



## Pimmit Hills Calendar of Events:

- Tuesday, May 1 at 7:30 pm: PHCA meeting
- Thursday, May 3 at 10:00 am: MOMS (Moms Offering Moms Support) Club of Falls Church holding an open house. Call 703-234-3953 x7456 for more information.
- Thursday, May 3 to Sunday, May 6: Marshall High School presents the play, "Hotel Paradiso," acted by the Virginia state theater champions from Marshall. Call 703-714-5400 for more information.
- Saturday, May 5 from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm: Hospice Plant Sale, 4715 North 15th Street in Arlington. Raindate May 6. Call Joe Pimento at 703-847-8587 for more information.
- Wednesday, May 16 from 6:00 pm to 8:45 pm: Free Financial Planning Seminar for Women at the Tysons-Pimmit Library. Call 703-790-9119 for more information.
- Thursday, May 24 at 7:15 pm: Women's Health Seminar at Charity Baptist Church. Call 703-734-1683 or 703-242-7128 for more information.
- Sunday, May 27 from Noon-?: 5th Annual Memorial Day Picnic at Triple R Ranch on 2043 Pimmit Drive in Falls Church. Call 703-903-7406 for tickets. Donation \$10.
- Tuesday, June 5 at 7:30 pm: PHCA meeting. PHCA officer elections for June 2001 to June 2002 year.

Send community events to the Dispatch editor

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Display ads: \$25 for ¼ page; \$50 for ½ page; \$75 for entire page, all per month. Ad designed for free. Classified ads: 40 words maximum; \$5 per month.  
Write check to: PHCA; Mail check to: Editor, Pimmit Hills Dispatch, 1925 Cherri Drive, Falls Church, VA 22043  
Send news items, articles, ad copy, classified ads, etc to the Dispatch Editor via:  
email — [dispatch@pimmithills.org](mailto:dispatch@pimmithills.org); OR fax — 703-734-0779; OR mail — above address.

## June issue deadline: May 10

Our Neighborhood,  
Our Home

May 2001



# The Pimmit Hills Dispatch

Courtesy of the  
Pimmit Hills  
Citizens Association

[pimmithills.org](http://pimmithills.org)



# PIMMIT HILLS NEWS

## PHCA Needs YOU!

Are you new to the community? You are the future of Pimmit Hills and the Citizens Association needs your help. Volunteer just an hour or two each month to be on the Association board and be a positive influence on this great little neighborhood of ours. Termed in the *Washington Post*: "the best kept secret" in the area, our neighborhood needs YOU to help enhance its way of life and protect it from unwanted development. Call the PHCA President at 703-448-1394 or email him: [president@pimmithills.org](mailto:president@pimmithills.org) to indicate your interest in helping out. Terms are only one year (June 2001 to June 2002). The positions are: President, First Vice President, Second Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. ☞

## PHCA Calendar

Be sure to check out the community calendar on the back cover of this of this issue for all the upcoming events in May and June. Send your events to the *Dispatch* editor: [dispatch@pimmithills.org](mailto:dispatch@pimmithills.org). ☞



**Pimmit Hills**  
Our Neighborhood  
Our Home

## Good Neighbor

Now that the weather has finally gotten warmer, we can all be outside enjoying our yards and having our windows open to let in the fresh air. Please remember that we don't live on 10 acre lots—we live close together so be courteous of your neighbors and keep the noise down. Even though you might not see your neighbors, they can certainly hear you when you scream at your kids or dog. Other noisemakers to be mindful of: loud music, barking dogs, cars without mufflers, etc. ☞



# Pimmit Hills Citizens Association

## Pimmit Hills Citizens Association

1927 Pimmit Drive, Falls Church, VA 22043  
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## OFFICERS for June 2000 to June 2001:

President	Joe Baker	703-448-1394 <a href="mailto:president@pimmithills.org">president@pimmithills.org</a>
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## WHO TO CALL:

