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T.H.A. BOARD CALLS SPECIAL MEETING ON REZONING ISSUE

The Board of Directors of the Truro Homes Association has called a special meeting for Monday, November 2, at 8:00 P.M. at the Truro Community Center. The purpose of the meeting is to establish the Association's position on a request to rezone a 6.8 acre tract of land between Wakefield Forest Elementary School and Route 236, bounded on the east and west by Iva Lane and St. Matthew's Church. The Fairfax County Planning Board will meet on November 19 to consider this request.

The special session is the outgrowth of a joint meeting of the T.H.A. and the Wakefield Forest and Lee Forest Civic Associations held October 15 at the Truro Community Center. Among those present were the presidents of the Little Run, Camelot and Pineridge civic associations. The meeting was called at the request of MR. FRED BABSON, representing the Virginia Dynamics Corporation, developers proposing to construct a shopping center on the site.

MR. BABSON presented sketches and diagrams of the proposed center, with space for 16 stores and shops, including a supermarket, gas station, drug and liquor stores, barber and beauty shops and a two-story restaurant. MR. BABSON said he felt the stores would attract mostly local traffic, funneling through Iva Lane and Virginia Avenue, the two streets bordering the elementary school. His clients are seeking rezoning because the recently adopted Annandale Master Plan has limited this property to Category Six, or medium density, development. Under Category Six, appropriate development would be a commercial office building, light (not to exceed four stories); an institutional building, such as a church or nursing home; or town-houses or apartments.

MR. CHARLES MAJER, representing Annandale District on the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors, discussed the purposes of the Annandale Master Plan and land use in general. He stated that he could not commit himself on how he would

vote on this change in zoning until he had all the facts.

MR. HAROLD MILLER, representing Mason District on the Board of Supervisors, said that he is a proponent of adhering to a master plan, once it is adopted, and that it is possible for organized groups, presenting a sound case, to defeat a zoning change of this type.

MRS. CAROLYN MOTES, President of the Lee Forest Civic Association, described the steps necessary for rezoning: appearance before the Planning Board and the Board of Supervisors, and a public hearing. She stressed the importance of attending the hearings and board meetings and of writing letters, if the homeowners wish to oppose the construction of the shopping center.

TENNIS COURTS DELAYED

Based on the recommendations of an independent engineering firm, the Truro Homes Association Board of Directors has voted to delay construction of the Truro Community Center tennis courts until next spring.

Consoil Engineering Service of Cheverly, Maryland, a firm of consulting engineers, examined the area in September and reported that, in their judgment, the work done so far has been properly done but advised postponement of the asphalt surfacing until Spring, 1971, to allow for further settlement of the fill and to take advantage of the builders' guarantee, which they have stated they will be in a position to issue at that time.

The consulting firm recommended that, meanwhile, the contractors provide proper grading and drainage at the site, to avoid the collection of water over the winter, and that the Board obtain a copy of the plans and specifications for the courts, so the Board members can judge the work at the time of construction.

NEW TRURO HOUSES PROCEED
ON SCHEDULE

Construction has begun on the five new designs being introduced at Truro by Miller & Smith, Inc. The new model area is located on Footstep Court, opposite the Community Center. Sites have been cleared and footings poured, and work is progressing on schedule toward a completion date of February, 1971.

The new models will be contemporary in style, of brick and frame construction and similar in appearance to the present Truro homes, having been designed, in fact, by David N. Yerkes & Associates, the architects who planned five of the original models. There will be many interesting innovations, including extensive use of the cathedral ceiling. The new homes will, however, be smaller to achieve a price range in the low- to mid-forties.

The smallest will be the Forestview, a two-story house on an up-hill lot, with the second floor opening to ground level at the rear. The single-car garage will be incorporated into the house, similar to the present Hillview.

Two models will be ramblers, designed for down-hill lots, the Crestview and the Meadowview. The Meadowview will have provision for a fifth bedroom, and will feature a family room located off the kitchen.

