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World of "Uncle Vanya" Has Modern Day Message by Pat Hawkins

It's hard to believe that a man writing about Russian peasants at the turn of this century would have much of a message for today's urbanized world.

But members of the Fairfax Community Theatre are setting out to prove that Anton Chekhov was a man well ahead of his time when they present the Russian author's "Uncle Vanya" on three consecutive weekends starting March 26th.

The play was first done in 1896 but the two themes in this bittersweet drama have an even greater validity today than they had at the time it was written. Throughout the play there is the plea for conservation of beauty over and above man's concern with present-day physical comforts.

The doctor, one of the main characters, is a great conservationist of both natural and human resources. He tries to preserve forests, saying that they teach man to understand what is beautiful and inspire noble emotions in him. He deplores the loss of wildlife, dwindling rivers and disappearing scenery. He would be equally as concerned about high rise apartments or mushrooming, unplanned suburbs in today's world.

"Man is endowed with reason and creativity to enrich what has been given to him," the doctor reasons. "But in the past he has not created, but destroyed. There are fewer and fewer forests, the rivers are being polluted, our wildlife is becoming extinct, the climate is ruined and every day the earth is becoming poorer and more hideous."

He deplores man's greed for material comfort which causes him to destroy everything — and the future be damned.

But balancing his despair with man's wastefulness is his own conscientious effort to build for the future, to have faith in a time yet to come that man will understand and rally to his cause, whether he is there to lead them or not.

Man's undying faith in the future, no matter how hopeless the situation may appear, is the play's second theme. This is particularly true among the younger characters. Even Uncle Vanya, a man who has given up all hope because the dreams he believed in are shattered, has the courage to go on, inspired by his niece, Sonya.

The play presents a universal portrait of everyday life, gray some moments, humorous at other times. The Fairfax production has been updated by the play's director, Arnold Jacobius, who also

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PARKS and PLAYGROUNDS

According to recent columns in local newspapers, many interested parties are becoming increasingly aware of the need for parks and open areas in the City of Fairfax. The Fairfax City Federation of Citizens' Associations request the City Council to direct, at their meeting of February 16, 1965, the Planning Commission to make a study of City owned sites suitable for the development of recreational facilities such as tennis, handball basketball and volleyball courts, softball and baseball fields, etc."

"In those areas where no city owned sites are available, the Planning Commission shall be directed to seek appropriate privately owned sites to be included in their study, and that these facilities be dispersed insofar as possible near present major developments of homes."

"Further, that the Planning Commission be directed to present to Council before the next budget meeting, a report of their study, including an estimate cost per site, fully developed."

At a more recent meeting of the City Council, the City School Board was designated to name the persons to attend the Fifth National Community School Clinic in Flint, Michigan, for the purpose of studying various recreation programs. School Superintendent Robert B. Walker announced that School Board member Merrill Whitman and Mrs. John Turtora, federation president, would attend the conference.

plays Uncle Vanya. Mr. Jacobius worked from the original Russian and an earlier English version to produce a drama that does not sound stilted, yet preserves the original feeling that Chekhov created.

The other roles are played by Arnim Seielstad, Anne McKenzie, Patricia Hawkins, Peter Holm, Brooks Scurlock, Bea Bowman and Dick Baker, whose guitar music sets many of the play's moods.

"Uncle Vanya" will be staged in-the-round at the Fairfax City Hall. It is scheduled for the weekends of March 26 and 27, April 2 and 3 and 8, 9, and 10. Tickets are available from Nancy Kocher, 273-0773, or at the door. They will also be sold on March 27th from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at Fairfax Hardware; Kroger's Fairfax Shopping Center; Fairfax Cleaners, University Shopping Center; Super Giant, Kamp Washington Shopping Center. Prices are \$1.50 for adults and \$1.00 for students.

HELPING HAND

Since the CCHCivic Association is on an organization mailing list, we often receive requests for support. It is the association's policy not to make a group contribution, so we pass these requests along to those of you who may be interested in contributing individually.

- STAGE, INC., a non-profit group of professionals in the performing arts field relies upon direct financial support from service organizations and individuals. Last summer 200 area high school students spent 7 weeks producing "A Connecticut Yankee".

Contact:

Summer Theatre and Good Entertainment
P.O. Box 251
Vienna, Virginia

- WORLD CLOTHING FUND, INC. wants financial support to defray expenses for supplying clothing and food for children in the Appalachian area.