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Neighborhood Watch	Bill Niland	703-356-8240
Fairfax County Police (non-emergency)		703-691-2131
<i>The Dispatch</i> Delivery	Linda Rose	703-442-8375
<i>The Dispatch</i> Editor	Cindy Kwitchoff	703-734-0402 fax: 703-734-0779

### Ad Rates:

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email: [dispatch@pimmithills.org](mailto:dispatch@pimmithills.org)  
mail: 1925 Cherri Drive

Only TWO more PHCA  
meetings left:

**Tues, May 1**

**Tues, June 5**

*Then we'll see you in  
September!*

**Meeting location:  
Pimmit Hills School  
on Lisle Avenue**

**Meeting time:  
7:30 pm**

***Please join us!***

# MEMBERSHIP

## in the Pimmit Hills Citizens Association

September 2000 – June 2001



**Pimmit Hills**  
Our Neighborhood  
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Renew your yearly membership in the Pimmit Hills Citizens Association. Membership is still a bargain at only \$3 per person per year. Your support of your community helps the PHCA to have a stronger voice with the government of Fairfax County. **Important: the information you provide below will be incorporated into the next PHCA Directory. Please be sure it is accurate.**

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*Mail form with your yearly dues to:*  
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Falls Church, VA 22043

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### Four Performances:

Thursday, May 3 at 7:30 pm; Friday, May 4 at 7:30 pm  
Saturday, May 6 at 7:30 pm; Sunday, May 7 at 2:00 pm

## Meet your Pimmit Hills neighbors at the Fifth Annual Memorial Day Picnic

at the 'Triple-R Ranch' - 2043 Pimmit Drive, Falls Church

### Sunday, May 27 from Noon until ?

**Free Food, Free Sodas, Free Beer**

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Music provided by a local DJ; games; door prize drawing

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Tickets must be purchased by Sunday, May 20



# Did You Know?

By Jennifer Baker, PHCA Secretary

Here's what happened at the last Pimmit Hills Citizens Association (PHCA) meeting in April:

Hello Neighbors - I'm sad to report that attendance was down at the April PHCA meeting. After several months of seeing sixty or so of our neighbors, we were back to having just twenty folks turn out. Even though this wasn't a good sign, I'm not ready to admit defeat yet. I'm not ready to believe that the only thing that will get people out to a meeting is fear or curiosity. I am still hopeful that we will get to a point where we'll be able to sustain a robust turnout at every meeting.

As I noted last month, for the Association to continue, you - the many residents of Pimmit Hills who aren't yet involved - need to step up to the plate to take a swing at leadership and service. We know that there are many talented people living in this community, and we hope that some of you will come forward soon to lend your talents to the PHCA. Per the Bylaws of the Association, the May meeting is the Annual Meeting. It is the meeting where we are supposed to elect offi-

cers for the new Association year. So how 'bout it? How about confirming my suspicion that there are a lot of good, civic minded people in this community and making time to attend.

While you are thinking about it, let me provide some highlights from the April meeting.

Good news! All of the *Dispatch* routes are presently covered. This has been a long time coming and the Board wishes to thank all of those who have come forward to help get the community newsletter out.

We are still monitoring the service provided by AAA Recycling and Trash Removal Services. Mark O'Brien, General Manager of the company, sent a prompt and courteous reply to our request that they do better at making sure that trashcans are put back out of the roadway. He assured us that they would take steps to improve the service in this area. If residents still have concerns about bins being left out where they present a hazard to drivers, please contact any member of the Board. Specific details will help us if we have to go back to re-

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# PRINTING

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address the complaint.

Watch out for phone scams! At the meeting, a resident pointed out that unscrupulous people are using the phone to pitch a variety of things that may seem ok on the surface, but are really designed to part us from our money. Residents are encouraged to be very cautious and never give out their credit card or other financial information over the phone, unless they have initiated the contact. Also beware of salesmen who come to your door. Springtime brings out folks trying to sell home-related services, so it's always good to keep in mind the old adage that if a deal seems too good to be true, it probably is.

