

# QUIDNUNC?

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## SPRING DANCE

SPRING DANCE.....IT'S THAT MARVELOUS TIME OF THE YEAR AGAIN, THANK GOODNESS! THE ANNUAL SPRING OPPORTUNITY TO DANCE (NOT ALL NIGHT) FROM 9:00 'TIL 1:00 will be at the INTERNATIONAL TOWN AND COUNTRY CLUB, LEE HIGHWAY ON MAY 7th. THE COST... \$5.00 PER COUPLE. MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW AND DO CALL YOUR SECTION REPRESENTATIVES FOR TICKETS.

MAY 7



## FLINT DELEGATES SUBMIT REPORT

At the meeting of the City Council on Tuesday, March 23, the delegates to the 5th National Community School Clinic presented their report. The report was prepared by Mr. Merrill Whitman and Mrs. Arnistice Turtora, who were authorized to attend the clinic on behalf of the City of Fairfax. The report, which is 13 pages in length, is a summary of information gained at the clinic. We, because of the lack of space in QUIDNUNC, are quoting only the recommendations made. If you wish to read the entire report, ask your section representative. He will have a copy.

"The following plan is proposed for the City of Fairfax. We should employ a full time Community School Director who would report directly to the City Superintendent of Schools. If possible, an experienced man should be hired from Flint.....Another alternative is to hire a man and send him to Flint as necessary to be educated in the concept.....The Community School Director would strive to establish a Community School Program throughout the City of Fairfax. We would use the one city-owned school as a base since the proposed City-County agreement already assures the city of use of this school after hours. We believe that the program will be sufficiently attractive and beneficial to insure that arrangements may be worked out with Fairfax County to allow the initiation of the program on a "no conflict" basis in other schools within the city. It is proposed that funds be provided to purchase equipment, supplies, and otherwise defray the cost of initiating the program in Fiscal Year 1966. The school budget includes (continued on page 4)

### Federation Views of Flint Report

EXERPTS FROM THE MINUTES OF THE MARCH 22 FEDERATION MEETING, AS RECORDED BY MARIE KELLOGG, RECORDING SECRETARY.

"The matter of Federation Delegates attending City meetings, i. e. Council, School Board, Planning Commission, Zoning Appeals was discussed. The Federation's purpose is to represent all Associations, and that City information should be a two-way communication between Delegates and their associations."

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## THE CITY BUDGET

### Is it a controversy?

On March 22, our family received on its doorstep, a notice which encouraged us to attend the March 23 City Council meeting. Topic - "The City Budget"

The meeting was standing room only. Because of the public interest and the fact that the meeting was continued until April 6, I invited the following men to address comments to the citizens of Country Club Hills in the QUIDNUNC:

- Mr. Harley M. Williams, Fairfax City Taxpayers Alliance President.
- Mr. William L. Zollman, Jr., City Manager
- Mr. Art Lamb, City Council member, and resident of Country Club Hills.

The following information was received and is printed verbatim.

Betty Coakley

#### TAX AND BUDGET FACTS

by Harley M. Williams

1. The City Council continued the March 23 public hearing on the proposed 1965 tax rates and 1965-66 General Fund budget until Tuesday evening, April 6, in the Council Chamber at City Hall. As of April 1, estimated spending in the 1964-65 fiscal year was revised upward by approximately \$400,000, including \$270,000 for an unnamed park site. It is quite possible that the tax rates and new budget will not be finally adopted until April 15 or May 1.

2. The 1964 tax rates were \$3.95 per \$100 of assessed value on real property and \$4.70 per \$100 of assessed value on personal property. In his original budget proposal the City Manager proposed that both tax rates be raised to \$5.00 per \$100 of assessed value in 1965, increases of 27% on real property and 6% on personal property. However, at the March 2 Council meeting, Mayor E. A. Prichard persuaded the Council to advertise \$5.50 per \$100 of assessed value as proposed rates on both real and personal property, increases of 39% and 17% respectively.

3. As revised April 1, the City Manager's proposed General Fund budget for 1965-66 fiscal year of \$5,407,751, including a contingency reserve of \$256,334, (next column)

is a 12% increase over estimated expenditures for 1964-65 fiscal year of \$4,844,444 and a 50% increase over actual expenditures of \$3,597,759 in fiscal year 1963-64. In contrast, the estimated population increase is only from 17,000 in 1963-64 to 19,000 in 1964-65 to 20,000 in 1965-66, the latter being only a 5% increase over 1964-65 and an 18% increase over 1963-64. The contrast is even more striking when the spending increases are compared with the increases in the number of City pupils attending County public schools - from an average daily attendance in school year 1963-64 of 4526 to an estimated 4898 in 1964-65 and 5203 in 1965-66, the latter being only a 6% increase over 1964-65 and a 15% increase over 1963-64.

