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GREENBELT, MARYLAND

Thursday, March 17, 1966

Friday, March 18, 1:30 p.m. -Hearing on Special Exception for Hospital, County Service

Saturday, March 19 - St. Hugh's

9 p.m. Little League Dance,

Monday, March 21, 8 p.m. City

Tuesday, March 22, 10 a.m. Gol-

Wednesday, March 23, 8:30 p.m.

Thursday, March 24 Prince

March 24, 7:45 p.m. G.H.I. Board

Meeting, Hamilton Place

Zoning Hearing Friday

On Proposed Hospital

Tomorrow, the City of Greenbelt

will oppose a petition for a zoning

exception for the construction of a

private hospital on the parcel 11

lake site. The petition will be heard

before the county commissioners

(sitting as the District Council)

this Friday, March 18, at 1:30 p.m.

in the County Service Building in

This land, located between Green-

belt Lake and Crescent Road, is

the proposed parkland that the city

council is considering purchasing

with funds made available at last

September's referendum. The elec-

torate voted overwhelmingly, 800 to 153, for the proposed \$250,000 bond

issue to acquire land around Green-

tion on Jan. 13, 1966, for a grant

to acquire open space under the

Housing Act of 1961 as amended.

The 15-acre parcel 11 tract is

owned by Consolidated Syndicates

ordinance on special exceptions for

hospitals, an exception should be

granted only if the hospital (1) is

in harmony with the general plan

of the county and local master

plans; (2) does not adversely affect

the health and safety of residents;

(3) is not a detriment to the adja-

cent properties or (4) constitutes

a traffic or noise nuisance (ambu-

lances, siren). Plans for the hos-

pital have not been submitted

According to the county zoning

The city submitted an applica-

Hyattsville.

belt Lake.

(Bresler-Lerner).

Court, Upper Marlboro

Municipal Building

den Triangle Hearing, Circuit

Greenbelt Democratic Club,

Georges County School Board

Council Meeting. 8 p.m. Greenbeltsville League of Women Voters, 108 Peri-

WHAT GOES ON

Building, Hyattsville

American Legion

Bake Sale

GHI REPEATS LAND OFFER ONLY NOT MODIFIED BY DEVELOPER

by Sid Kastner

The board of directors of Greenbelt Homes, Inc., at their regular meeting Thursday, March 10, reiterated the corporation's offer of land to help solve the school site problem, emphasizing at the same time that the offer applies only under the originally discussed conditions and not under new conditions which the developer is imposing.

Chairman Charles Schwan and director Nat Shinderman forcefully made it clear that GHI has not "welched" on its offer to make land available. They pointed out that the School Board and the developer are insisting upon the land offered by GHI and the city as well as rezoning to R-30 on apartments on Parcels 1 and 2; that is, there is no concession whatever on the part of the developer. A motion was proposed by director James Smith, and passed, to inform the School Board and the members of the County Delegation that the offer of GHI still stands under original conditions; it is contingent on the absence of any tie-in to rezoning on other property.

Special Assessments

The board heard a committee report on the special assessments resolution proposed by the city. The report was generally negative, its main point of issue being that the proposed resolution did not constitute a statement of policy as it stood. The report called for repeal of the 100% assessment imposed on GHI for the Hillside extension and requested that the city make a study leading to a reasonable policy. Director Smith suggested that the board redraft a resolution of its own, incorporating the points made in the committee report, to be submitted to the city along with the report. This could be used as a concrete basis for the city's consideration. A subcommittee consisting of Smith, directors John O'Reilly, Schwan and manager Roy Breashears will redraft the resolu-

Long Range Planning Comm.

Breashears discussed the status of the many recommendations made by the Long Range Planning Committee. Some of these, for example are on the inner walkways, Medical Center, hedges, maintenance of open spaces, legislation on county zoning, court parking, etc. He noted that a determination had to be made, first of all, as to the more urgent matters among these to be acted on, since there were so many. O'Reilly proposed a special board meeting "for no other purpose" than to discuss the LRPC report. This was arranged, with Smith suggesting that representatives of the committee be invited. The meeting was scheduled for March 31, a "free" Thursday. (One director unofficially estimated that the board members have been meeting three times a week, on the average, because of the press of GHI affairs.)

