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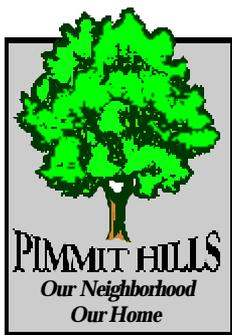
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PHCA Town Meeting

Tuesday, January 6, 2004 at 7:30 pm
Pimmit Hills School, Lisle Avenue

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PIMMIT HILLS CITIZENS ASSOCIATION COMMUNITY NEWS

Happy New Year 2004! Time sure does fly. Pimmit Hills will be 54 years old this year and

the *Dispatch* has been continually published for the past 52 years for the citizens of Pimmit Hills.

Winter came early this year with many beautiful snowfalls, but along with that also came ice and windy conditions. For a while, it seemed like our winters were pretty mild with little or no snow, but last winter and this winter has changed that.

Kathleen Wilson of Gilson Street wrote the *Dispatch* this timely request:

“Dear Neighbors, I don’t know what the county laws require, but it sure would be nice if everyone took the time and energy to shovel off the sidewalks in our neighborhood after a snowfall. This past weekend I was slippin’ and a slidin’ all around the neighborhood being pulled by a small dog named Zeke who requires a good walk or two each day. Zeke’s four legs carried him nicely over piles of snow and across patches of ice. For me it was a little different. Please get the snow shovel out of the shed or go buy one if you need to. Clearing the sidewalks doesn’t require any fancy gas or electric equipment, just a little muscle. It’s a nice chance to get outside and visit

with your neighbors. So, grab a shovel and get out there. And, don’t forget if you have property on a corner, there are two sides that need shoveling. The kids walking to the bus stop, the Postal workers bringing your mail, the dog walkers, and those of us who just like to take a walk at any time of the year will appreciate your help.”

■ ■ ■

Delegate Jim Scott also wrote to the *Dispatch*:

“I look forward to receiving the *Dispatch* each month. Thanks very much for keeping me on the mailing list. Unfortunately, the Dec. issue did not mention the election returns in my district, the 53rd, altho it did include returns for other unopposed candidates. And, the Co.-wide totals for at-large School Board showed Rita Thompson winning, not Ilryong Moon. Jim Scott”

The *Dispatch* apologizes for the omissions.

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Realtor Dalton Rector informed the *Dispatch* that in 2003, 66 Pimmit Hills houses were sold, 5 are currently under contract and 5 more are still currently active (as of Dec 03). Of the houses that did sell, the price range was from \$260,000 to \$415,000.

Wow, does anyone remember what Pimmit Hills houses sold for 54 years ago?

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- Printing and mail delivery of the *Pimmit Hills Dispatch* (which costs about \$2 per house *per month*--10 month schedule equals \$20)
- PHCA Membership Telephone Directory to be published in June 2004 BUT ONLY FOR PHCA MEMBERS (non-members must pay \$20 for the directory)
- PHCA representing the community to Fairfax County and its officials
- Access to community events like Clean-Up Day, Community Yard Sale (no paying for a table), Donation Day (we're planning two of each this year!)
- Projects like building entrance signs to Pimmit Hills
- Running monthly meetings where community business is conducted that affects you; having special speakers come to our meetings like our elected leaders, transportation and development topics
- Being a part of the McLean Citizens Association which gives us an even stronger voice in Fairfax County
- Helping PH citizens with problems and complaints; working with Fairfax County on serious property concerns, an official PHCA membership card, **AND MORE!**

PIMMIT HILLS CITIZENS ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP FORM

Pimmit Hills Citizens Association

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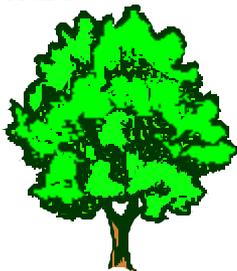
Home Phone:

E-Mail Address: (for PHCA to contact you; email will not be listed in Directory)

I'd like to volunteer to help out with PHCA activities **yes** **no**

I do NOT want to be listed in the PHCA Membership Directory

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PIMMIT HILLS CITIZENS ASSOCIATION

Meeting Notes

By Sarah Rock, PHCA Secretary

Hello Neighbors!

The December meeting was truly tasty with lots of yummy cookies and treats. Thanks to all who shared their cookies at the meeting.