4. If Mayor Prichard's \$5.50 tax rate proposals are adopted, the estimated surplus at the end of the 1964-65 fiscal year would be increased over the \$308,764 in the Manager's budget proposal to \$422,039 and the contingency reserve for 1965-66 would be increased from \$256,334 in the Manager's proposal to \$556,624.

5. At the March 23 public hearing the City Manager conceded that the City Taxpayers Alliance had been correct at its March 16 membership meeting when the Alliance opposed any increase in the 1964 tax rates because of additional revenue to be expected from the increase in the real estate tax base. He announced a revision in the estimated increase from \$2.5 million to \$9 million. The additional revenue from this 20% increase in assessed values of real property in the City resulting from reassessment and new construction should finance any reasonable needs of the City without any increase in the 1964 tax rates. (Any comments should be directed to Mr. Harley M. Williams, 306 Jones St., 273-1134.)

#### OUR COUNCIL MEMBERS VIEW

A City Council member must have to work quite hard for that minute "salary". Mr. Art Lamb began an article for QUIDNUNC, but finally had to resort to the telephone to meet our deadline. Here are some of the comments he asked me to relay to you.

"It is impossible to comment on a budget that is still in the (continued on page 3)



## CITY MEETINGS

For your information, we are including in this issue the agendas of this week's City Council and City School Board meetings.

### COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

April 6, 1965

1. Public hearing with regard to ordinance concerning street naming and house numbering.
2. Consideration of agreement with the County of Fairfax regarding transition settlement, sewage disposal and other related matters.
3. Consideration of agreement with the Fairfax County Water Authority.
4. Public hearing with regard to amendments to the Zoning Ordinance.
5. First reading of ordinance relating to the proposed Water Revenue Bond Issue.
6. First reading of ordinance regarding vacation of a public alley through the Waring property in Westmore subdivision.
7. Consideration of request of VEPCO for easement on City property.
8. Consideration of Proposed FY 1965-66 General Fund Budget. (Continued from meeting of March 23, 1965)  
(Ed. note: To get on the agenda, contact the City Clerk at the meeting.)

### FAIRFAX CITY SCHOOL BOARD

April 7, 1965

Room 305, Fairfax City Hall  
Agenda

1. Approval of minutes of regular meeting on March 1, 1965 and special meetings of March 9 and March 15, 1965.
2. Discussion of City-County Agreement.
3. Report of Trip to Flint, Michigan, by Mr. Whitman and Mrs. Turtora.
4. Matters for Board members.
5. Matters for Superintendent.
6. Adjournment.

### COUNCIL MEMBER ( continued )

public hearing stage. You cannot prejudge a tax-rate when items on the budget have not been definitely decided, and will not be definite for at least two more meetings."

"Mr. Williams does not say what must be deleted - only that the tax rate must not be raised."

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"Please come to our meeting. Tell us what you don't want - whether it's the five policemen or the road repairs. People must be the witnesses with the Council to judge the merit of their suggestions."

We will be receiving from Mr. Lamb a complete statement explaining the budget after it is in its final form.

He has also offered to make a monthly contribution - question and answer, so we'll be hearing much more from our Council member. For

For those of you who attended the Council meeting - the Council has decided to only oil Pickett Road. As Mr. Krasnow, the Pickett Road resident stated - it will save the budget \$20,000.

### Moving Time, Again

That time of year has rolled around again. The moving vans are invading our development. Many friends are leaving, some of whom have taken an active interest in community affairs.

NORMA PETERSON will be moving to what is home to her - the San Diego area. Norma has been a cheerful addition to many community activities.

We found a news release from the Paducah, Kentucky SUN-DEMOCRAT that tells us that CMDR. JOHN KERN will be taking command of the destroyer U.S.S. Jonas Ingram. He was one of the active ones during our uncertain school situation last summer.

To these, and our many other friends and acquaintances, who are leaving, our very best wishes for the future. A

## Fudge Sale

The Northern Virginia Mothers of Twins Club is conducting its annual fund raising for the support of needy families. To raise funds, the club, which is composed entirely of mothers of twins (in one case, triplets) is offering excellent home-made fudge by Gauden's of Woodbridge, Virginia.

The price is one dollar (of which 40¢ is net for the club) for a box containing 12 oz. The fudge is available in chocolate, chocolate nut, pecan and peanut butter flavors.

If you will need candy in the next several weeks consider making one purchase in support of this worthy cause.

For further information call Mrs. Erika Perkins, 273-4916.

FEDERATION(continued)

"The President distributed copies of the report on the Flint Symposium which was prepared by her and Mr. Whitman. She requested before leaving that delegates study the material and feel free to call her stating their views on its application to our own recreational needs. Thereupon the President turned the meeting over to the first Vice-President."

"The members remaining discussed . . . . . the proposals in the report entitled "The Fifth National Community School Clinic-Flint Michigan. . . ."

