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ASSOCIATION LEETING: After two not too idle summer months, the first meeting of the new year will be held TUESDAY evening, September 3, at 8:00 p.m. in the cafeteria of the Pinmit Hills School. Agenda for this meeting:

New Business:

Adjournment

This first meeting should not be a long one, but it is an important one. Not only is this the time for the executive committee to present its budget and to outline its program for the coming year, but more important, this is the change for YCU (all residents of Fimmit Hills, Pimmit View, Orchard Crest and Leonard Sbdv.) to bring additional surjections and proposals for study and action by the Association. The inspiration for the community action should ideally come from the residents of the community to the organization which has as its raison dietre serving the needs and vants of the residents. The Association should not be in the position of inflicting programs on the people merely because of popular apathy to community problems. In other words, this is your Association: its job is to represent you; and it cannot effectively do its job without your support. Tour support can come in many ways: one important way is to attend meetings and take part in Association projects; another equally important way is by becoming a member of the Association, because membership dues are the only regular source of income for the Association.

MERERSHIP DUES are a nominal \$2.50 per household per year (Sept. 1 to Sept. 1). Tickets are available from officers and will be available at the September meeting. So bring \$2.50 in addition to your ideas to the September meeting. Membership imposes no official obligations beyond those imposed by feelings of civic pride. Everyone is welcome at all Association meetings, but only members may vote.

PROGRAM FOR 1958: A partial list of continuing and new projects proposed by the Executive Committee for 1957-58 includes: subject to the will of the majority of residents in the areas, streetlights in Section 7, installation of sidewalks in Section 6, publication of a new Pimmit Hills Directory, continuation to completion of the Street Improvement Program in Samitary District 8 (Pimmit

Hills, Sec. 1-5), and the establishment of a positive program of generating favorable publicity about the community. In addition, the executive committee is currently engaged in a study aimed at revising and streamlining the constitution and general operations of the Citizens' Association to keep pace with the changes that have taken place since the dark days of 1951. . .

CURES AND CUTTERS: In 1956 Sanitary District No. 8 was established for a street improvement program in Sections 1-5 of Pimmit Hills. Most of the preliminary work has now been done. The State has approved the amount and rate of a bond issue to pay for the improvements so that the exact cost to the residents is now known. Action to be taken at the next meeting of the Board of Supervisors will start rolling the machinery that will result in a referendum for approval of the bond issue in early fall of this year. Details will be presented at the Association meeting Tuesday.

ATTENTION PIMMIT VIEW, ORCHARD CREST, IEONARD SEDV.: The "milky spore" powder method of eradicating Japanese Beetles can be applied to your lawns this fall, as it was to many homes in Pimmit Hills two years ago. The effectiveness of this method of beetle control is recognized by the U.S. Agriculture Department and it is available on a community basis through the Citizens' Association for a charge of about \$5.00 to \$10.00 per lot. The Association has the necessary information and contacts but still needs volunteers for a day's work in taking orders in these areas. Volunteers may contact the Secretary at JE 3-2801.

HAVE YOU SEEN the new Fairfax County Directory and Map published this summer by the Fairfax County Federation of Citizens' Associations of which we are a member? The directory includes such invaluable data as names and phones of all county departments, descriptions of county government functions, tax and school data, a "civic calendar" for the county, etc.; the MAP which accompanies the directory is the only complete map of Fairfax County available. It was based on large scale official county maps and includes all streets, roads, developments, schools, landmarks, etc. in the county. The Price: \$1.00 covers both directory and map. They will be available at the September meeting and thereafter from the Secretary.

MANTED: Volunteers for Association work. A regular mimeograph machine operator for one evening's work per month printing the NE SLETTER. Also, a committee chairman to work on a new Directory for publication in spring 1958.

The YMCA is seeking establishment of a Fairfax-Falls Church Y to bring its well known programs into this area. Support is urged of their current fund raising drive which will be the first and last such drive. Future support will come from the UGF. . .

WINEROUS COLPIAINTS from the area suggests that a reminder is in order of several provisions of the Covenants and Restrictions to which we all agreed in buying homes: Para. 10: "No let shall be used or maintained as a dumping ground for rubbish. Trash, garbage, or other waste shall not be kept except in sanitary containers. All incinerators or other equipment for storage of such material shall be kept in a clean and sanitary condition.