Second Vice President Lee Rock reported on the latest McLean Citizens Association Planning and Zoning Committee meeting. He shared news of two development proposals, including a new Falls Church Middle School on the grounds of the existing George Mason High School and a Winchester Homes community of **35** single family homes and **70** townhouses off Great Falls Street, just north of Haycock Road. The Fairfax County Planning Commission at their December 4, 2003 meeting approved the plan for a new Falls Church Middle School.

First Vice President Joan Naleppa updated residents on the Pimmit Hills sign project. She recently met with the sign designer and made plans to talk with appropriate Fairfax County Transportation personnel regarding the use of the traffic island at the Lisle and Rt 7 entrance. Residents discussed more potential locations for signs.

President Gene Lesser shared the unfortunate news of a fire in the Hills. The Rankin family of Gilson Street lost their home in a fire that

broke out Friday, November 28. Approximately 50 Fairfax County firemen responded to the alarm. Thankfully no one was seriously injured in the fire.

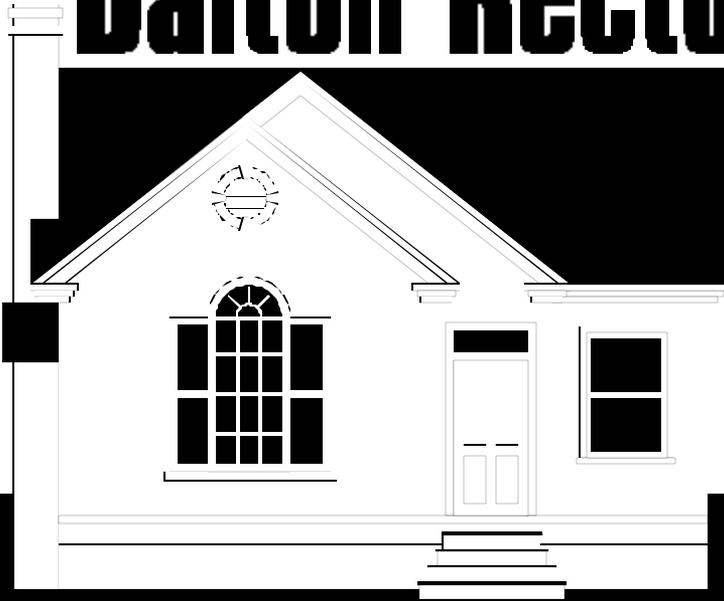
President Lesser also shared an article a Pimmit Hills resident sent him about a homeowners association in Manassas. The homeowners association was upset over a resident's mailbox decoration and had demanded the removal of the mailbox decoration. What was the offending decoration? An American flag. Pimmit Hills residents can be thankful that we are free to hang American flags on our mailboxes and in our yards.

President Lesser asked for recommendations for speakers in 2004. Many ideas were proposed, including:

- Red Cross to talk about emergency preparedness.
- Health Department representative to talk about small mammals.
- An arborist to talk about trees and tree maintenance.
- New Dranesville Supervisor Joan DuBois
- State Delegate Jim Scott
- Planning and Zoning representative to talk about Fairfax County regulations

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Dalton Rector



This Long and Foster agent is a native of Northern Virginia and a Class of '68 graduate of George C. Marshall High School.

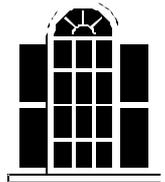
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A Hills resident brought up the issue of appliances left by the side of the road in our neighborhood. Appliances and other trash left on sidewalks and front yards are not only an eyesore but can also be a health hazard. Junk and excessive debris in yards can be reported to the Zoning Enforcement Branch of the Fairfax County Department of Planning and Zoning at 703-324-

1300 or online at <http://www.co.fairfax.va.us/dpz/ecomplaints/default.htm>.

