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P.H.C.A. MEETING: will be held at the Pimmit Hills Elementary school on Tuesday, March 8.

PTA MEETING: The regular meeting of the PTA will be held on March 14, one week later than the original date, Mr. Walker will be guest speaker.

APRIL DANCE: An April dance is being planned by the Pimmit Hills Citizens Association. Time and place will be announced in the next issue of the Newsletter.

POLIO CLINIC: A polio clinic will be held in the Pimmit Hills Elementary school, March 29, 7 to 8 p.m. Inoculations needed may be obtained for \$1.00 each.

INDOOR SWIM: An indoor swimming party is being planned by the teenagers some time in March.

MRS. ZELLA C. KEYS
GIVEN LIFE MEMBERSHIP
by Doug Glass

The Pimmit Hills Parent Teachers Association in Fairfax County conferred upon its Principal, Mrs. Zella C. Keys, a life membership in the Virginia Congress of Parents and Teachers in recognition of her outstanding services and her many contributions in the education of our children. Mrs. Keys, a native of Fairfax County, has taught in the public schools for sixteen years and has served as principal for nineteen years.

She holds a BA degree and a MA degree from George Washington University, Washington, D.C. She has also done work at Radford Teachers College and the University of Virginia. She is a life member of the National Education Association; and is also a member of both the Virginia Education and the Fairfax County Education

Association. Currently she is serving as President of the Fairfax County Principals Association. Her work on the film, "Teaching in Centreville", won her national recognition.

Mrs. Keys daily demonstrates her keen interest in our young people by helping them with both educational and social activities. She is deeply concerned with the guidance of all the boys and girls under her care. She is kind, patient, understanding and resourceful.

VALENTINE DANCE
BIG SUCCESS

The Valentine Dance, sponsored by the P.H.C.A. was a big success. Mrs. Gerald Hennings of Merrill Park was crowned Madame Glamour. Pat Fisher served as social chairman.

PIMMIT SERVICE TREATMENT PLANT TO BE ABANDONED

Here is what we hope will be the final sequel to the Pimmit Hills sewer plant story.

It was announced very recently that the Fairfax County Water Authority has completed negotiations with the Pimmit Service Corporation for the purchase of the Pimmit Service treatment plant and the water system at a cost of \$1,150,000.

The Authority Chairman said existing sewer plant would be abandoned.

No date has been mentioned as yet for the connection to the County pipe line.

From the timing of the announcement, it is suspected that the development may have been closely related to recent discussions between the P.H.C.A. and members of the Legislature.

AIRPORT ACCESS ROUT

We have been advised by some of our neighboring Citizen's Ass'ns that the stand which our Association took recently by way of a letter to the F.A.A. was believed to have been an important factor in preserving the part of the rout called section III as previously published.

Just as the published rout was due to be adopted as final by the F.A.A., there was some agitation in certain quarters to have this section of the rout moved south which would have meant crossing over some Pimmit Hills lots.

We find it gratifying that our Association was able to make its weight felt in this timely manner.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The P.H.C.A. President proposed to the February membership meeting that the time of the Executive Committee meeting be changed from the second Teusday to the last Teus. of each month. There were no objections and no vote was taken. (Since the meeting a conference of members of the Committee was held wherein the proposed change was confirmed and will go into effect for the Feb. Executive meeting)

PIMMIT HILLS DIRECTORY

A Directory Committee has at last been formed but they are mighty short of manpower.

Thus far, the Committee consists of Bobbie Flester, Verba Adams, James Hill and Wayne Comer.

The first step in the project, which is now underway, is to sell advertizments. So, if any of you readers are businessmen or know of any prospects, PLEASE call your order to TW 3-8316 right away. Tell prospects that here is their chance to buy one advertizment which will be seen 365 days a year by our Directory subscribers (which usually includes almost everyone in Pimmit Hills)

The rates have not been officially set for those ads but we understand that that they will be approximately the same as in the previous Directory.

Publication date should be before the first of June.

LITTLE LEAGUE BASEBALL

At the FEB. membership meeting, it was unanimously voted that the Ass'n sponser a Little League team for another year.