The Summitview, the new two-story design, will have all four bedrooms on the second floor, and will also have a family room adjacent to the kitchen.

The Glenview, another two-story design, will be placed on a down-hill lot, with walk-out basement at the rear, similar to the present Grandview III. All three stories will be finished.

MR. KEN MURPHY, Truro Sales Manager, says brochures describing the new designs are being printed and will soon be available at the sales office. Meanwhile, he has a set of the new plans and invites anyone interested to stop by and look them over.

CRANK CALLS

A rash of crank phone calls in recent weeks, some involving false kidnapping reports, has caused some concern in our community. A check with the C. & P. Telephone Co. confirms that they have a special representative trained to handle such problems, working with the police department. Local residents being disturbed by crank calls can direct their complaints to the Fairfax business office of the phone company at 273-9900.

HALLOWEEN PARTY PLANNED
FOR T.H.A. YOUNGSTERS

A Halloween party, complete with ghost house and witches' brew is on tap for T.H.A. children between the ages of two and twelve on October 31 from 7:30-9:00 P.M. at the Community Center. Much preparation has gone into insuring that this party will be a huge success. Games were planned by ANN NOLAND, refreshments by BARBARA LOCKHART and her committee, and decorations by KAREN MACKAY, MARILYN GIDEZ, PRISCILLA HOLBERT and VIVIAN WATTS.

The T.H.A. Board of Directors contributed \$25 to defray the costs of the party.

THIRTY COUPLES ENJOY
SEPTEMBER SHRIMP FEAST

The thirty couples who attended can attest to the "gastronomical" success of the Shrimp Feast held September 26 at the Community Center. Spiced shrimp and beer were in abundance, in addition to crisp vegetable appetizers and other good food. Much credit goes to hard-working BILLIE WHITE and her committee for a different kind of pleasant evening.

Perhaps those who missed out on this year's party can make it next year when we hope to combine the Shrimp Feast with a swim party.

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS

The League of Women Voters of the Fairfax Area has formed a Wakefield unit which includes residents in the Truro area. The group has held meetings in September and October studying and discussing the organization of governing bodies in the State of Virginia, and welfare.

MRS. DENNIS MARQUIS is Chairman for the Wakefield unit. Other Truro residents who have joined the group are: MRS. DAVID GERBER, MRS. ROBERT GREY, MRS. ALBERT HULSEN, MRS. ROBERT LOCKHART, MRS. ROBERT MOLSEED, MRS. ROYCE NOLAND, MRS. MARVIN ROSENBERG, MRS. GEORGE PRICE, MRS. DONALD SCHUDEL, MRS. DAVID WATTS, MRS. THOMAS FREY, and MRS. WILLIAM WOOD.

The group manned a voter service booth at the Little River shopping center one weekend in October.

The November meeting will be held at the home of MRS. ROBERT LOCKHART, Iva Lane, on November 12 at 8:00 P.M. A discussion will be held on the current League position on state issues and a consensus taken on future state programs to be considered by the League. Guests are welcome at the meetings and anyone wishing to attend should contact either MRS. LAWRENCE SNITZER, 280-2184 or MRS. VIVIAN WATTS, 280-4076, membership chairmen.

CUB SCOUT PROGRAM

Cub Scout Pack 1864, sponsored by the Truro Homes Association, has been recently chartered and is offering a scouting program for neighborhood boys 8 to 10 years of age. Two dens are meeting weekly at the Truro Community Center, with EVE JARVIS and JUANITA DILISIO as den mothers, and a third den meets at the Wakefield Chapel Woods home of the den mother, CHRISTINA KING, assisted by MARY ELLEN TRENT.

In order to expand the program, more adult volunteers are needed, particularly a father to lead a Webelo den, for boys 10 to 12 years old. At their 12th birthday, they graduate to Boy Scouts.