I look forward to seeing you at the January 2004 meeting, where the winners of the 3rd Annual Pimmit Hills Holiday Decorating Contest will be announced. We'll print the winners in the February 2004 *Dispatch*.!■

What our new entrance signs will look like:



Next Pimmit Hills Town Meeting

Tuesday, Jan 6 at 7:30 pm, Pimmit Hills School

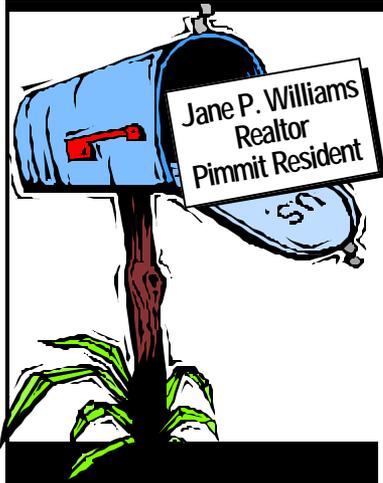


Westgate Elementary School Activities



- Jan 5:** Back to School
- Jan 7:** Cultural Arts Show: "Granny's Appalachian Tales", 1:45 pm
- Jan 12:** PTA sponsored McDonald's Night, 5 pm
- Jan 14:** SOL Night, Grade 5
- Jan 19:** Martin Luther King Holiday—No School
- Jan 26 & 27:** Student Holidays

For more information, call 703-610-5700



Dear Neighbor,

Hope you all had a safe and happy holiday! HAPPY NEW YEAR TO YOU ALL! We live on Hileman Road and hope you enjoyed our decorations this year... Dave went "big" so to speak, including the roof. I want to thank him because real estate has been a whirlwind for me which I did not anticipate at this time of year. Just yesterday I had two contracts registered on my new listing.

January 2004 is looking like a very hot and active month for real estate and the word is TOTALLY OUT... that Pimmit Hills is one of the best places to live and high in demand. After all why wouldn't it be with such great neighbors, a real sense of history, many beautiful original homes as well as renovated properties... and all on a quarter acre of heaven. And have you seen the new construction on Griffith, Anderson and Ware? I would be interested in hearing what you think about this type of expansion.

It is particularly important in any market to be represented by a professional Realtor either as a seller or as a buyer and better yet by one who really knows your marketplace. As your Realtor in 2004, I will be 100% committed to you and your best interests. Since this is my community, I specialize in Pimmit Hills and have taken the time to see almost every property listed. When it is time to list your house I can give you a "real" market analysis... not just numbers on paper. Most importantly I will exercise due diligence to make sure you have a qualified buyer and smooth sailing to settlement. It CAN be a fun, positive process with few headaches. Thanks again for your many calls and hope to speak with you in 2004!

Jane Williams
 "Your Neighborhood Realtor"

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January Trivia....Did you know?

One of our Pimmit Residents recently sang for the "Kennedy Center Honors" as well as back up for Dolly Parton?

One of our Pimmit Residents owns a thriving petsitting business called Capital Petsitters?

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Letter to the Editor

Dear PHCA President,

I am joining the Pimmit Hills Citizen's Association today. After living in the Hills for 26 years and not joining for various reasons: (too busy at work, not really interested, and lately, even though retired with lots of time, not able to drive to the nighttime meetings), I am submitting my application form and mailing my check.

I have, once again, realized just how blessed we are to live in the community of Pimmit Hills. What was the source of this realization - a local news broadcast on which some Prince William County residents appeared. The story involved a lady who had put an American flag on her mailbox, in honor of her brother and another family member, who were both serving in the military in Iraq. But the "Citizen's Association" in her development was insisting that the flag must be removed and were threatening her with fines if she did not comply.

The President of the Association, who also appeared on the news program, explained that they had to "preserve property values" in their neighborhood. They could not allow junk cars or other trash in the yards, and certainly not flags on mailboxes.

The lady had, of course, refused to dishonor her brother and her country by removing the flag. I don't know if or how the problem has been resolved. I can only hope that the Association comes to its senses and drops the issue. But this is only one example of the type of attitude which is so rampant in

many, if not most, of the communities built in the last several years.

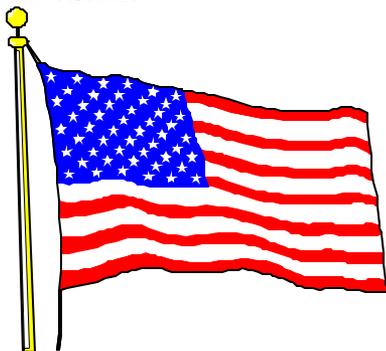
In contrast, the people of Pimmit Hills realize the value of a friendly atmosphere and pride of ownership, to say nothing of

freedom of choice, in building a strong and healthy community and one that increases consistently in value and beauty.

I'm sure that the Prince William development has lovely houses, with bigger closets and fancier bathrooms, but they certainly have a smaller spirit and a lack of freedom.

