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ASSOCIATION MEETING - The sixth general meeting in the current session of the Pimmit Hills Citizens Association will be held at 8:00 p.m., TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 4, in the PIMMIT HILLS SCHOOL.

ACTION ON COMMUNITY CENTER - For several years a perennial, if not primary project on the Association's program has been to establish a community center for Pimmit Hills. As generally conceived, a community center would be composed of a reasonably large tract of land, containing a building or buildings and other facilities to provide for the variety of recreational, social, and civic activities of the many age and interest groups in the community. Recreational facilities alone might accommodate everything from checkers, swings, and field sports to swimming, diving, and bridge. Individuals and many of the clubs and other organized groups in the area might find the center a focal point for their varied interests and pursuits.

In 1954, a site became available to us which was thought to be suitable and within our range financially. The Association made plans for possible acquisition and development of the land, but, because of timing and other problems encountered, the property was bought by another interested group before the Association had taken necessary action. During the two years following this initial effort, activity on the project was relatively unproductive. Meanwhile, residential construction on potential sites continued, land became scarcer, and prices on adjacent acreage continued to rise.

On taking over the presidency of the Association in mid-term last year, John Shacochis emphasized the need for renewed efforts on this phase of our program, lest appropriate sites become physically or financially unavailable. At the Association's last monthly meeting, one of several potentially available properties was discussed in some detail, and the Executive Committee was authorized (a) to draw up articles of incorporation to provide for non-profit corporate purchase and management of a center, and (b) to immediately take an option on property which it considers feasible to buy during the remainder of the current term of office.

The Association's February 4th meeting will feature a report on actions taken on the project since our January meeting and discussion of future action proposed. Anyone and everyone interested in this project is cordially invited to attend and to contribute their ideas and suggestions.

ANNEXATION AND INCORPORATION - The Fairfax County Board of Supervisors are expected to act in the near future on a plan recommending organization of a Metropolitan County to overcome the problems of further municipal incorporation and annexation in Fairfax County. The plan is included in a report prepared for the Board by the Public Administration Service, a consulting organization. Copies of the

report were received very recently by the Association's delegates to the Federation of Citizens Associations and discussed with them at a special Federation meeting by Don Larson, who supervised development of the report.

All of us are aware, to one degree or another, of the growing impact incorporation and annexation are having on the efficiency and effectiveness of our county government in its handling of our problems. If the Board of Supervisors decides to support the plan recommended in the report, related legislation must be sought immediately in the current session of the General Assembly. Therefore, it is imperative that each of us be as well informed on this subject as possible.

With this in mind, we hope to outline the report and discuss it at the Association's next meeting. Won't you try to be there?

VALENTINE DAY DANCE - The Association will sponsor a Valentine Day dance for the community on Friday evening, February 14th. So mark your calendar, call the baby-sitter, and plan to be there for an enjoyable evening. The music starts at 9:00 p.m.

The dance will be at American Legion Post #130, 400 N. Oak Street, Falls Church--next to the railroad track with a naval gun out front. Facilities at the Post are very comfortable; a small orchestra will provide music till midnight, with the jukebox taking over from there. Set-ups and food (including pizzas and sandwiches) will be on hand at very low cost, and a door prize will be awarded the lucky ticket-holder.

You may buy tickets now from Mrs. Gerald Thompson at 2114 Hileman Rd. or at the door the night of the dance--price \$1.50 a couple for Association members, \$2.00 for others.

Chairman of the hard-working Dance Committee is Mrs. Philip DeVaughn. Others on the committee include Mrs. Frederick Chapman, Mrs. Robert Dickson, Mrs. James Haney, Mrs. Conrad Ritchey, Mrs. John Shacochis, Mrs. Quentin Wahl and Mrs. Helen Whytock. (Leave it to the gals to do a fine job!)

PIMMIT HILLS DIRECTORY - We'd like to thank all of you (some 60) who distributed the Directory throughout the Hills for the excellent job. Door-to-door distribution is now completed, and the balance of the books (about 30) will be on sale at Pimmit Drug.

Some errors or omissions in the Directory were inevitable. Our apologies to those inconvenienced. Will anyone who has been omitted or whose phone number or address is in error please call Peg Herby (EL 6-3073) this week so that a list of corrections can be made. This list will be attached to our March Newsletter. We hope you will add these corrections to your own Directory so that annoying "wrong number calls" are avoided.

THANK YOU NOTE - Mr. Lieb would like to convey his gratitude to all of the kind friends who expressed their sympathy recently over the loss of his daughter and would like for them to know of his appreciation of their kind regard.