"The following motion(was unanimously adopted)

'That the President of the Fairfax City Federation of Civic Associations, at the City Council meeting, Tuesday, March 23, 1965, clearly indicate that the recommendations and proposals in the report of the Flint, Michigan conference are not necessarily the views of the Federation; further, that the Federation is opposed to the implementation, at this time, to the recommendations and proposals in the report.'

"A lengthy discussion followed. Consensus of opinions were that more time was needed to study the proposals in the report, their impact, benefits, etc., further, that the attention of the City Council should also be invited to the recent Federation resolution concerning playgrounds. (Ed. note - This resolution was printed in our last QUIDNUNC.) Each member present felt there was due need for more information. The present city school is not reasonably accessible, County schools are not within reasonable walking distance to many, etc."

The Federation met again on April 1. We thank Mrs. Kellogg for making the following notes available to us.

"The Federation of Civic Associations met on April 1 to hear several speakers on the subject of recreation. Mrs. Alicia Payne described her long efforts to obtain a neighborhood park on an old well-site in the Warwick Dr. area, and thanked the Federation for its support. Mrs. Evan Aliff told of her many problems in organizing a Girls' Club in the City, prompted by her young daughter's question as to why there were so few activities for girls."

"Mr. Merrill Whitman was (next column)

heard on his views on Community Recreation geared to the use of schools. In brief, his talk described his background, professionally that of a chemist and nuclear scientist, and in civic affairs, that of a long-time Scoutmaster, a high school PTA president, and currently as a School Board member. He invited questions, saying, 'I am interested in kids. I can talk to men. I am not shy, and I am not stupid enough to believe that if I went to Flint I'd find a Utopia that everyone in Fairfax would accept without question.' He said that though Flint's problems were different from ours, the program could be adapted to our needs; it all depends upon what the citizens want. A period of astute questioning followed."

"Delegates were requested to take information back to their Civic Associations and bring to the next Federation meeting a brief report on the wishes of their association members regarding the implementation of a Community School program in Fairfax. The April 19 Federation meeting will also include an illustrated talk on transportation."

FLINT REPORT (continued)

"\$15,000 to finance the initial year of a Community School Program. This sum would include the salary of the Community School Director, initial equipment expense and operating costs. As a guide, the following table outlines the Flint estimates of annual operation costs for a community school.

Minimum for one elementary school:

Director $\frac{1}{2}$ salary -	\$3,200
school year	
Director salary -	1,400
summer	
Additional staff	1,000
Custodial service	600
Lighting	250
Telephone	125
Equipment and supplies	500
TOTAL	\$7,075

"It is also proposed that funds be provided to prepare the plans for a 'Community School Unit' as an integral part of the City-owned elementary school complex. This expenditure would approximate \$3,000 and is included in the planning item of the school budget. This unit would consist of a gymnasium, auditorium, community room, locker rooms, showers, and toilet facilities. Construction costs are estimated at \$175,000."



## President's Message

Roy Perkins, President, CCH Civic  
Association

### CCH BOARD MEETING

A regular meeting of the Board of the Country Club Hills Civic Association will be held on Monday evening, April 5, 1965. Among the items on the agenda is Community Schools and 1965-66 City Budget. Any members having any views as to the position (if any) which the Association should take on these matters or as to how its delegates on the Federation of Civic Associations should vote on them should contact their Area Representatives prior to Monday night.\* The Board is anxious to have the views of the members on these and any other matters of concern in Country Club Hills so that it may properly represent the interest and needs of members of the Association.

\*Listing on page 6

## Garden Club

Come one! Come all!

To the Country Hills Garden Clubs' Annual Plant and Flower Sale, on Saturday May 1st at Springlake Terrace and Brookwood Drive from 9:00 until 3:00 p.m.

Annuals already blooming, perennials, shade plants and lovely caladium bulbs in abundance. May is the perfect time for setting out plants in this area, so come and browse about and buy early!

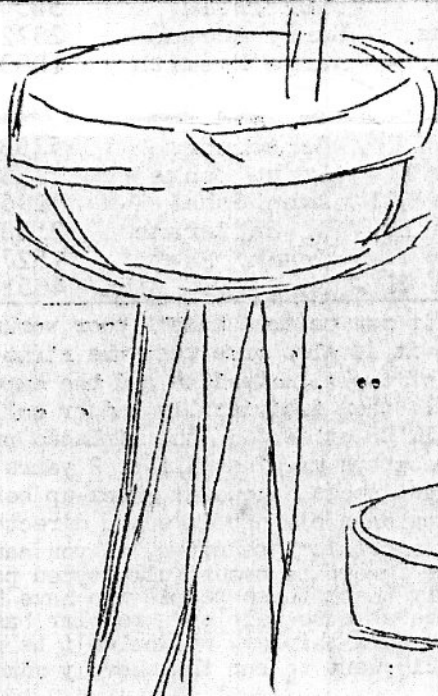
We will also have a Bake Sale of homemade goodies, a May Pole Dance by children from Country Club Hills and free badminton games for the children.

