

PIMMIT HILLS



NEWSLETTER

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A COMMUNITY SERVICE OF THE PIMMIT HILLS CITIZENS ASSOCIATION

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ASSOCIATION MEETING - The first general meeting in the current session of the Pimmit Hills Citizens Association will be held at 8:00 P.M., TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2 in the PIMMIT HILLS SCHOOL.

Principal items of business of the agenda for this first meeting are (1) nomination of candidates for Association treasurer in preparation for a special election for this office to be held at the October meeting, (2) progress report on proposed revision of the Association's constitution, and (3) announcement and discussion of plans for an "Indian Summer Dance" to be run by the Association during the last week of September or the first week of October.

The special election for the office of treasurer is necessary because Mr. Robert E. Dickson, who was elected to the post last May, is moving from the community. Last year's Constitutional Committee, headed by Chairman Rathbone, submitted a draft revision of the Association's constitution to the Executive Committee for study and endorsement. Plans for review and final action on the proposed changes by the membership will be the subject of discussion at this month's meeting.

The feature program for the meeting was not definite by Newsletter press-time, but contacts were being made with several of the county's civic leaders to speak on topics of general interest to the community.

A MESSAGE FROM THE ASSOCIATION'S PRESIDENT

"Another summer is almost behind us, and we must now think of the work ahead of us in regard to the community. As your President, I will not try to present to you a great program of endeavor for the forthcoming year, but only try to the best of my ability to help bring this community to a point where we are looked upon as leaders in certain fields.

"Pimmit Hills has made great strides in the past few months in Fairfax County as a community that had certain problems confronting it and took the initiative to bring them to the attention of proper authorities. To mention one example, I must say that it was gratifying to me to work with and be associated with the members who worked so hard and long on the sewage problem. This problem is now in the county mill, and I am certain that definite action will be taken.

"In regard to the work ahead, we must consider that Pimmit Hills is in need of a good many worth-while projects--not just Association projects, but community projects. I have stated publicly, and I will say once again, that it is my fond de-

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Last year we proposed improvement and expansion of the Newsletter to provide greater coverage of a wider variety of community activities and interests. To put the Newsletter for the first time on a self-supporting basis, we also suggested inclusion of a reasonable portion of paid advertising.

Evidence of progress toward broader news coverage can be seen in our increased staff and the text of this issue. With one exception, incorporation of ads was postponed to allow additional preparation and planning.

ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE (Cont'd from p. 1)

sire to see this community work together as a community, and I will do all in my capacity to strengthen ties between organizations. When I refer to working together, I emphatically mean all groups, regardless of any feelings one or the other might have had in the past. We must join together in all types of activity to be recognized as a community which works together in a common cause.

Whether it be business, social, recreation, community service, county, state, or any other problem, we have the people in the Hills to do the job, we have people who will do the job and, in all sincerity to all of you, we can do the job. This has been proven before. This is not a plea for volunteers--only a reminder that if you have any problem you feel is deserving of some consideration, do not hesitate to bring it to the attention of either myself or one of the fine officers I have serving with me.

Sincerely yours,

/s/ Douglas E. Glass

NEWS OF PIMMIT HILLS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

by James E. Haney, PTA Pres.

School season for the Pimmit Hills Elementary School will begin September 2, but the only persons who should be at school on this date are teachers and new students who have not been registered for this term.

The first regular day of school will start at 8:30 a.m. September 3. It should be noted that the school day commences an hour earlier than last year's schedule and, likewise, ends an hour earlier at 2:50 p.m.

Additional rooms being constructed will provide facilities for a full day schedule for all classes as soon as the last two rooms are completed. Until completion of these rooms, only the first grade will be on part-time schedule.

The first PTA meeting is planned for September 15 and will take the form of a recep-
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tion for the teachers. The PTA Executive Committee will meet with the school principal at 8:00 p.m., August 29 at the school to plan for necessary committees, etc. in connection with the coming school year.

Since many new families are represented in the school this year, any parents who have special talents, knowledge or desire to serve the school in some capacity are asked to contact the school or PTA secretary and volunteer. Cooperative participation by the largest number of parents will insure a maximum production of health, education and welfare projects for OUR CHILDREN.