Garage Survey

Figures on the use of garages were given by Breashears, following the recent survey. Out of 151 garages, 24 were being used for dead storage, six for inoperative cars, and one housed a boat. Three were wired for electricity, a practice not allowed under GHI regulations. The directors expressed concern that such use might affect insurance coverage, if not checked. A motion by O'Reilly was passed, requiring tenants who use their garages for dead storage and inoperative cars to bring their use into conformity with the rules. A motion was also passed to reaffirm the policy of allowing no wiring on garages.

Ambulance Fund Drive

The month of March has been proclaimed by City Council as 'Greenbelt Ambulance Month, in grateful recognition of the fine service being rendered by members of the fine volunteer ambulance and rescue squad of this City."

The Ambulance Fund Drive is now under way and will be conducted along the lines of last year's drive. The men of the department have been assigned to definite areas throughout the City. Coin cards are being sent to all residences to be used for mailing to the Fire Department or handing to a registered member of the Greenbelt Fire Dept. who will furnish proof of membership in the Department upon request. They will also issue receipts to those wishing them.

Residents of Springhill Lake have not been included in the drive. Cards have not been sent nor will they be solicited by Greenbelt Fire Department members in complience with Prince Georges County Fireboard's ruling that an area will be serviced by the closest company. In the case of Springhill Lake, for ambulance service, the closest company is Branchville (by 1/10 of a mile). Branchville's Ambulance Drive is tentatively scheduled for May or July.

AGENDA

REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL Mon., March 21, 1966

- ORGANIZATION
 - 1 Call to order
 - Roll call
 - 3 Pledge Allegiance to Flag 4 Minutes of Regular Meeting 3/7/66 and Special Meeting 3/15/66
- 5 Additions to Agenda by Councilmen and Manager
- II COMMUNICATIONS

 - Administrative Reports 8 Committee Reports
- III OLD BUSINESS
 - 9 Ordinance to Amend Ordinance No. 592, In order to Establish Service Charges for Delinquent Refuse Collection Accounts (2nd
 - 10 Ordinance to Repeal Or-dinance No. 405, an Ordinance Regulating Parking in the Service Courts in Greenbelt, Md. (2nd read-
 - ing) 11 School sites
 - 12 Appointment to Charter
 - Review Committee 13 Request for Fence on Pathway Right-of-way
- Request for Improvements to Walkways to St. Hugh's IV NEW BUSINESS
- 15 Resolution to Transfer Funds Within Depart-ments (1st reading)
- 15 Urban Renewal17 Opening of Council Meeting with Prayer
- 18 Engineering Fees
- 19 July 4th Celebration Fire-
- works 20 Mosquito Control Appro-
- priation

School Board Meets March 24; City & Developer Deadlocked

by Al Skolnik

Negotiations between the city council and the developer Charles Bresler regarding the senior high school have ended in a stalemate. At this writing, there appear to be no prospects that negotiations will be reopened.

Bresler has told the city council that he would need R-30 (apartments - 14 units per acre) zoning on parcels 1 and 2 to make it worth while for him to make available the Beltway-Lake site for a senior high school.

LWV, Students Join In Voter Registration Drive

Senior High School students of Prince Georges County will bear a major responsibility in the coming voter registration drive, scheduled for Saturday, March 26, and sponsored by the League of Women Voters. On that day registration will be held, from 9 a.m. till 9 p.m., in 16 high schools scattered in the county, including High Point high school in Beltsville and Duval high school on Glenn Dale rd.

The teen-age organizers of the drive, though themselves ineligible to vote, are working hard to pub-Heize the drive with banners and posters throughout the county. In addition, they are arranging student pep rallies, baby sitting and car transportation pools, radio broadcasts and television announcements.

The students' goal is to register 100,000 new voters. Qualified persons can register at any of the high schools participating, regardless of their residence and election district.