Jeff Rose gave the final report on the Traffic Calming Project. He con-

firmed that we did indeed miss the 75% level of support that was needed in order for the process to be continued and a community task force formed. 52% of those petitioned were in favor of the process continuing, 7% were against and 41% did not respond (this particular percentage is primarily made up of people who we were unable to reach despite repeated attempts). So it's official, traffic calming will not be considered for Pimmit Hills. Many thanks go to all of those who participated in this project. Kudos on a good effort by all involved!

I hope these monthly highlights serve as an appetizer that make you want to come out for the "meal" itself. See you in May! ☞

## Women's Health Seminar

### Thursday, May 24 at 7:15 pm

Women's health issues are becoming more complex, especially as our lifespan lengthens.

Dr. Farah Mofid, a Christian Family Physician, will discuss topics that will include preventative health for women and depression in women.

Admission is free, reservations are suggested. For more information or to reserve a seat, call Linda Wheeler at 703-734-1683 or Jackie Mitchell at 703-242-7128.

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Also across the river is the **National Cathedral** with its retail greenhouse and gardens and an annual "Flower Mart" (the first Friday and Saturday in May).

There are a number of historic houses with notable gardens, among them **Dunbarton Oaks** designed by Beatrix Ferrand, the **Hillwood Museum Gardens** planted by Marjorie Merriweather-Post, **Mount Vernon** landscaped with historic plant varieties that still entice the gardener, and **River Farm**, headquarters of the American Horticultural Society, just below Alexandria.

A little farther away is **Brookside Gardens**, part of the Wheaton Regional Park, just east of Georgia Avenue in Maryland. This place has a beautifully landscaped conservatory, a lake, ponds and fountains, a children's garden, numerous formal gardens, and a wooded hillside full of unusual trees and shrubs.

A little closer to home visit **Meadowlark Gardens** on Beulah Road between Route 7 and the Dulles Toll Road. Having recently fenced-out the hungry deer, the gardens are finally filling out.

**Green Spring Garden Park** just off Little River Turnpike near Braddock Road is one of the best kept secrets of the Fairfax County Park System. These gardens are innovative, informative and beautifully designed. The horticulture center offers a well-endowed library,



scads of free leaflets and plant lists, and it also hosts many gardening events, including their own winter lecture series. One of the best plant sales around is held at Green Spring twice a year: the third Saturday in May and again in September. (Bring the big car to this one!)

And there are plenty of gardeners in Pimmit Hills. Wondering about the identity of your neighbor's yellow-flowered vine or that purplish spiky thing in the pot? Just ask! Gardeners are nice people and always happy to answer questions (at least 99.9% of the time). So, if you're wondering, just holler and I'll be happy to take a break and tell you -- that is a yellow form of our native Honeysuckle Vine and the other is a purple-leaf New Zealand Flax. ☞

*Horticulturalist Deanne Eversmeyer lives on Leonard Road.*



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# The Pimmit Hills Gardener

By Deanne Eversmeyer

**I**mitation is the sincerest form of flattery. And often the easiest way to get good results! But, when you're dealing with plants, imitating your across-the-street neighbor may lead to heartache as the Hostas that do so well in their north-facing foundation bed burn up in your opposing, south-facing bed. So who does one imitate?

There are actually lots of professional horticulturists, landscape designers and gardeners out there who are landscaping just for your enjoyment and enlightenment and imitation.

I'm talking about the people who work at the horticultural parks, the historic manor houses, and public and private institutions

that welcome the public to view their gardens.

Across the Potomac, bordering New York Avenue and Bladensburg Road is the largest horticultural institution in these parts, the **National Arboretum**. This is a great place to see the cherry blossoms when the Tidal Basin is awash in tourists or fall foliage when 66 is bumper-to-bumper with mountain-bound gawkers. And the Lilac test plot (it's gotta be the size of a football field!) is pure heaven when in bloom.

The **U.S. Botanical Gardens**, on the Mall between the Air and Space Museum and the Capitol, has been undergoing a huge renovation project and is scheduled to re-open in September.



