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January 21 Vote on Budgets Set

Truro Homes Association members will vote on 1982 budgets for the association and the THA-controlled Truro Community Center at a general membership meeting scheduled for Thursday, January 21. The meeting will be at 8 p.m. in the community center clubhouse.

Up for approval at the meeting will be THA and TCC budgets totaling \$16,275 and \$79,831, respectively. These budgets, if adopted by the membership, will result in a THA assessment of \$40, the same as it was in 1981, and a TCC user fee of \$185, up \$5 from last year.

The two proposed budgets being recommended to the membership by the Board of Directors are presented on pages 2 and 3 of this issue. THA President Russ Wylie's discussion of the key features of the proposed budgets begins on page 2.

The THA budget for 1982 is \$170 less in projected income and expenditures than that for 1981. The only significant change within that budget is a decrease in Park Committee funds of about \$800 and a corresponding increase in the Social Committee's allocation. The 1982 budget also reflects a division of reserve fund contribution between the THA and TCC, whereas last year's contribution went solely to the THA reserve fund. This is to help replenish the TCC reserve fund, which has been heavily drawn down by the recent tennis court and pool drainage repairs.

The TCC budget for this year is \$1,764 greater than that for last year. The major increases in this budget are for the repair and maintenance of the facilities--the clubhouse, grounds, parking lots and pool--up about \$3,200 from 1981. There are also significant increases

in insurance costs, janitorial service and the contribution to the TCC reserve fund. These are largely offset by a decrease of about \$4,400 in projected expenditures for pool supplies, equipment and furniture. The contract for operation of the pool remains the same as it was last year. To fund its projected 1982 TCC expenditures, the Board of Directors is proposing a \$5 increase in the TCC user fee.

The TCC user fee has risen each year since 1972, when it was \$70. This year's increase is the smallest in recent years, however; last year the fee was raised \$20. The THA assessment has been increased only one time since the association was formed; it was raised from \$35 to \$40 in 1980.

Official notices of the January 21 general membership meeting are being mailed to all members of the THA early this month. Refreshments at the meeting will be arranged by the Social Committee.

THE COVER

To have a really Happy New Year you have to get on top of your feelings. That's exactly what our young fellow on this month's cover is doing--celebrating the good in his life. The bad feelings he's setting aside to cope with later. We wish all of our readers a good and prosperous 1982. Cheers!

FROM THE PRESIDENT

By Russ Wylie

The 1982 Budget Proposals

Budgets and assessments for both the Truro Homes Association and the Truro Community Center have been compiled by the Board of Directors and will be presented to the community for approval or modification at the January 21 meeting. The board is recommending budget and assessments levels in keeping with 1981, although there will be a recommended increase in the TCC user fee of \$5.

The THA budget proposes expend-

itures of \$16,275 for the year and a \$40 assessment, compared with an estimated \$16,445 budget for 1981 and a \$40 assessment. The THA budget covers upkeep of the parkland and a portion of the clubhouse, represented by a small contribution each year to the TCC reserve fund. Major facility repairs are normally financed from the TCC reserve fund. Other THA expenses (listed below) include such items as real estate taxes, a share of social activity costs, and park path maintenance.

The TCC budget, which covers operation, repair and maintenance of the swimming pool and tennis court areas, has been set at about \$80,000 for 1982, compared with a little more than \$78,000 in 1981. A user fee of \$185 will be requested.

1982 THA AND TCC BUDGETS.....Submitted by Jerry Stranahan, Treasurer

Truro Homes Association Budget

	<u>1981 Budget</u>	<u>Proposed 1982 Budget</u>
<u>Income</u>		
Member Assessments	\$15,080	\$15,080
Interest	965	795
Other	400	400
	<u>\$16,445</u>	<u>\$16,275</u>
<u>Expenses</u>		
Record Keeper	\$ 600	\$ 600
Real Estate Taxes	700	700
Other Taxes	10	10
Insurance	700	800
Legal Fees	100	50
Office Supplies/Postage	1,200	1,200
Park Supplies	500	780
Paths and Grounds	2,720	1,700
Bridges and Signs	800	700
Creeks	---	---
Playgrounds	250	200
Reserve Fund Contribution--THA	5,600	3,000
--TCC	---	2,200
Social	930	1,700
Publicity	1,775	1,850
Contributions	100	360
Security	460	425
	<u>\$16,445</u>	<u>\$16,275</u>

