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## Fire Prevention Week Observed Here With Educational Campaign, Contest

President Eisenhower by proclamation has designated the week of October 9-15 as Fire Prevention Week and he has called upon all Americans to reduce "the needless waste caused by preventable fires."

Along with thousands of other communities throughout North America, Greenbelt will observe this oldest of all special weeks with a special campaign under the sponsorship of the fire department headed by Chief Paul Williams.

"Don't Give Fire a Place to Start" is the slogan for this year's Fire Prevention Week program which is sponsored nationally by the National Fire Protection Association in cooperation with the International Association of Fire Chiefs.

### Emphasize Need

The week-long program will emphasize the need for greater personal fire safety. Among the events planned are: a poster contest at each of the Greenbelt schools, home inspections by the school children, home inspection by a member of the Greenbelt Fire Department upon request.

The poster contest will be among the first and second grades; third and fourth grades; and fifth and sixth grades respectively. The winner of each group will receive a "Sparky" pencil, with the runners up receiving "Sparky" helmets and patches. Each child entering the contest will get a ride on the fire truck. The posters will be on display along with other reminders at the Center stores for the rest of the week.

Sparky, the famous fire dog, has some special advice for youngsters during this Fire Prevention Week, reports Fire Chief Williams. The best way that boys and girls everywhere can help fight fires, says Sparky, is to stop fires before they start. And he tells us that the most important place we can do this is right in our own homes. Boys and girls can make believe they're fire inspectors, Sparky suggests, and check their homes for any possible fire dangers that mother and dad ought to know about.

### Things To Look For

Here are some of the things that Sparky says a real fireman looks for when he makes a home fire inspection: frayed electric cords—these often start fires and should be replaced; matches and lighters should be kept far out of the reach of small children; curtains, papers, furniture, laundry and anything that burns easily should not be anywhere near kitchen stoves or heaters or furnaces.

The attic and closets should be neat and clean because very bad fires can start in piles of old clothes, papers, paint cans and rags, and other rubbish. This kind of junk is very dangerous to keep anywhere in the house. Ash trays—big ones—are a very good thing to have in every room in the house. Matches and cigarettes carelessly thrown away start more fires than anything else.

### No Sorrier Sight

Don't over-estimate your own fire-fighting ability, warns Fire Chief Williams. There's no sorrier sight than the person who thought he could handle a small closet fire—and then had to watch helplessly as the house and all his possessions were destroyed.

This is one time when doing-it-yourself can be very expensive. The cost could very well be your own life—it too often is.

"Don't be embarrassed to call for an investigation by the fire department at once if you smell smoke or even suspect a fire," the Chief urged.

"You'll only be calling on us to do the job we're trained and ready for," he adds, "and we'll appreciate your alertness. If we actually find a fire, you certainly won't regret it either."

In case of fire - call 2011.

## EXCLUSIVE!

**BONUS FEATURE** this week! In this issue we are presenting, not one—but 2 columns by Al Long. This feature appears exclusively in the News Review.

## Methodist Consecrate New Building Sunday

Mowatt Memorial Methodist Church will consecrate a new building at 40 Ridge Road on Sunday, October 9, beginning at 11 a.m. An invitation is extended to all citizens of Greenbelt to attend all or any portion of the day's program.

The Methodist congregation was founded approximately ten years ago, following a memorial established by the late Alexander Mowatt of College Park in memory of his son who was killed on his 35th fighter pilot mission in Europe during World War II.

The name Mowatt Memorial has been retained for the new edifice in Lieut. Mowatt's memory.

The building, begun in October 1954, is the first section of a three-unit plant. Construction of the Building was by McAlister Construction Company; architects were McLeod & Ferrara. The local church's construction committee was headed by Richard Hoffman.

Officiating at the 11 o'clock service will be Rev. Stanley Knock, pastor. In attendance will be Dr. O. G. Robinson, Washington East District superintendent; Dr. Phillip Edwards, executive secretary Board of Missions, Washington East District; and Rev. C. R. Strausburg, retired past minister.

A light buffet lunch for members of the Official Board and honored guests will follow the ritual service.

Beginning at 3 p.m., a community relations hour will feature an address by Dr. Thomas B. Symons, member of the University of Maryland Board of Regents. Others participating in the community meeting will include Congressman Richard Lankford; Commissioner Frank Lastner of Prince Georges County; Mayor Thomas Canning of Greenbelt; Reverend Eric Braund, pastor of Community Church, representing the churches of Greenbelt; and Mrs. Edna White, vocalist. At 4 p.m. the new building will be open for inspection.

An evening program will include a meeting of the Methodist Youth Fellowship at 6 p.m. and an adult fellowship hour at 7:30 p.m.

