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SORRY, BU!-----

There was no newsletter for July. This newsletter serves to inform residents of the community what's happening for July and August. Why, after nine years of never missing a month are we now skipping a month? Simple--we believe if we have nothing to report and there is a dearth of new developments of general community interest, we can save you, as members, the \$100 odd dollars it costs to put out each issue. Through this newsletter we'll try to cover all matters of interest and make sure all residents are kept up to date--so, here we go:

BEACH PARTY THIS THUR

The Teen Club is planning another beach trip to Ocean City for this Thursday, the 12th of August. Transportation will be by air conditioned bus. Charges will be exactly for that amount required for the bus transportation, i.e., \$10. There will be no profit for the Teen Club. The signal as to go or no go is dependent upon whether enough interested teens from the membership area of Stratford, who are at least 14 years of age, who are at least freshmen in high school, and who have specific written permission from their parents sign up, realizing that neither the club nor the citizen's association which sponsors it assumes any liability or responsibility. The Teen Club has been in existence for almost eight years now, and has withstood the annual changes in membership and the very fluid climate of having to adjust each year to graduation, etc. It does a fabulous job in assisting us with newsletter distribution, the carnivals, garage sales, Christmas activities, and many more events. There is no charge to join, and all eligible teens are encouraged to get in on the fun.

All teens interested in going along on this trip must contact the Club Secretary, Sharon Cannon, 780-1077 almost immediately and no later than the 10th of August. If by that night, ~~TUESDAY~~ the 10th, we do not have the required 40 teens, the trip is off. Do call Sharon now! She'll give you details on time of departure--the whole works.

GARAGE SALE COMING UP

We're planning the semi-annual fall garage sale for the end of September. By that time our annual summer rotation program ought to be well out of the way and the kids will be back in school, things will have settled down once again, and then everyone can think about what to sell and what is needed in the house and for the family. Once again, we'll ask the Woman's Club to run it with us, and based on the great successful one of last spring it ought once again to be a welcome event. One change we will make. We will not run it for four hours, but only for about two or three, because we have learned that after the first two hours sales really drop and things get lost. So plan now--don't throw things away, don't give them away, and don't go out spending a lot of money until the sale comes about. It'll be on the 25th of September, a Saturday, and in the afternoon. We'll tell you more as plans are firmed up.

EDUCATION VACANCY

We have a vacancy on the Board caused by Frank Dunham's regretted move out of the community. He represented us on the Mt. Vernon Council's Education Committee. It means attending at least one and most often two meetings a month and being a member of our Board. If you recall the furor caused by the school administration's thwarted plans to

change the pyramid for Ft. Hunt High School, and where our kids would, in fact, go to Intermediate and High School, and if you are aware of the outstanding work done by Frank and the committee representing us in this matter, then you'll jump at the chance to be of service. Do please think about joining us for this endeavor and give us a call very soon on 780-9388 to let us know. We really must fill this vacancy by the time the committee resumes work the first week in September.

STRATFORD SUMMER

Chances are, though it may have been in doubt earlier, Stratford will get through this summer all in one piece. It's been rough! We had to have the riot police here after graduation from high school when one block party got totally out of hand, and in the course of breaking up over 500 youngsters, one police officer was hurt. It took almost 30 officers to break it up, and that incident certainly didn't enhance our reputation with the county. We have had a couple of homes temporarily unoccupied seriously vandalized and we have had a number of break-ins when families were on vacation. The police have had to come and break up scores of people who were defacing lawns and illegally parking on Stockton Parkway. They have had to come to Brewster at least three times to assist that street in stopping parties which did nothing less than get everyone totally upset, blocking traffic, once again defacing the streets, and in general, reflecting what could be called pretty poor judgment on the part of those who planned them. We have had trucks and trailers parked on streets, on lawns, off the driveways almost all summer, and the remainder of the community has been very upset by it. We have had residents who have had serious damage to their property. Eggs thrown, garbage dumped, and other things too ugly to mention here. Some lawns have looked as if the owners/renters simply didn't give a darn and some sidewalks look as if the people living closest to them simply didn't care whether their community was going to maintain its character of value or stability or not. We have received all of the complaint calls and have spoken to many residents, and have maintained continuing liaison with the police. We have had increased patrols. We have done everything in our power. One thing we have learned this summer--unless the people who are most legitimately offended take it upon themselves to do something with and about the people who are causing them grief, nothing can be done. But, boy, oh boy, has it ever been proven that people who care get things done! By this time, we pretty well know who hangs around the treatment plant and uses drugs and alcohol and what the ages involved are. We know how many times certain parents have been called and those who care about their offending kids and those who don't. We believe and can prove that though we have had many untoward things happen this summer, we have isolated the few rotten apples, and our occurrence rate and its severity is minor compared to others.

