

M E R I F I E L D A C R E S

Clarksville, Virginia
June 5, 1973

Dear Merifield Landowner:

As you know, I have recently sold the bulk of my property to Mr. Robert McKee and Mr. Richard Rathke. These two young men are as anxious to meet the landowners in Merifield Acres as I am to have all of you meet them.

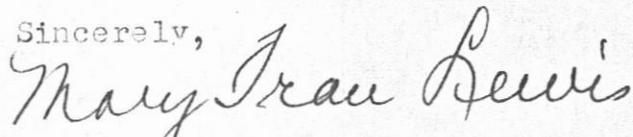
There are many reasons for meeting other than to dispell many of the rumors that are rampant. Of utmost importance is the fact that the new owners want to become acquainted with you personally and to share the matters of mutual interest and concern which confront all of us. Rather than have a "social" meeting, we have concluded that a reasonably organized and businesslike gathering will accomplish more so we are asking that you meet with us at my home - on the patio, weather permitting - or in the house if rain or extreme heat so dictates, on Saturday afternoon June 23rd at 4:30 p.m.

It is obvious that something must be decided about road maintenance, and we feel that a landowners' association will undoubtedly be the answer. The beauty and appeal of Merifield Acres revolves around and depends upon its complete privacy, therefore the roads must be dealt with on an independent basis. If the State and/or county should become involved, we would all be swamped with sight-seers, and there would be NO WAY traffic could be controlled. Especially significant is the fact that the property below the 320' and 327' elevation contour is owned by the U. S. Corps of Engineers and if public roads were built there would be no possible means of preventing the public from driving in - parking on public roads and walking over any of our property to reach the government property, which literally surrounds us.

Subsequently, there will probably be services available to the Merifield Acres landowners such as sewer and water - swimming areas, either beach or pool, tennis courts, riding trails, club house facilities and numbers of additional amenities. The importance of forming a strong and well-governed landowners' association cannot be stressed too much and I sincerely hope that each of you will make an effort not only to be present here on June 23rd, but to come with any ideas you might be able to gather in the interim so that you may add helpful and positive momentum to this meeting.

Looking forward to seeing all the adults here on the 23rd of June, I am,

Sincerely,



Mary Frances Lewis