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### BEAUTY SPOT OF MONTH FOR MARCH

JOE AND MARGE HERRMANN  
10116 Farmington

Signs of Spring are all around Country Club Hills. It's time to start sprucing up our property.

Azaleas can be fertilized in early Spring and should be pruned after they flower, if necessary. Best time to prune any Spring flowering shrub is after it has bloomed.

Do not be too anxious to plant tender annuals and vegetables. Avoid the temptation to buy and plant them when they are on sale at local shops. Last frost usually occurs about April 28 in this area.

Keep shrubbery trimmed away from sidewalks. Low tree branches should also be pruned to allow safe and clear passage for pedestrians.

Questions about soil, plants, etc. can be answered by the State Extension Office, located in new offices west of Hechingers. You pay for this service - use it!

Fairfax City will once again promote April as Clean-Up month. Call Public Works at 385-7825 before 6 am any Monday for a special brush pick-up. Everything else will be picked up on our regular collection day. PUT BRUSH OR TRASH ON STREET THE EVENING BEFORE PICK-UP DAY. Getting it out of your way sooner only makes the whole neighborhood look trashy.

Recycle newspapers! Put on curb the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of month for City pick-up.

With good weather coming, the Garden Club is resuming its Beauty Spot of the Month Award. Many homes are consistently attractive and well cared for. The Garden Club looks for well kept properties, those that show color in the landscape and show improvement over time. Look for the redwood Beauty Spot sign on your neighbor's lawn. One month, it may be on yours!

LET US ALL HAVE PRIDE IN WHERE WE LIVE AND WORK TOGETHER TO MAKE IT A NEIGHBORHOOD TO BE PROUD OF.

Arlene Desmarais, President

Country Club Hills Garden Club

# SPRING



NOTES FROM LARRY:

CCHCA has elected a new slate of officers for 1986. As your President, I will try to do my best, with your input, to represent your views. If you have a problem, complaint, or an idea to better our community, feel free to call me or any member of the Board. We can't represent you if we don't know what you want.

Norm Desmarais has served us well and conscientiously for the past two years as President of CCHCA. On behalf of all the residents of CCH, I want to thank him for his community service. Norm took us from the shaky beginnings of a rejuvenated civic association, supervised the publication of an annual CCH Directory and this newsletter, helped Bill Craig and Bud Paquette establish an effective and very active Neighborhood Block Watch Program, and finally raised the money and saw to it that appropriate CCH signs were erected at the three entrances of our development. For this we ----

**THANK YOU, NORM DESMARAIS !**

Reacting in part to your civic association's testimony, the City Council, in approving the \$15M Capital Improvement Program, excluded funds for the indoor community swimming pool (\$850K in 1991-92); included funds for purchase of open space and parkland (\$1M per year for 5 years); included all requested funds for beautification, landscaping, and tree planting (\$200K over 5 years); and reinstated funds cut from the Curb, Gutter, and Sidewalk Repair Program (\$200K per year). The CIP is just a plan, however, the draft FY 1987 City Budget to implement the first year of the CIP and fund all other City operations was recently published (call City Hall -385-7870- if you want a copy). Your input, and comments on this \$32.6M FY 87 City Budget, are needed ASAP by Dor Stellmach so we can tell City Council where to cut and where to expand.

Now for the delicate part --- We have a problem in CCHCA and your elected Board needs your help. I do not want this association to slip back to infrequent meetings, inactivity, and management by a few people who, while sincerely trying to do a good job, are not truly representing all residents. Our last general meeting was attended only by about 35+ hardy souls. Try as they might, the members of the CCHCA Nominations Committee could not fill all positions on the Executive Board with volunteers. In 1984, when we re-established CCHCA, we specifically rewrote the BY-Laws to include a provision which states, "No elected officer ... may serve more than two consecutive full terms in the same office..." I assumed Norm's position, since no one else volunteered. Dor volunteered for my previous position. But there were no volunteers to replace three outstanding members of our community who have served for one or more years --- They have done their part, now we need someone else to volunteer to help.

Joyce Skoglund has been CCHCA Secretary for two full terms. She has the job down pat. It is not overly time-consuming, nor overly taxing --- but it does need to be filled.

Cindy Allbright has established an effective and vital program for CCHCA --- the Welcome Wagon. Cindy needs a replacement because of other commitments.

