

COUNTRY CLUB NEWS

COUNTRY CLUB HILLS CIVIC ASSOCIATION

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FAIRFAX TOWN VERSUS FAIRFAX COUNTY

A battle is going on between the governing bodies of the Town of Fairfax and the County of Fairfax. If you either own your home in Country Club Hills, or if you rent and plan to live here for several years, its outcome will affect you. Unfortunately, the issues are at times made difficult to understand because of the conflicting statements of some of the government officials involved.

In very general terms it might be said that Town officials believe it to be in the best interest of Town citizens for the Town to develop along lines that will eventually make it an independent "large" city. County officials apparently believe it to be in the best interest of the citizens of the County and the Town for the County to develop as a whole into one, metropolitan unit rather than into independent cities. Since the citizens will pay the bills they ^{should} try to become informed enough on the issues to help see that the "right" group "wins", whichever that is.

In order to help keep the citizens (and potential citizens) of the Town informed on these issues, and others, the officers of the various civic associations of the Town (and area to be annexed) have formed a federation which has as its main function the communication of facts from local government officials to civic association members and vis-versa. Your Board of Directors has voted to join that federation.

Mr. Tom Israel of the Layton Hall Development has been one of the leaders in forming that federation and in addition has spent considerable time studying the issues in the above mentioned controversy. He has agreed to discuss some of these at our meeting announced below.

CIVIC ASSOCIATION MEETING * TUESDAY, MAY 5, 1959 - 8:00 PM - LAYTON HALL SCHOOL

This will be a regular business meeting of all members. Also, as a special added feature Mr. Tom Israel of Layton Hall has agreed to speak on a Town Citizen's views on major issues concerning the Town of Fairfax and our community. (See note above.) Mr. Israel is kind enough to give his time to speak to us so let's show him the courtesy of coming to listen. You are invited even if you have not paid your dues, which brings us to the next subject

MEMBERS NEEDED

About 40% of the families in Country Club Hills have paid their annual dues -- two dollars. To the rest of you we say: we miss your money, but even more we miss knowing that you really want a civic association. The officers in the association receive nothing more for their effort than the feeling they are helping with an activity that the people want. Do you want it? Please make out your checks to the Country Club Hills Civic Association of Fairfax, Inc., and mail to our Treasurer, Mr. Tony Kellogg, 601 Springlake Terrace, Fairfax, Va.

LITTLE LEAGUE

The Board of Directors has voted to sponsor a Little League team - the Wasps - for the third straight year. This sets the bank balance back \$100.00 - one of the reasons we need more members. Have all you parents of Little League players paid your dues?

DANCES

Everyone who attended the Spring Dance can thank Pat McMann and June Coari and their several assistants for a very enjoyable evening. If you missed that one pull out your calendar because the next one is already scheduled. It will be Saturday, October 3, in the same location - the Court House Country Club. The same band will play and the time will be 9 till 1:30. For any more information call Pat or June.

CLUBS

In the bulletin of February 13 we asked for an expression of interest in about 16 different possible clubs for adults. The six which got the most response were: Bridge Club, Couples Duplicate Bridge Club, Great Books Club, Investment Club, Gardener's Tool Exchange, and Ceramics Club. In the near future we will see what can be done to get something started in these areas.

PAPER DRIVE IN JUNE

There will be a paper drive in June. Keep saving your papers. You didn't want to use your basement anyhow.

DO YOU WANT TO SEE LOCAL GOVERNMENT IN ACTION ?

Not everyone realizes that Town Council Meetings are open to the public. They are. They are held in the Town Municipal Building (on route 237 about two blocks this side of route 236) the first Wednesday of each month. Time is 7:30 PM. At this month's meeting on May 6 there will be the following items of interest: 1. Town Manager Glenn Saunders will report on the capacity of sewage treatment plant and make recommendations regarding policy for future connections; 2. Town Manager will report on recommendations for requirements for the construction of apartment houses; 3. A request will be made by the Country Club Hills Recreation Association for certain sewer services at the swimming pool; 4. A new councilman, Mr. Carter Hites of Fairview, will be sworn in.

Also, you may be interested in hearing people argue over how much real estate tax you will pay next year. If so go to Room 1 in the County Court House at 7:00 PM on May 4.

School Resolution -- RESULTS OF VOTE ON SCHOOL RESOLUTION

The following correspondence resulted from the school resolution circulated with the February 13 issue of the NEWS.

"Dear Governor Almond: March 16, 1959

In response to a motion passed at the last meeting of the Country Club Hills Civic Association of Fairfax, Incorporated, each family in the Country Club Hills Development was invited to vote by mail on the following resolution:

"Resolved that Country Club Hills be empowered to write a letter to Governor Almond of Va. (copy to Mr. John Webb, Delegate) reporting approximately 300 families residing in the Country Club Hills Development of Fairfax, Va. unequivocally opposed to any action initiated by the Governor of the State of Va. which would result in closing the public school system!" As of this date 81 ballots have been returned. Of these, 79% were in favor of the resolution, 1% was opposed, and 20% did not vote.

Sincerely yours,
signed - Robert A. Benneche"

"Dear Mr. Benneche: March 17, 1959

Thank you very much for your letter of March 16 giving me the results of the mail vote on the resolution distributed by the Country Club Hill Civic Association of Fairfax.

I wish to assure you that I will do everything in my power to see to it that all of Virginia's children receive the educations to which they are entitled so long as principle is not violated.

Sincerely yours,
signed - J. Lindsay Almond, Jr.
Governor"

"Dear Mr. Benneche: March 17, 1959

I am very grateful to you for sending me a copy of your letter of March 16, addressed to the Governor and giving him the vote of your public school resolution.

The action taken by your Association is very similar to that taken by hundreds of others and is bound to be helpful.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,
signed - John C. Webb
House of Delegates"

ADVERTISEMENTS

For Sale: Registered A.K.C. German Shepherd puppies. First week in May. Call Mrs. James Fisher, CR 3-5971. 100 Cornwall Road.

Beauty Counselor Products Representative: Mrs Esther Duff, 100 Old Post Road, CR 3-5987.

PLEASE DON'T FORGET TO SEND IN YOUR DUES AND DON'T FORGET
THE MEETING AT LAYTON HALL SCHOOL, TUESDAY, MAY 5 AT 8:00 PM.