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## MANAGEMENT REPORT

Donald Fenton, General Manager

### ○ NOTICE

Over 20% of our unit owners have signed up for the option of *AUTOMATICALLY* deducting their monthly condominium fees from their bank accounts. The first deduction will be run January 3, 1995. Any other unit owner wishing to sign up for this program is encouraged to do so as soon as possible. Deductions for the next group will commence in February of 1995. Those enrolled in this program did **NOT** receive coupon books this year, otherwise you should have received them. You can obtain duplicate coupon books, if necessary, from the Accounting Department.

### ○ RULE REMINDERS

#### RULE 16 DECORATIONS

A. Seasonal decorations are permitted on unit doors and balconies during the period December 1st - January 15th.

The Xmas tree dumpster is now located behind the West Loading Dock. It will be in place until January 20th. All trees should be placed in this container and not left in loading docks, etc. If you need assistance please call the office to make arrangements during normal working hours. All trees should be covered while they are being taken to the dumpster.

### ○ Redecoration

As of the last week of December the redecoration was proceeding well, the 17th, 16th 15th, 14th and 11th floors have had all wallpaper stripped. The 11th, 17th, 16th and 15th have been painted and the unit doors have been painted on the 11th, 17th and 16th floors. A sample light fixture has been installed on the 11th floor and the other samples are planned to be installed this week. Carpeting and wallpaper orders are being finalized. We will publish the schedule as soon as the factories advise us.

### ○ December & January Events

The installation of a safety railing along the stairs located at the West end of the West building has been accomplished. The new deck covering inside the East Bridgeway as well as the repair of the Exercise Room roof is scheduled for the 1st week of January '95. Plans for the new fence along the Build America/Skyline House boundary are being finalized. Additionally, we expect a replacement Hornbeam tree to be planted in the area between the East bridgeway and the garage.

### ○ Information

Management would appreciate being advised of the loss of security keys and/or garage cards as it happens. The garage cards can be deprogrammed at will and a lookout will be made for any keys reported lost or stolen. While we are at it, remember to please update your occupancy form whenever information changes. For example, many times when



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## ○ ELECTIONS

That time has rolled around again. Skyline House needs a few good unit owners to serve on the Board of Directors. This year we will need a minimum of 3 three new directors. Dave Tilson's, 805 W, and M. Moore's, 1213 E, three year terms are completed in March. Sam Blumberg, whose term should normally expire in March of '96 will be leaving Skyline House on January 30, 1995. That creates an opening for a one year term. Following is the 1995 Election Schedule:

<b>Nominations Open:</b>	<b>01/03/95</b>
<b>Nominations Close:</b>	<b>02/17/95</b>
<b>Unit Owner Mailout:</b>	<b>03/01/95</b>
<b>Meet the Candidates Night</b>	<b>03/20/95</b>
	<b>( 7:30 PM</b>
	<b>East Party Rm)</b>
<b>Election</b>	<b>03/28/95</b>
	<b>(7:15 PM</b>
	<b>Main Lobby)</b>



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# **NOTICE**

## **1995 ELECTION**

### ***BOARD OF DIRECTORS***

**ON TUESDAY MARCH 28, 1994 AN ELECTION WILL BE HELD TO ELECT TWO UNIT OWNERS FOR THREE YEAR TERMS AND ONE UNIT OWNER FOR A ONE YEAR TERM AS MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SKYLINE HOUSE UNIT OWNERS' ASSOCIATION, INC.**

**UNDER OUR BY-LAWS THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS IS RESPONSIBLE FOR ADMINISTRATION OF THE AFFAIRS OF OUR ASSOCIATION AND CONDOMINIUM. IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF EACH OWNER TO CAREFULLY CONSIDER WHO SHOULD BE, AND ELECT THE MEMBERS OF THIS BODY. THIS IS YOUR OPPORTUNITY TO VOLUNTEER (APPLICATIONS ARE AVAILABLE AT THE FRONT DESK) OR TO URGE A NEIGHBOR TO UNDERTAKE THIS MOST IMPORTANT SERVICE TO OUR COMMUNITY.**

**F. BLUMBERG,  
CHAIR, COVENANTS COMMITTEE**

**SKYLINE HOUSE UNIT OWNERS' ASSOCIATION, INC.**

**FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT  
COMMITTEE**

**Bill Miller, Chair**

The Financial Management Committee (FMC) did not meet in December. The only committee activity was a review of the Association's November 1994 financial documents on December 29, 1994.

The Committee's next major financial interest will be the audit of the Association's 1994 financial records.

The next meeting of the FMC will be held in the West Card Room on January 19, 1995 at 7:00 pm.

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**RECREATION COMMITTEE**

**Tony DiSalvo & Dave Harvey, Co-Chairs**

The Committee met on December 7 for a short meeting prior to the Annual Holiday Party on December 10.

All those who attended the Holiday Party had a great time. Again, thanks to **Carroll Thompson, Helen MacAskill, Liza Ruiz, Maria Boykin and Elsa Paez** who assisted Carroll in the great holiday decorations. Thanks also to **Betty McLaurin** for decorating the Christmas tree and all those who helped to clean up afterwards.

Those who did not take advantage of the **Alexandria Singers** latest performance at the Masonic Temple in Alexandria missed a really great concert. We are looking into the possibility of the group performing for us in 1995.

