

# *truero trails*



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A PUBLICATION OF THE TRURO HOMES ASSOCIATION

**Pool Opens Despite Threat of Rain • BUT NET MEET IS POSTPONED**

Overcast skies and a forecast of rain failed to dampen the enthusiasm of Truro Community Center members and their families participating in the opening of the TCC pool on Saturday, May 27.

The crowd of adults and children on hand to use the pool on its opening day was somewhat smaller than last year's, when the weather was hot and sunny. But those who showed up weren't deterred by the dark clouds and chilly air.

To mark the occasion, the Social Committee, headed by Judi LaMorte, sponsored its traditional pool opening party on Saturday afternoon beginning at 2:30. Beer, orange drink and popcorn were provided.

Both Jim Bergstrom, chairman of the Pool and Community Center Committee, and Jim Baker, whose JACO Corporation is handling pool operations again this year, expressed satisfaction at the smooth start of this year's swimming season. "We had no problems at all," they agreed. "Everything went well."

The men's singles tournament, scheduled to get underway Saturday on the tennis courts adjacent to the pool, had to be delayed two days so that resurfacing of the courts could be completed. The resurfacing had been held up because of rainy weather earlier in May. The opening matches of the tournament, a traditional Memorial Day weekend event in Truro, were rescheduled for Monday, May 29, with evening competition continuing during the week. The tournament is one of a number sponsored annually by the Tennis Committee.

**TWO WOMEN FROM TRURO HONORED FOR OUTSTANDING PUBLIC SERVICE**

A pair of Truro women prominent in governmental affairs received public recognition last month.

● Vivian Watts of 8717 Mary Lee Lane was named Fairfax County's 1977 Citizen of the Year by a countywide awards committee. She was presented the Washington Star Citizenship Trophy at a special awards dinner sponsored by the Fairfax County Federation of Civic Associations on May 19. Vivian has long been active in the League of Women Voters, serving as president of the Fairfax area unit in 1975-1977. She has also headed the Wakefield Forest Elementary School PTA, the county's task force on school closings, and last year's \$39.6 million school bond referendum campaign in the county. Vivian is currently director of research and legislation for the Fairfax County Chamber of Commerce.

● Betty Southard Murphy of 4105 Necostin Way was given a Distinguished Alumni Award by The American University's Washington Col-

**THE COVER**

for this issue is the fourth in our series of prints created by Truro youngsters at the summer art studio held last August by Marilyn Gidez, whose 1978 program is being announced on page 2. These zebras are the work of Christina Delfico, 4303 Kenwyn Court.

**FROM THE BOARD**

By Beverlee McCartney

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING  
MAY 1978

lege of Law at an honors convocation on May 13. Betty is a 1958 graduate of AU with a J.D. degree. She is a member and former chairman of the National Labor Relations Board. In presenting the award, AU Provost Richard Berendsen noted that Betty "has distinguished herself as lawyer, teacher and public servant" who, in addition to her heavy NLRB responsibilities, "has continued to serve her alma mater brilliantly" both as a trustee and as a volunteer teacher.

The May 1978 general membership meeting of the Truro Homes Association was called to order by President David Watts on May 18. It was determined that a quorum was not present. A motion was made, seconded and carried to waive the reading of the minutes of the January 1978 meeting since they were published in the February 1978 issue of Truro Trails.

**SUMMER ART STUDIO ANNOUNCED**

Marilyn Gidez's 1978 Children's Summer Art Studio, a program of arts and crafts for children from 7 to 13 years of age, will begin on June 20, Marilyn has announced.

President Watts introduced the board members for the benefit of new residents. He stated that the purpose of the meeting was to review the summer programs, to hear reports from committee heads and to answer questions concerning the programs.

The program will run each Tuesday through Friday through July 28. There will be a reception and art show of student work at the conclusion of the program. Classes will be held at 4179 Elizabeth Lane, Truro, in two groups:

Jim Bergstrom, Pool and Community Center Committee chairman, reported that off-duty police will be patrolling the parkland and Community Center towards the end of this month. He stated that details are being worked out to begin a random patrol three times weekly by a uniformed off-duty officer. The cost will be \$7.50 per hour plus workmen's compensation and liability. The plan is to continue this through August or as long as the budgeted \$800 lasts, and then to assess, if possible, whether the program had any deterrent effect on vandalism. It was again stressed to the membership that if an incident occurs at or near a member's home it should be reported to the Fairfax County police. This will insure proper records, at least.