Eligibility requirements are: 21 or over, resident within Maryland for one year, within Prince Georges for six months, all prior to election day, which this year falls on Nov. 8. For further information call the League of Women Voters,

"SPECIAL EXCEPTION"

The events in this community during the past years have enriched our vocabulary with many of the technical terms so familiar to planners and zoning lawyers. Master plans, "friends of the court", arterial highways, RPC and R-30 - we have heard them all, many a time. To these a new term is now added: special exception.

According to the law, a land owner is entitled to a rezoning if he can prove a change in the character of the neighborhood which justifies it, or an error in the original zoning. On the other hand a special exception is a special permission granted to the owner for certain uses not covered in the original zoning of the land. In many ways, a special exception must meet a much more rigid test than rezoning: it must not adversely affect any party and be in step with the character of the community in

ning" issued by the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission is explicit on this point: "Opposition to the grant of a special exception may be made on the basis that (it) will be detrimental to the community and the County and inconsistent wth the master plan and zoning map".

City and GHI officials have indicated no further disposition to participate in the proposal, especially since the developer has insisted that the land offers by the city and GHI be also part of the

Superintendent of Schools William S. Schmidt has now notified Mayor Edgar Smith that the school board will meet on Thursday, March 24, to take up the offer of Bresler to sell 55 acres in parcel 2 for a 3-school complex. The school board on Feb. 28 had deferred action for a month, pending the outcome of the city-Bresler negotiations.

In this letter from Schmidt dated March 10, the alternate offer by Bresler was summarized as follows:

1. The Mayor and City Council would donate five acres of the sanitary land fill.

2. GHI would sell ten acres of their land at release cost, not to exceed \$25,000 for an elementary

3. Bresler and associates would sell ten additional acres of land in the B-W Parkway site at \$8,000 per acre to be added to the City's donation of five acres in the sanitary land fill, making fifteen-acre junior high school site. Bresler would likewise sell 25 acres of the Beltway-Lake site at \$18,000 an acre for the senior high school site.

4. The Mayor and City Council of Greenbelt would purchase from Bresler and make available to the Board of Education five acres from park land to be a part of the senior high school site. In addition, Bresler agreed to give a right-ofway for a road into the senior high school site.

Schmidt reported that the first step taken by the school board upon hearing Bresler's offer was to get in touch with GHI officials requesting an appointment to examine the site proposed by GHI for their ten acres of land to be purchased by the Board. According to Schmidt, GHI manager Roy Breashears informed Assistant School Superintendent Thomas Gwynn that the offer was no longer valid and that it would be useless to make the trip as the cost to the City (in terms of the density-R-30 zoning - required by Mr. Bresler) was too great a concession to be made by the city.

The city council has informed the school board that it stands behind its original land offers, but without any relation to R-30 zoning for parcels 1 and 2.

Golden Triangle Hearing Now Scheduled for Mar. 22

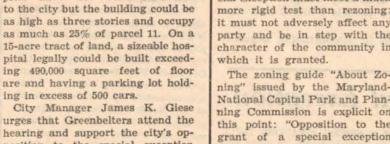
The Circuit Court hearing on the Golden Triangle zoning appeal filed by the city will take place on Tuesday, March 22, at 10 a.m. at the Circuit Court in Upper Marlboro. The hearing had been postponed twice - on Feb. 3 and again on Feb.

The City is seeking a reversal of last July's ruling of the County Commissioners zoning the 57-acre Golden Triangle for a regional shopping center (General Commercial C-2). Both the city's own master plan and the MNCPPC Area 13 plan oppose such zoning for this

J.C.C. EVENTS

The Jewish Community Center will hold a membership meeting on Sunday, March 20, at 8:15 p.m. Royal Hart, Chairman of the Prince Georges County delegation to the Maryland State Legislature, will speak on the current Maryland legislative session.

On Mon., Mar. 21, at 8:30 p.m. Mr. Elihu Platt will speak on "The World of Yiddish Literature."



urges that Greenbelters attend the hearing and support the city's opposition to the special exception for a private hospital. The Steering Committee of the Citizens for a Planed Greenbelt, at its meeting on March 4, endorsed the city's posi-



Shown above is the location of the proposed hospital on parce! 11. Hearings on the special zoning exception for the hospital will be held in Hyattsville on Friday, March 18.