**Diana Robertson
Maynard Dr.**

PS. I now have an American Flag ready to install on my mailbox, just as soon as the holidays are over and my Christmas goose has been retired. It's great to be free! ■



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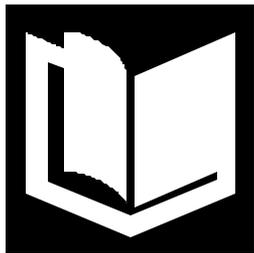
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Tysons-Pimmit Library News

*By Chris LaMarca
Associate Branch Manager*

Even now that the holidays are over, things aren't slowing down at the library. We continue to offer books, recorded books, magazines, and all kinds of other materials to help make these dark months more fun and enriching for everyone.

The New Year at Tysons-Pimmit Library leads off with our used book sale on Saturday, January 3. This popular event is organized and run by the library's volunteer group, the Tysons Pimmit Library Friends, and draws book collectors from all around the Washington area.

On Wednesday, January 14, "Penguins and Polar Bears," the first library program of 2004, will be held at 10:30 a.m. Several other children's programs are planned for January, including the Lunchtime Tots on January 21, and the very popular Stephens Puppets performing "The Legend of Sleepy Hollow" on January 24. For additional information, please call the library at (703) 790-8088, and remember—in order to accommodate everyone, all attendees must register for each program. Signup starts two weeks prior to the program date.

The library's monthly book discussion group will meet on Tues-

day, January 27, at 7:30 p.m. All are invited; call the library at (703) 790-0373 for more information.

On Monday, January 19, the library, along with all other library branches in Fairfax County, will be closed for the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday.

A special invitation is extended to all young library patrons who wish to display their collections in the glass case near the check-out desk. We have enjoyed some fun displays and are always amazed at the wide-ranging interests of our very talented neighborhood kids. The display case is available for a month, beginning on the first day of the month, and has hosted key chains, legos, Perler beads and other treasures. It is a popular feature and has its own following of library "fans". See you at the library! ■

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Around Town

By
Bob Surrette

Happy New Year from Bob Surrette. Celebrate by treating yourself to a meal out. My Wife's favorite nearby place is Ledo Pizza at Tyson Station. We get a large pizza with six toppings: mushrooms, sliced tomato, fresh garlic, broccoli, pineapple and chicken. We love it! You can pick your own toppings, of course.

We especially like the thin crust although I tend to just eat the toppings to reduce my carbohydrate intake. We eat half in the restaurant and take the other half home for another meal. How good is it: it is so good that our friend Bob drives all the way over from Annandale to get one every once in a while as a special treat for his wife, Monica.

This place is also a favorite of our Daughter, Shannon, who is a marathoner. Before a race or a long practice, we'll treat her to one of Ledo's delicious pasta entrées. Just the opposite of me, she needs to get carbohydrates into her system to take her the distance. When we dine with her we'll have burgers and cheese fries—to die for. There are many other Italian and American items on the menu you can choose from.

Ledo's has both a dining room and a separate bar area. The restau-

rant gets full at the usual busy times for all restaurants but we've never had to wait too long for a table. Actually we prefer to go during the week when they are not so busy. Then we can choose our own table or sit in a booth. Table service is swift and careful. Much to my wife's annoyance, sometimes, right after I order, I'll run around the corner to see if any of you have sent a note to my post office box. Everything is made to order and I haven't missed a course yet by getting back too late. All menu items are available for take out, of course. Call ahead and your pizza or other items may be ready when you show up.

The bar area is very friendly. Ask hostess Ausra if she has any Lithuanian beer on ice if you want to try a new brew. Please remember that we all have to be careful with how much we drink if we drive. We're lucky there're several dining places within walking distance of our homes in the Hills. Walking is a great way to help with your digestion, I've been told.

Next month I'll write about Trader Joe's. Please drop me a note at P.O. Box 3311, Falls Church VA 22043 or E-mail me at RJSurrette@AOL.Com. Hope to hear from you. ■

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Thinking about moving within the area with things in your next area. I can be better informed and ready



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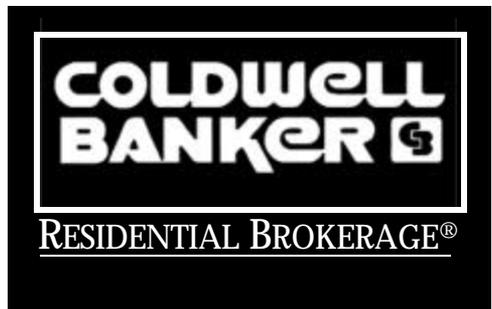
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The Pimmit Hills Gardener

By Deanne Eversmeyer-Ellis,
Horticulturalist

This is it, the event you've been waiting for. It's time to prune! Now that your trees and shrubs are dormant and, for the deciduous members of the plant world, you can see what's what in there, get out the pruning saw, loppers and pruning shears and get to work.