- Group I, ages 7-10, will meet from 9:30-10:30 a.m. This group will work in stained plexiglass, puppetry, metal relief, wax resist, paper batik, krigami, tissue collage, foam block printing, mono-printing and scratch art.

- Group II, ages 11-13, will meet from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. This group will work in copper enameling, textile painting, batik, watercolor, charcoal, oil pastels, and portrait and figure drawing, as well as on projects from Group I.

The student fees are \$7 per week on a weekly basis, or \$30 for the full six weeks. This includes all materials. To enroll your child, call Marilyn Gidez at 978-4866.

**OFFICIAL  
THA  
NOTICE**

Jim Bergstrom stressed that the 1978 TCC dues must be paid before the pool opens on May 27. If they are not in the hands of the treasurer by then, the family concerned will not be allowed in the pool.

It was announced that the large dumpster on the lower parking lot had been removed because the heavy trucks used to service it were breaking up the parking lot surface. Three regular trash cans have been placed near the building.

Jim Bergstrom reported that efforts are being made to install a pull chain in each shower stall to conserve hot water.

Connie Baker, co-chairman of the Community Center, stated that the pool chlorinator has been replaced and that three lights in the pool have been replaced after sustaining winter damage a year ago. The current procedure of removing the pool lights should eliminate this type of winter damage. She called attention to the newly painted inside of the clubhouse and stated that the outside will be painted during the summer. New tile has been installed in the entry-way of a type that should not be slippery for the barefooted swimmers. Fairfax County made its annual inspection and the pool complex passed with no problem and with praise for the pool's excellent condition considering its age.

Mary Johnson, swim team representative, announced that she has hired an excellent coach and has high hopes for a successful season. Practice will start the Tuesday evening after the pool opens.

President Watts urged each member to read the TCC Manual, recently distributed, which contains the rules that we as a community have decided upon. Each family member

should be familiar with these rules and parents are encouraged to explain the regulations in detail to their children so as to avoid any unpleasant incidents.

It was announced that the PE program at Wakefield Forest Elementary School has requested the use of our pool during the morning hours until school is out. The Board of Directors plans to allow this use with the stipulation that the THA would not assume any financial costs or liability resulting from the use.

Bob Grey, Tennis Committee chairman, reported that the courts will be resurfaced as soon as the weather permits. The children's program will begin on May 22. He stressed the need for a volunteer to help with the boys team.

Heyko Laeyendecker, acting Park Committee chairman, announced that the fort near the pool had been dismantled and a fort of smaller configuration rebuilt with the hope of discouraging large gatherings of teenagers. The same thing is planned for the other large fort, and plans and suggestions are being considered for use of the excess lumber. "No Trespassing" signs will be posted at the entrances of the parkland. A question was raised as to the study made some time ago on the placing of a sign denoting the Truro community at the entrance on Elizabeth Lane. The board will investigate the matter.

Judi LaMorte, Social Committee chairman, announced that there will be a pool party starting at 2:30 p.m. on opening day, May 27, featuring popcorn, beer and soft drinks. She announced the various social activities coming up and again stressed the need for volunteers to keep the program going. Since she will be gone during the month of August, it is imperative that someone offer

to co-chair this committee if the annual activities are to continue. The main social event that month will be the children's party.

Robert Noë, Architectural Control Committee chairman, mentioned that there are some violations of the covenants concerning the parking of boats and trailers in the streets and driveways. There was discussion on ways of informing the members of the guidelines and covenants established for the community. It was suggested that the block captains deliver copies of these to new residents.

Dave Jones was commended for his editorship of Truro Trails, with the membership acknowledging that it is one of the finest community publications in the area.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.



BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
MAY 1978

The Board of Directors of the Truro Homes Association met on May 23, 1978, at the home of Cyndy Franklin. Attending were David Watts, Beverly Heinberg, George Walker, Cyndy Franklin, David and Ursula Ferner, Howard Cochran, Jim Jarrett, Tom Vick and Dave Jones.