## ONE DOWN; TWO TO GO

Harry Zubkoff resigned as editor of the News Review last week. Taking over on a temporary basis are volunteers Izzy Parker and Ellie Ritchie. "The advertising revenue problem is still acute, but determined efforts will continue to provide the community with a newspaper," Parker declared.

## Woodway Homes Close Applications

In order to allow sufficient time for cleaning up details prior to the closing sale date of December 31, the Board of Directors of Woodway Homes, Inc., have established October 15 as a closing date for applications. Applications received after that date will be placed on a waiting list for possible future openings.

Sign-up has been heavy in recent weeks and full enrollment is contemplated on or before October 15. Selection of lots will follow soon thereafter. Breaking of ground and start of improvements is scheduled for January 1, 1956, with actual home construction to start in early April. Completion and occupancy of homes is scheduled for early September in time for opening of the fall school season.

Members may participate on any one of these plans: (1) Buy a lot alone; (2) Buy a lot and build own home whenever desired; (3) Buy lot, improvements, home and household electrical equipment (including air-conditioning throughout, if desired) all in one package deal, financed through U. S. government.

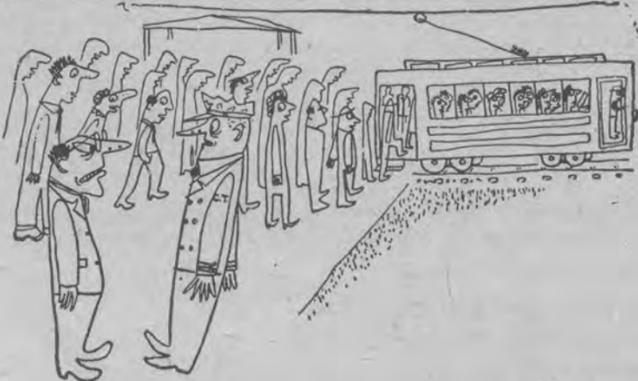
Those taking Plans 1 or 2 will have to pay their share of improvements when made for whole community.

Questions may be asked and blue-prints of homes and development examined by calling one of the board members below. The monthly meeting will be held Tuesday, October 11, 8 p.m. in the Greenbelt city council room above the Variety Store.

Members of the Board of Directors of Woodway Homes, Inc. are: Anthony Madden, 27 Ridge, 4111; Mike Burchick, 9-H Research, 5416; Martin Haker, 17-B Ridge, 9256; James Bates, 17-D Ridge, 8431; and James Cassels, 1-G Northway, 9516.

## Variety Show Offered By North End PTA

The PTA of the North End school will present its fourth annual variety show on Friday, October 14 at 8 p.m. in the North End auditorium. Entertainment by talented local residents will be presented. Among the features will be dramatic skits, various instrumental and vocal soloists, a quartet, and a bathing beauty parade. Also, former Greenbelters Julia Bailey and Ann Walker Bittenbender have been invited to perform.



"Now that The Greenbelt Bus Line has raised its fare. I hear that Louis Wolfson is interested."

## GCA Meeting Features Varied Reports On Youth Center, Sewage, Transit

By Mat Amberg

The Greenbelt Citizens Association program for the 1955-1956 year got underway Tuesday, September 27, at the Center school social room with reports on the Youth Center program, the sewage disposal problem, and current co-op transit proposals.

The Youth activities discussion was led by Beverly Fonda, chairman of the Youth Center Advisory Board and of the GCA youth center committee. Accompanying Fonda and helping him answer questions were Mrs. Jessie Walter, senior member of the board in terms of service, and the two directors of the Youth Center—Mrs. Ruth Birdseye and Mrs. Helen Frady.

The Youth Center directors operate along policy lines set down by the Advisory Board, a five-member group appointed by city council. The youngsters have their own organization and officers who sometimes attend the monthly meetings of the Advisory Board, Fonda stated.

After distinguishing between the Board (set up in 1948 as a permanent body advising the Youth Center and the Recreation Department) and the Recreation Advisory Committee (set up by city council as a temporary unit and disbanded after filing its report recently), Fonda praised the recreation committee and expressed hope it could be continued.

### "Light End"

Asked about weak spots in the city recreation program, Fonda and Mrs. Walter agreed that the boys are given more than the girls. He called the city program "wonderful" but came out for adding an arts and crafts activity—the activities now offered are mostly boys' sports. Mrs. Walter bluntly commented that the girls "get the light end of the stick." She recalled that there used to be tumbling classes for girls.

Besides explaining the youth center program and telling something of the plans for its future, Fonda announced that GCA would be asked to sponsor an evening's activity for the youngsters during the coming months—perhaps a party, dance, hayride or similar activity. Nine other Greenbelt organizations will each likewise be asked to do so, each in a different month. The GCA meeting unanimously empowered its executive board to cooperate as asked.

