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P.H.C.A. MEETING: Will be held at the Pimmit Hills Elementary School on Tuesday April, 5.

CANCER FILMS SET FOR MARCH

Four open showings of two American Cancer Society films for women are being sponsored during March and April by the Arlington County Unit of the American Cancer Society.

The film program was presented at Hecht's auditorium in Parkington at 2 p.m. on March 16 and on March 30. The same two films will be shown in Lansburgh's auditorium in Shirlington at 7:30 p.m. on March 31 and again April 7.

A volunteer from the Arlington Unit's public education committee will present the films and a local physician will conduct a question and answer period.

APRIL DANCE

The P.H.C.A. is sponsoring a dance, April 29, in the Flame Room of the Vienna Fire Department. Hugh Shafer will furnish the music.

Advance tickets may be purchased for \$3.00 from Wayne Comer at TW 3-7675 or JE 2-8003 or at the door for \$3.50.

Pizza and drinks will be served (included in tickets).

Local Girls Will Attend White House Conference

Carolyn Deputy, 1917 Anderson Road, and Roxi Redmond, 1907 Griffith Rd., members of Pimmit Hills Senior Girl Scout Troop 152, which is sponsored by James Madison's S.P.T.A., have been selected to attend the "Golden Anniversary White House Conference on Children and Youth" that is being held March 27--April 2 at the University of Maryland Field House.

Attending will be 7000 delegates representing almost every national organization in the country concerned with children and youth as well as national leaders, young people and foreign guests. This national event takes place once every 10 yrs.

James Madison High School Dedication

James Madison High School will be formally dedicated April 3, 1960, at 2:30 p.m. in the school auditorium.

Mr. Davis Y. Paschal, State of Virginia Director of Instruction, will be the main speaker for the occasion. Mr. W. T. Harrison, Supt. of Schools in Fairfax County and Mrs. Dorothy McDiarmid, Va. delegate House of Rep. will be presented along with other state, county and local dignitaries.

Following the ceremony a reception will be held in the school cafeteria.

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TEEN CHAPERONES FOR THE MONTH
OF FEBRUARY

TEEN NEWS
by Joyce Hornberger

The following adults chaperoned at the Teen Club dances during the month of February: Mrs. DeGrange, Mrs. Thomason, Mr. and Mrs. Lacey, Mrs. Allison, Mr. and Mrs. Purvis, Mr. and Mrs. Young, Mr. and Mrs. Aardin, Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Craft, Mrs. Margaret Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Aamodt, Mr. and Mrs. DeLoatche and Mr. and Mrs. Wells.

Many thanks to all these fine people for their contribution of time and energy in spite of the nasty weather we've had.

PTA OFFERS SCHOLARSHIPS

Application blanks are now available for high school seniors interested in applying for a \$500 grant offered by the Northern Virginia District of the Virginia Congress of Parents and Teachers.

The scholarship for the first year of college study is offered to students who will enter the teaching profession. Application forms may be obtained from high school principals.

LOST: Case containing child's glasses, enroute from Pimmit Hills School to 2310 Prout Place. Very important they be recovered. Finder please call TW 3-8598.

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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.

A swimming party was held on March 18, at the Northern Virginia Aquatic Club in Cherrydale. The price was 75¢ per person. Approximately sixty teen-agers went, and fun was had by all.

Mrs. Charles Smith, past member of the executive board and chaperone of the Teen dances, sends her thanks for having the benefit dance in her honor, and also for having sent the many cards and flowers. She really appreciated them, and hopes to be on her feet again soon.

The president of the Teen Club, Jay Shacochis, broke his ankle while playing basketball for his church C.Y.C. The game was played at Denis J. O'Connell when the unfortunate accident occurred. The teen-agers hope to see Jay's ankle back in shape and hope it will be real soon.

The past snow-storms made many kids miss the dances. But those who still attended had a great deal of fun.

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Congratulations to Mrs. Shirley Barnes, 311 Pimmit Dr., on her birthday, April 29th. May she have many, many more. Shirley, as you all probably know, is the tall attractive police lady who patrols the intersection of Pimmit Drive and Paxton Rd. for the Lemon Road school children.

Mrs. Kathie Ritchey, Pimmit Drive, recently flew down to Fort Myers, Florida and Nassau in the Bahamas. At Fort Myers, she saw the Pittsburgh Pirates in spring training; and at Nassau, she visited Ardastra Gardens, the only place in the world where an exhibition of trained flamingos, performing on command, can be seen. Mr. Ritchey was on a business trip to Puerto Rico and missed all the fun. Now, he's in Laborador.