Jim Jarrett and Tom Vick, representing the Audit Committee, discussed with the board the committee's recommendations in connection with its 1977 audit of the THA and TCC financial accounts. The board adopted a policy of requiring two signatures on savings account disbursements (including certificates of deposit) and on checking account disbursements over \$1,000, as recommended by the committee. The board also agreed to increase the

association's employee dishonesty insurance coverage above the present \$10,000 per employee amount, in accordance with the committee's recommendation. (The committee's third recommendation, concerning the countersigning of JACO Corp. vouchers, was previously adopted by the board.)

David and Ursula Ferner discussed with the board the repeated acts of vandalism on their home in recent months.

President Watts announced that negotiations for off-duty policemen for security patrol in the TCC area and parkland are continuing, but have not yet been completed. The board reaffirmed that the security patrols within the community will encompass not only the Community Center but the entire parkland.

The board discussed its members' involvement in the pool opening activities over the Memorial Day weekend.

The board considered a method of proceeding with the review of the recommendations of the ad hoc committee on by-laws revision.

The board adopted a policy concerning notification of homeowners who are delinquent in the payment of their THA dues. Delinquent members will be notified that if the dues are not paid within 72 hours of that notification the THA attorney will be instructed to place a lien against those homeowners' property.

George Walker pointed out the need for increased attention to parkland maintenance, particularly the repair and replacement of entrance signs. He will bring this to the attention of the Park Committee so that necessary action can be taken.

The board approved the president's denial of the use of the clubhouse for a political rally and denied a request for the use of the pool for commercial purposes.

A request from the office of Anandale District Supervisor Audrey Moore for distribution of her quarterly newsletter along with Truro Trails, using the area and block captains, was denied by the board.

The board agreed to make the pool available for a limited swimming program sponsored by the area YMCA and Wakefield Forest Elementary School during the remainder of the current school year, subject to certain conditions, including a release from liability.

The president asked board members to consider possible candidates for the position of chairman of a reactivated Civic Liaison Com-

mittee.

The next meeting of the board will be on June 26, 1978, at the home of George Walker.

**FROM THE COMMITTEES**

**SOCIAL COMMITTEE**

By Judi LaMorte

Ladies Pool Day

A second Ladies Pool Day will be on June 14 (the first was June 6) from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. Bring a sandwich; iced tea will be provided. Babysitting for preschoolers will be in the clubhouse for a fee of \$2. Bring a couple of sturdy toys that can be shared. We'll provide juice. Plan to join us for a few relaxing hours swimming and chatting before the summer rush.

**COMMUNITY CENTER MAINTENANCE AND POOL OPERATIONS.....**

By Jim and Connie Baker

You have the finest community pool anywhere. It looks great, is properly maintained and has an outstanding staff of young people to operate it. Please come out and enjoy it often this season.

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For those who need to contact the pool office for any reason, the number is 978-3040.  
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completed their inspections and once again the pool has received their highest rating.

Building

The floor tile has been installed in the upper entrance foyer. This is the culmination of a long effort to determine the best surface texture and how to compensate for floor design and construction deficiencies. This year's budget would not allow for doing the lower foyer; maybe next year's budget will cover this.

Pool

The pool has now been drained, cleaned and patched, and some tile has been repaired and filled. A new chlorinator has been installed. The Fairfax County inspectors have

Shrimp Feast

Mark July 21 on your calendar now so you won't miss this popular Truro tradition. A flyer and next month's Truro Trails will give you all the pertinent details, including the reservation deadline. Be sure to make your reservations early; the number of participants is limited.

Teen Party

This will be held in July this year in order that new teens in the community can meet new friends at the beginning of the summer. A flyer giving the details will be out shortly. Susan Howells and Jim Goubeaux together with Carolyn Ale are chairing this event.

Social Committee Meeting

Our next meeting will be June 21 at 7:30 p.m. at my house, 4313 Wakefield Drive. New members are always welcome.