Fonda and Mrs. Walter, treasurer of the Advisory Board, corrected a statement in the News Review that \$800 collected at the Labor Day Weekend Festival was the nucleus of the fund that was to finance a new Youth Center. There has been some \$1,400 in the Youth Center Building Fund for some years now, they said, the product of a raffle that yielded some \$1,200, plus increases from investment.

### Scaling Down Plans

Fonda explained that the kind of Youth Center desired by the Advisory group would cost between \$65,000 and \$85,000, and that the group therefore is scaling down its plans to a more attainable building costing perhaps \$25,000.

It was explained that the Youth Center activities now are being held at the Center school gym Wednesday, Friday and Saturday nights, with Wednesdays devoted to roller-skating. Formerly the program had its own "Drop-Inn" building, but that has been dismantled.

Attendance dropped off from "Drop-Inn" gatherings as high as 400 in an evening to about 100 on Saturdays and 35 to 40 on Wednesdays nowadays, partly because the youngsters "don't have the same feeling toward the Gym that they had for their own building"—a building they used to redecorate themselves annually. Fonda estimated that there are perhaps 600-700 youngsters in the roughly 13- to 17-year-old group who might come.

The Youth Center owns its own \$1,200 juke box, three ping-pong tables, games, 130 pairs of special roller-skates of a type that will not injure the Gym floor, and other equipment. It needs additional adult personnel with training. The Advisory Board has asked the county recreation department to furnish such personnel. But some 40 other teen-age centers have also asked for county help; the county

budget for recreation is small, and Greenbelt is the only community with paid youth center directors.

The two directors are paid by the city recreation department, and the city also furnishes space, light and janitor service. The youngsters finance other operating costs out of dues and/or admission charges: \$2 a year for Greenbelters, \$3 yearly for out-of-towners, for dues—or 25c at the door admission for non-members Fridays and Saturdays; skate-night admissions to all are 25c as the skates' cost must be paid off.

### Sewage Problem

Isadore Parker, city council reporter for the News Review, spoke on the sewage disposal facilities situation. Among factors and recent developments he mentioned were these: (1.) city council has decided to engage an engineer to survey the problem—a disposal plant at near-capacity loads, plans for new housing that would exceed capacity, and costly alternatives in meeting the situation; (2.) city council also voted, 3-to-2 (Smith and Hurst in dissent) to raise the rate now charged the junior high school (which is in the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission territory but is served by the city) to 7 cents per 1,000 gallons of sewage, instead of the old 5 cent rate. The new rate would also apply to the homes the Warner-Kanter home-builder firm plans to erect south of the lake.

(3.) Greenbelt's disposal plant now dumps the treated effluent into a creek, not into WSSC lines. The Greenbelt sanitary district area is an island surrounded by WSSC jurisdiction, and WSSC might be able to force Greenbelt into its system if Greenbelt's plant were not treating sewage adequately.

(GCA president, Bob Volkhausen, commented that the Greenbelt plant completely processes its sewage, whereas WSSC dumps partially treated wastes into the rivers. He wondered whether the result of Greenbelt's merging into WSSC sewage system might not be the closing down of one of the area's few good plants.)

(4.) It takes an act of the state legislature to transfer territory into the WSSC area. This spring such an act shifted some Greenbelt undeveloped land into WSSC, but WSSC isn't ready to serve these areas with its own facilities. The transferred land is so located that sewage would fall by gravity toward WSSC, not to the Greenbelt plant.

(5.) Greenbelt residents now avoid paying certain charges by being served by their own plant—front foot charges, ad valorem charges, and yearly charges for the meters themselves. But one possibility city manager McDonald is considering—other than simply bonding the city to expand its plant or becoming part of the WSSC area—might be to contract with WSSC for certain service and continued use of existing facilities. (GCA member Glenn Burrows warned that WSSC is an antiquated system and that tying in with it to avoid the cost of expanding Greenbelt's own plant now might only mean having to pay not only the already higher WSSC charges but also part of the cost of modernizing the WSSC facilities.)

(6.) A recent WSSC press release on its 5-year-plan includes a line into Greenbelt and eventual disposition of the Greenbelt plant. Parker said McDonald thinks this is in the plan just to provide for all contingencies and that WSSC can't force Greenbelt to join.

### "All The Facts"

He expressed concern that regardless of what solution to the problem is adopted, it should not be done until all the facts are presented to the residents.

He also recalled that builders, GVHC and council members have stated that the cost of new sewage facilities would be borne entirely by residents of new homes—but he noted that present residents

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## THANKS

To the Voters of Greenbelt:  
Through the courtesy of the NEWS REVIEW I should like to congratulate and thank the registered voters of the City for their excellent showing at the polls in the recent election. I particularly want to express my deep appreciation to those who honored me with their votes and the opportunity to serve again on the city council.  
Thomas J. Canning.