Our primary aim as an association has been for almost ten years and continues to be to make this a good place to bring up our children, to protect and maintain our investment, and to make our neighborhood a good, tranquil, and pleasant place in which to live. We simply continue to need your help. Stomp on those who offend you. Let us know about your problems on 780-9388. We may be able to help and represent your interests and, call the police each and every time something occurs. Don't take things lying down. About the dogs--we had the wardens in only once this summer. Somehow, some of the worst dog offenders have either been on vacation or have moved. The latter is one of the good things about this community. As people move more rapidly based on new assignments, we do lose some of the bad neighbors, and we do gain some good new ones. Help us and yourselves by confronting violators of ordinances and laws, and those who neither have the couth nor the sensitivity to know what's right and what's wrong. Elsewhere in this newsletter we are publishing a summary of applicable rules and regulations and numbers you can call for assistance.

GOOD NEWS

As the summer passes, plans for the hospital continue and right on schedule. As things now stand, come September, we'll have a first class facility with emergency service, a coronary unit, and many specialties practically in our back yard. We have waited many years for this service to be close to us, and there's no question it'll make all of our lives a little bit less troublesome knowing that we can avail ourselves of this service within minutes, rather than almost an hour or so having to travel to Seminary Road or Gallows Road. There is still a need for all types of volunteers for this hospital. If you have the time and the interest, there are just too many things to list here where you can be of great help, perform a community service, and make the hospital a part of our community. Do give a call to Bob Grassi, our representative on the Council Health and Welfare Committee and he will steer you to the right people. The hospital will be only as good as our support!!

Along with the new hospital, the area around Sherwood Hall Lane and Parker's Lane where we now have the fire station, the hospital, Stephen Foster school, the reference library, is at last beginning to take shape. A whole cluster of townhouses is in the process of being built, final approval has been given for about seventy doctor's offices which will be built in a townhouse configuration, a pharmacy and laboratory will go in, as well as a nursing home. Plans have now been approved by the planning commission, traffic patterns have been worked out, the mental health facility is doing a great job, and, all in all, once the governmental complex, complete with a police station, etc. come in, that corner and complex practically in our back yard will fill many useful purposes without basically changing the residential nature of our area. We are pleased that all of the planning for this area which has taken many years, has benefitted from our continuing attention, and that after many hard rows which have had to be had, things look good now.

ORDINANCES

DOGS: They must be vaccinated against rabies and wear County license tags when six months old or older, and must not be allowed to run at large. Dog owners should obtain the folder, Your Dog and the Law. For licensing information, call 691-2521. To report dog bites or stray dogs, call 691-2412. To inquire about a lost pet or adopt a homeless animal, call the Animal Shelter at 691-2364.

SHOOTING: Recreational hunting and shooting with all guns—including shotguns, air rifles and BB guns—is banned in the County except under certain restrictions. For details of the law, get a copy of the folder, Hunting and Shooting in Fairfax County, or call the County Game Warden, 691-2125.