**PUBLICITY COMMITTEE**

By Nan Sumner

THA Directory Corrections

The new directory contains a number of entries that should be deleted since the families no longer live in Truro:

- CHUBB family, Elizabeth Lane
- COLEMAN family, Elizabeth Lane
- COMMANDER family, Burbank Road
- HOFFMAN family, Burbank Road
- SANTOS family, Battailles Court
- UDBINAC family, Burbank Road
- VAN MOOK family, Elizabeth Lane
- WRIGLEY family, Appleton Court

Other corrections called in to date:

Under BARTLETT, delete "Elms"

after Benjamin.

Under GATTIS, add the telephone number 978-2513 and change "Nancy L." to "Nancy Lois."

**What you should know about  
The Covenants**

Storage of Recreation Equipment

"No storage of boats, boating equipment, travel trailers or camping equipment shall be visible from the street."

--Article VII, para. 11, THA Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions

The intent of this restriction is to prevent major pieces of recreation equipment from habitually being parked in a street, driveway or yard, where they would be on public view. Like trash contain-

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ers, they are supposed to be kept out of sight most of the time--stored in the rear of the home, in the garage or in a special enclosure approved by the Architectural Control Committee. This restriction is not intended to prohibit the occasional, temporary parking of recreation equipment in public view--that belonging to visitors, for example.



Zealous tree-cutters should also note that Article VII, para. 4, of the Covenants provides that "no tree of a diameter of more than four inches...shall be removed without the approval of the...Architectural Control Committee..." This means live trees, of course.





## Who's Graduating . . . Where They're Going

TRURO'S SENIORS  
LOOK FORWARD TO  
THEIR NEXT YEAR

By Liane Rozzell and Michele Tourtellotte

**T**ruro's delegation in the Woodson High School graduating class of 1978 has as widely based goals as backgrounds. Plans of the graduates range from becoming ambassadors and politicians to social work and engineering.

There are 42 graduating seniors in Truro this year. Here's a list of them, together with their plans for next year:

JOHN BAKER: Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, Daytona Beach.

MARTIN BAKER: Undecided.

TOM BARRETT: Virginia Polytechnic Institute (VPI), Blacksburg.

TERESA BASGALL: University of Tennessee, Knoxville.

MARK CALDER: Old Dominion University (ODU), Norfolk.

THERESA CHIDDENTON: St. Mary's University, Halifax.

MIKE COCHRAN: University of West Virginia, Morgantown.

CLAUDIA CORRADINE: Study in France.

MARTHA CORRADINE: Study in France.

BETH CRALLE: VPI.

STEVE CURRAN: George Mason University (GMU), Fairfax.

TOM DALY: Undecided.

JOHN FORD: VPI.

ROBERT FREY: Michigan State University, East Lansing.

CHRIS GERBER: ODU.

CHAUNETTE HALL: GMU.

TODD HARCOURT: Employment.

RICHARD HARVEY: School in Hawaii.

MARTA HENRIKSEN: Tour of the United States.

ANDREA HUESTIS: Northern Virginia Community College (NOVA), Annandale.

PAT KENNEDY: Clarion State College, Clarion, PA.

THERESA KERR: University of Texas, Austin.

JEFF LUMMIS: University of Arizona, Tucson.

SUSAN MARQUIS: College of William and Mary, Williamsburg.

STEVE MATUSZKO: VPI.

KAREN MURPHY: University of West Virginia.

KEITH NEWPORT: VPI.

DAVE OCEL: Ferrum Junior College, Ferrum, VA.

PATRICK PATTERSON: Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University.

ERIKA RIMSON: University of Virginia (UVA), Charlottesville.

LIANE ROZZELL: Harvard University, Cambridge.

JOANNE SCHADE: NOVA.

TERESA SCHUDEL: VPI.

LAUREL SHUTE: Virginia Commonwealth University, Richmond.

TERI SIMPSON: UVA.

CHUCK SMITH: VPI.

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LYNDA SPERRY: UVA.

KIRK TAYLOR: University of South Carolina, Columbia.

MICHELE TOURTELLOTTE: VPI.

CARMEN UNZICKER: Accounting.

MATT WHITE: Boston University, Boston.

SUE WILLNER: Syracuse University, Syracuse.