Officers of Cub Pack 1864 are JOSEPH JARVIS, Cubmaster; ALLAN CHUBB, Institutional Representative; HENRY VALENTINO, Treasurer, and JEANNE GERBER Secretary.

T.H.A. HOLDS BRIDGE PARTY

The Truro Homes Association held a couples' progressive bridge party Saturday, October 17 at the Truro Community Center.

MRS. DAVID JONES directed the players, assisted by MRS. WADDELL BIGGART. MR. and MRS. ROYCE NOLAND were the prize winners with the highest score, while MR. and MRS. ROBERT LOCKHART received the "leaping leopard" traveling prize. MRS. JAMES HOLBERT, MRS. ART MORRIS, and MRS. PAT SMITH furnished homemade cakes for the players. The bridge party was coordinated by MRS. DENNIS MARQUIS and MRS. KENNETH MURPHY.

ROUND ROBIN BRIDGE

A Round Robin bridge group is being formed in Truro. In this type of arrangement each husband and wife partnership is scheduled to play at the home of another couple each month. The two couples choose the date on which they will play. A running score will be kept and there will be prizes awarded at a party in June paid for by each couple contributing a dollar each time they play.

Several of us have played this way in the past and are most enthusiastic about the chance it presents to get well acquainted with people without being tied to a set date each month.

Don't be hesitant, (of course your bridge is good enough!). Call us before Friday the 13th (how unlucky if you don't!) and we'll get a schedule of play to you.
DAVE and VIVIAN WATTS - 280-4076

ANNOUNCEMENT

The Truro Trails does not take editorial stands on issues. We will be glad, however, to print the opinions of our readers in the form of letters to the editor, not to exceed 200 words.

HELPING HANDS

MARY BARRY, co-ordinator of the new edition of the Truro Homes Association directory, reports that the following young ladies were of great assistance to the committee: ROBIN, DONNA and CHERYL CUERONI, KATHY and KAREN MURPHY, MICHAELA KRISTULA and BARBI JONES. The girls assembled and stapled the 22 pages of each directory and delivered the 300 copies to the block captains.

NAVY PROMOTIONS

CDR. FRED SCHNEIDER of 4107 Turkey Creek Ct., and CDR. JAMES BERGSTROM of 8822 Charles Hawkins Way, were recently selected for promotion to Captain in the U.S. Navy.

DIRECTORY CHANGES

Please make the following changes in your Truro Homes Association directory: New telephone number for CHARLES NASEM; 280-4514. Insert telephone number for ARNO PONDER; 280-4524.

SUCCESSFUL BLOCK PARTIES

Wakefield Chapel Woods residents celebrated two of summer's holidays with block parties on Appleton Court. Neighbors from both Appleton and Chippendale Courts gathered for covered dish dinners on the Fourth of July and Labor Day, and pronounced the parties a great success.

TRURO SPORTSLINE

DISTAFF BOWLING: Every Thursday morning at the Annandale Bowling Center you can find some of the Truro Homes Association wives sparing and striking with much enthusiasm. Led by Team Captains TRUDY CAMPBELL, BARBARA JONES, and MARY BARRY, the three teams are holding their own in stiff competition. TRUDY CAMPBELL currently is sporting a 139 average to lead the girls from T.H.A. Anyone interested in substituting on one of the teams is asked to contact PAT MURPHY at 280-2981.

FOOTBALL: The Packers, Truro's entry in the 105 lb. Football League sponsored by the Annandale Boys Club is currently sporting a 1-3 won and lost record. According to CHUCK MEIKE, the coach, one of the losses occurred on the last play of the game. Among the stalwarts for the Packers are TOM MEIKE and PAT KIRWAN. At press time COACH CHUCK reminded us that the "Pack will be back."

SCOTT DILISIO is a linebacker on the 75-pound football team of the Annandale Boys Club, while ROBERT FREY plays right guard on the 76-90 pound team.