Contact:

World Clothing Fund, Inc.
10500 Kahlmeyer Drive
St. Louis, Missouri

- FAIRFAX NURSING HOME would like the contribution of a wheelchair. Any they receive would be used by the 31 indigent patients cared for by Nursing Home Foundation of Virginia.

Contact:

Fairfax Nursing Home
515 West Main Street
Fairfax, Virginia
Tel.- 273-7705

YOUR BULLETIN BOARD

Here are some interesting "tidbits". If your organization wants a coming event mentioned, call 273-0251. We'd be happy to do our bit to help you.

- Western Union has initiated an office for all forms of telegrams and money orders. It will be located at Vincents'.
- Trailways Bus Lines announces the opening of service directly from Fairfax to Richmond via 495 and 95. Schedules will be posted and available from the bus line or the Chamber of Commerce.
- The Annual Ikebana International Cherry Blossom Festival Spring Flower Show will be held at the National Housing Center, April 1st through April 7th. For further information call Marriane Foreman. 273-0026

The Editors Desk

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How true the popular cliché that you truly don't appreciate the job a person has been doing until you try to do it yourself. Despite the fact that Armistice and I spent many hours at her home working on past editions, the several "problems" I would face were not really apparent. She always had all the information organized and those many "loose ends" tied together. If a question arose, she always knew the person to call to get an answer. My hat is off to you, Armistice Turtora. You have been doing much more work than any of us ever realized.

This has been quite an initiation! What I find I need most of all are some new and different ideas. We have always wanted our friend QUID UNC? to be your publication. It should reflect your wishes and inform you of community events and your CCH Civic Associations activities. The phone number is 273-0215, and I would be more than pleased to receive your call.

To be a fair representation of our community, we need more members of CCH contributing. I know you have heard this before, but it is more true now than ever before. In other words, I am screaming "HELP".

Our civic association is also asking for help. The form at the end of Mr. Perkins article is an important one for any potential baby-sitters or helpers to complete immediately. The Directory is in its final stages, and they do need this information now.

So your Area Representatives and I will be anxiously awaiting communication from you.

Betty Coakley

- City Council decisions:
 - Passed the Motor Vehicle License Tax Ordinance which calls for the use of windshield stickers in place of metal plates for City vehicles.
 - Set April 6th for public hearing and second reading of amendments to the City zoning ordinance which call for cleaning up commercial zones and creating a third commercial zone for drive-in businesses
 - Decided to purchase six additional automobiles and the necessary radio equipment for police use.
 - Appointed Ralph L. Santmire as City Planner. Mr. Santmire, since 1962 the city planner of Bangor, Me., is a native of Alexandria.

"Thank you"

My most sincere "thanks" to Mrs. Carmen Hicks. She spent the better part of a day typing the stencils.

Rental Home Wanted

Howard and Ruth Duffield; 509 Spring Lake Terrace, would like to rent a home in CCH. The home they have been renting has been sold, so they could "move in" sometime before July.

PRESIDENTS PAGE by Roy Perkins

A meeting of the Board of the Country Club Hills Civic Association was held on Monday, March 15, at the home of the Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Glenn Smith.

The president advised that the annual corporation report and franchise tax had been submitted to the State of Virginia and that the association's status as a corporation is in good standing for 1965.

The Board approved the settlement of typewriter rental charges of \$98.00 against the Association for \$20.00, and the purchase of a new electric machine. The new electric typewriter will cost approximately \$250.00, and will be an appropriate complement to the Association's mimeograph machine. The Board authorized a bank loan to finance part of the purchase price.

The consensus of the Board was the publication of the Country Club Hills Directory for 1965 should now be expedited. Various members of the Association have contributed their time to the project. It was agreed to promptly complete remaining details delaying this matter.

The Treasurer, Harry Rhoads, reported that the Association finances had rebounded from near bankruptcy, as a result of incidental income from mimeograph work done for neighboring civic associations (for which Mrs. Armistice Turtora is owed a vote of thanks) and unearned income for Directory advertising. The Treasurer pointed out that expenses continue to mount, since we are no longer receiving paper free as was previously the case.

The Board discussed the Country Club Hills Spring Dance. A committee consisting of Frank Peake, Mrs. Christina Hahn and Drate Banks was appointed to pursue this matter.

Discussion was had of traffic safety in Country Club Hills and, in particular, of measures to control speed and for pedestrian safety in crossing Route 237. Harry Rhoads will discuss this matter with Fairfax City authorities. Among measures suggested to control speed was the installation of large "humps" in the road.

The Board is scheduled to meet next for general business on Monday, April 5.

