

Official Newsletter of the Country Club Hills Civic Association — Founded 1954

DECEMBER, 1984

The Country Club Hills Civic Association has certainly come a long way since April. We have accomplished a great deal that we had set out to achieve. Some of the accomplishments include: a DIRECTORY, paid for and planned for annual up-dating; an active, effective **Block Captains Program**; a working, warm **Welcoming Committee**; a top notch **Block Watch Program**; a strong communication network within the City and between the City Staff and CCHCA; an effective and necessary communication link amongst the residents--our Echoes from the hills; several internal social groups; and a sense of belonging that appears to prevail amidst our neighborhood. Perhaps the latter is the most important element, for an affiliation, a bond of any kind, will always be a key catalyst in generating interest and activity...ultimately, this interest or activity results in productivity--and that's what we've aimed for...that's what we seem to have achieved at this point. Your interest and your involvement has turned into success. For example, back in March it was difficult to get people to run for office...today, the Nominating Committee has actually emerged with volunteers!

Our financial posture, although by no means colossal, is strong enough to accept current plans for entrance signs at each of the CCH entrances, enhancing the beauty of our development and promoting the pride that already exists. There are a great many more things we can do...the only way we can go is up, and, of course, that upward mobility depends on each of us. Move ahead with us...try to be at the next General Membership Meeting on Wednesday, January 9th, 1985 at 7:30, John C Wood Municipal Complex, Room 8.

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## HOLIDAY SPIRIT IN CCH

Randy Jayne's efforts to promote some holiday spirit should really prove to be successful when, on **Sunday, December 23**, we're all invited to an old fashioned **CHRISTMAS CAROLLING** outing...Here's the plan...everyone (kids, grandparents, in-laws and friends from out of town) meets at the Larsens, 3406 Country Hill Drive, at 6:30. We'll get copies of song sheets to review, a few cups of hot cocoa, and we'll be off to spread some cheer to the folks in CCH. We should end our good will journey about 8:30 or 9:00, in plenty of time to get the kids back home for those visions of sugarplums...(has anyone really ever seen a sugarplum?). Survival Stations will be set up along the way to thwart off the cold--anyone interested in sharing some hot cocoa or cheer with the CCHCA Carollers? Call Marilyn at **323-2364** or **leave a message at 273-5595**. If you do plan to come, there's no need to call ahead, but we would like to know approximately how many cups of cocoa and song sheets to provide...if you think of it, call Randy at **352-1534**, or Marilyn at the above numbers. This should be a real fun outing, folks, so get out the mittens and scarves, and rev up those vocal cords! **JOIN US FOR A TRUE HOLIDAY GET TOGETHER!**



### Just a Reminder



## NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

The following letter was sent to Norm Desmarais by Nominating Committee Chair, Dorothy Stellmach: The letter includes the new slate of officers for the 1985 CCHCA BOARD:

Dear Norm:

I am pleased to present to you and the Board of the Association the names and addresses of our neighbors who have so graciously agreed to be on the slate of officers for 1985.

President	Normand Desmarais 3423 Andover Drive 273-7197
Vice President/Civic Affairs	Larry Larsen 3406 Country Hill Drive 273-3797
Vice President/Block Captains	Gail Lyon 10112 Cornwall Road 352-4581
Vice President/Membership	Irene Denhardt 3409 Country Hill Drive 273-4291
Vice President/Publications	Barbara Barnes 3411 Brookwood Drive 273-0529
Vice President/Social Activities	Arlene Desmarais 3423 Andover Drive 273-7197
Vice President/Block Watch	Bud Paquette 3512 Pinehurst Avenue 273-5906
Treasurer	Howard Magwire 10104 Farmington Drive 691-9075
Secretary	Joyce Skoglund 3415 Country Hill Drive 591-4017

The response by some of these people was really overwhelming, and they are pleased to have been asked to participate and seem most eager

to do so. Two or three people were interested in Vice President/Block Captains; however, the Committee had decided to provide only one name for each office. I would keep in mind the name of Donna Ransome as someone who would be willing to accept an office next year. Several people related to me how pleased they are that the Larsens and the 1984 Officers were able to get the Association off the ground again. I concur. Thank you all very much.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the members of the Nominating Committee for their contributions in enabling me to present this fine slate to you. The members of the Committee were Arlene Desmarais, Peggy Martin, Phil Ferraro and Lois Marbert, who so kindly filled in because of the hospitalization of Susan Unuscavage. It was a pleasure to have served as chairman of this Committee.

It will be appreciated if you will have the individual who has the copies of the by-laws send a copy to Gail Lyon.

Sincerely yours,

*Dorothy*

Dorothy Stellmach, Chairman  
Nominating Committee

### WHO ARE THE BEST MERCHANTS IN TOWN??

THE ONES WE KNOW WE CAN TRUST ARE THOSE WITH WHOM WE HAVE DEALT FOR A LONG WHILE. THIS SEASON, PATRONIZE OUR FRIENDS BELOW:

RUCKER REALTY  
KEMPER CARPETS  
ANNANDALE FAIRFAX ELECTRIC  
THE WORKS  
US TOO STUDIO

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### BLOCK WATCH REPORT

-BUD PAQUETTE, Block Watch Director, reports that there are 81 CCH members who are actively taking part in the **BLOCK WATCH PROGRAM**. This figure includes 18 couples. Although this seems like a super showing, only 63 of the 309 households are participating. The program still needs more volunteers.