If you are a new resident who has not attended the monthly TGIF, make the Post Holiday Party, on January 6 your first and meet your neighbors. YOU are more than welcome and as a new attendee you are requested NOT to bring a plate of *hors d'oeuvres*, just bring your own beverage.

Next month we should be able to provide you with details concerning the start-up of an aerobics class.

The next TGIF will be our Post Holiday Party on Friday, January 6 in the East Party Room at 6:30 p.m.

The next committee meeting will be Wednesday, January 11 in the East Card Room at 7:30 p.m. Why not join us?

**FUTURE ACTIVITIES**

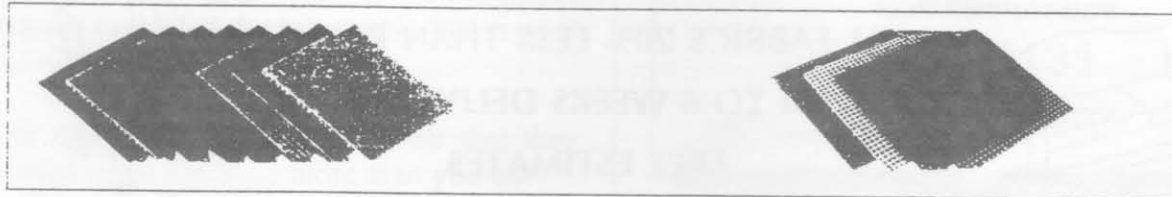
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### Certificate of Merit

(PRESS RELEASE)

The National Capital Area Council, Boy Scouts of America, has awarded the Certificate of Merit to Cub Scout **Chris Chang** of Falls Church for his action in securing medical assistance for a man suffering a serious medical problem.

On February 18, 1994, Chris' father, **Patrick Chang**, while talking on the telephone to a friend noticed that the individual was taking an inordinate time in responding and was incoherent. Sensing that the individual was ill, Mr. Chang called his son, Chris, to talk with the gentleman and maintain contact while he went to a neighbor's home to call for the rescue squad. Chris continued to keep the man talking while help was on the way. The ill man suffered from a hypoglycemia attack and eventually became unconscious. Through the efforts of Chris and his father, the victim received timely medical assistance which prevented a more serious medical situation.

Chris, who is the son of Mr. Patrick Chang of 3713 South George Mason Drive in Falls Church, is a member of Cub Scout Pack 615 sponsored by the Fairlington Methodist Church in Alexandria.

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## THE GOOD NEIGHBOR GROUP

Co-Chairs **Irene Wolgamot** 998-1715  
**Geraldine Naveau** 931-4643

The Volunteer Good Neighbors for January are:

### SKYLINE HOUSE GOOD NEIGHBORS

January 1995

**Gwen Petijean** 820-4260  
**Mary Walsh** 379-8796

In early January a poster in the Lobby will show pictures of the residents who served in 1994 as *Good Neighbors of the Month*.

The Good Neighbors wish you a Healthy and Happy New Year.



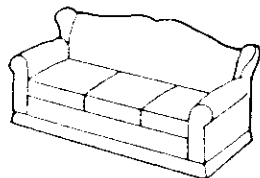
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## STRESS What Can You Do?

**STRESS** is uncomfortable and has the potential to make you and the people close to you miserable. The following suggestions are some simple ways to help de-stress your life:

**Get adequate sleep.** If you can get up a little earlier each day without detriment to an adequate amount of sleep. Try it so that you don't have to rush so much.

**Eat healthy.** A poor diet can leave you short of energy and nutrients necessary to handle stress.

**Try to include some form of exercise** in your day, even if it is a long walk or some yard work.

**Do at least one thing** you truly **enjoy** every day.

**Don't procrastinate.** If you have an unpleasant task, get it over with early in the day or at least try to do it today, instead of tomorrow.

— **Don't put up with things that aggravate you** or don't work right. Get it fixed or replace it.

**Try to make some time for solitude** everyday, even if only for a couple of minutes.

**Express your feelings** and emotions when able and appropriate.

**Try to make friends** with people who don't worry all the time. Stop worrying. If something bothers you and you can't do anything about it, let it go.

**Be optimistic.** Look for the positive in each situation and remember something good always comes out of an experience, even if it doesn't appear that way at the time.

**Be kind to unkind people** and remember that they probably need some kindness more than you do!

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## Cultural Center Planned "Right Next Door"

Groundbreaking for the Arlington/Alexandria Cultural Center is planned for Spring 1995, with completion expected by Fall 1996. It will be built on the campus of Northern Virginia Community College, at the intersection of North Beauregard and Braddock in front of the Tyler Building.

The 60,000 square-foot center will house a 1,000 seat, state-of-the-art performance hall complete with orchestra pit and green room; a forum\presentation area; art exhibit space; four meeting rooms; a warming kitchen; an "arts incubator" area; and administrative offices.

Because state policy forbids use of state funds to build non-academic facilities at Virginia's community colleges, private contributions are needed to build the center. Of the \$7.2 million required, more than \$5 million has already been raised. All gifts are tax deductible to the fullest extent provided by law.

For more information about the center or the fund-raising campaign, write or call:

**John Ruffino or Jason Gray**  
**The NVCC Educational Foundation**  
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