Buy your lunch of hot dogs and cokes so you won't have to waste a minute before planting those lovely flowers!

So do come and tell your neighbors and friends in the area about our sale, too.

See you there!

Fran Powell



MAXINE SHANKLIN OFFERS

SPECIAL SALE FOR THE GARDEN  
CLUB MAY DAY!

POTS FOR FLOWER ARRANGEMENTS

PLANTERS WEED POTS

WALL FIGURES FOR INDOOR OR  
GARDEN FENCES

CERAMIC SCULPTURE

ASH TRAYS



## EDITORIAL

It's 2:00 a.m. Sunday and it begins to look like this might go out on time, after all. Had my doubts when our three year old developed a fever just about 24 hours ago.

I must admit that I've enjoyed QUIDNUNC so far. Notice the use of "I" - I'd prefer it be "we." And there have been several contributors - Roy Perkins, Erika Perkins, Fran Powell, Christina Fahn, Maxine Shanklin, Art Lamb, Harley Williams, Armistice Turtora, and Mrs. Evon Aliff. Next time, let's have more.

Dear old Funk and Wagnalls isn't much help in my search for a word to describe a topic or two we've covered this time. Neither "delicate" nor "sensitive" seem exactly appropriate - but the point is made, I hope. We have made a determined effort to be brief and accurate - to coin a phrase "just the facts." If anyone feels this purpose unfulfilled, be assured it was inadvertent. We have tried to present information - and the opinions of those closest to the situation, so that each of you, individually, can find more detailed information, and form your own opinion.

## Sorry...

We find that in our article on the Flint trip, one recommendation was omitted. Mrs. Armistice Turtora, former CCH Civic Association prexy and current Federation president tells us it is most important. It follows:

"In view of the fact that the City has just hired a City Planner and the 1965-66 budget is now a matter of public hearing, we strongly recommend that at least one representative from each one of our governing bodies go to Flint at this time."

## REMINDER FOR DIRECTORY

Persons desiring a listing in the new Directory must notify their Section Representative promptly. This applies to baby sitters, persons providing other services and those interested in being listed under General Listings. (page 22 of the Directory) Publication will not be delayed for late listings - these pages must be typed and the information is required now.

sorely needs adjusting to stencil work. I sincerely thank those people who have helped me in emergencies—but hope some of you who might be able to help on a regular basis will make yourselves known. If we could spread the work thinner, we wouldn't be spread so thin...Want to type???call Betty Coakley, 273-0215; Want to run this lovely mimeograph machine?? Call me...Armistice T. 273-5309.

## GIRL'S CLUB OF FAIRFAX

The Fairfax Girls' Club, a newly-formed organization, developed from the satisfactory cooperation of girls as cheerleaders for the Fairfax Boys' Club football program. The lack of an opportunity similar to that of boys of their own age was apparent. At this time the present directing officers initiated the organization of the club. The club's objective is the aid in the citizenship development of girls from the ages of 8 to 15. This development will include good sportsmanship by competitive sports activities, such as basketball, softball, and cheerleading, and an envisioned home and social program consisting of sewing, cooking, dance and social etiquette. For further information or offering of assistance, contact:

President - Mrs. Evon Aliff  
273-4963  
Acting President - Mrs. Nicodemus  
273-4223  
Secretary - Mrs. Valinda Feather  
273-5332  
Treasurer - Mrs. Rose St. Peter  
DU- 5-6479

The Girl's Club of Fairfax wish to announce a very important meeting at the Fairfax High School cafeteria, Thursday night, April 8th at 7:30 p.m.

All girls from the ages of 11 to 15 who wish to participate in the Fairfax organized softball league are urged to attend with one or more parents. Also, any one interested in coaching or managing, should call Mrs. Evon Aliff.

## CCH OFFICERS AND AREA REPS.

Pres. - Roy Perkins 273-4916  
V. Pres. Jerald Fitzgerald 3454  
Treas. - Harry Rhoads 2872  
Secy. - Marge Hysmith 1033

Area I - Mr. and Mrs. Brueckner 5353  
Area II - Drate Banks 7968  
Area III - John Soho 9296  
Area IV - R. Zaffarano 2533  
Area V - Frank Peake 1527  
Area VI - Christina Fahn 4051

Altho it may be true that "A poor workman, etc..." it is also true that the right combination of tools, materials and the experience to handle them individually and/or collectively will be evident in the finished product. Our mimeograph machine will be 2 years old in June, just needs a general check-up before embarking on a big job like the directory. Our new electric typewriter, as you can see from the foregoing beautifully typed pages,