-Today, each participant usually pulls a two-hour late evening shift once every six weeks. This could be extended to once every seven weeks if another ten or more volunteers signed up.

-Your Association authorized our first real property equipment purchase: A CB Mobile Auto Radio was bought in October at 60% off cost.

-Mr. T. Cecil of **Fairfax Sign Classics** replaced one of our magnetic signs at no cost to the Association. In addition, Mr. **Joe Herrmann**, a CCH neighbor, has repaired our CB equipment when necessary, at no cost to the Association. Many thanks to these gentlemen for their support of our efforts, and many thanks to the members of those 63 households who donate their time to the safety and well being of all their neighbors.

If you would like to participate in the **BLOCK WATCH PROGRAM**, please call Bud at 273-5906.

ALLBRIGHT ASSOCIATES, OUR AMWAY FOLKS  
THE CELLAR GIFT SHOP  
WITHAM'S FLORISTS  
SHREVE FUEL  
SOUTHERN STATES FUEL  
FAIRFAX ELECTRIC SERVICE  
THE CLOTHES HORSE  
COURT CLOTHIERS  
QUALITY CONSIGNMENTS PLUS  
TATUM PROPERTIES  
COLOR ME BEAUTIFUL  
HAVABITE EATERY  
CHINTOWN RESTAURANT IN BURKE





## THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER--"NOTES FROM NORM"

On October 17th I attended the quarterly meeting of Civic Association Presidents and the City Manager. This was my third such meeting, and, as I've said before, I'm impressed by the responsiveness and genuine interest of the City Staff. The Chief of Police Lloyd Smith, and Jim Shull, Director of Public Works, are always at these meetings. Since they control the two areas of greatest interest to us, I have a unique opportunity to pass on your concerns related to security, safety, community appearance, and new construction. I have a standing invitation from the City Manager to submit agenda items for our meetings. So, if you have any issues you would like me to present at the next meeting on January 16, 1985, give me a call (273-7197).

A major topic at our two previous meetings has been the impact of environmental problems (junk cars, litter, uncut lawns, etc.) on our neighborhoods. This issue was also expressed as a major concern during recent City Council / Neighborhood meetings. **Heads Up!** The Police Department, Zoning Inspectors, and the Public Works Department are cracking down to ensure City Ordinances are enforced.

Although our last General Membership meeting took place within a week after the Labor Day holiday, I was disappointed at the attendance. Out of 180 memberships, less than 30 members attended. Please make a special effort to attend our next General Membership Meeting on **JANUARY 9th, 1985, at the John C. Wood Municipal Complex (Room 8C, the former gym), starting at 7:30 p.m.** This will be election night for a new Board of Directors, so please try to make it. Yes, I am running for reelection as President!

Have a very Happy Holiday...hope to see you at the Christmas Carolling outing on the 23rd!

### \*\*\*\*\* WELCOMING COMMITTEE NOTES

**CINDY ALLBRIGHT**, Chairperson of the Welcoming Committee, reports that the Committee has been on several visits to newcomers since the first week in November. In addition, a recent plea to Block Captains from the Committee has resulted in overwhelming responses from Block Captains who report on new residents, members, etc. Many thanks to all the Block Captains who continue to stay on their toes and report back to Cindy and the Welcoming Committee. It's a special feeling to be welcomed into an area that may be totally foreign to us. Our Committee's function is to provide the motivation which will generate those feelings of belonging and affiliation we all need. Kudos to Cindy and her Committee members, **Norma Jackson, Randy Jayne, Priscilla Stultz, and Barbara Barnes.**

### \*\*\*\*\* CIVIC NEWS UP-DATE --"BRIEFS FROM LARRY"

\* **CONGRATULATIONS CCH!!!**--In the recent Presidential Election, over 82% of the registered voters in the City voted. That is higher than any jurisdiction in Northern Virginia, except Falls Church. Putting that on top of what may be the highest percent registered (of all those eligible) in the entire state--about 85%, is another good reason to be proud of our City. It has also been estimated that **Country Club Hills** has about 96% of all eligibles registered, **85% of whom actually voted.** We are obviously doing our share when it comes to national priorities as well as City priorities!

\* The City Staff is working on the next **5-Year Capital Improvement Program**, and it's beginning work on the **FY86 City Budget**. Hearings begin soon, so watch for special agenda items in the Cityscene.

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\* The new Fairfax County High Technology High School will be initiated in the fall of 1985 at Jefferson High School, which will be closed to regular students in 1986-1987. Information was distributed at a series of recent meetings, and 8th graders are receiving information for admission at Sidney Lanier. Attendance at this new school will be open to all City students who meet eligibility requirements. If you are interested in learning more about the school, or if you need additional information, please call **Larry Larsen, Sidney Lanier Intermediate School, or the County School Board.**

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**CALENDAR\*\*\*\***



23 DECEMBER 1984  
9 JANUARY 1985

-CHRISTMAS CAROLLING OUTING-MEET AT LARSENS  
---GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING-JOHN C.WOOD

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❄️ Happy Holiday Season ❄️

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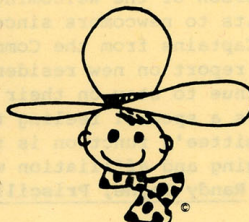
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**YOU  
MADE  
ME  
DO IT.**

**BECAUSE YOU DEMANDED IT. WE'VE  
EXPANDED OUR PRODUCTION  
CAPACITY TO SERVE YOU BETTER!**



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Fairfax, Virginia 22031  
273-1181**



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