You do have a good pair of pruners, don't you? If not toddle off to the store and get yourself a good set of by-pass pruners. The blades on the by-pass pruners pass each other like a pair of scissors, leaving a clean cut surface. (The anvil style of blade tends to crush stems and leave a messier wound.) The long-handled loppers can be helpful for medium sized branches and reaching those a bit over your head. A good pruning saw makes quick work of larger branches.

Always make a clean cut when pruning. This is where a sharpening stone comes in handy. (And never

sharpen the inside of the blades on your by-pass pruners and loppers – you want them to stay tight against each other.) Make your cut in the “collar”, the swelling that is typi-



cally found at the base of major limbs. This is an area of the tree that has the greatest potential for producing callous tissue which protects the tree from rot. Stubs left behind will usually rot, with the infection spreading into healthy wood. Stubs may also sprout a bouquet of new

shoots which invite problems as they compete for space. When removing a large branch, make a cut on the underside a couple of inches out from the collar. This will keep the bark from tearing right down the trunk as the limb falls away. And shortening the limb to lessen the weight before making your final cut is not a bad idea. A properly pruning cut does not need an application

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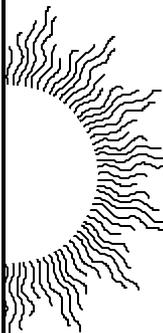


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of black goop; it will heal just fine on its own.

Pruning trees early in their development can avoid a lot of problems later. A small branch removed properly will heal quickly and completely. Wait until it's a big limb and the healing process is slower and rot may set in. If you've recently planted a tree, give it a few years to get settled in, and then take a good look at the branching structure. Are any limbs crossed and rubbing? Are there too many branches coming out of the trunk in one spot? Are there any limbs heading off in a bad direction, like across the sidewalk at noggin height? And are there any damaged limbs? Pruning out these problems is a lot easier and a lot less costly now.

Older trees need special care in pruning. "Topping" a tree is never a good thing unless you are British, in which case you would be "pollarding" a tree. Our giant Tulip Poplars, Oaks and Maples need to have weak and dead wood removed back to the main trunk, never crew-cut. If that Red Maple is too big for the yard, go ahead and top it – just make sure you top it all the way back to the ground! Cutting off all of its branches so that it looks like a Saguaro Cactus from the desert southwest is really mean and will probably kill the tree. There are so many varieties of trees at the nurseries and garden centers today that you ought to be able to find the right tree to fit the spot

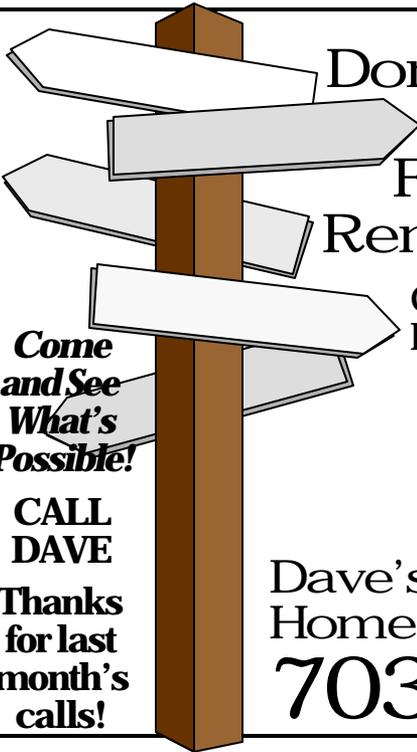
without resorting to the chainsaw after a decade or so.

When pruning established shrubs, use your hand pruners and remove larger pieces. Shearing off just the tips creates a rat's nest of new sprouts, all competing for light. Over the years this shades the growth below causing leaf drop and resulting in a thin shell of foliage over a weak and crowded frame of branches. Thinning the canopy by pruning out larger pieces lets light into the interior of the shrub, allowing dormant buds on older wood to sprout. The new foliage layer has more depth and can handle snow loads better than a sheared shrub. Overgrown shrubs can be reduced in size by a drastic thinning of a third of the canopy each year for three years. Remember, use hand pruners and remove big pieces -- the big ones are a lot easier to clean up!