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This is the Issue

Many issues have been raised by the current controversy over the location of school sites in Greenbelt. Among the issues are whether an elementary school located next to a senior high school is a good thing, whether the desires of a municipality should be disregarded by the county school board, whether the will of the citizenry should be thwarted by that of the developer, and whether the advantages of the Beltway-Lake site over the parcel 2 site for a senior high school are worth the extra cost.

These issues, while significant in themselves, tend to obscure a major issue which continues to keep the controversy at such a white heat. This is the question of the future development of parcels 1 and 2 — the 210-230 acres located between the Greenbelt Homes, Inc. property and the Baltimore-Washington Parkway. This is the largest remaining vacant land left in the core of Greenbelt and its development will determine the future character of the city.

Next to the disposition of the Golden Triangle, the city's advisory Planning Board and the city's hired professional planners found the parcels 1 and 2 area the toughest nut to crack. This is because these parcels are essentially land-locked. Bordering the eastern edge is the Baltimore-Washington Parkway which is not accessible. To the north is the Beltsville Farm and to the south are GHI courts. To the west are such narrow streets as Plateau Place, Northway, Ridge Road, and Hamilton Place, which were intended to service a purely residential area.

The planners recognized from the start that the limited capacity of these roads made it essential that the density of parcels 1 and 2 be kept to a reasonable level. To achieve this goal, the planners recommended that 55 acres of parcel 1 be retained for single-family homes and some 80 acres in both parcels be reserved for parkland or public use. (The planners, however, did not tackle the problem of how the parkland would be acquired).

In addition, the planners recommended that a perimeter road be constructed along the city's northern borders to siphon off outof-town traffic which otherwise might clog the streets of the north end of town.

The planners also recommended that the Greenbelt senior high school be located on the Beltway-Lake site rather than on parcel 2 (which had been suggested many years earlier). It was felt that a senior high school on parcel 2 would be just as incompatible with the Master Plan as high-density development because the same kind of traffic problems would be created. It is also felt now that the location of a three-school complex on parcel 2 would be seized upon by the developer to petition for elimination of all single-family homes from the area.

For these reasons, the city and GHI have gone to great lengths -including offers of land - to induce the school board not to locate the senior high school on parcel 2.

The developer, however, has insisted that these land offers are not enough. Before he will agree to make the Beltway-Lake site available, he wants to have city support of apartment zoning for the entire parcels 1 and 2. In effect, he is asking the city to scuttle a major facet of its Master Plan.

As far as we can see, it would serve no purpose for the city and GHI to offer land for school sites if the end result would be the opposite of what the offers were originally designed to prevent - the high-density development of parcels 1 and 2 and concurrent traffic congestion.

We think the city council did right in discontinuing negotiaons along this line.

Hearing on Special Exception

The detrimental effect of granting a special exception for a private hospital on parcel 11, next to Greenbelt Lake, is only too evident. This is the land earmarked for purchase as public parkland in a referendum which won overwhelming approval half a year ago, a fact which surely did not escape the property owners when they filed for the special exception. There is no lack of potential hospital sites in Prince Georges County, but park sites comparable to the one under consideration here are few and far be-

If the "Green Core" of Greenbelt, as envisioned by its planners and residents ever since the city was founded, is to become reality some day, action must be taken at once. The zoning guide issued by the Maryland Park and Planning Commission clearly states what form such action may take:

"It is proper and highly desirable that as many persons as possible from the community involved attend the hearing, and by their presence demonstrate the sincerity and interest in the case."

The hearing is scheduled for 1:30 p.m. Friday, March 18 at the County Service Building. Let's all be there.

MOWATT MEMORIAL METHODIST CHURCH

Perry F. Miller, Pastor

Church School Worship Service Classes for pre-schoolers and Nursery provided

40 Ridge Rd., 474-9410 Parsonage, 474-7293 **Beware Impostors**

To the Editor: The Greenbelt Ambulance Club Fund Drive is now on . Last year, the Greenbelt Police "escorted" two Baltimore "solicitors" to the City Limits. As a result of this incident, I wrote a note of warning to you to pass on to the residents

I should like to reiterate this warning! Every legitimate fund drive has its share of impostors. These people are thieves, depriving the public of services for which they are subscribing. They are not averse to falsely claiming to be members of the soliciting Squad, or they may claim to be from neighboring areas and make false and derogatory remarks concerning the

local unit.

of our town.

