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SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST

- The TVIC was formed on September 3, 1921.
- The "Rhubarb Revue" ran for the first time in 1954.
- The Tam Valley Community Center was built by the TVIC in 1968.
- You can visit the TVIC website at:
www.tamvalley.org
- For more information about the club, email:
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On September 3, 1921, the first board members of the newly formed corporation known as the Tamalpais Valley Improvement Club were elected. They were W. J. Garrett, T. Meyer, L. L. Cook, W. Meyer, and H.R. Harris.

On November 19, 1921, the Articles of Incorporation were filed in the office of the Secretary of the State of California.

This year the TVIC is celebrating its eighty-fifth year. To mark this special occasion, the current board invites you to a brief visit back to the way it was with excerpts from past issues of The Progress and memories recalled.

We begin with Dick Hancock, President of the TVIC from 1947-1948.

W H Y A N I M P R O V E M E N T C L U B ?

By Dick Hancock September 1948

Since its incorporation in 1921, the Tamalpais Valley Improvement Club has had as its aim the furtherance of all endeavors which will benefit the Valley as a whole.

Quoting from the Club's Constitution, "The purpose of the organization is to bring about co-operation and united action among the residents of Tamalpais Valley and to foster, promote and maintain a cooperative spirit for the improvement of Tamalpais Valley."

During the Club's early history in the 1920's, its members were responsible for furnishing the money and the labor which went into the construction of many of the roads, culverts, and bridges in our valley. On many a week-end, in those days, the local citizens could be seen wielding a shovel, pick or hammer on some urgent project of the day.

During the twenty-seven years of the Improvement Club's history, it has been active along similar lines, and the present members are still working to promote the interests established by its founders.

During the past year the Club has been successful in accomplishing several things which it hopes has contributed to the benefit of the Valley residents.

Through the energetic work of a committee, headed by Mr. Steinert of Tamalpais Woods, we were able to obtain eight additional street lights for that area, which was poorly lighted before.

The TVIC was directly instrumental in getting the ball rolling on the re-organization of the Tamalpais Valley Volunteer Fire Department, which had become disorganized during and after the war. With the momentum gained from the push the Fire Department Volunteers have been able to organize a most competent and enthusiastic team.

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