Bernard Pemberton, one of the Little League officials, was present at the meeting and spoke briefly of some of the League's current activities. He described the fine record of our sponsered team, The Pimmit Hills Sluggers.

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BOY SCOUTS CELEBRATE GOLDEN JUBILEE

By Scoutmaster Quentin Wahl

This year marks the Golden Jubilee of boy scouting in this country and there will be nation-wide observance. The big event of their fiftieth anniversary will be a national Jamboree at Colorado Springs, Colorado where approximately 50,000 scouts will attend.

Boy Scout Troop 984, sponsored by St. Luke's Methodist Church here in Pimmit Hills, entered the golden year by holding a Court of Honor to which all of the parents were invited. Jeff Hoagland, Alan Burstein and David Maedgen were welcomed into the troop and received their Tenderfoot Badge from Institutional Representative Charles McCombs. Chris Tatham, Sr., Chairman of the Troop Committee and Lou Zangrilli, Chairman of the Camping Committee assisted Mr. McCombs in awarding the following rank advancements to the boys:

SECOND CLASS:

Tony Baum, Jackson Prather and Tommy Zangrilli.

FIRST CLASS:

Jimmy Hughes, Aaron Alexander, John Eckert, Delbert McCombs and Kenny Ritchey.

STAR:

Douglas Donohoe, Tommy Jones and Chris Tatham, Jr.

Tommy Jones and Erwin Smith were made Assistant Senior Patrol Leaders and Chris Tatham, Jr. was named Junior Assistant Scoutmaster.

At the same time the boys received their badges, the mothers were presented miniature pins denoting their son's rank. Afterwards, coffee and cookies were served.

Scouting's Golden Jubilee Year will be a year-long celebration and the plans of Troop 984 for the ensuing year include participating in the Jubilee Camporee, July 22-23, at which time all scouts in every District and Council in the country will camp-out. Troop 984 will also spend a week at Camp Thunderbird at Lake Sherando, located in the George Washington National Forest in the heart of the Blue Ridge Mountains.

Also, in the near future, the troop plans to enter the first aid contest for the Fairfax District to be held at Jeb Stuart High School and all of the boys are making an effort to receive a Fiftieth Anniversary badge. If 50% of the scouts receive this badge, the troop will be given the Eisenhower Banner for their troop flag.

At this half-century mark, there will be more than five million in scouting and there's always room for one more. Any boy living in this area and eleven years old is cordially invited to join our troop. You may do so by calling JE 4-8891, or any of the other adult members of the troop committee.

BAKE SALE IS SUCCESS

by Verba Adams

The St. Luke's Kindergarten held a bake sale Jan. 29 and 30 at Food Town in Pimmit Hills. The people of the community were very good in their response and the sale was a huge success. We now have a nice starting balance toward purchasing some playground equipment which is badly needed for the children. A candy sale is also being planned to take place within the next month or two to obtain more money.

The committee who organized the bake sale, Barbara Chaudet, Ethel Kelley, Wanda Mertz, Verba Adams, and Ann Carlson, wish to take this opportunity to thank all of the mothers who took time out of their busy schedules to bake their goodies to donate.

For the benefit of those who might be interested in sending a child to kindergarten next fall, here are a few things that will be of interest. The kindergarten, which is a member of the Arlington Pre-School Association, is held at St. Luke's Methodist Church every Monday thru Friday from 9 to 12 o'clock. Pupils of any religious faith may be enrolled, if they are 5 years of age by Oct. 1 of the current school year. There is an \$11.50 registration fee and the tuition is \$17.50 per month. Transportation is arranged by the parents. Further information may be obtained by contacting Jean Dodd-EL 6-3016.

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The teen club had a benefit dance February 6 at the regular Saturday night dance. The proceeds, \$50., will be presented to Mrs. Irmingard Smith, a popular teen club chaperone, and a past member of the executive committee. She was in an accident over the New Year's holidays, and was taken to the hospital for serious injuries.

