishes to thank all those residents who were kind enough to save newspapers for the Club's paper collections this fall. This operation is now being suspended for the winter.

Many thanks to all who came to our Christmas Bazaar this past Saturday. Your items will be available soon. Call Nancy Shafer 780-8914 for further information.

DUPLICATE BRIDGE

The Duplicate Bridge group may get off the drawing board - at last! We have arranged to hold our first game at St. Aidan's Hall, Friday, December 12, at 7:30 P.M. All who have called will be contacted. Others who may want to play are urged to call the O'Callaghans (780-9420) or the Bensons (780-2788) before Dec. 12. This group will meet at least once a month - twice monthly if there is enough interest.

One of our neighbor's husband has been officially listed as missing in Viet Nam for over two years. She recently was in Paris attempting to determine the status of her husband with North Vietnamese officials - to no avail - her request to publish this is gladly done.

The American Red Cross today urged a massive expression of indignation over the treatment of U. S. prisoners held by the North Vietnamese. It called on the American people to write direct to the president of the Democratic Republic of North Vietnam to express concern about Hanoi's failure to give captured U. S. military personnel the benefits of the Geneva Conventions. According to latest Department of Defense figures, 413 Americans are known to be prisoners of war and 918 others are missing and believed captured. Pointing out that the North Vietnamese are signatory to the Geneva conventions, Red Cross national headquarters here said such a public outcry might do much to ensure that American prisoners will receive humane treatment called for in the Conventions. It urged that appeals be addressed to:

Office of the President
Democratic Republic of North Vietnam
Hanoi, North Vietnam

An airmail letter weighing less than one-half ounce takes 25 cents. For more information call 780-4126.

IV. PERSONAL ITEMS

For Sale:

Natural ranch mink stole: Classic collar, silk lining, approximately 20" deep. In excellent condition. \$100.00. Matching mink fur hat - \$15.00 Phone 780-1403.

Pair twin size Hollywood bed frames - \$10 Exercise machine - \$20
(See Sears catalog 8G2883L \$57.95) Tel. 780-2708

Lovely Gift wrappings - Benefit for the Student Scholarship Fund, sponsored by the Alexandria Hospital School of Nursing Alumni Association: Elegant and unusual Xmas wrap, 3 large sheets - \$1.25. Regular wrap - antique designs, several colors, 2 sheets .60. Call Dottie Daniels at 780-1404.

Boy's washable lined sports jacket, size 12-14, good condition \$5.00; boy's slacks, size 12 regular, never worn \$2.00, boy's leather high-top boots, size 4D, \$3, Health-O-Meter Stork Scales, Model 380 \$15; Automobile Baby Bottle Warmer, \$1.50. Call 780-2982.

Handmade Candles - Different shapes, colors, and scents. Make nice Christmas gifts. Maxine Crawford - 780-9189.

Aurora Road Race Set - extra track and accessories - excellent condition--originally \$45, \$28.00. Call 780-9212.

Mink coat - Full length, Light Dawn - worn 6 times - cost \$1,500. Sacrifice. Call 765-3260 after 6 p.m.

Antiqued pink vanity (46") and bench. \$25. Leather-topped mahogany card table \$18. Sterling silver sugar and creamer \$10. Czechoslovakian lustre cups and plates \$15. Call 780-4395.

Two used snow tires, size 6.95 x 14, used only one year, \$4 each.
Hotel weight China, service for 12, dogwood pattern, \$30. 780-1033.

Eight teak dining room chairs with upholstered seats, lovely floral oil painting, old English hunting prints, old English prints of famous Americans, 2 leather hassocks, wired coach lamps, child's small school desk, carved Victorian gentleman's chair with tufted back -- needs upholstering. 780-4126.

FREE - to Give Away - 3 adorable kittens, box trained. 2 males, identical twins, lovely black and white markings, one fluffy tigress grey striped. 780-9177.

LOST - Siamese Cat - Dark seal point male Siamese, 3 years old, V-shaped scar on right front leg, with collar and tag, vicinity of Fort Hunt Elementary School, 3 Nov. Call 780-6696.

LOST - Pair of girl's tortoise shell glasses with rectangular shaped frames. Lost around November 11. If found, please call 780-1323.

SEWING - Do you have dresses, skirts and coats waiting to be hemmed? Call Ginny Wells Tel. 780-2499.

WANTED: GI Joe's, Equipment and Accessories - 780-1283.

Notary Public Services: Notary public services are available from A. R. Powell, 2405 Cavendish Drive, Tel. 780-1929.

The Ft. Hunt Cooperative Preschool has openings for four-year old girls. For further information please call 765-0929.

Day care & Nursery for ages 2-6. Monthly, weekly, daily, or hourly with minimum of two hours. 60¢ per hour or \$4.25 for all day. Everything furnished, including hot lunch for any child left 4 hours or more. Also morning and afternoon snacks. Need application and health record on each child. Will mail forms or can be picked up at school. Mrs. Dinas Minney - The Minni-School 2211 Wittington Blvd., 780-1564.