In the Police Youth Club League for 130 pounders the Fairfax Bears are currently undefeated after four games. Playing defensive right tackle is ED MAJESKY. The Bears have beaten Herndon, Vienna, McLean and the Fort Belvoir Bears in their quest for an unbeaten season.

SOCCER: PETER HOLBERT is playing right wing and fullback in the Annandale Boys Soccer League at Woodburn School. Peter's team has won their first five games in the 8 to 10 year old competition.

ADULT PHYSICAL FITNESS: The second annual physical fitness program for Truro adults is about to get underway at Wakefield Forest gym. TOM LYLES of Wakefield Forest has made the gym facilities available on Tuesday evenings from 7-9 P.M. for those adults interested in basketball, volleyball or what have you. So throw away your 5 BX and Aerobics manuals and join in the fun of unorganized mayhem. For more information call CHUCK MEIKE at 280-2936.

SWIMMING: The cold weather has not dampened the enthusiasm for swimming of some of our youngsters. A trip to the Starlite Swim Club any Sunday evening will find MICHAELA KRISTULA, TERESA MEIKE, JANET STEVENS, CATHY COPPAGE, BARBI JONES, STEVE MORRIS, MIKE and PETER HOLBERT, RONNIE EDGAR and PAUL NOLAND hard at work perfecting their techniques for next summer's

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competition. With this much dedi-
cation our Swordfish should have a
strong foundation on which to build
a winning swim team next summer.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Our apologies to those
who are not mentioned in the Sportsline.
We feel sure that there are many more
participants from our community in the
sports programs around town but the
difficulty lies in finding out who they
are. If you have any sports new please
call your block captain or RICK CUERONI
at 280-4387.

BABYSITTER NEEDED

Woman needed to babysit for child 10
months old in your home Monday-Friday,
8:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. If interested
please call 280-1101 after 4:00 P.M.

FOUND

Ladies (or girls) Helbros watch. Call
280-1261.

Cat, male, altered. Black with white.
One year old. Mother in family allergic
to cats. Free to a good home. 280-5832.

FOR SALE

Highchair. \$5.00, phone 280-5832.

MEET YOUR NEIGHBOR

DR. KINGSLEY STEVENS is not a tree surgeon,
but neighbors might be excused for think-
ing so after seeing him out in the parks
ministering to more than a hundred sick
trees. STEVENS attributes his efforts to
save the trees to "a liking for digging
ditches." But whatever the reason, fellow
Truro Homes Association members are grate-
ful.

A love of nature has been a part of his
life from boyhood days spent photographing
birds in their nests.

He and his wife, VIRGINIA, got a good
chance to observe some unusual forms of
nature during the year they spent in
Australia in 1953-54. KINGSLEY was on a
fellowship, doing research in the field
of immunology with Sir Macfarlane Burnet.

Burnet later won the Nobel Prize
for Medicine in 1960.

Although they lived in Melbourne,
the STEVENS took every opportunity
to get out of the city and into the
Australian rainforest where they
saw kangaroos, koala bears and
lyre birds.

The STEVENS' oldest daughter, Anne,
was born while they were in Aus-
tralia.

VIRGINIA and KINGSLEY STEVENS met
in 1951 at Ft. Sam Houston in Texas
where both were stationed. They
were married later that same year.
At Ft. Sam, GINNY, an occupational
therapist by profession, was train-
ing enlisted personnel to assist
occupational therapists. KINGSLEY
was doing full time research at
Brooke Army Hospital.

The paths that brought the STEVENS
to Ft. Sam, were, as one would ex-
pect, quite different.

KINGSLEY was born in Lynchburg,
Virginia, and graduated magna cum
laude from Lynchburg College in
1943. Although World War II was
going on, he was able to continue
his medical education at Harvard
while at the same time serving in
the army under a program called the
Army Specialized Training Corps.
He specialized in internal medicine
and graduated in 1947. From Harvard,
he went on to an internship at North
Carolina Baptist Hospital in Winston-
Salem, North Carolina.