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

April 17th 7:30 pm

JOHN C. WOOD CIVIC CENTER



The program is fully functioning with the help of several volunteers and some of the Block Captains. We get our new members and a feeling of belonging in large part due to this program.

Last, and certainly not least, Bud Paquette is one of the founding fathers of the Neighborhood Block Watch Program and has been running it for more than a year. We need an immediate replacement for him. This program has over 80 of our neighbors actively involved --- it works --- it is a vital part of our community. The job takes some time, but there are six team leaders to do most of the work, other than coordinating with the Police Department and Mosby Woods, scheduling the six teams, and repairing/replacing equipment as necessary.

#### CCH BOARD OF DIRECTORS

730 Susan's House 7 May

President	- Larry Larsen	Social Activities	- Vacant
Civic Affairs	- <del>✓</del> Dorothy Stellmach	Block Watch	- Vacant
Block Captains	- <del>✓</del> Billie James	Treasurer	- <del>✓</del> Edward Magwire NA
Membership	- <del>✓</del> Susan Burgett	Secretary	- Vacant
Publications	- <del>✓</del> Barbara Barnes		

Can you volunteer today ?

Larry Larsen  
273-5595

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING OF COUNTRY CLUB HILLS - APRIL 17th, 7:30 pm at JOHN C. WOOD CIVIC CENTER. PLEASE COME OUT AND SUPPORT YOUR CIVIC ASSOCIATION.

#### MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Coming attractions ! Come out and support your local elementary school (Layton Hall) on Saturday, April 19th, at their annual Fun Fair from 10:30 am to 2:30 pm.

There will be lots of games, a cake walk, a silent auction, moon bounce. You can buy lunch and have a great time. A wonderful way for the family to spend a Saturday afternoon. See you there.

Also, plan on attending the Fairfax Pyramid Spotlight on the Arts festival being held the weekend of April 25, 26 and 27. Numerous activities will be going on for three days at Fairfax High School, most of which will be free.

Layton Hall Elementary School will be conducting 10 hands on type art workshops, performing in the mini theatre, showing a video, performing tinikling, aerobics and also participating in the choral theatre, plus much, much more.

For more information, or should you be interested in helping with a workshop, call Joyce Skoglund at 591-4017.

#### HOMES FOR SALE IN CCH

3423 Andover Drive  
9911 Farr Drive  
10006 Boxford Ct.  
10107 Cornwall

#### HOMES SOLD IN CCH

9914 Pinehurst

For information about any of these homes, call Barbara Barnes at 273-6904

DAY CARE - 1 - 3 year olds.  
Call Carole Williams at 273-3640



OPEN HOUSE!



CCH is having an Open House. Are you planning to remodel or add on to your house? Have you done something already that others might benefit by seeing? These houses are very well suited to modification and people have done some amazing things to them. On Sunday, June 8th, Country Club Hills is going to have one big open house. Anyone wishing to participate by opening their home need only do two things.

1. Pick up a flag from Randy Jayne at 10000 Boxford Court on Friday June 6th, 7 - 9 pm or Saturday 10am - noon - or call 352-1534.
2. Stick that flag in your front lawn between the hours of 10 am and 2 pm on Sunday June 8th.

Any house flying a flag is open for inspection. When you want to go out yourself or if you don't want to show any longer, just remove the flag. This will not be advertised except in this newsletter and so the only people who will know what the flags are for will be Country Club Hills residents.

It would be most helpful to others if you noted problems you ran into with a particular project and also especially good (or bad) workmen. As you know, it is always nice to have a referral from a friend or neighbor when you need work done.

Please join in and let others benefit from your experience - no matter what stage of construction you are in!

#### CURB HOUSE NUMBERS

Many house numbers previously painted on curbs throughout the subdivision are no longer legible or even visible. Boy Scout Troop Number 882 has agreed to repaint these numbers as a fund raising activity. (Troop 882 conducts the bi-monthly paper drive in CCH.) Numbers will be painted black on white for a fee of \$5.00. If you want your house number painted at the curb, fill out the form below and mail it with your check to RAYMOND H. GREENFIELD, 3607 HERITAGE LANE, FAIRFAX, VIRGINIA 22030. Make your check payable to Boy Scout Troop #882.

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I would like Troop #882 to paint my house number at the curb. Enclosed is my check for \$5.00.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

STREET ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

Country Club Hills Civic Association



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