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## Council Directs McDonald To Include Youth Center Fund In Next Budget

Financing of a new Youth Center building for Greenbelt will be included in next year's proposed budget, the city council decided last Monday night. At the urging of councilman James Smith, the council agreed to direct city manager Charles McDonald to present several alternate plans of financing a new home for the city's teen-agers.

Smith first presented a petition, bearing 500 signatures and the support of nine local groups, which requested the city to appropriate \$9000 for two consecutive years. This amount would be added to \$2000 already in the Youth Center fund to build a \$20,000 Center. The structure (for this amount of money) was not considered adequate for the needs at present, but "would be a start" for something better at a later date.

The petition stated that the \$9000 would not appreciably affect the city tax rate; Smith explained that savings made this year by using county services and other means would provide more than enough to offset the requested sum.

Mayor Thomas Canning and McDonald disagreed with Smith, declaring it would affect the tax rate. "We must maintain a low tax rate in order to encourage new development," Canning said. McDonald stated that a bond issue might be the best method of financing a new building, and would have less effect on the tax rate.

Beverly Fonda, chairman of the Youth Center Advisory Board, reminded the council that the youth group is diminishing in size because of the lack of "their own" building. "Even though we may have the best dance floor in the county," Fonda declared, "the youth miss the feeling of having a place of their own."

Alan Kistler, councilman, said that he was sure all councilmen wanted a new building, but the problem was "method." He suggested that several alternate plans be included in the budget for 1956, and the matter would be settled during the budget consideration. The council agreed.

## Lutheran Church

Friday, November 4: 4:30 p.m., Sunday School Choir rehearsal. 7:30 p.m., Boy Scouts meet at the church. 8 p.m., Senior Choir rehearsal at 46-C Crescent.

Sunday, November 6: 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. The sermon "Who am I?" by Pastor Birner. Nursery maintained. Visitors are always welcome.

Monday, November 6: 8 p.m., The Lydia Guild meets at the home of Mrs. Leland Leasia, 45-H Ridge.

Wednesday, November 8: 8 p.m., The St. Andrew's Society meets at the parsonage, 18-L Ridge.

Thursday, November 8: 8 p.m., Church Council meets at the church.

## James A. McGuire

It was with regret the News learned of the death of James A. McGuire, 10-Q Southway, who was a long-time resident of Greenbelt and employed by GCS in the local supermarket, on October 23.

He is survived by his wife, Mary L. McGuire; two children, James A. and Mary L.; and his mother, Mrs. Phoebe McGuire.

Prayers were said at the Chambers Funeral Home, 5801 Cleveland Ave., Riverdale, on Wednesday, October 26 preceding a Requiem Mass at 9:30 a.m. in St. Hugh's Catholic Church. Interment was in Mt. Olivet Cemetery.

## Baptist Chapel

Thursday, November 3 - 7:30-8:30 p.m., Midweek Service at the Parsonage. Discussion based on book "A Church Using Its Sunday School," Chapter 5. Prayer period will follow.

Friday, November 4 - 4 p.m., Carol choir rehearsal at the Parsonage. 7:30-9 p.m., Visitation night.

Saturday, November 5 - 11 a.m., Cherub choir rehearsal at McCarl's, 28-A Ridge.

Sunday, November 6 - 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. Chapel choir will sing directed by Mrs. John J. Oleksak. Children's sermon "Good News" Pastor will preach on the subject "The Focal Point of History" based on John 19. Observance of the Lord's Supper. 6 p.m., Training Union for all ages. Roy C. Thomas, director. 7 p.m., Evening worship service. Dr. James T. McCarl will lead the informal song service. "Add To Your Faith," fourth in a series of messages by the pastor on "Adventures In Faith."

Monday, November 7 - 7:45 p.m., Sunday School Association meeting. Cars will leave the Parsonage at 7:15.

Tuesday, November 8 - 7:45 p.m., Bible class taught by Mrs. Hazel Wilson at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Waldo King, 10-K Laurel Hill.

Wednesday, November 9 - 7:30-9 p.m., Chapel choir rehearsal at the Parsonage.

## Council Approves Agenda Publicity

Publication of city council agendas in the News Review will begin soon, as the city council approved spending sums for this purpose last Monday night. The city also directed City Manager Charles McDonald to include an appropriate sum in next year's proposed budget for the printing and publication of ordinances and resolutions passed by the city council.

Councilmen James Smith, Robert Hurst and Alan Kistler spoke for the proposal, citing the need for increased flow of information to citizens and the poor display site used at present (the post office bulletin board).

Isadore Parker, present News Review editor, declared that the paper, like the city manager, is seeking all legitimate means of revenue. He said publication of proper ordinances, agendas, and other civic information is a responsibility of the council.