From there he went to Duke University
for six months to participate in a
pioneering program sponsored by the
Atomic Energy Commission on the
peaceful uses of atomic energy.

It had long been clear that research
was his major interest and KINGSLEY
returned to Winston-Salem to a re-
search fellowship at the Bowman-
Gray School of Medicine. From there
he went on to the University of
Chicago and another research fellow-
ship. This was followed by a
residency at the Oak Ridge Institute

MEET YOUR NEIGHBOR (Continued)

for Nuclear Studies in Tennessee in 1950. And then came the orders which took him to Ft. Sam Houston.

VIRGINIA STEVENS was born in Taunton, Massachusetts, and went to Bates College in Lewiston, Maine, for one year before going on to the Boston School of Occupational Therapy.

After graduating, she worked for three and a half years as a therapist at the new Cushing Army hospital in Framingham, Massachusetts. She was also in the Army Reserves. At that time, the Boston School of Occupational Therapy became a part of Tufts University, and GINNY returned there for two semesters in order to get her bachelor's degree. Then, in 1948, she came to Washington, D.C. and to St. Elizabeth's hospital where she was in charge of teaching a group of 15 therapists.

And then there happened something "they" said would never happen. The army began calling up women reservists because of the Korean War, and GINNY was sent to Ft. Sam.

From Ft. Sam, the STEVENS went on to Australia and from there back to Washington where KINGSLEY worked at Walter Reed Army Institute of Research. Then came four years with the Merck, Sharp and Dohme pharmaceutical company research lab in West Point, Pennsylvania.

And then the academic world beckoned in the form of the brand new medical school at the University of Kentucky in Lexington where KINGSLEY served in various capacities from 1960-1968.

In 1969 the STEVENS family returned to Washington when he took his present position with the Veteran's Administration as chief of continuing medical education. He is in charge of establishing and administering programs of post-graduate studies for doctors who work at V.A. hospitals.

He is also an associate professor of medicine at the George Washington University medical school and is giving a series of lectures on environmental zoology at Georgetown University.

KINGSLEY STEVENS is the author of many journal articles and a book, The Ecology and Etiology of Human Disease, published in 1967.

The STEVENS and their four daughters, ANNE, HEATHER, LYNN and JANET live at 4308 Kenwyn Court with their cat Tigre, their dachshund Heidi, and her two brand new female puppies.

GARDENING

By MEL MARCH

During November there are many things to do in your garden. Grab that rake. Don't let those dead leaves kill those precious blades of grass that you have loved and nurtured all summer. Pull out annuals and prepare your soil for next summer's beauty. I have told you how to prepare the soil in past columns. Remember -- aeration is so important. Those tiny roots must have air. Sand will do it. So will vermiculite. I use both. And God bless cows. Without cow manure, my garden would be nothing. Those of you who have heard of and came to see my "mums" will attest to this. They were a mass of yellow and burgundy cascading over my patio wall. Really breathtaking.

Plant bulbs, broad-leaved evergreen and deciduous trees and shrubbery. Mulch your roses, covering the crown, after they have become dormant.

We sadly announce the passing of "Old Monster", the 100 year old oak that hovered above and toward our house from the hill in the back yard. It had leaves this summer but it also had carpenter ants and a large cavity running about 15 feet up the center

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of the trunk. Because of the danger, we had it removed and plan to plant a faster-growing red maple a few feet away from its stump. Keep a close watch on your older trees and if you see insects of any kind either spray them or have a tree expert in. The ants are usually visible if you dig a few inches below the surface of the soil around the tree.

PAUL and I take a vacation from gardening in December, so go inside and get ready for Christmas or Hanukkah -- and have a very nice one.

Mel

P.S. Look for a planting chart in the next issue. This should be helpful all year.