BEER CAN CONVENTION

When: Sunday, June 11, 12 noon until 3 p.m.

Where: Truro Community Center.

Purpose: To buy, sell or trade beer cans. Free admission. For more information or table reservations, call 978-2408.

**Bowling**..... By Cathy Bostak

The VIP Bowling League, to which many Truro women belong, ended its season on May 25 with a banquet at the Rafter's restaurant in Alexandria.

Team #4, The Elizabeth Lanes, consisting of Eileen DePoy, Anita Vick, Edna Joyner and Kathy Granato, came in first in High Series/Handicap. In overall team standings, Team #3, The Pick-Ups, made up of Julia Kennedy, Pat Polk, Bev Promersberger and Cathy Bostak came in third out of 16 teams, with the third highest number of games won.

The three Truroites who each bowled a 200 game or better this season were:

Edna Joyner.....210 (scratch)  
Cathy Bostak.....205 (scratch)  
Thelma Cannon....201 (scratch)

Thelma Cannon also had a 503 series.

Most of the women improved their averages over last year (or after the 21st game this year, if they didn't bowl in a league last year). The Truro bowlers, with their final bowling average and number of pins improved, were:

Judy Molseed           92    +19  
Sue George            103   + 2  
Lottie Buhain         109   - 4

Doris Hall	112	+ 2
Edie Kaufman	117	+12
Mary Ellen Trent	118	+ 3
Kathy Bryce	125	+ 5
Eileen DePoy	127	+ 8
Barbara Newport	128	+16
Gayle Page	128	+ 2
Pat Polk	130	+ 2
Anita Vick	132	+ 7
Thelma Cannon	134	+ 4
Bev Promersberger	135	+ 7
Sue Weldon	136	+10
Edna Joyner	137	+ 1
Donna Ury	137	- 1
Dee Boynton	138	+ 2
Cathy Bostak	141	- 1

Election of officers for next year resulted in Cathy Bostak being reelected president of the league. Bev Promersberger is the new treasurer. She will also assume the duties of sub chairperson, a job she carried out so very well this year.

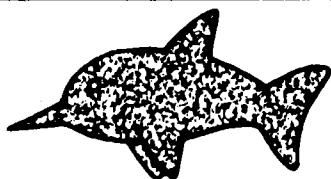
If anyone is interested in bowling next year, give Cathy a call at 978-2408. The VIP League will bowl every Thursday morning at the Annandale Bowling Center starting on September 7.

If men behaved after marriage as they do during their engagements, there wouldn't be half as many divorces--but there would be twice as many bankruptcies.

--Family Happiness

# Truro Committee on School Boundaries Meets

By Liz Clarke



## Swimming *uuu* By Mary Johnson

### Swim Team Check List

- Practices--Check times on bulletin board, or see Kim or Cheryl.
- Registration--June 3 and 10, 9 a.m., at the pool.
- Swim Suits--June 3 and 10, 9 a.m., at the pool.
- Officials' Clinic--June 10, 8 a.m., at Annandale.
- Time Trials--June 17, 8:30 a.m.--for all swimmers and officials.
- First Meet--June 24, 9 a.m., at Truro.
- Addition--July 4, 9 a.m., gala Greater Springfield meet at Truro.

The Truro Committee on School Boundaries met with other concerned Truro parents on May 16 at the Truro Community Center to continue its consideration of possible modifications in Fairfax County school boundaries.

The ad hoc committee of parents has been studying the impact of boundary changes on area students. It was formed after school officials announced plans to reexamine school boundaries this fall. The reexamination will assume that parts of every existing school attendance area would be subject to reassignment to another area. Previously, school boundary changes have been infrequent.

At their May 16 meeting the Truro parents heard from Vivian Watts, who reported on the results of the recent study by the Countywide Citizens Task Force on Declining Enrollment and Efficient Use of Schools, which she heads. The task force study was subsequently presented to the Fairfax County School Board on May 25. The study recommends improvements in collecting demographic data and in forecasting population and enrollment changes. The school board will meet June 15 to discuss the study at a public hearing.