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Truro Community Center Budget

	1981 Budget	Proposed 1982 Budget
<u>Income</u>		
Membership Dues	\$72,000	\$74,000
Guest Fees	1,800	1,800
Clubhouse Rental	500	500
Interest	567	331
Transfer Fees	200	200
Lease Income	1,000	1,000
Other	2,000	2,000
	\$78,067	\$79,831
<u>Expenses</u>		
Record Keeper	\$ 600	\$ 600
Real Estate Taxes	1,700	1,700
Insurance	3,500	4,200
Office Supplies	300	200
Telephone	750	800
Electricity	4,700	4,500
Gas	700	750
Water and Sewer	1,500	1,500
Repair and Maintenance--Community Center	2,642	3,500
--Grounds	5,771	7,600
--Parking Lot	790	1,900
--Pool	3,486	3,850
Reserve Fund Contribution	8,100	8,800
Janitorial	800	1,100
Trash Removal	645	900
Pool Management	26,081	26,081
Swim and Dive Coaches	3,350	3,000
Chemicals	3,224	3,300
Pool Supplies	1,212	300
Equipment and Furniture	4,000	500
Other Pool Expenses	106	100
Swim and Dive Team Operations	1,130	1,200
Tennis Operations	2,000	2,100
Social	430	800
Vandalism/Security	550	550
	\$78,067	\$79,831

There are significant budget differences from 1981 to 1982 in three key areas: social expenditures, TCC repair and maintenance, and reserve fund expenditures.

The social expenditure increases are due to an accounting change and to a recommendation that the association finance non-food costs associated with the annual crab feast. The accounting change reflects a

decision by the board to include in the social category the cost of the board's annual dinner honoring the chairmen of the association's committees and other key volunteers. Over the years, the cost has grown from a couple hundred dollars to nearly \$400, even though the menu (grilled hamburgers, cole slaw, beer and wine) and the number of people (40 to 50) have remained the same. The board wants to continue these

annual dinners honoring committee chairmen and key volunteers as one small way of thanking them for their many hours of community service.

The Social Committee has recommended one key increase: about \$300 for a portion of the cost of the crab feast. This is perhaps the community's most successful annual social event. Last year's attendance filled tables set up over the entire deck area between the pool and the clubhouse. But even with tickets at \$12 or so, and with attendance at a record level, ticket revenue fell short of covering the cost of the event by some \$260 last year. The board agreed that to help hold the line on ticket costs it would recommend to the community acceptance of an additional \$300 in social expenses to cover the non-food portions of the event--music, lifeguards, decorations, tables and the like.

The Social Committee will also turn over to the board an estimated \$300 for 1981, representing an accumulated surplus from its separate account. The board agreed to budget a corresponding amount for table replacement for the upstairs meeting room.

The board is recommending significant increases in the TCC repair and maintenance budget for 1982, due in part to Jim Baker's request to be relieved of responsibility for these activities. Jim has handled these items on a voluntary basis for many years, much to the community's benefit. The board wanted to budget enough in these categories to compensate for the loss of Jim's volunteer services. The board is now negotiating with a community member to supply these services and believes that the budgeted amounts will be adequate.

Incidentally, Jim has offered to

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forego his annual "cost of living" adjustment that is part of his contract with the community for operating the pool. This is a kind and thoughtful act on Jim's part, and typifies the manner in which he has served the community over the years.