Mrs. Smith was very popular with the children she drove to the area elementary schools, and also with the teen-agers. The adults helped too, by donating blood to Arlington Hospital. Mrs. Smith will be in the hospital for two months or more. The teen-agers will always remember her, and will pray for her recovery.

BOYS WIN BAKE CONTEST

Two boys from Pimmit Hills walked away with honors in a baking contest at McLean High School. Dickie Bickley and Harry Nelson combined efforts to win first place in a Home Living project put on by the Home Economics Department.

TROOP 299 INVITES FAMILIES OUT

Girl Scout Troop 299 gave their mother an evening away from the kitchen by inviting their families to a Pot Luck dinner on Feb. 15. The scouts "Cooked-up" the entire affair.

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PIMMIT HILLS NEWS FOR COMMUNITY BULLETIN

Articles for the Newsletter should be submitted to the editor on or before the 15th of each month. To save time, please type or print plainly.

On Saturday, March 12, the boys of the Federal Little League will be knocking on your door asking for contributions to support our Little League program during the 1960 season. Funds are needed to equip the rapidly expanding Little League activities in our area. Approximately 400 boys have registered for the 1960 season. All boys will play ball at some level in the Federal Little League system. Please have your dollar ready when a Little Leaguer presents you with an associate membership card on Saturday, March 12. Let's all help make this worthy community program a success!

COOKIE SALE

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As adults, we find it very easy to blame our youth for many of the conditions which exist today. Yet the truth of the matter is that we ourselves are responsible for the lack of planning which permitted communities to mushroom without providing adequate recreational facilities for our youth, or ourselves.

It was recognition of these facts that prompted a small group of residents in this community to organize the Pimmit Hills Teen Club four years ago. The effort which these people have put forth has not gone unrewarded. During these years we have watched our young people acquire a sense of good citizenship and belonging. The Teen Club has been an outlet for the many favorable qualities that can be recognized in our youth if we only look for them.

I will not try to delude you into thinking that we have completely wiped out mischief, and I don't think we ever will. But the fact that the Teens in our community have done so many commendable things of their own volition is something of which we can all be proud. They do much more than just have dances every Saturday night.

Let me cite a few of their accomplishments:

1. Each Christmas they make a sizeable contribution; either to known needy families or individuals or to an organized charity. This past Christmas they contributed \$60.00 to a young boy in McLean who had to undergo a brain operation.

2. They have assisted the PTA and the Civic Association in many civic projects. The most recent was the PTA Open House during the Christmas holiday.

3. They organized a group to clean up the grounds and trim the shrubbery at the Cerebral Palsy Center in Falls Church.

4. They assist in practically every charity fund drive.

5. They conduct benefit dances whenever misfortune strikes one of their own group or one of their benefactors. The most recent was for Mrs. Irmingard Smith, a former member of the Teen Club Committee who is in Arlington Hospital.

6. Each year they contribute a sizeable sum to the Pimmit Hills School Activity Fund.

7. They contribute annually to the Foreign Exchange Student Fund at McLean High School.

These are just a few of the ways in which the teens of our community have shown that they want to be good citizens. There are still others which space does not permit me to list.

It is therefore a necessity that the Teen Club continue to exist in Pimmit Hills. It is now the oldest Teen Club in Northern Virginia and I know that you want it to continue its good work. It will! But it will take cooperation and patience and guidance from dedicated adults. We ask your help in leading our youth to even greater things than they have accomplished in the past.

Your child is eligible for membership if he is between 14 and 19 years of age, or at age 13 if he is in high school. All he or she has to do is come to a Saturday night dance and file an application.

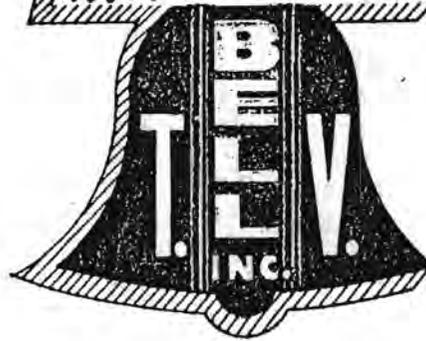
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