The Boy Scouts of St. Luke's Church have been busy lately. The Beaver Patrol, consisting of Tommy Zangrilli, Alan Burnstein, Jack Prather, Jeff Shifflett, Dave Madgon and Leader Bill Tatham accompanied by Mr. Lewis Zangrilli, went on a 6 mile hike from the Chain Bridge up the Canal and back. They had a cook out lunch, qualifying all the boys for 2nd class scouts. And the Senior Boys of the troop also hiked from the Chain Bridge up to Great Falls, which is about 10 miles.

Boys participating in this venture are Tommy Jones, Irwin Smith, Joe Goodwin, Chris and Bill Tatham. They were unaccompanied by an adult and are working on their hiking badge.

Mr. Norman Chaudet, director of Physical Education, Health and Athletics, of James Madison High School recently attended a Physical Education Conference at Natural Bridge, Virginia.

Verba Adams, Prout Place, recently had a Plastic Novelty Party, demonstrated by Mrs. Ann Carlson of Hileman Rd. Guests were: Bobbie Chaudet, Bettye Bennett, Verlee Mauk, Ethel Kelley, Susan Newlun, Christine Hill, Louise Nelson and daughter, Judy.

Wayne and Onita Comer were visited last weekend by his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Merle W. Comer, of Richmond, Virginia along with Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Larson.

The musical version of SEVENTEEN to be produced at O'Connell on April 22, 23 and 24, is based on the novel by Booth Tarkington. The locale of the story is Indianapolis during the early 1900's. Summer has just begun and Willie Baxter (Justus Riek and Jack Larmer) is confronted with the prospect of spending another uneventful summer. He is favorably surprised to learn that May Parcher (Larrie McCarthy and Carol Evans) has invited a Miss Lola Pratt (Mary Amendolia and Martha Davis) for a visit. Using baby-talk and simulating helplessness she gains Willie's affection as well as that of all the other boys. The girls noticing how Lola has taken over, become very much alarmed; and, being informed that she is to remain all summer, they resort to some womanly strategies which are of no avail. In the alternating scenes between the Baxter and Parcher households the plot deepens as Willie becomes more involved with his romance and with the obstacles which prohibits its final blossom.

McLEAN CLUB OFFERS \$500 SCHOLARSHIP

The McLean Business and Professional Women's Club announces that a scholarship of \$250 is being offered to a Senior girl at McLean High School, who wishes to prepare for a business or professional career.

This scholarship is offered not only to those who are college-bound, but also to those who seek instruction which will prepare them for any legitimate career, such as nursing, business, beauty culture, or others. It is the intention of the Club that this scholarship be awarded on the basis of career-mindedness, seriousness of purpose, and initiative, as well as character, scholarship, personality and need.

Applications may be obtained from the guidance office at the high school, or from Mrs. Orrin Eadie, President, EL 6-3689, or Mrs. Charles Lane, EL 6-3371. Applications must be returned to the guidance office or to Mrs. Lane before April 30.

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MAGIC SHOW PRESENTED
Verba Adams

If you didn't go to St. Luke's Church Sunday afternoon, March 13, you missed a wonderful chance to be mystified and amused.

A benefit magic show was presented to an audience of 170 by a few students from James Madison High School. The donations collected will go into the fund to purchase outdoor play equipment for St. Luke's Kindergarten.

These are just two examples of the entertainment offered:

Two Pimmit Hills boys, Mike Mason and Jim Parsons, were part of the magic troop. Jim stumped the audience by being wrapped up in a blanket in view of everyone present. While all eyes were watching the form in the blanket, Jim appeared at the back of the room. When the blanket was unpeeled, one of the girl assistants had miraculously taken his place in the blanket.

While the children sat spellbound, Mike Mason showed various large empty cylinders. Then, much to the amusement of the little ones, Mike proceeded to pull out a complete dinner (cans, table setting, cloths, cake, egg carton, oatmeal box, etc.) from inside the proven empty cylinders.

The parents present were very proud of their little students when the kindergarten group concluded the program with an aria of four songs, conducted by their teacher, Mrs. Lois Keay.

JAMES MADISON NEWS

Pimmit Hills Boys Win Debate Contest

James Madison's Sammy Johnson, 2104 Hileman Rd., and Frances Gordon, formerly of Arch Dr., now living on Old Court House Road, formed the winning Debate Team in the Northern Virginia Debate League, Junior Varsity division. They opposed Washington-Lee High at McLean High, March 14 at 8 p.m. Madison's Team argued the affirmative in "Resolving That The Federal Government Should Substantially Increase It's Regulation of Labor Unions".

SUMMER RECREATION PROGRAM
PIMMIT HILLS SCHOOL

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The faculty and PTA have recommended a summer recreation program for the children of Pimmit Hills for 1960. Fairfax County will provide a full-time instructor, volunteers will be needed to fully implement all phases of the program. Persons interested in volunteering for this worthwhile project should contact Mr. Glass, President of the Pimmit Hills PTA. P.H.C.A. has agreed to match funds provided by the PTA to an extent not to exceed \$200.