Meanwhile, the Truro ad hoc committee has been examining the impact of shifting some students from Frost to Poe Junior High School, and from Woodson to Annandale High School. It is specifically looking into questions on academic standards in the alternate schools involved, and procedures for making any required changeovers. Its activities will resume in the fall.

### **TRURO HOMES ASSOCIATION**

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Annandale, Virginia

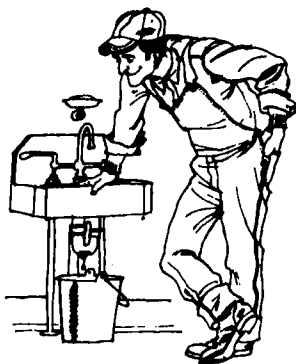
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ON  
**TRURO**  
HOME REPAIRS



CONVERTING FROM WINTER  
HEAT TO SUMMER COOLING

By Richard Goodwin, P.E.

Each spring and fall you should adjust the heating/cooling system in your Truro home to get the highest efficiency and comfort. Generally, in the winter you want low air flow and high humidity, and in the summer high air flow and low humidity. There are a few other checks you should make.

The compressor of your cooling unit is equipped with a heating coil of about 1,000 watts. This remains active as long as the main AC breaker in the electrical control panel is engaged. If you turned this off last fall--as you should have done to save electricity--you should turn it back on at least 12 and preferably 24 hours before you start the unit. The purpose of the heater is to drive the freon out of the oil. If this isn't done the oil will "slug" out of the compressor and damage it.

Next, disconnect your humidifier. This can be done either by shutting off the water to it or by disconnecting the electrical circuit. Most power humidifiers are equipped with a plug inserted into an electrical outlet on the furnace. Turning off both the water and electricity is best. This may be a good time to clean your humidifier, get new pads, etc., for next year's

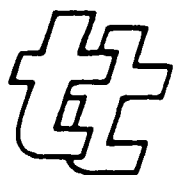
heating season.

Your next job is to increase the blower speed. Remove the panel(s) which give you access to the blower motor compartment. (Caution: There should be an electrical switch on the side of the furnace which shuts the system down; turn it to the off position. You can check this out by setting the blower switch on the thermostat to "manual" to see that the blower doesn't run.) Note that the pulley on the motor is adjustable. If properly set up for winter operation, the belt will be riding well down into the groove in the pulley. For summer operation the belt should be riding somewhat higher on the motor pulley. To make the necessary summer adjustment, first loosen the belt tensioning bolt--normally with a 7/16" wrench--and remove and inspect the belt. (If it shows any cracks or unusual wear, replace it.) Take an Allen wrench of the proper size and loosen the set screw on the outer half of the motor pulley. Turn the outer half clockwise until the distance between the two halves is reduced to the point where the outer edge of the belt is even with or slightly outside the outer diameter of the pulley. Continue to rotate the outer half of the pulley until the set screw, when tightened, will rest on one of the two flat spots on the hub, then tighten the set screw. Next replace the belt and set the tension so that the middle of the belt, between the two pulleys, deflects  $\frac{1}{4}$ " to  $\frac{1}{2}$ " each way. If the belt squeals when the motor starts, increase the tension.

Replace the panels and flip on the switch on the side of the furnace.



Next Month:  
SUGGESTIONS ON CONTRACTORS  
By Rosalind Richstein



## this and that . .

In addition to its representation on the Woodson High School girls track team, Truro has two young men doing well on the Woodson boys track and field team. Tom Barrett, son of Tom and Peggy Barrett of 4313 Lorene Lane, a senior at Woodson, has been a consistent winner in the high jump for the Cavaliers. His first place leap of 6'3" helped Woodson take third place in the Potomac District meet last month. Richard Matuszko, son of Anthony and Anita Matuszko of 4210 Elizabeth Lane, placed fourth in the discus throw (with a toss of 133'1") in the same meet.

Meanwhile, Truro's Teresa Bassgall and Liane Rozzell continue to burn up the distance courses for the Woodson girls team. In the May meet Teresa took first in the 880-yard run (setting a new meet record) and joined with three teammates to win the one mile relay. Liane won both the one mile and two mile runs, setting meet records in both events, and tied for second place in the high jump.