BOYS and GIRLS - Baby Sitters, Lawn Mowers, etc., Needed

The present Country Club Hills Directory lists baby-sitters on pages 18 and 19, and persons interested in doing miscellaneous other jobs on page 20. These lists must be brought up-to-date in the forthcoming new CCH Directory. If you are interested in being listed, fill out the form below and turn it over to your Area Representative promptly. Be sure to give your age and telephone number, and be sure your parent signs.

CCH DIRECTORY LISTING

Name: _____ Age: _____
Job: _____ Phone: _____

Name: _____ Age: _____
Job: _____ Phone: _____

APPROVED: _____

Parent

George E. Walker, Inc., of West Main Street, Fairfax, has offered fertilizers, weed control and other lawn and garden products at discount prices for a group order from Country Club Hills. Sample prices are as follows:

AGRICO LAWN & GARDEN FERTILIZERS

	Retail	10-25 Units	26-50 Units
Grass Food (5000' Cov) 16-8-8	\$4.95	\$4.45	\$3.75
Grass Food (2500' ") 16-8-8	2.95	2.65	2.25
Grass Food (5000' ") 10-6-4	4.75	4.25	3.60
Grass Food (2500' ") 10-6-4	2.95	2.65	2.25
Lawns, Trees & Shrubs 33 1/3"	3.25	2.95	2.45
Agrinite 50#	3.95	3.55	3.00
Agrinite 25#	2.25	2.00	1.70
Weed Control /Fertilizer	4.95	4.45	3.75
Insect " / "	4.95	4.45	3.75
Agrico 1,2,3, - Pre-emergence, insect control & fertilizer	8.95	8.05	6.75

The order may consist of a combination of the above products and the total of all units ordered determines the price per unit.

SCOTT LAWN PRODUCTS

All Scott Lawn products such as TURF BUILDER, HALTS PLUS, CLOUT, KANSEL, COPE, BONUS SCUTL, 4-XD, FAMILY SEED, PLAY SEED, WINDSOR SEED, etc. are offered at a 10% Discount on all orders of ten units or more. Any combination of Scott products may be used to qualify for the discount price.

TORO MOIST O'MATIC LAWN SYSTEM

Toro has engineered a new automatic sprinkler system that is extremely reduced in price (approximately 50%-70%) less than those previously sold throughout the country. The system is capable of self-installation, is self draining, clog proof, and can be winterized in 10 seconds against freeze. A standard packaged kit which covers 7000'-8500' retails for \$189.95. A 10% Discount will be offered on any order for three or more systems.

TORO POWER MOWERS

	Retail	3-4 Units
19" Whirlwind Recoil, 2HP	\$89.95	\$80.95
19" Whirlwind Impulse, "HP	94.95	85.45
21" Whirlwind Impulse, Hand Prop, 2 1/2 HP	99.95	89.95
21" Whirlwind Impulse, Self Prop, 3HP	149.95	134.95
21" Whirlwind Recoil, Hand Prop, HvyDuty	139.95	125.95
21" Whirlwind Recoil, Self Prop, HvyDuty	209.95	188.95

LAWN BOY POWER MOWERS

	Retail	Units
18" Special	\$69.95	\$62.95
19" Deluxe (Grass Catcher is extra)	94.95	85.45
21" Grass Catcher	109.95	98.95
21" Professional-HvyDuty	139.95	135.95
21" Automower-Catcher	154.95	139.95
21" Riding Mower	274.95	247.45
24" Riding Mower	294.95	265.45

Combinations of Toro & Lawnboy mowers may be used to determine the number of units.

The group order would be delivered to a single location in Country Club Hills for pickup at that point by individuals of their orders.

Persons interested in the plan should contact their Area Representative promptly and advise him of their tentative needs. Area Representatives will communicate these orders to Frank Peake (273-1527) who will act as co-ordinator and purchasing agent.

No final decision will be made until the extent of interest (and discount) is ascertained.

**** LAST MINUTE ITEMS ****

- * BARBERSHOP SHOW - April 2 and 3, 8:15 p.m. Fairfax High School, Fairfax, Virginia. Admission \$2.00
- * SUMMER RECREATION PROGRAM - Program at all grade schools. Leader Mr. Smith will have assistants at all schools. It starts about 10 days after the close of school and continues for 7 weeks. There is no program at John C. Wood School this summer - sodding and seeding need to be undisturbed for one season. However, this year a crossing guard will help our children cross 237. Look for more specific announcements around school closing time.