## THANKS

May I take this way to show my deep appreciation and many thanks for the lovely farewell tea which you gave in my honor Sunday afternoon. The thoughtfulness in your gift, the portable TV, will keep my Greenbelt friends very close each time I turn it on. I will miss Greenbelt but the wonderful times together will always be a cherished memory.  
Mrs. Leon G. Benefiel.

## HOLY NAME SOCIETY

The Holy Name Society of St. Hugh's Catholic Church will hold its annual Communion Breakfast on Sunday, October 9, at 8:45 a.m. at the Center School. The Honorable H. Winship Wheatley, Jr., Maryland State Senator, will be the featured speaker. Members of Our Lady's Sodality will prepare and serve the breakfast.

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## Mac Leaves For Trip To Attend Convention

City manager Charles McDonald left this week for a trip to Bretton Woods, New Hampshire, where he will attend a meeting of the International City Managers Conference. He hopes to make it back to Greenbelt to attend the first meeting of the newly-elected city council, Monday.

Acting as city manager during McDonald's absence is city clerk Winfield McCamy.

The city council may be spending "nights at the round table" if Jim Smith's proposal, made during the organizational meeting last month is accepted. Smith wants the council to be seated so as to enable council members to face each other. The council is expected to discuss the proposal next Monday.

## Methodist Church

Meeting at 40 Ridge Road  
Stanley F. Knoek, Jr., Minister  
42-L Ridge Road - Phone 9410

Sunday, October 9 - 9:30 a.m., Church School. 11 a.m., Consecration Service with Dr. Orris G. Robinson. Sermon will be "The Dream Church." 3 p.m., Community Open House. 6 p.m., Methodist Youth Fellowship. 7:30 p.m., Family Fellowship Hour.

Monday, October 10 - 8 p.m., Official Board.

Wednesday, October 12 - 8 p.m., Commission on Membership and Evangelism.

## Hebrew Services

Friday night services at 8 p.m.  
Saturday morning services at 9 a.m. (Shemini Atzereth) Yiskor services at 10:30 a.m.

Sunday morning - Children's services for Simches Torah at 10 a.m. Bring your children and join in the Simches Torah festivities. Refreshments served after the services.  
Jim Smith.

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## Baptist Chapel

Center School  
Glenn W. Samuelson, Pastor  
4-E Hillside Road - GRanite 4-9424

Thursday, October 6 - 7:30-8:30 p.m., Midweek Service at the Parsonage. Devotions and study in "A Church Using Its Sunday School."

Friday, October 7 - 7:30-9 p.m., Visitation Night.

Sunday, October 9 - 9:45 a.m., Sunday School. Classes for all ages. John S. Stewart, Jr., superintendent. Nursery at four Sunday services for babies and toddlers. 11 a.m., Morning Worship Service in the auditorium. Choir led by Mrs. John J. Oleksak. Children's sermon "Ten Pennies." Pastor will preach on "Should a Christian Tithe?" 6 p.m., Training Union for all ages. Roy C. Thomas, director. 7 p.m., Evening Worship Service. Informal hymn singing led by Dr. James T. McCarl. Pastor's message will be "Justification By Faith."

Wednesday, October 10 - 7:30-9 p.m., Choir rehearsal at the Parsonage.

## Community Church

Ministers  
Eric T. Braund, Robert C. Hull  
Phone GRanite 3-5346

Friday, October 7: 4-4:30, Pilgrim Choir. 7:30, Cub Pack, Fellowship Center.

Saturday, October 8: Morning and afternoon, Landscape Bee.

Sunday, October 9: Morning Worship at 9 and 11 with Dr. Willard J. McLaughlin, executive secretary of Vellore (India) Christian Medical College Board. Church School as follows: 9 and 11 for nursery, kindergarten, and primary; 10 for juniors, junior high, college age, and adults. Evening Fellowships: 6-8 p.m., junior high, Fellowship Center: 7-8:30, senior high class and Fellowship, Social Hall. 8, Board of Deacons Meeting, Fellowship Center.

Monday, October 10: 8:15, Evening Guild, Social Hall.

Tuesday, October 11: 4:15, Treble Choir.

Wednesday, October 12: 8, Chancel Choir.

## Catholic Church

Rev. Victor J. Dowgiallo, Pastor  
GR 3-5911

October 6: Thursday, confessions in preparation for First Friday: 7:30 to 8:30 in the evening.

October 7: First Friday of the month, Mass at 7 with Communion distributed before and during the Mass. Devotions in honor of the Sacred Heart following the Mass.

Confessions: Saturday afternoon from 3:30 to 5:30 and from 7 to 9 p.m.