City manager McDonlad stated he wasn't sure that the News Review was the best place to publish the material, and suggested that the city might publish its own vehicle of information. Parker supported the latter move. "I am only interested in seeing that the citizens get news of council activities . . . if the city could do that, it would take a load off my shoulders."

Addition of the sum needed in next year's budget will be considered, along with other items which are subject to revision, elimination or increase during budget deliberations.

## What Goes On

Friday, November 4 - Bake Sale, front of theatre, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. benefit St. Hugh's Sodality.

Tuesday, November 8 - North End PTA meets at 8:30.

Book Fair 7-10 p.m. at North End School.

Afternoon Guild, Community Church luncheon meeting 12:30. Public invited.

Wednesday, November 9 - Jr. High PTA meets, 8 p.m.

North End Book Fair, 8-10 p.m.

Thursday, November 10 - League of Women Voters meet 8:15 p.m. at 3-A Ridge.

Woman's Club meets, 8 p.m. Community Church. Public invited.

Friday, November 11 - GVHC board meets 8 p.m. Hamilton Place office.

Book Fair, 8-10 p.m., North End School auditorium.

## 7 Year Old "Prowler" Apprehended By Police

A 7-year-old boy, clad only in pajamas and slippers, was found wandering near the Center last Monday night. He was carried to the police offices by a deputy officer during the city council meeting.

At 11:30 p.m. the child was still in the office, sleepily conversing with police employees awaiting a call from his parents.

## Community Church

Sunday, November 6: Morning Worship at 9 and 11 p.m., with Mr. Braund preaching at 9, "Equality Before God"; Dr. Mary Cushman, Missionary-Surgeon speaking of a lifetime of work in Portuguese West Africa. Church School as follows: 9 and 11 a.m., Nursery, Kindergarten, and Primary; 10 a.m., Junior, Junior high, college age, and adults. Evening Fellowships, junior high, 6-8 p.m., Fellowship Center; Senior High Pilgrim Fellowship, 7-8:30 p.m., Social Hall.

Monday, November 7: Board of Trustees meeting.

Tuesday, November 8: 12:30, Afternoon Guild; Guest speaker, Wayne Pratt, assistant chief of the branch of education of the Bureau of American Indian Affairs of the Department of the Interior. 4:15-5, Treble Choir. 8 p.m., Area Christian Education Meeting at Ingraham Memorial Church, Washington.

Wednesday, November 9: 7:45-9:45, Chancel Choir.

Thursday, November 10: 4-4:45, St. Cecilia Choir.

## Hebrew Services

Friday night services, November 4, 8 p.m. Candlelighting time 4:45 p.m.

Our youth groups are now in full swing at our JCC building. We suggest parents send their children to enable them to enjoy hours of clean fun.

Members of JCC who are interested in purchasing a name plate for the Memorial Plaque as a memorial to a loved one, are urged to contact the religious chairman or Morris Steinman.

## Council Donates Money To Nat'l Guard Fund

A "battalion fund" for members of the local National Guard unit was swelled \$250 by the city council last Monday night, after a request by Frank Riley was made for the city to participate. The money will go towards merit awards for battalion members who earn them. "They will be given theater tickets, or season passes to the Redskins games or a trophy . . ." Riley declared.

## GVHC Board Hears Predictions Of Development Within Two Years

The board meeting of the Greenbelt Veteran Housing Corporation October 29 heard flat predictions by board member Frank Lastner of big construction work completed here in Greenbelt within the next two years.

Lastner and GVHC manager Paul Campbell were reporting to the board on a conference earlier that day with Harry Shaw, chief engineer of the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission, and developer-builder Joseph Kanter on the problem of local sewage disposal facilities and their effect on community expansion.

Lastner reported that Shaw assured Kanter of WSSC sewage lines for housing units to be built by Warner-Kanter on undeveloped land bought from GVHC, and that the lines would be available beginning in the spring of 1957. And, Lastner added, should Greenbelt's city council reach an early decision on whether to expand the pre-

## Methodist Church

Meeting at 40 Ridge Road  
Stanley F. Knock, Jr., Minister  
42-L Ridge Road - Phone 9410  
Saturday, November 5 - 8 p.m., Young Adult Recreation.

Sunday, November 6 - 9:30 a.m., Church School. 11 a.m., Morning Worship conducted by Rev. Knock. Sermon entitled "Taking Off the Scum." 6 p.m., Methodist Youth Fellowship. 7:30 p.m., Family Fellowship Hour. Panel on public schools of Greenbelt.

Monday, November 7 - 8 p.m., W.S.C.S. at church.