OPEN BURNING: It is against Virginia law to burn leaves or other refuse in any area where either public or private refuse collection is provided, and the County requires collectors to pick up certain amounts of bagged leaves and bundled cuttings. (Cuttings cannot exceed 4 ft in length and must be tied.) For information on public refuse collection, call 339-5600, on private collectors, 691-2105. To report air pollution violations, call 691-2541.

MOTORCYCLES: It is illegal to operate a motorcycle or similar powered vehicle on public lands, sidewalks and posted private property. Landowners who wish to prohibit such traffic on their property must erect sturdy signs and notify the Chief of Police of their willingness to prosecute violators.

LOUD NOISES: From 11 at night to 7 in the morning, the County's Noise Ordinance makes it illegal to operate an outdoor loudspeaker or a TV set, radio or musical instrument that is plainly audible across property lines. Operating construction equipment or powered model toys and repairing vehicles outdoors are prohibited after 9 p.m. and before 7 a.m. It is also illegal to keep animals which habitually make noises which are plainly audible across property lines and thus constitute a nuisance. To report apparent violations call 691-2354 weekdays before 4:30 p.m. or the County Police at other times.

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BUILDING PERMITS: To protect the public health and safety the County requires permits for electrical, mechanical and plumbing work; siding, roofing, enclosing carports, etc., construction, alteration or demolition of structures, and changes in uses of buildings and in equipment regulated by the Building Code, whether done by a contractor or the homeowner. Fees must be fully paid before permit issuance. Inspectors check compliance with the Code. For general information on permits, call 691-2631, or visit the Department of Environmental Management, fourth floor, 10555 Main Street, Fairfax.

SERVICES OFFERED

We want to make especially sure that the newcomers feel welcome. Call Peggy Buss, 780-1005 if you have not had a visit or do not even know who your block captain is. Be sure you have a copy of our community directory and its addendum, or ask your block captain for one. Know that Jane Bush on 780-2857 handles lost and found, and that Fran Schrantz is now taking the community calls for special trash pickup and that these will be requested on guaranteed dates and times. Her telephone number is 780-2765. Know that we have a great Teen Club, that you ought to call Jack Bentley, 780-1591 to see how you can get a pool membership, that we have all kinds of special events for Christmas and Hallowe'en, garage sales, and many other things. Most important, look at the box which lists all the members of our community association. That'll show you the extent to which we are involved in things, and it'll reassure you that regardless of subject or function there is a volunteer in the community who has accepted certain responsibilities and carries them out well.

MERCEDES/TRIUMPH

Hi Neighbors! We realize you're a new addition - we realize that to some degree you're still settling in but do you know that we don't have a volunteer for your two small streets to act as the block captain? Now here we are with newsletters to deliver and with membership dues to collect once a year in Oct, with the need for one gal/guy to sort of act as the spokesperson for problems and to represent your interests, and we haven't a volunteer. That's bad. We're working as hard as we can to get Wittington's right of way cleared so that both it and hence your streets can get accepted into the State's secondary highway system, so that you can get stop signs at your intersection, receive adequate road service - especially in the winter. We know that you must by now know about all of the "bennies" like the newsletter, its ads, garbage pick-ups, teen club, garage sales and all the rest - the time has now come that one lovely person call Peggy Buss on 780-1005 and volunteer. It'll take about 15 minutes a month to deliver the newsletters (and the kids can do that) and perhaps 8 hours once a year to collect the dues. Do please call Peggy now because right now we have to hand deliver your newsletter to you and, you know, that just isn't fair - we simply have to spread the work load. Thanks a lot.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance May 24, 1976		\$ 671.65
Expenditures		
Treasurer Bond (3 yr.)	\$50.00	
Rosslyn Printers	<u>71.92</u>	
Total Expenditures		<u>121.92</u>
Balance August 1, 1976		549.73
Savings		<u>1000.00</u>
Total Assets		\$ 1549.73

This Newsletter is published each month by the Little Hunting Creek Citizens Association, Inc. for the benefit and information of its member residents. All members may submit items for inclusion in the "Other Orgs' News" and "Personal Items" sections by submitting them to the Newsletter Chmn. in writing by the 20th of each month. Other contributions to this publication are welcome, subject to edit. The Executive Board meets on the first 2 digit Monday each month in open session.