Sunday: Masses: 7:30, 8:30, 9:30 and High Mass at 11 a.m. Communion Sunday for members of the Holy Name Society at the 7:30 Mass, followed by Annual Breakfast at Center School. Instructions for Catholic children attending public schools each Sunday after the 8:30 Mass. Parish library is open after all Masses on Sundays. Baptisms: Sunday, 1 p.m. Please contact Father Dowgiallo beforehand.

Wednesday: Miraculous Medal Novena with Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament at 8 p.m.

The telephone number for St. Hugh's Convent has been changed from 4941 to 7971—please do not call the old number to reach the Convent.

## Lutheran Church

Edward H. Birner, Pastor  
Phone: GRanite 4-9200

Friday, October 7: 8 p.m., Senior Choir rehearsal at Henderson's, 46-C Crescent.

Saturday, October 8: 1 p.m., Sunday School Choir rehearsal at the church.

Sunday, October 9: 9:45 a.m., Sunday School and adult Bible Classes. Classes are held for each age group. Raymond Carriere, superintendent. 8:30 and 11 a.m., Church Services. Holy Communion will be celebrated at both services. Sermon by Pastor Birner. Special offering for Mission will be received at these services. Nursery maintained at second service.

Monday, October 10: 8 p.m., Sunday School teachers meet.

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# Can We Immunize Our Children Against Accidents?

By HARRY F. DIETRICH, M.D.

Accidents kill more children every year than polio, heart disease, pneumonia, leukemia, and tuberculosis combined; last year the toll exceeded 10,000.

We doctors can immunize your child against diphtheria, whooping cough, tetanus, small pox, typhoid fever, typhus, yellow fever, cholera, mumps, influenza, and rabies. But there's no magic vaccine for accidents. Your child's immunity from accidents depends entirely on you, his parent.

Whenever I tell some parents this I get a look of distress. "But I can't think of everything!" they tell me. Agreed. Parents can't and shouldn't try to think of everything. I can almost guarantee that your child won't be clipped by a wing tank from a jet airplane, or be hit by a runaway ostrich. So think of more common things. Very common things like automobiles (they killed 4,500 children in 1952); falls (they killed 650); fires (1,950); poisons, especially those in attractive bottles left within tiptoe reach (650); and pools, cisterns, streams, wells, or any other body of water suitable for drowning (2,050).

If you must worry, these are the things to worry about—not thumb-sucking or clean ears or dancing lessons or school grades or clean teeth; not even polio or pneumonia. The most important thing is to keep your child alive and uncrippled. It's simply a matter of

putting first things first.

Preventing accidents to your child means merely that you give him protection and education in the proper proportions—100 per cent protection at first, but less and less protection and more and more education as he grows older.

During its first year a baby is almost entirely helpless and it would be an irresponsible parent indeed who wouldn't try to provide complete protection. But what, precisely, does this mean? Some of the things it means can be expressed as rules:

1. Don't use any restraining sheets or makeshift harnesses; and don't allow him in bed with a sleeping adult.

2. At 3 months—get a play-pen or provide an equally safe enclosed area where he can be left unattended. Use it for not less than a year and preferably longer.

3. At 5 to 7 months—provide a safe place for the baby to sit while eating. Even a broadbased high chair with a safe harness should be placed where the infant cannot push himself over or pull dangerous objects onto himself.

4. At 5 to 6 months—bear in mind that your baby will bite (and swallow and inhale) every object it can reach. Pieces of toys, pins, paint, buttons, and beads will be taken more eagerly than even the most advertised vitamins.

5. At 10 months—the mere changing of diapers can become a difficult and dangerous wrestling

match. Because the twisting, turning, and general resistance to lying on the back threaten the safety of the infant, they provide a most reasonable cause for the introduction of the first discipline, mildly applied on the you-know-what.

A year-old baby is hardly prepared for the complexities and artificial rules of the world within his reach, and you will be surprised at the length of that reach. You can expect him to reach every closet and cupboard in the house; indiscriminately taste, touch, chew, pull on, jerk, bite, and swallow every article he can reach; put his foot or his head into every situation and every machine he can find. If he's normal, he'll also be unafraid of water, even if it's 3,000 feet deep; undeterred by autos and tractors, even if they're 3,000 pounds heavy; and ignorant of the potentialities of fire, even if it's 3,000 degrees hot.

Therefore, you must protect your one-to-two-year-old toddler by:

Providing him with one or several protected areas where you can safely leave him alone; keeping him away from the stove, whether it's in use or not; keeping matches, lighters, and hot liquids beyond his ever-growing reach; keeping poisons, caustics, kerosene, and medicines under lock and key; using plastic plugs in accessible but unused electrical outlets (inexpensive safety outlets are available and easily installed);

and, unless you're there to watch him, keeping him away from driveways, roads, alleys, stables, rivers, ponds, and even filled bathtubs.