POLICE REQUEST PUBLICATION OF
RESTRICTIONS ON GUN USE

Because of the senseless shooting of one dog in our community and another in a neighboring development, and because of the increased number of calls about random shooting in our area, the police department has requested that we print the following Fairfax County Code restrictions on gun use. They are taken from a pamphlet, "Gun Safety and the Law", which is available from the county Public Affairs office.

The following uses of guns are prohibited under the code:

Hunting with any kind of gun other than a shotgun, or with any kind of single-projectile ammunition, or in violation of any State law.

Hunting or firing any kind of gun within 100 yards of a road or highway.

Recreational (target) shooting in the Prohibited Area (see map, pg.8) except with a shotgun loaded with multiple-ball shot, on a parcel of land of at least five acres, when adequate provisions are made to retain on the parcel all projectiles discharged from the shotgun. (The parcel need not be all under one ownership.

Two or more land-owners may combine their holdings to create a single parcel for the purpose of recreational shooting under this article, provided that the holdings adjoin and all land-owners concerned agree in writing to permit all of the signers to shoot within the parcel.)

Recreational shooting of any kind of gun (other than a shotgun loaded with multiple-projectile ammunition) in any part of the County, except on a five-acre parcel, and then only with a police permit; or on an established range.

Any reckless use of guns which endangers life or property.

Giving, selling, renting, lending or otherwise transferring a gun to any minor under the age of 18 years, except by a parent, guardian, or adult instructor.

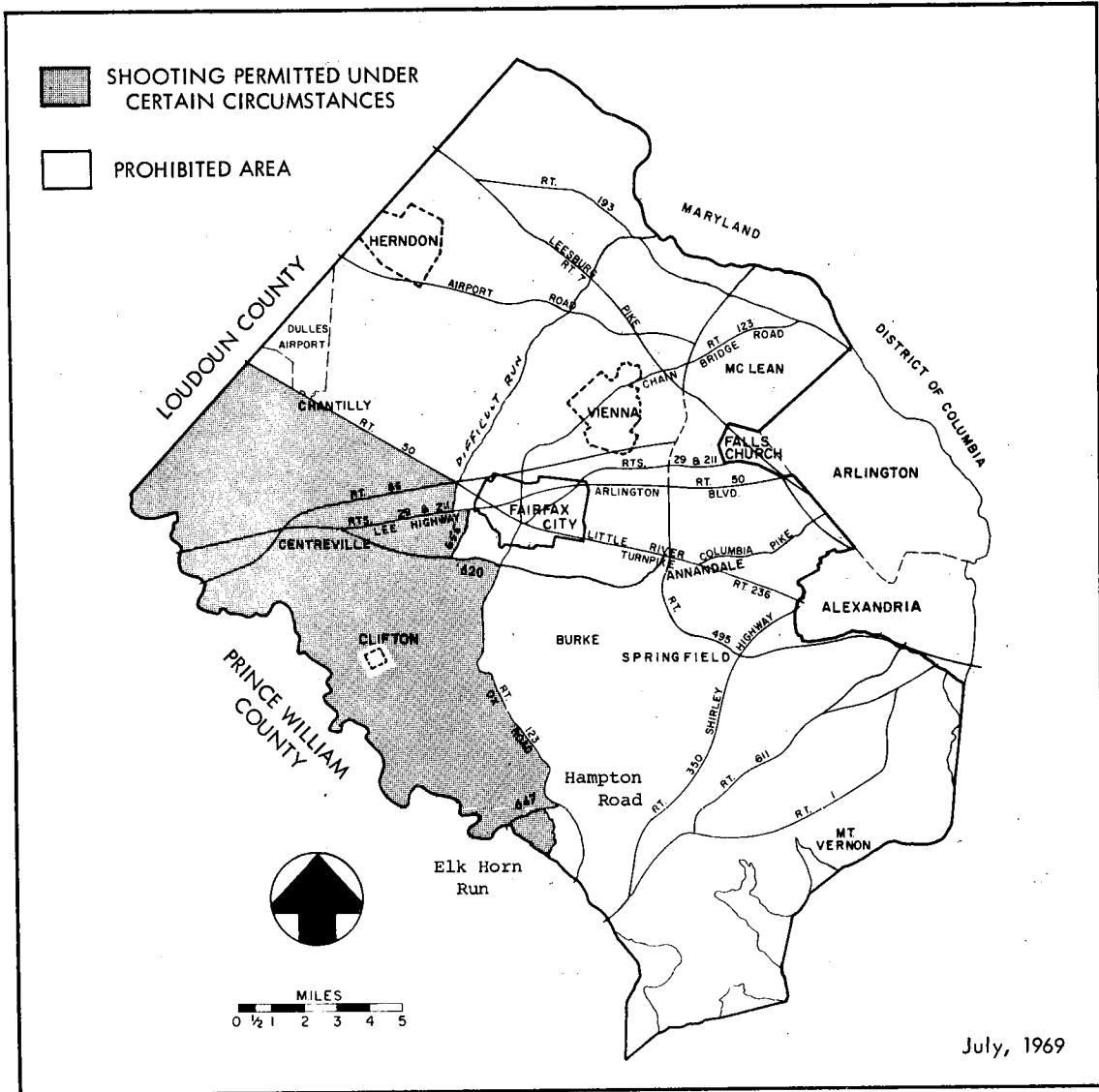
The carrying (except unloaded and securely wrapped, or unloaded and in a completely closed carrying case) or discharge of any gun anywhere in the County by a minor under 18 years of age unless under the direct supervision of a parent, guardian or adult instructor. THIS SECTION SPECIFICALLY PROHIBITS THE UNSUPERVISED USE OF AIR(BB) GUNS BY CHILDREN.