Reserve fund expenditures represent a continuing and important item. Over the years the community has insisted that the physical assets of parkland, paths, clubhouse, pool and tennis courts be properly maintained. To this end the board many years ago set up two reserve funds, one for the THA and one for the TCC. Money is added to these accounts annually so that funds will be available to pay for major maintenance, repairs or additions when they are needed without resort to special assessments or large fluctuations (i.e., increases) in annual assessments. During 1981, the community approved more than \$12,000 in reserve fund expenditures for drainage fields to relieve pool deck heaving and deterioration of tennis courts #3 and #4.

For 1982 the board will recommend five major reserve fund expenditures: rebuild the pool perimeter fencing, replace pool pump room plumbing components, continue replacement of electrical items with energy efficient units (energy cost reductions yield one- to three-year paybacks), and replace the linoleum in the lower foyer.

There will also be a proposal to spend from the reserve fund perhaps as much as \$4,700 to resurface tennis courts #3 and #4, as discussed at the emergency membership meeting November 4. The subsurface drainage installed under the courts requires court resurfacing to bring them back to proper playing condition. These expenditures total approximately \$9,000 from the TCC reserve fund.

Our budget also includes a contribution to the TCC reserve fund of \$8,800 to keep the balance at about \$12,000 by year's end.

Another significant contribution to the TCC reserve fund will be required in the 1983 budget because the board foresees additional major repairs. Two items for 1983 may be renovation of the baby pool and repair and resealing of the upper parking lot. These two items could run from \$13,000 to \$15,000. The board decided to hold off recoating the children's pool this year to allow time to make sure that the drainage repairs would in fact relieve the baby pool deck heaving problem.

In the THA reserve fund, we have been planning park path resurfacing and set money aside last year. We are proposing a further addition this year. The work is scheduled to be done this year, assuming community approval of the expenditure.

I urge each of you to attend the January 21 budget meeting to hear

more details and to take part in the discussion. Committee chairmen will be on hand to answer questions.

This year's budget presentations by the committees--principally for tennis, social, TCC (swimming and diving included) and parks--were well prepared. The attitude of the committees toward their budget requests may be summed up by one comment I heard: "They acted as if it were their own money they were spending."

Our community takes a great deal of pride in itself. This is reflected in how we treat budgets. The committees work to make sure they ask for no more than is necessary. And the community responds each January with enough to keep Truro's physical and social assets robust and healthy.

FROM THE COMMITTEES

PUBLICITY COMMITTEE

By Donna Reistetter

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FROM THE BOARD

By Judi LaMorte

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
DECEMBER 1981

The Board of Directors of the Truro Homes Association met at the home of Catherine Bergstrom on December 10, 1981. Those present were Russ Wylie, Suzanne Rehder, Steve Alterman, Catherine Bergstrom, Jim LaMorte, Judi LaMorte, Jerry Stranahan and Preston Meynardie.

The meeting was called to order by President Russ Wylie. The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as published in the November issue of Truro Trails.

Treasurer Jerry Stranahan submitted for the board's review the THA and TCC budgets proposed for 1982. The board reviewed and discussed each of the budget items.

In addition, the recommended reserve fund expenditures (TCC) for 1982 were reviewed. Russ Wylie moved that the board recommend to the membership at the January 1982 meeting the following reserve fund expenditures for 1982: \$4,700 for resurfacing tennis courts #3 and #4; \$1,200 for pool perimeter fencing; \$1,600 for replacing the pump valve; \$750 for lighting (energy conservation); \$750 for linoleum in the lower foyer. The motion was seconded and passed.

Steve Alterman moved that the THA and TCC budgets presented by the treasurer be recommended for adoption by the community at the January 1982 meeting with the following amendment: That the member-

ship approve a \$5 increase in the TCC user fee. This increase would be set aside for inclusion in the TCC reserve fund. The motion was seconded and carried.

Russ Wylie moved that the board recommend that already approved expenditures for repair and maintenance be expanded to include \$6,000 for repair of paths and \$2,000 for repair of the clubhouse deck. The motion was seconded and carried.

Jim LaMorte was appointed as the board's liaison to the Truro sponsored Scout troops for the duration of this school year.

The next board meeting will be held on January 12 at the home of Jim and Judi LaMorte.