Tuesday, November 8 - 8 p.m., Adult Membership Training Class.

Thursday, November 10 - 3:45 p.m., Brownie Troop No. 109. 7 p.m., Girl Scout Troop No. 49. 7 p.m., Junior choir rehearsal. 8:15 p.m., Adult choir rehearsal.

## Catholic Church

Sunday Masses: 7:30, 8:30, 9:30 and High Mass at 11 sung by the choir.

Daily Mass: 7 a.m.

Sunday, November 6: Sodality Sunday. Members of the Senior Sodality will receive Holy Communion at the 7:30 Mass. Members of the Junior Sodality will receive Holy Communion at the 8:30 Mass. Junior Sodality meeting immediately after the 8:30 Mass.

Baptisms every Sunday at 1 p.m. Please contact the pastor beforehand for necessary arrangements.

Religious instructions every Monday evening in the Rectory, 58-A Crescent at 7:30 p.m. These instructions are open to all.

Miraculous Medal Novena every Wednesday evening at 8 followed by Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament and enrollment in the Miraculous Medal.

Meeting of the Senior Sodality this Wednesday immediately after the Novena Services.

Choir Practice every Wednesday following Novena.

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

## J.H. PTA To Show County School Film

On Wednesday, November 9, at 8 p.m. the PTA of Greenbelt Junior High school will have a program of special interest. A film-strip entitled "Your School Program In Action" will be shown. This picture was filmed right here in the county schools. The people in it are not actors, but are local teachers and pupils. The scenes depicted are actual, live shots taken during a school day.

The purpose of the picture is to answer questions concerning the county school program. The film attempts to cover the entire school program, with a special emphasis on the core program.

Dr. Lucille Lurry, the County Core Supervisor, will give an accompanying talk of sidelights and explanations for the picture.

In addition to the picture, a poll will be taken of those attending to determine what sort of programs will be presented during the current school year. An attempt is being made to provide the type of programs that the parents want and are particularly interested in seeing.

sent sewage disposal plant or tie into WSSC lines, the lines might come in by the fall of 1956.

Shaw was said to have indicated his belief that the state would permit a temporary overloading of the present Greenbelt plant until WSSC lines become available. He contemplates an arrangement whereby WSSC would pay the city 7 cents per thousand gallons to handle sewage from Kanter-built homes within WSSC territory in Greenbelt. The contemplated overload would not be dangerous, the board was told, as the processing would merely be inferior to that under standards now adhered to by the city. State permission for the overload would be conditioned on the situation being temporary, a matter of no more than a year or so.

Lastner also told the GVHC board of a recent prediction by Jack Pollin, one of the developers of the planned industrial park along the B&O railroad tracks in the far northwestern area of Greenbelt property; Pollin stated to the county commissioners, of whom Lastner is one, that within two years a \$20 million development will have been installed there.

Kanter was reported to have compared his development tempo in Greenbelt to a railroad express: right now he was moving cautiously, because the go-ahead signals hadn't been flashed, but preparations are under way and when the go-ahead is flashed great speed would be shown.

Questioned by the News-Review reporter, Lastner sought to ease apprehension as to whether sufficient school capacity would be available to meet new pupil loads generated by the Warner-Kanter homes. Citing the \$6 million in school bonds issued and the additional \$9 million bonding capacity authorized for the county by the recent state legislative session, Lastner added that the county assistant superintendent of schools in charge of this phase of the system had assured him that the school construction schedule is flexible; if Greenbelt develops a need for more classrooms ahead of one of the communities presently listed for a new school, Greenbelt would get the new school construction first.

Other board meeting developments:

1. With all nine members present and voting unanimously, the board after discussion approved Percy Andros' motion to contribute \$125 to the Greenbelt armory dedication fund. The donation was approved because of the benefits the Armory would bring to GVHC membership, and because it would be a non-recurring item. It was stipulated that this approval not be a precedent when other organizations solicit funds.

2. Approval of 13 new applicants for membership in GVHC was voted.

3. Campbell told the board that the Public Housing Administration was perturbed when it read about projected plans for setting up a system whereby members leaving town could more easily sell their homes via financing aids to would-be buyers. PHA officials called him in for a briefing. The agency hadn't been aware of the need and was worried about possible jeopardy to GVHC's financial structure, Campbell said, but after his explanation of the program under consideration the officials seemed reassured. The proposal includes use of a separate corporate set-up.

4. Campbell also reported on conversation under way on the proposed system whereby GVHC might get bank financing and PHA approval for a building, some or all of which would be leased to the U.S. Post Office Department for a local post office. The possibility was mentioned that the Greenbelt municipal offices might be in the same building, if the city council makes its plans in time.



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