APRIL 15 DEADLINE
FOR AUTO TAGS

Motorists must buy state tags first, because they need proof of State registration before buying city or county tags.

Car owners, not having \$15,000-\$30,000 bodily injury insurance with a firm authorized to do business in Virginia, will be assessed \$15 uninsured owner's fee in addition to the regular \$10 cost of the tags.

POLIO CLINIC

A polio clinic for anyone age 3 months and up, will be held at the Pimmit Hills Elementary School, March 29. Inoculations needed may be obtained for \$1.00 each.

The Clinic is sponsored by the PHCA in cooperation with the Fairfax County Lay Health Ass'n.

Bobbie Flester is heading the project for the Citizen's Association.

HIGH SCHOOLS WIN HONORS

Bishop Dennis J. O'Connell High School was the runnerup school in George Washington University's second annual high school debate tournament.

Debating this resolution, "Be it resolved: that the Federal Government should substantially increase its control over labor unions," Falls Church High placed third in the meet.

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MRS. IRMINGARD SMITH
HOME FROM HOSPITAL
by Kathie Ritchey

Many of us are saddened by the tragedy in the life of Mrs. Irmgard Smith. Possibly, the adults may not know who Mrs. Smith is, but many of our children do! She was the driver of one of the yellow Fairfax County School busses for many, many years. Bussing Pimmit Hills children to Dunn Loring School, and later to Lemon Rd. School and McLean High. Also making many field trips with the children and room mothers.

Her love and interest in our children went "above and beyond" what was expected of a bus driver. Mrs. Smith was seriously injured in an auto accident on the Washington-Baltimore Pike, New Year's Day, in which her husband was killed, and her children (all adopted) were injured. She, herself, owes her own life to the quick thinking of her son, Charles, who gave her first aid.

Mrs. Smith was known for her deep concern for the welfare of her young passengers. We mothers all felt that our children were as safe as possible when Mrs. Smith was at the wheel. She even made special stops for crippled children on occasion.

I recall, about 5 years ago, my son was seriously injured and went to school on crutches. Physical therapy was needed urgently each evening after school. So, Mrs. Smith brought him home on the first run (instead of the usual 2nd run) stopping in front of our house and guiding him safely across the street.

I shall always be grateful to her for that act of kindness. Now, Mrs. Smith has many months of suffering ahead of her. However, she is not forgotten by many among us.

The Lemon Road school has taken up a collection for her, the Pimmit Hills Teen Club (of which she and her husband were regular chaperons) held a benefit dance for her, and James Madison and McLean High were trying to get blood donated for her. We can be proud of the love, generosity and appreciation of the young folks of our community.

The bus drivers of Fairfax County have given her a nice donation, and what with Judy getting another operation, it was a blessing. Charlie is still in braces, and Betty Grace is coming on as well as can be expected. Mrs. Smith expects to be out of her wheel chair soon and on crutches. Incidentally, the soldier that crossed the double lines and hit their car head-on had no insurance; nor, have his survivors made any attempt at retribution. With all this tremendous financial worry and heart-ache, Mrs. Smith bears no ill will toward the memory of the soldier that caused her trouble.

HEAD LEAVES CITY UTILITY POSITION

The City's Director of Public Utilities, James W. Head, Jr., submitted his resignation effective April 8.

City Manager Lewis Z. Johnston said the resignation will be accepted.

Mr. Head said he is leaving for "personal reasons."

A resident of the District, Mr. Head is one of four city heads who would be affected by a proposal that would require department heads to live within the limits of Falls Church.

The proposal was given to the Council for study by City Manager, Johnston.

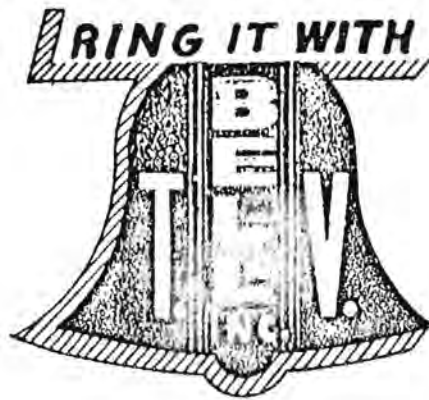
Mr. Head has administered the City's extensive water system since 1950 when he began Falls Church's first Public Utilities Director. Before that, he was with the engineering firm of Wiley and Wilson which initially installed the City's water lines.

TELEPHONE DIRECTORY NEED MORE HELP

The P.H.C.A. is in the process of publishing a new telephone directory for Pimmit Hills. Volunteer help is needed to solicit for ads.

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