GREEN THUMB CLUB
LOOKS AT DAFFODILS

by Rena K. Chapman

The Horticulture Committee of the Green Thumb Garden Club is planning an interesting program devoted to one of the more important groups of bulbs, the Daffodils. Their range in size, form, and even in color will be discussed quite thoroughly at the Club's next meeting in Pimmit Hills School Library 8:30 p.m., Wednesday, September 10.

ST. LUKE'S METHODIST CHURCH

Falls Church, Virginia

Sunday Services:

9:30 a.m. at Lemon Rd. School
11:00 a.m. at Freedom Hill School

(Sunday School for children at both services - Crib & Nursery provided)

W. Jeryl Fink, Minister
TW 3-7755

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MCLEAN HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

by Helen Shacochis

Classes at McLean High will start a little earlier (8:15 a.m.) September 3, and will end at 2:50 p.m., with a full day session. Busses will start at 7:40 a.m. at pick-up points--the same routes used during the last session. Students from Pimmit Hills, Dunn Loring, Freedom Hill, in grades 8 through 12 only may ride these busses. They may not be boarded by elementary school children.

Eighth graders will report to McLean High, be taken to Franklin Sherman School for three ESSO classes (English, music, and social studies), and will report back to McLean High for lunch and three more classes (science, math, and orientation). The rental fee for books this year is six dollars.

SPTA (Students, Parents, Teachers Association) will meet on the second Tuesday of the month. The SPTA officers for the '58-'59 school year are: President - Col. Rudolph G. Seeley; Vice Pres. - Capt. L. E. This; Treasurer - Mr. F. Norman Hearn; Recording Sec'y. - Mrs. John A. Weaver; and Corresponding Sec'y. - Mrs. Ross Adams.

Football practice will start August 25, but participants must first have completed their physical exams. For the first time, season tickets for all home games will be sold by the Athletic Department. These are available to students only. The price is undetermined but may be between \$4 and \$5.

A "Student Handbook," compiled under direction of senior Mike Horwatt, will be sold by the SCA (Students' Cooperative Assoc.). The handbook includes information of interest to every McLean High student.

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Adult night school courses at McLean High are being considered. Establishment of a course will require a minimum of 15 students. Cost is \$10 a semester. Most likely courses include art, interior decorating, sewing, child psychology, electricity and electronics repairs, Spanish, French, woodworking, bookkeeping, typing, shorthand, and business machines. The county and officials at McLean High indicate willingness to support such a program if enough interest exists, but no plans have yet been made for a starting date.

A "Back to School Night" is planned for parents on September 23. Parents attending may visit each of their children's classrooms and receive a digest of material the children will cover during the year--a truly wonderful opportunity for the parent to anticipate the child's problems and be better able to help him.

PIMMIT HILLS CITIZENS ASSOCIATION
MEMBERSHIP DRIVE PLANNED

The PHCA Membership Committee has agreed on September 2 as kick-off date for the annual membership drive. Wayne Comer, committee chairman who took over last Spring, reports that efforts continue toward rounding out representation on the committee at regional and block level. Several committee vacancies occurred during the Summer due to people moving out of the area, and Mr. Comer says he and his fellow committee members will continue tapping shoulders until these vacancies are filled. Anyone who can solicit memberships on at least one block is asked to call Mr. Comer on TR 3-7675.

Last Spring we began a questionnaire project aimed to accumulate information and opinions from every householder in the area for use in guiding community projects. A fair start was made, and we hope to complete the survey in conjunction with the current membership drive.

To help the Membership Committee along with the drive this year, we have printed below a MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION. Please cut this out, complete all the requested information and mail it to Mr. Comer (425 Leonard Rd., Falls Church) enclosing a check or money order for \$2.50 payable to the Pimmit Hills Citizens Ass'n. Your 1958-59 membership card will be sent to you immediately. Your help in this manner will save a lot of manpower.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Name _____ Address _____ Tel. No. _____

No. of children under 18 years? _____ What public works project do you favor most at present? (i.e. streetlights, sidewalks, etc.) _____

What amount would you be willing to contribute toward development of a community center if suitable property is obtained? \$ _____ Committee work desired: (i.e. public utilities; publicity, incl. Newsletter; social & recreation; etc.) _____

State any other suggested projects: _____

I am enclosing a check or money order covering 1958-59 dues.