AEROBIC DANCE CLASSES SCHEDULED



Aerobic dance is again being offered in Truro and elsewhere in the area by Marge Fallon of the Aerobic Dance Co.

Classes will begin the week of February 1, will meet twice weekly, and will consist of 24 one-hour sessions. Classes are being held at three locations: Truro Community Center on Mondays and Thursdays at 9:15 a.m.; Congregation Olam Tikvah, 3800 Glenbrook Road, on Wednesdays and Fridays at 9:15 a.m.; and Providence Presbyterian Church, 9109 Little River Turnpike, on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 6:10 p.m. The course at the TCC is open to THA and TCC members only. For registration and further information, call Marge at 323-8073.

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Neighborhood Watch

TRURO NEARS FIRST ANNIVERSARY OF ITS
NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH: CRIME RATE DROPS

By Dick Yates

January 11 will mark the end of the first year of our Neighborhood Watch activity in Truro. We have averaged more than two patrols each week and now have a daytime patrol. Truro has had only one burglary in that period, a decrease from the previous period. The Watch cannot claim all the credit for this; the police have stepped up their emphasis, at least one master burglar has been arrested, and new laws have made it more difficult to sell silver and gold. But the police do give some of the credit to the 70+ Watches now operating in the county.

One of the side benefits of the Neighborhood Watches is helping us to know our neighbors. The Truro Watch has very few permanent teams. I schedule patrols based on availability and the date of the last patrol duty. Patrol members may live across the street from each other, or across Truro.

During our second year we will obtain more signs and increase our daytime patrols, but otherwise continue present operating methods.

New Emergency Telephone Number

Effective December 15, most jurisdictions in Northern Virginia adopted 911 as the emergency number for fire, rescue and police. The non-emergency number for police in Fairfax County remains unchanged: 691-2131. Post this change on your telephone stickers and in your telephone books.

Crimesolvers Program

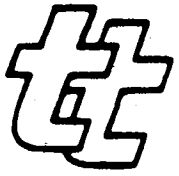
The Crimesolvers Program has been a significant factor in the solution of crimes. During its two

years of operation the Crimesolvers telephone number (691-8888) has received more than 1,200 calls. This program has led to the solution of nine of the 115 "Crimes of the Week" and of 130 other felonies and nine misdemeanors. Nine fugitives have been apprehended. Stolen property valued at more than \$265,000 has been recovered. The callers have received rewards of up to \$1,000, and may remain completely anonymous. Watch the 5:30 p.m. news every Wednesday on Channel 7--or telephone 691-COPS on Saturday or Sunday for the Crimesolvers recorded "Crime of the Week." On weekdays and weeknights, that number will get you a recorded police daily helpful hint.

Several area papers also run articles on Crimesolvers. The Annandale Buyer's Market, delivered free to Truro homes, frequently has articles, sometimes with artists' conceptions of suspected criminals.

What Does Neighborhood Watch Do?

For the information of newcomers, we have a two-person patrol in a vehicle equipped with Neighborhood Watch signs and a CB radio. The patrol observes and reports anything suspicious. The patrollers do not confront any person or vehicle, and have no special powers. They do have the capability of calling the base radio station and causing the Fairfax County police to be called. And the police are very enthusiastic about Neighborhood Watch. The patrol (in addition to the Neighborhood Watch signs in Truro) advertises to burglars, vandals or other criminals that Truro residents are concerned and aware, and that lawbreakers stand a good chance of being observed and reported. Volunteers are always needed, so call me at 978-8318 if you can help.



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Max and Fannette Ollendorff, formerly of 8617 Ordinary Way, report from Germany that they'll soon be moving to Helsinki, Finland, where Max has been selected to be commercial attaché at the American Embassy there. Their move will be in mid-January. Writes Fannette: "I'll lay down my tennis racquet for a while for two new sports--sauna and cross-country, in that order."