Sharp-eyed readers of the Annandale Globe may have noticed that Truro's Liz Duffield, of 8703 Pappas Way, is now editing the Annandale community news for the Globe. Liz asks that anyone having news of forthcoming events in the Annandale area pass it on to her--two weeks in advance, please--at 978-2883.



Gina Gareri of 4111 Turkey Creek Court has been appointed managing editor of The Breeze, James Madison University's semiweekly newspaper, for the coming school year. Gina,

a junior majoring in journalism, is the daughter of Dan and Lu Gareri. She wrote of her experiences in back-packing through Europe last summer in a series of articles in the August-October 1977 issues of Truro Trails. She will also be contributing next month's Truro Trails cover.



THA's former treasurer, Howard Cochran, of 8709 Chippendale Court, was recently elected treasurer of Scope, Inc., a Reston electronics firm. Howard is also vice president of financing for Scope. He was THA's treasurer in 1975-1977.



B. J. Sullivan of 4402 Wakefield Drive, a 7th grade student at St. Michael's School, Annandale, recently received the Outstanding Delegate award for the Model U.N. held at Bishop Ireton High School in Alexandria. The 300 delegates were from Northern Virginia Catholic junior and senior high schools. B. J. was also one of two boys from the Pee Wee A's Fairfax Hockey Club chosen in February to skate with the Capitals at the opening of the new Mount Vernon ice rink. His sister Cathy's Braddock Road basketball team won the season championship as well as the tournament championship.



Can any of you oldsters remember where Daphne du Maurier's 1935 novel, "Jamaica Inn," was set? Near Truro, Cornwall, that's where. Early in the story the heroine rode through 19th century "Truro town, at the head of the Fal, with its many roofs and spires, its broad cobbled streets...the people at the doors smiling and waving as the coach rattled past." This is the Truro featured in the "Truro Heritage" article in the February 1976 issue of Truro Trails.

**LETTERS**

More on Chloroform

Mr. Goodwin's letter in the May Truro Trails largely agreed with information on chloroform I had obtained from authorities at the EPA and Fairfax County Water Authority. However, I did recheck the EPA's previous statement that home water treatment systems are not recommended. Spokesmen for the EPA's Drinking Water Division say that a major study of the effectiveness of at least 40 types of home treatment apparatus is underway, but for now they discourage the use of such products for a variety of reasons.

A FCWA engineer suggested that homeowners concerned about trihalomethanes simply permit water intended for drinking to stand exposed to the air for two or three days before use. Not only is most chloroform evaporated in this way, but all chlorine compounds are reduced by 90-95%. This method was also favored by the EPA, which recommended that if bacterial contamination is feared after the water has been left standing, the water may be boiled briefly and stored in the refrigerator.

Evaporation has long been used to eliminate chlorine from water used on certain houseplants and in aquariums. Apparently it would be healthy for humans, too.

Energy costs for boiling my family's drinking water are less than \$1 a month. At this rate I think we can afford to continue this method of purification until the EPA provides more definitive statements about home treatment devices in 12 to 18 months.

Mr. Goodwin points out that the

Ozomatic, which he distributes, aims at the elimination of all types of water pollutants. Mr. Cameron of the FCWA assures callers that there is almost no industrial pollution of Fairfax County's water supply, and that our water contains far less of the six pesticides for which federal standards have been set than is permissible. Hence I personally am not convinced that it is time for residents in this area to worry about contaminants other than chloroform and related trihalomethanes.

I am most troubled by the fact that the FCWA is still reluctant to release data on its chloroform monitoring. Tests are made twice monthly at several locations in the county, but the public is not permitted to see the results. Perhaps if more people asked for the information it would be released more readily.

--Nan Sumner

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Pat on the Back for Truro Trails

Just a quick note to all concerned with Truro Trails to thank you for keeping us updated during the past two years. It's been a real pleasure to read our paper each month while stationed overseas.

We're looking forward to being a part of the Truro community again in July. Thanks to the efforts of the Truro Trails folks, our reentry will be a happy one.

--Marj and Wally Bridgman

The average American worker earns almost twice as much as an Englishman, three times as much as a Russian and about half of what he thinks he should be earning.

--Table Talk