Firing of guns in gravel pits or stone quarries, unless the area has been restored to its pre-excavation condition. The purpose of this provision is to avoid target shooting in areas where ricocheting projectiles could be a hazard.

PENALTIES - Violation of any provision of Chapter 28 of the Code of the County of Fairfax is a misdemeanor, punishable by a fine not exceeding \$300 or by imprisonment in the County jail not exceeding 30 days, or by a combination of fine and imprisonment not exceeding these limits.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Fellow T.H.A. Members,

On November 3rd you will be asked to vote on a complete revision of the Virginia Constitution. It is impossible to condense everything I've learned and heard in the three and a half years I have actively worked on the Constitution as resource person in the League of Women Voters. So, I regret that in this short space I will be able to do little more than personally urge you to vote "yes" on:

Proposal 1. Main Body of the Constitution. If you haven't heard much about the Virginia constitutional revision, it is because this proposal which encompasses the bulk of the changes contains so little which is controversial.

Proposal 3. General Obligation Bonds.

Proposal 4. Revenue Bonds.

The debt ceiling under these two bond proposals is only 2.3% of the state's annual tax revenues. This is comparable to a man earning \$10,000 borrowing \$230. This ceiling can be criticized for being too low, but it is better than what we're tied to now. So, please, vote for these two proposals and help free the State of Virginia to move from the bottom of national rankings in higher education and mental health. Constitutional safeguards under these borrowing proposals are many, including voter approval of each instance of general obligation bond borrowings.

The only organized opposition to this revised constitution has come from the Conservative Party of Virginia and from an organization called S.O.S. (Save Our State) who in this area spearhead their attack by advancing the argument that by mentioning regional governments the revised constitution encourages them. Quite the contrary. Since state constitutions permit anything not expressly denied in them or in the Federal constitution, and since our present constitution doesn't mention regional government the field is wide open. In

fact, the constitutional revision will add a very necessary control on regional government development by requiring that the voters in each locality must approve before their local government could take part in any regional arrangement.

But, alas, now I'm getting wordy! For those who want and need more information I have anything from summary brochures to the full text of the proposed new constitution. Do call! Please, don't let this constitutional revision die out of voter apathy or lack of knowledge.

Vivian Watts
280-4076

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