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Hamp Oberle, a second-year naval architecture major at the U.S. Naval Academy, was the subject of a feature story in the sports section of the Fairfax Journal in November. Hamp played defensive end on the Midshipmen's varsity football team. In a story in its November 5 edition, the Journal highlighted the versatility Hamp showed in playing either end position--"strong-side or weak-side"--which required that he learn all of the plays at both positions. Hamp earlier earned letters in football, wrestling and track at W.T. Woodson High School. He is the son of Ron and Louise Oberle of 4407 Ossian Hall Lane.

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And two Truro athletes are making news this season for the W.T. Woodson High School Cavaliers:

• Lorraine Rimson of 4507 Wakefield Drive is one of the stalwarts on this year's Woodson girls basketball team. In a December 2 article in the Fairfax Journal (which included a two-column picture of Lorraine), Assistant Sports Editor Tom Orndorff reported that "nobody, but nobody, goes to the boards any better than 6'-0" center Rimson." Lor-

raine, a junior, is the daughter of Ira and Arlene Rimson.

• Chris Clarke of 8622 Appleton Court, also a junior at Woodson, is again wrestling (at the 145-pound weight) for the Cavaliers. He is one of several veterans whose return this season is expected to put the Cavaliers in strong contention for the Northern District wrestling title. Chris is the son of Jim and Liz Clarke.

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Shirley Walker of 8622 Appleton Court reports that she is now working for Virginia Delegate Jim Dillard as his legislative aide. She and husband George managed Jim's recent campaign for reelection to the House of Delegates.

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The Truro community extends its sympathy to the family of Robert Y. Lee on the death of their husband and father. Robert died of cancer in mid-December. The Lees--Susan and two children, Freddy and Joan--have lived at 8611 Pappas Way since last summer.

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Rick Richstein of 8713 Mary Lee Lane has recently been named general counsel of the Arms Control and Disarmament Agency. Incidentally, his name will appear in Who's Who in America next May.

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T. Homer Aargh, Truro's old-timer, wants to remind all the folks in Truro that it's bad form to cut through a neighbor's yard to get to the parkland. In some cases, Homer points out, paths are being worn across carefully tended lawns by thoughtless neighbors taking shortcuts into the park. There are plenty of public entrances to the parkland--13 of them--for those whose homes don't abut it, he emphasizes.

The Clearing House

By Catherine Bergstrom

The Clearing House will begin its New Year on Tuesday, January 12, at 10 a.m., with a display of "Washi boxes" which were shown during Art in the Park last September. Washi boxes are an adaptation of "Chiyo-Gami," a decorative Japanese craft in which various items are constructed of fiberboard and covered with hand-made Japanese paper. The craft has been sold in kits for some time in Japan and is now being distributed in the U.S. by Judy House of 8623 Appleton Court.

Judy will display a variety of kits and offer you the opportunity to make one that morning. Some of the kits take less than an hour to assemble and complete, while others are more complex. It will be your choice as to what design you'd like to make. The kits cost from \$4.95 to \$12.95. All you need to bring is a good sharp pair of scissors.

More information or a brochure is available from Judy. You can reach her at 323-8873.

Come join us on January 12.

FROM THE EDITOR

Hardly had the December issue been delivered when I received a call from an anonymous reader who was offended by the cover and accompanying article on the local Jewish synagogue. Christmas is a Christian holiday, she insisted, not a Jewish one.

I tried to explain that that was a December issue, not a Christmas issue; that Hanukkah falls in De-

CALENDAR

(KEY EVENTS COMING UP)

January 12--Clearing House, 10 a.m., TCC.

January 12--THA Board of Directors Meeting, 8 p.m., 4313 Wakefield Drive.

January 21--THA General Membership Meeting, 8 p.m., TCC.

ember, too; that for years we've featured places of worship on our December covers--all of them Christian churches until this year. She said, "This is a Christian country and I object to a synagogue on the cover," and hung up.

My caller identified herself as a Christian. I am, too, and it saddens me to be reminded how far some of us still have to go to transcend bigotry. She also said that she was new to Truro. My hope is that the experience of living among the good people of this community will somehow inspire her to reshape her views of the Christian ethic. Then perhaps she, along with the rest of us, can be happier in this New Year.

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