After his first year, your child is able to take some training in safety. Don't delay giving it to him, please. Too many mothers stay anxiously protective of their children long beyond the time when they should have started educating the children to protect themselves. The results are either excessively dependent children or rebellious ones.

Just a word about discipline: Even though by countless tests a child is convinced of the loving intent, the wisdom, the unselfishness, and the consistency of the parent's demands, discipline will be needed. What's required may be a stern voice, deprivation of privilege, and, not too rarely, a properly placed (but not too vigorous) swat. Whatever you do, just be sure that it's necessary, mild, reasonable, related to the offense, and understandable to the child.

So that you won't have to heckle your toddler too much, make his play areas as foolproof (that's baby-proof) as possible. Then when you have to say "no" or "don't," it won't be about handling a bottle of ink or Aunt Sarah's gift vase. It will be about something important that really threatens his safety. Finally, and most important, don't rob your child of the educational value of

his own minor injuries. If you reward him (his tears, his bruises, or his bleeding) with sweet words or saccharine tidbits, he will probably forget his lesson and may even only remember that playing with fire begets cookies. Expect a reasonable number of cut lips, chipped teeth, and bloody fingernails; properly handled they achieve dignity and acquire value. They are "education" at this age and will form a sound foundation for judgment and horse sense.

Even more, you can advance his education by setting up a series of carefully selected minor mishaps. After appropriate warnings, let him discover that hot things burn. Let him convince himself, in safe circumstances, that gravity is always tugging at the seat of his pants. Let him—by tasting mustard, vinegar, or maybe alum—learn that not everything in a bottle or dish is palatable. Let him, in his daily experience, find out that water in his air passages is not necessarily pleasant and desirable. Permit him to find out that he is not unsinkable. Go on—let him get his finger caught in the egg beater. That way he'll learn about moving machinery from a comparatively harmless gadget and might never be prompted to stick his chubby fist in an electric fan.

Remember this—protection is just to keep your child alive and unharmed while you teach him to take care of himself. END

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## Local Churches Show Martin Luther Film

"Martin Luther," a half million dollar authentic production of the life of the "Monk who shook the world" will be shown at the Center School auditorium on Thursday, October 20 at 7:30 p.m. Doors will open at 7.

Dealing with the life of the 16th century Protestant Reformation leader, the film takes Luther from his beginning as a monk in an Augustinian monastery to the Diet of Augsburg.

A production caravan, consisting of a cast and crew of 60 persons riding in cars and buses, followed by several trailer trucks loaded with equipment and costumes, traveled over Western Germany shooting scenes of Luther's student days, the burning of the papal bull and the entrance of Luther into the city of Worms.

Most of the action of the film was photographed in the actual streets, churches, monasteries and castles of the period. Since the town of Wittenberg, in whose church Luther preached, is now in the hands of the Russians, the Maulbronn monastery church was used instead. However, the company managed to shoot exteriors of one Eastern Zone location, Wartburg Castle, where Luther was placed in hiding, and where he translated the New Testament.

The film is brought to Greenbelt by the Baptist Chapel, the Community Church, the Lutheran Church, and the Methodist Church with cooperation of the World Home Bible League, an interdenominational agency engaged in the international distribution of Scriptures to the homes. Everyone is invited. A free-will offering will be taken.

## The Long View

by A. C. Long

Now that the turmoil and the tumult of the council election have passed, we can all sit back contentedly and just wait for better service and lower taxes. Because that's what they all promised as I remember their speeches and letters.

We were bound to elect five, good councilmen out of eight fine candidates. I'm quite satisfied with the results, except sorry that Ben Goldfaden didn't make it (by only a very few votes). He has been a good public servant in Greenbelt for many years. Of course, now he can spend more time selling insurance and those who are sorry he lost can call him up and buy a policy.

Interestingly enough we now have a council which is in mild favor of liquor but against booze, in favor of women's shorts but not sure where they should wear them (around the midriff, I should think), in favor of lower taxes but not quite willing to reduce them, and in favor of cutting services to save money but not the services that people want. We can look forward, therefore, to some firm, clear-cut policies and decisions.

Seven Court Crescent should be a good place to live this next year, a friend told me, what with Long on the GVHC board and Kistler on the Council. Sorry to say it doesn't work out that way. We won't lean over backward to avoid getting a little extra service but GVHC and the City will lean over backward to see that we don't. At least that's the way it has always been. When folks would call me up about GVHC complaints, I could always say, "I can't hear you very well because the receiver is too cold to hold close to my ear. No heat, you know, something wrong with the furnace again!"

Election night I came home from South Carolina quite late, and as I was going in the house a car came up Crescent Road tooting the horn like "all git out." "Can't be a wedding at this hour," I said to Pat. "That's Canning's car," she informed me. "Poor Mrs. Canning," I murmured, "Him going home in that condition." Later I learned he was just elected mayor. It goes to show how you can misjudge people and incidents.