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Over 1400 books in Spanish for both adults and children are available and materials in Korean and now being added. The ESL collection has materials specially designed to support learning English.

On our Library's Internet station it is possible to read newspapers in dozens of languages allowing patrons to stay in touch with events all over the globe. At the Tyson's Pimmit Library we are working to bring the world to you. Keep in touch at the Library!

*By Rita Mayer*  
Assistant Branch Manager  
Tyson's Pimmit Regional Library

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703-821-4275 fax

Jane K. Strauss  
School Board  
10700 Page Avenue  
Fairfax, VA 22030



phone 703-246-4780

email: board@burkholder.fcps.k12.va.us

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Traffic Safety Division: trafsaf@co.fairfax.va.us

McLean District: mclcapt@co.fairfax.va.us

Pimmit Hills School: 703-506-2344

7510 Lisle Avenue, Falls Church, VA 22043

To report safety, parking or behavioral concerns: 703-506-2318

Principal: William Harper, 703-506-2315, wharper@fc.fcps.k12.va.us

Asst. Principal: Paula Castri, EdD, 703-506-2310, pcastri@fc.fcps.k12.va.us

Asst. Principal: Bud Mayo, 703-506-2273, bmayo@fc.fcps.k12.va.us

Fax: 703-506-2397

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## A Financial Planning Seminar *Especially for Women*

Join tax and financial professional Mary Zembruski as she presents a special financial planning seminar for women at the Tysons-Pimmit Library on Wednesday, May 16 at 6:00 pm.

She will cover IRAs, 401K's, retirement, social security, federal and state taxes, educational funding and investing

Call Mary at 703-790-9119 to register for this **FREE** seminar

**Financial Planning Seminar for Women**  
**Wednesday, May 16**  
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**Tysons-Pimmit Regional Library**  
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Shopping Center? How come no  
one from the ownership comes to  
our Association and gives us a  
briefing? Is the Rite Aid going for  
good; what is replacing the current  
businesses? Is anyone else inter-  
ested?

There was a typo in my last col-

umn concerning sewer line replace-  
ment. The high end cost should  
have read \$5,000, not \$15,000 which  
was the price of some of our homes  
when originally bought.☞

*Donnie Dick lives on Nigh Road*

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## Pimmit Hills Senior Center

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The Pimmit Hills Senior Center is open to everyone 55 years of age or older. It is located at the Pimmit Hills School, 7510 Lisle Avenue, Falls Church, and its hours are Monday through Friday, 9:00 am to 4:00 pm.☞

*The Center is operated by  
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## Heard on the Grapevine

By Donnie Dick



This month I am reflecting on national issues impacting on our local area. I would swear that Jimmy Carter was back in the White House and not George W. Bush.

First we have the stock market going into the dumpster, layoffs in the high-tech sector, bankrupt utilities in California, fuel shortages, and then higher taxes at the County level and creeping price increases across the board. It sounds like stagflation all over again.

Let's see, my gas company just informed me that my natural gas price would increase from 32.9 cents per therm to 75.9 cents per therm starting in April. The *Washington Post* price went up in March and trash pickup increased their rates. The cable company no longer provides a program guide, but the price remains the same. Real property assessments increased by 11 percent and the tax rate remains the same which results in an 11 percent increase in taxes.

Tax collections at the state level fell due to a cooling off of the economy and fewer dollars are now

available to fund state and local services. Localities now must cut services or increase taxes. Local officials are still looking for bigger budgets to pay higher wages, increase the number of teachers, build more roads and schools. Will it never end?

Your fuel prices are on the way back up above recent higher rates and OPEC is cutting production to maintain the monopoly prices they are raking in at the expense of the world's economy. I would not be surprised to see the return of even and odd gas line days and more wide-spread power blackouts both in California and in other areas of the US.

So you see it is déjà vu all over again. Carter or Bush in the White House and you and me in the poor house. Remember what we went through the last time, we had to turn off the hot waters and Christmas tree lights. We ended up in a Desert Storm under another Bush in the White House.

Getting back to local news, what is the story with the Commons

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