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PERSONAL ITEMS

FOR SALE: By owner - 4 bedroom, 2½ bath, CAC, 22 ft liv. rm. w/fireplace, separate dining room, study and family room in basement, w/w carpeting, bookcases, brick patio, aluminum siding. Swimming pool membership available. Tel. 780-9108.

HELP PLEASE! Older retarded boy from deprived family is in great need of bedroom furniture. Can you help? We need a bed, chest of drawers, bedside table, lamp, bookshelf, rug, etc. Call 780-2239.

FOR SALE: '68 Olds 88--would make good second car. 780-2857.

FOR SALE: American Indian silver and turquoise leaf design necklace, top quality workmanship by known N. Mexico artist; other pieces also available. Hand embroidered linens blouses and skirts from India. Call 780-7426.

FOR SALE: Custom made hostess skirts: wrap, applique and patchwork. Call 780-1599.

FOR SALE: 1/4 size violin, \$125. 780-8447.

FOR SALE: 1966 Ford, 2-dr, 352 engine, AT, AC. Just tuned. New shocks, gas tank and tires. Garaged car. 69,000 miles by orig. owner. \$700. 780-4764.

FOR SALE: Guitar, like new. \$70. 780-4764.

FOR SALE: Hand knitted sweaters available now or orders taken for fall or Christmas, \$25 and up. To see call 780-2994.

FOR SALE: Motorcycles--Norton 850cc--11,000 mi. great shape, \$1200 offer.
Yamaha 250cc street bike, \$395 firm. Gretch "Astrajet" guitar, \$150, Knight Stereo, amp. \$50, Call 780-2021.

FOR SALE: Dinette set, beige, \$50, spinet piano, excellent cond., walnut, \$650, small oak desk, suitable for student, \$25. Call 780-3203.

FOR SALE: Green plush sofa bed, good condition, \$100. Call 780-2051.

LOST: Bike, girl's, blue, 26". with chain, 780-3815.

Girl's white bike, 10 speed, 360-6992.

Girl's 3-speed, Columbia, blue, chrome fenders, reward. 780-2487.

Bike, girl's, blue, regular. 360-2135.

Boy's bike, gold, regular, chrome fenders, 360-2135.

Boy's red bike, beat-up, w/black banana seat. 780-3956.

Boy's bike, 10 speed, yellow 780-3956.

Boy's orange 10 speed Iverson bike, 360-7891.

Boy's gold 10 speed racer bike, 360-7891.

Boy's 1 speed, painted aluminum color, spyder, bright orange banana seat,
#6 on front, reward. 360-6963.

Boy's bike, blue 10 speed, Raleigh, 780-4054.

Bike, 20" blue, 3 speed, 360-5769.

Bike, yellow, 10 speed, 26" Iverson. 780-3956.

TAKEN: Flag from pole, sentimental value, 360-5089.

FOUND: Girl's blue Huffy bike - 780-2601.

Bike, red, b/w seat - 360-6843.

Lady's watch, 780-5140.

Watch, 780-5337.

Bike, yellow, boy's, 3 speed. 780-1261.

Boy's bike, blue, 10 speed, 360-7891.

Bike, boy's, standard, white. 360-7891.

Boy's bike, gold, ten speed. 780-9489.

Boy's baby blue, 10 speed bike. 780-5948.

Boy's regular 20", white seat. 780-3956.

Pianist will take pupils, summer lessons or full schedule. 780-8447.

Baby-sitting day or night, weekend jobs, vacations, help with parties. Sue, 780-1588.

Wanted: Window screens that will fit Nathaniel model Keen home. 780-9189.