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## Speaker From India At Community Church

Rev. Willard John McLaughlin, executive secretary of the Vellore (India) Christian Medical College Board in New York and a former missionary of the Methodist Church in India, will be the guest-speaker at Community Church Sunday, October 9, at both 9 and 11 o'clock. He will speak of the medical work and the doctor and nurse training services rendered the new commonwealth of India through Vellore College. (Vellore is best known to Greenbelters as the hospital in India where Rev. and Mrs. Robert Hull's son-in-law, Dr. Carmen, is chief surgeon.)

Dr. McLaughlin served in the city of Madras as principal of the Beynon-Smith High School in Belgium and later as head of the Department of Religion in Lucknow Christian College and as superintendent of the North India Conference. In 1954 he was named to head the interdenominational Vellore College Board. Vellore is located 81 miles west of Madras and is supported by most of the major American and British Mission Boards. It now trains both men and women for medical and nurses service for the important ministry of healing among the 350,000,000 people of India.

Dr. McLaughlin, native of Corning, N. Y., was himself educated at Taylor University, Princeton Seminary, with additional work at Drew and Hartford Seminaries.

If you want work well done, select a busy man; the other kind has no time.—Elbert Hubbard.

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## The Long View

by A. C. Long

Before Maryland legislature made it a city, Greenbelt was a lusty, brawling town. Folks were alive and dynamic. They attacked (and that's the word for it) community problems and civic events with enterprising vigor. Newcomers won't believe this but oldtimers will remember some real spirited town meetings—not like the forty or fifty mild citizens who docilely asked the candidate for council a few polite general questions at the Lions Club sponsored meeting.

At some old time meetings arranged by the then active Citizens Association for council candidates you came early or you didn't get a seat and maybe even didn't get into the auditorium, it was so jam-packed. And the questions and heckling really put the boys on the hot spot. I remember one council race where there was so much feeling between supporters of two slates of candidates that wives and husbands stopped talking (Well, at least the husbands did). One friend of mine got so incensed with a local insurance agent over this election that he cancelled his auto insurance. Then he jumped in his car to dash off to a court political rally and banged into another car—without insurance protection, of course.

At one hot GCS membership meeting a leading citizen was punched smack in the nose by another leading citizen, who at this particular meeting was leading with his right, and husbands and wives fought over their voting cards. I don't mean quarreled, I mean fought. Only a few of those brave men were able to vote, for it proved the truth of the female of the species being more deadly than the male.

On another occasion we packed council chambers when public hearings were held on charges against a public official. And they stayed packed until one and two in the morning with good citizens listening avidly to charges and counter charges and details of

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would be responsible for expansion debts incurred. He cited, on the other hand, the argument made by some that even if present residents would have to pay more than they now do because of sewage disposal expansion, they'll benefit later in lower taxes as new homes are built and the tax base is expanded more than is the cost of needed services. (A contrary view was expressed by GCA member Mat Amberg, who warned new homes and industries would need new outlays.)

### Co-op Transit

Jane Volckhausen explained the plans of co-op and other groups backing ex-Public Utility Commissioner Gregory Hankin's plan for a metropolitan Washington co-op transit system. The GCA members voted support for the plan, to be transmitted to the Commission in Washington with a copy to the News Review. Members took home literature on the transit plan—which includes service to outlying areas at the same single fare as within the District of Columbia—and copies of petitions pledging support.

Among reports given were that Bruce Bowman had been chosen by the executive committee to serve on it (filling the vacancy created by resignation of Hal Silvers when he became Prince Georges County Civil Defense Director), and that Mrs. Imogene McCarthy had been chosen to head a committee to study and initiate the organization of a Friends of the Library Association. Such an Association would help the Greenbelt branch of the county library and the county library system generally. Both Bowman and Mrs. McCarthy have accepted their assignments.

high life in official circles.

Oh! those were the days before prosperity and television when hardy folk lived dangerously in a wild and wooly Greenbelt. Just ask some of the oldtimers. Give them a drink or two and their reminiscences will be even more interesting—there's plenty of old skeletons in old Greenbelt closets!

## Our Neighbors

Happy Birthday to David Dalbow who was 12 on October 11, and Douglas Dalbow who will be 6 October 7.

Betty Miller, 21-N Ridge, celebrated her 12th birthday September 16 with a surprise party.

Volunteer workers on the Cerebral Palsy telethon Saturday night and Sunday were Larry Miller, Sam Schwimer, Ida Ryss, and Helen Justman. The children were not to be outdone. Sharon and Marsha Parker, Rheba and Susan Schwimer, Jane Barnett, and Lois Gerson collected \$21.88; and Roberta Danish, \$25. On Plateau, Eva Garin, Brenda Taylor, and Rose Marie White \$12.61.