Baby-Sitting Club - We are all mothers like you and we sit for each other on a credit and debit basis - no money involved. Call Jean Powell, 780-1929, Carol Rose 360-7520, P.S. We've lost some phone numbers - should you have recently called and received no call back, please call again.

DIPLOMATIC CHILDREN'S PARTY

A special diplomatic children's Christmas party is scheduled for 2:00 P.M., Sunday, November 30 in the Mayflower Hotel, 1127 Connecticut Avenue, N.W., Washington, D. C. The theme of this party is "Peace, Goodwill and Understanding" among nations.

The international event for children of all ages and their parents is staged in cooperation with numerous foreign embassies, featuring songs, dances and skits of many countries. As in previous years, portions of this party are expected to be televised and recorded by the Voice of America for transmission overseas. All proceeds will go to charity. All youngsters of the Little Hunting Creek Citizens Association and their parents are invited.

Tickets are \$1.00 for children and \$2.00 for adults. The number of available tickets is limited. Please fill in coupon below and return to Fred Thieberger, 2406 Stirrup Lane by November 25. We will try to accommodate everyone who submits a request for tickets by this date. However, we reserve the right to refund any reservations in case of over-subscription.

Please reserve _____ Child tickets (\$1.00)
number

and _____ Adult tickets (\$2.00)
number

for the Diplomatic Children's Christmas Party.

Total Amount Enclosed \$ _____

Name _____

Address _____ Phone _____

!ACT NOW!

To: Chairman Rules Committee, Little Hunting Creek Citizens Association, Inc.
Thru: My Bloc Captain

I herewith state that as a member of the association I (have) (do not have) any objection to the expenditure of up to \$200.00 of association funds as part of the construction and maintenance costs of an ice skating rink to be located within the confines of the Stratford Landing Park area for use by our community.

Signature _____ Address _____

Note: Please cross out the applicable parentheses - please pass the signed slip to your bloc captain RIGHT AWAY as your executive board requires your guidance NOW!

Teen

NEWS

FROM THE PRESIDENT: Bob Roseberry - Tel. 780-9087

The dance on November 8 went well. We hope to have more dances of this type and smaller dances throughout the winter. We have plans for an ice skating rink in the making but we need your help. As for the rest of the plans, it's your club and only you can make it better. As you know, we have run this club without a constitution. The executive committee is now getting one ready and is planning to call a general membership meeting to approve this constitution within the next 60 days. We'll make sure you get a copy before the meeting. The 1st election of officers under the new constitution will follow. By the way, Debbie Gray, our historian, is putting together an article for the Alexandria Gazette which will publish it as a feature story sometime in December. Here's what the committee chairmen have to say:

SKATING RINK SPECIAL COMMITTEE Robby Fulks, Chairman Tel. 360-7574

Last week the executive committee of the Teen Club passed a proposal that called for their support in helping to finance and construct an ice skating rink. This is going to be a big project calling for the help of every member. The plans have been presented to the committee chairman and show great potential in being the most fun activity of the season. With the help of the teens in the area, we hope to complete work in the shortest possible time allowing the greatest amount of seasonable use. We can only get the job done if we get loads of volunteers. The rink will be for the entire community. Any further questions on this project and to volunteer your help and get further details please contact me!

SOCIAL COMMITTEE Ben Withers, Chairman Tel. 360-5163

The dance on Saturday, Nov. 8 needless to say, was a success. Although we didn't have quite the number expected, the total clear profit of \$383.50 made it a financial success. To run this dance took a lot of help. Special recognition goes to Linda Rice, Robby Fulks, Chris Milia, John Evans, Mark Boucher and to the many others who worked under them. Now we can settle down to little dances throughout the winter and begin thinking about ski trips.

SPECIAL PROJECTS COMMITTEE Mike Grazier, Chairman Tel. 780-8720

The Hallowe'en costume party for the little ones was a great success. The kids had a great time. To Debbie Gray and her crew of great girls my thanks not only as chairman but for all the little ones. How about that dance? Out of sight, wasn't it? Man, that was some job Ben did on that dance. By the way, the Executive Committee voted down the idea of a job referral service due to the pitiful response to it. Remember, this is not THE teen club, it's your teen club. If it's a special project idea, call me!

TREASURER'S REPORT Robin Bailey

SAVINGS ACCOUNT: Total Balance as of last report:	\$ 818.50
Transferred to checking account	\$100.00
Deposited (Dance)	\$500.00
Total Present Balance: (November 21)	1218.50
CHECKING ACCOUNT: Balance as of last report	\$18.42
Income: \$100 transferred from savings account	
\$22.00 Little Hunting Creek Citizens Assn.	
\$114.35 deposited from proceeds of dance	
Total Income:	\$236.35
Disbursements: Dance expenditures	\$171.34
Oct. Newsletter	10.40
Total Disbursements:	\$181.74
Balance as of November 20, 1969	73.03
Cash Disbursements, with receipts, the night of the Dance:	
\$350.00 Band #1	
60.00 Band #2	
80.00 Police assistance	
3.50 Cash boxes and ice bags	
\$493.50	

TOTAL BALANCE OF FUNDS IN TEEN CLUB TREASURY AS OF NOV. 20th: \$1291.53