Wanted: Twin beds and/or hideabed. 360-6843 or 768-6130 after 5:30.

House Painting: Stratford college juniors available for house painting work. Experienced in both latex and oil. Willing to do trim work. Rates reasonable. Please phone for free estimate. Call Steve, 780-3104.

Car Pool: Ft. Hunt area to Rosslyn - driver or rider wanted, driver preferred. Lv Stratford area 7:00 a.m. Lv Rosslyn 4:45 p.m. Call Don Strode, 360-7556.

House for Rent: Stratford Landing, 4 bedroom, 3 baths, fenced in yard, CAC, available Aug. 1, 780-3203.

WANTED: Home preferably in Stratford Landing for two English-speaking teenagers from Iran who will be attending FHS for the coming school year, all expenses paid. Please call Mr. Arthur Ebrahimoff, 534-4537.

NOTARY PUBLIC: Mr. A. R. Powell, 2405 Cavendish Dr. Mon-Sat. Call 780-1929.

FOR RENT: North Shores of Rehoboth, 2 bedroom townhouse, (sleeps 6) available Aug. 28 to Sept. 4, weekly and weekends after Labor Day. Pool & tennis club privileges, private beach. Call Enid Lehr, 780-8597.

FOR RENT: Ocean front Henlopen condo in Rehoboth. luxurious 2 bedroom 2 bath, (sleeps 6) roof top pool, weekly or weekends, Sept. and October, call Enid Lehr, 780-8597.

ALDRSGATE CHURCH DAY SCHOOL: Accepting registrations for fall enrollment, openings in 2 day and 3 day sessions for 3 and 4 yr olds, and in the 5 day sessions for 4 and 5 yr olds. For more info, call church office, 765-6555.

ST. AIDAN'S EPISCOPAL DAY SCHOOL: Offers classes for 3 yr olds, 4 yr olds, and 5 yr olds. Kindergarten program designed to give individual attention in skill areas necessary for 1st grade. Our aim is to develop self-confidence and good self-esteem in students. A creative drama teacher has been added to staff. She will enhance our music program as well. For more info, call Julia Smith, director, 780-8235.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: Being sponsored by three communities in Christ: Heritage Presbyterian, St. Aidan's Episcopal, and members of the Roman Catholic community. Classes in morning August 9th through August 13th. Age levels from kindergarten (4-5 yr. olds) through those entering sixth grade next year. For info call 780-1457 or 780-3973.

FALL DOG OBEDIENCE CLASSES: Classes will be starting the first week after Labor Day. Classes on Wednesday evening starting 8 Sept. and Saturday morning starting 11 Sept. Dogs from 3 mo. to 10 yrs. of age accepted. Course includes basic obedience, problems solved, and general dog care and handling. For further information call 780-8909.

WILLIAMSBURG TRIP: Stratford Woman's Club is planning a trip to the Pottery Factory in Williamsburg on September 30, Thursday, leaving at 8:30 A.M. and returning between 7-8 p.m. Air conditioned bus, 46 passenger. Cost approx. \$7.50 if bus is filled. For info call Marie Wardell, 780-6459 or Shirley Faulkner, 780-1968, or Pat Joyce, 360-7994.

PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURE: Are you the leader of an organization? A committee chairman? Member of a group? As a leader, do you sometimes feel you could have handled a situation more smoothly: that you could have kept order rather than losing control of the group? Would you like to know more about the responsibilities of members as well as leaders? There will be a parliamentary procedure class to be taught by a registered parliamentarian-certified teacher, to be held at the Chinquapin Recreation Center, 3210 King St., next to T. C. Williams HS, Sept. 24, 9 a.m. to 12 noon. The length of the course will be 20 hours, and the fee for the course, \$20. To reserve your space, call Whit Lucas, 780-2326. Anyone interested in a night class, please call Whit before Aug. 15 so she may arrange a class in the fall with the instructor.