One last note. There are some plants that shouldn't be pruned now. Plants that are marginally hardy and may suffer some winter damage, such as Crape Myrtles and Japanese Maples, are best left until early spring. And shrubs that bloom in the spring can wait until the bloom is off so the display is not reduced. ■

*Horticulturalist Deanne Eversmeyer-
Ellis lives on Leonard Road*

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What to Look for in Selecting a Preschool

By Kerry Rubin

For many families with young children, the end of the year can mean the start of a hectic time: the search for the right preschool. As I learned the



hard way, it is best to begin your search early as classes begin filling up in January and February when most preschools begin accepting applications and holding open houses.

So, once you start your search, how do you differentiate between the many preschools in this area and find the best one for you and your child? We at Sleepy Hollow Preschool agree with the National Association for the Education of Young Children (“NAEYC”) that looking for a school with the following 10 signs is a good place to start:

1. Children spend most of their time playing and working with materials or other children. They do not wander aimlessly, and they are not expected to sit quietly for long periods of time.

2. Children have access to various activities throughout the day. Look for assorted building blocks and other construction materials, props for pretend play, picture books, paints, and other art materials, and table toys such as matching games, pegboards, and puzzles.

Children should not all be doing the same thing at the same time.

3. Teachers work with individual children, small groups, and the whole group

at different times during the day. They do not spend all their time with the whole group.

4. The classroom is decorated with children's original artwork, their own writing with invented spelling, and stories dictated by children to teachers.

5. Children learn numbers and the alphabet in the context of their everyday experiences. The natural world of plants and animals and meaningful activities like cooking, making attendance, or serving snack provide the basis for learning activities.

6. Children work on projects and have long periods of time (at least one hour) to play and explore. Worksheets are used little if at all.

7. Children have an opportunity to play outside every day. Outdoor play is never sacrificed for more instructional time.

8. Teachers read books to children individually or in small groups throughout the day, not just at group story time.

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Ben Franklin's Advice to Homeowners

From his "Poor Richard's Almanac, 1733-1758"

"Don't throw stones at your neighbor's if your own windows are glass."

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"When the well's dry, we know the worth of water."

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"A quarrelsome man has no good neighbors."

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"Love your neighbor, yet don't pull down your hedge."

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"An old man in the house is a good sign."

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"At the workingman's house, hunger looks in but dares not enter."

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"An egg today is better than a hen tomorrow."

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"If you would have guests merry with cheer, be so yourself, or at least so appear."

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"Fish and visitors stink after three days."

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"Never take a wife till thou has a house to put her in."

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"A house without woman and firelight is like a body without soul and sprite."

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"Keep your eyes wide open before marriage and half shut afterwards."

~ ~ ~

"Hide not your talents; they for use were made: what's a sundial in the shade."

~ ~ ~

"Early to bed and early to rise, makes a man healthy, wealthy and wise."

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9. Curriculum is adapted for those who are ahead as well as those who need additional help. Teachers recognize that children's different background and experiences mean that they do not learn the same things at the same time in the same way.

10. Children and their parents look forward to school. Parents feel secure about sending their child to the program. Children are happy to attend; they do not cry regularly or complain of feeling sick.

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One additional factor you will want to consider is whether a cooperative preschool is right for you. This form of preschool is owned and/or operated by a group of parents and staffed by professional teachers. A cooperative preschool encourages parents to share their interests and talents in the classroom, on a Board of Directors, or on committees. Many believe that com-

munication with teachers and other parents, along with helping in the classroom and observing children as they play, learn, and grow, gives parents and children alike the best education possible. After participating in my son's class over the past several months, I have certainly found this to be the case.

Sleepy Hollow Preschool is a cooperative preschool (with non-cooperative options) that has served this community for over 50 years. Sleepy Hollow seeks to provide a warm and nurturing environment, and give the emotional support and encouragement needed by all children to learn and grow.

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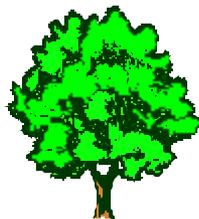
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