

PIMMIT DISPATCH

PHCA Highlights of 2020

2020 was not a stellar year, but nevertheless PHCA continued to work on projects on the neighborhood's behalf.

- Regarding the proposed **Washington Gas pipeline**, we've met with Fairfax County's attorney, Supervisor John Foust, had phone calls with Virginia's Secretary of Transportation and the Attorney General. Legally we've pursued every avenue we can but the courts have unfortunately sided with Washington Gas. We're still trying to oppose the pipeline and will do what we can moving forward.
- A **new PHCA board** was elected in the fall. The new board members are as follows:
President: Steve Tierney
Vice President: Kerry Neubrandner
Director: Alexander Karst
Secretary: Kimberly Schrimsher
Treasurer: Allie Nickler
Have questions for the board? Please email us at phca@pimmithills.org
- The **Holiday Decorating Competition** was a huge hit! We had 10 entries and the winners were 2009 Storm Dr. and 7619 Fischer.

Meet the PHCA President, Steve Tierney

After nearly a decade of this newsletter being dormant, it has been resurrected. The initial publication goal will be four times a year via email. The follow-on goal is to produce a quarterly newsletter mailed to all Pimmit Hills families with advertising to help offset the costs. Our main goal with this newsletter is to bring the community together. We really hope you like it and we would LOVE it, if community members would write short articles about their interests or community issues.



I am still relatively new as the PHCA President as I started this position in the Fall of 2020. My family and I moved to Pimmit Hills in the fall of 2018 and I began attending PHCA meetings shortly thereafter. I was encouraged to become President by several members of the community and I am glad that I did. This community has a lot to offer with good schools, nice parks, a library, Metro stations on the north and south end, great restaurants/shopping, and access to good paying jobs. My family and I signed up for Tuckahoe Pool about a year ago and we should be notified that we can join in the spring or summer of this year; we really look forward to it.

We are lucky that there are now three good vaccines with more to follow and it is possible that this summer things will begin to return to normal should most people get vaccinated. My children are currently in 2nd and 3rd grade at Westgate and we really look forward to the schools re-opening in the fall.

When I became President, I had 5 goals:

1. Washington Gas: My goal was to re-route this 24" high pressure pipeline to an area outside of the neighborhood. (Cont'd on page 2)

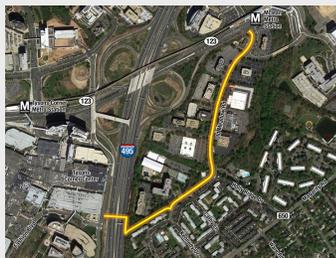
News You Can Use!

The PHCA would like to bring your attention to the following area updates.

- Fairfax County is no longer accepting plastic bags for leaves and yard waste. This is applicable to neighbors with private garbage collection, too. Please only use paper bags or reusable containers.



- Improvements to the Scott's Run Trail are now complete. The 8-foot wide pedestrian trail connects Magarity Rd. at Westgate Elementary to Colshire Meadow Dr. near the McLean Metro Station.
- Fairfax County will begin work soon on a 10-foot wide pedestrian bridge that will cross the 495 beltway and connect to Route 123.



New Pimmit Hills Signs

In 2004, the PHCA raised the funds to install two signs at key entry points into the Pimmit Hills neighborhood. The first and largest sign was installed at the intersection of Pimmit Dr. and Route 7 and the second at Lisle Ave. and Route 7. The signs have proudly served the neighborhood for over 15 years, but they have reached the end of their life expectancy. They have both unfortunately been struck by cars multiple times and the wood has rotted.



Existing neighborhood signs at Pimmit Dr. and Lisle Ave., respectively

The PHCA is exploring new options for the signs, but estimates to replace the current ones exactly as they appear are in the range of \$12,000-16,0000. Therefore, we are exploring other design options. What we ultimately select will depend on the amount of money we can raise. If you would like to contribute to the PHCA signage fund, please donate at pimmithills.org and write "new signs" in the memo. Some proposed new designs are as follows:



Should you have any questions about the designs options or would like to propose a new one, please email phca@pimmithills.org.