TEEN CLUB PROJECTS

by Lee Wahl

It seems a lot of parents have allowed their teenagers to participate in activities which were not sponsored by the Pimmit Hills Teen Club with the impression that it was a Teen Club project. Recently another teen club invited members of the Pimmit Hills club to attend a dance in Fairfax. This was not a Teen Club project; most of the Adult Advisory Committee knew nothing of the dance until they read it in the paper, and there were no chaperones assigned from Pimmit Hills. If teenagers from our area participated in this activity, they were doing it on their own, either as an individual, or as a guest of the teen club that invited them, and definitely should not have represented themselves as "The Pimmit Hills Teen Club." If anything had happened to one of the Pimmit Hills teenagers, it probably would have appeared in the papers as a Teen Club project without chaperones.

In order to avoid misleading publicity for the Pimmit Hills Teen Club, the Adult advisory Committee would like to make the following comment: (1) To teenagers: Unless it is a Pimmit Hills Teen Club project, you do not represent it as such. You introduce yourselves as - "(your name), a guest of (name of the other teen club)." (2) To parents: Don't think but make it your business to know whether it is a Pimmit Hills Teen Club affair or not.** If it is our Teen Club activity, you will be required to sign a permission slip. Also, as a rule, the Teen Club has one special activity each month, and I will try to keep the parents informed through this Newsletter. Special activity for the month of September will be a hayride--tentative date is September 26.

** You may call either the Chairman, Mr. Harry Hornberger (TW 3-8145), or Mrs. Chas. Smith (TW 3-7861).

FEDERATION ACTIVITIES

by Boris Mandrovsky

While most of you were taking "time out" from civic work this past Summer, the Fairfax County Federation of Civic Associations has been quietly tooling-up for another big civic year. The first task of President Bill Perlick was the selection and appointment of chairmen of the standing committees of the Federation. After that was done, the Executive Committee has been shaping-up policy and planning programs for the coming year.

One of the points upon which the Executive Committee was in agreement was that a closer rapport is wanted with the citizens of Fairfax County and with the local associations. The Federation welcomes criticism and suggestions. If any of you are dissatisfied with the way that the Federation has been dealing with county-wide programs, or if you feel that there are problems which the Federation has overlooked in the past, it is suggested that you contact the chairman of one of the following committees, as appropriate: County Government, Fiscal, Highway, Industrial policy, Legislation, Planning and Zoning, Public Relations, Public Services, and Schools. For names, addresses, and phone numbers of committee chairmen or for general information on the Federation, contact me at TW 3-8426.

** Editors note: In addition to covering state, county, and federation news for the Newsletter, Mr. Mandrovsky is Chairman of the Federation's School Committee and PHCA Delegate to the Federation.

PHCA Officers for 1958-59 (Replace listing included in your 1958 Pimmit Hills Directory):

President - Mr. Douglas E. Glass, 409 Lisle Ave., T: 3-9527; Sr. V. Pres. - Mr. Gail A. Wilson, 218 Burfoot St., T: 3-9311; Secretary - Mrs. Frederick E. Chapman, 404 Fisher Dr., T: 3-7759; Treasurer - (to be elected); Sgt.-at-Arms - Mr. Edward H. Lane, Jr., 510 Lisle Ave., T: 3-9646.

Regional Vice Presidents are: Region A - Mr. John J. Barnes, 311 Pimmit Dr., T: 3-7957; Region B - Mr. William F. Hearne, 1934 Anderson Rd., T: 3-8538; Region C - Mr. Mark R. Enger, 300 Kilgore Rd., T: 3-7769; Region D - Ens. David L. Woods, 312 Fisher Dr., T: 3-8005; Region E - Mr. Joseph Mahar, 505 Stanley Pl., T: 3-7738; and Region F - Mr. DeForest Z. Rathbone, Jr., 2314 Anderson Rd., EL 6-4179.

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