The Lester Citrons, 20-E Ridge, have a new phone, GRanite 4-7212.

Welcome back to Walt and Joan Dickerson, who have just returned from a five-week trip to Minnesota to visit relatives.

Marine Pfc. Joseph E. Donellan, son of Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Donellan of 44-A Ridge, graduated September 16 from the Airman Preparatory School at the Naval Air Technical Training Center, Jacksonville, Florida.

Lucky thing or Richard B. Hampton, 32-J Ridge, that he has such alert friends. His friend, Richard Gaines of Landover Hills intercepted car thieves trying to make off with the Hampton car and called the police.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Toffey, 56-E Ridge, on the birth of their first child, Carol

Susan was born at Prince Georges Hospital and weighed 6 lbs. 11 oz.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Mecham, 4-C Gardenway, returned last week from a six-week trip to Salt Lake City. While there they visited both parents. They also took a very enjoyable side trip to West Yellowstone.

Last Friday night, September 23, Nina Nelson, 47-F Ridge, was the surprised guest of honor at a baby shower given by Dorothy Pehl, 2-B Crescent.

Taking their first vacation in five years, Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Brooks, 2-K Eastway, spent a very enjoyable week at Mt. Airy Lodge in the Poconos. They saw some Pennsylvania flood damage and report that the destruction is unbelievable.

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# ANNOUNCEMENT:

Applications for Woodland Hills lots and homes will close October 15 - no further applications will be accepted after that date, except for a waiting list for possible future openings.

This action was taken by the Board of Directors to allow proper compliance with the adopted schedule of operations, as follows:

End of enrollment period .....	October 15, 1955
Completion of lot selections, legal and technical details and closing of sale .....	December 31, 1955
Breaking of grounds and installation of water, sewers, streets, etc. ....	January 1, 1956 - April 1, 1956
Start of Home Construction .....	April 1, 1956
Completion of homes, landscaping and occupancy of homes .....	September 1, 1956

This schedule was adopted to allow complete occupancy of homes just prior to the opening of the 1956 Fall school season.

Woodland Hills lots and homes are being developed by Woodway Homes, Inc., a non-profit cooperative group, organized to provide its members with ample-sized lots and homes at the lowest possible cost, to economically meet the needs of growing families. Land is being purchased wholesale and home construction will be contracted for wholesale - allowing for substantial savings to members. Homes will be completely equipped with electric ranges, refrigerators, automatic washing machines, electric dryers, garbage disposers, exhaust fans, with optional air-conditioning throughout.

Woodland Hills homes will be the popular two-level type home in two sizes (both on lots averaging 75x125 feet).

Brick, 6-room homes - 3 bedrooms, living and dining room combined in one large unit, kitchen, bath, full basement for storage - workshop - recreation room - laundry, etc., with lot - improvements - home and electrical installations - will average \$1200.00 down payment and monthly payments of \$72.00 for interest and principal (taxes, insurance, utilities, extra).

Brick, 9-room house (no basement) - 5 bedrooms, 2 full baths, living room, separate dining room, kitchen, finished recreation room, plus unfinished storage room, with lot - improvement - home and electrical installations - will average \$1500 down payment and monthly payments of \$86.00 (taxes, insurance, utilities, extra).

Air-conditioning throughout can be added to either home at \$75.00 more down payment and \$5.00 extra on monthly payments.

Woodland Hills is located on the most valuable piece of land in Greenbelt, the wooded hillside across the street from St. Hugh's Church and School and between the present Community Church and the proposed Baptist Church. Property so located has a definite plus value from a real-estate standpoint, and will always be in demand, and consequently of profitable value to members.

Woodland Hills lots, homes and improvements can be financed in one package deal under special provisions of the 1955 Housing Act for non-profit co-op groups recently signed by President Eisenhower.

Members may participate (up to October 15) on one of three plans:

1. Member may purchase lot and pay for own improvement share, and build no home.
2. Member may purchase lot and pay for own improvement share and build own home at his leisure.
3. Member may buy lot, improvements and home in one package deal, financed by U. S. Government.

Upon completion of home, each member will own his own land and home outright.

Questions may be asked and blue-prints of homes and development examined by calling one of the Board members below. The monthly membership meeting will be held Tuesday, October 11, at 8 p.m. in the Greenbelt City Council room above the Variety Store.

Respectfully submitted,  
Board of Directors,  
Woodway Homes, Inc.

Anthony Madden	27 Ridge	GRanite 3-4111
Mike Burchick	9-H Research	GRanite 3-5416
Martin Haker	17-B Ridge	GRanite 4-9256
James Bates	17-D Ridge	GRanite 4-8431
James Cassels	1-G Northway	GRanite 4-9516