BEWARE THESE HUCKSTERS! In an attempt to reach more people and to help prevent these impostors from coming into our town, the Greenbelt Fire Dept. & Rescue Squad is distributing coin cards to every home in Greenbelt. We will start collecting them this weekend. EVERY COLLECTOR WILL BE A MEMBER OF THIS DEPT. He will wear a badge. The badge will have the words Greenbelt VFD & RS, an emblem, and (excepting officers) the numerals "35", our company's number. In addition, he will carry on his person a current card showing his membership in the Department for 1966. He will give you a FULL receipt for all monies you donate, from the Greenbelt VFD & RS.

If you are approached for funds for an "Ambulance Drive" and you are not sure of the collector, call the police (474-5454) or the firehouse (474-5511). Give generously . but wisely.

Victor M. Fisher Lt. Rescue Squad

A Serviceman's Thanks

To the Editor:

A number of weeks ago I started receiving weekly issues of the Greenbelt News Review which are being sent to me through the comefforts of the Greenbelt American Legion Auxiliary and the staff of the News Review.

Only those persons who have ever been or who are now in the armed forces could possibly realize what a heartwarming gesture this

The service can be, especially for someone who is relatively new to it, a very cold and lonely existence. When brightened with such items as letters from family and friends and a home town newspaper, the feeling of loneliness is eased considerably.

Therefore, I would like to extend my heartfelt thanks to the above named organizations for their thoughtfulness and generosity.

James R. Weedon, Jr., U.S.N.

Lost Attache Case To the Editor:

Would anyone knowing anything about a black attache case, with High Point High School books and papers therein, please contact me, the Greenbelt Police Dept., or the Greenbelt Fire Dept. They disappeared Wednesday, March 9, at approximately 4 p.m. from the front of the North End School. Being a member of the local fire department and rescue squad. I had responded to a brush fire across from the school. Upon my return, they were gone.

Richard Tatum

COMMUNITY CHURCH

Rev. Kenneth Wyatt, Minister

9:30 a.m. Church School grade 5 through adults. New members' class in 2-B Hillside. 10:45 a.m. Morning Worship. One Great Hour of Sharing.

Church School infants through junior grade 4 6:30 p.m. Senior High Fellow

8:00 p.m. Church Council Meet ing.

Mon. 8 p.m. Ecumenical Discussion of Baptism at Cheverly Community Church. 11 Churches participating.

WED. 6-8 p.m. FAMILY POT-LUCK SUPPER. An allchurch activity. Mr. Wyatt's Holy Land slides and religious art masterpieces. (A United Church of Christ)

CFPG Annual Meeting

The Citizens for a Greenbelt will hold their first Annual Meeting on Tuesday, March 29 at 8 p.m. in the Municipal Building. Election of Steering Committee members, annual reports and new business are among the items on the agenda.

The CFPG is dedicated to preserve the fundamental character of Greenbelt as a low-density planned residential community as spelled out in the City's official goals, and to insure that the future growth and development of the City should be in accord with the Greenbelt Master plan.

All members, prospective members and interested citizens are urged to attend.

Meetings on Church Union

The eleven churches in Prince Georges County which have been engaged in consultation on church union will hold continued discussions together on March 21 and March 28 at St. Christopher's Church, Annapolis Rd., Lanham. On March 21 the discussion will be on "Interpretations of Communion" and on March 28 the discussion will be on "Interpretations of Baptism," Participating churches include: Mowatt Memorial Methodist, and Greenbelt Community churches. Everyone is welcome at these discussions.

St. Hugh's Adult Club

A slate of new officers will be presented at the General Meeting this Sunday, March 19, at 10:30 a.m. in the school auditorium. Bowling is planned for the afternoon.

Panel on Land Planning

Simon Pristoop, 110 Northway, will be the moderator of a panel discussion concerning land planning at the meeting of the Prince Georges County Citizens Planning Association on March 17 at 8 p.m. in the County Service Building, Room 217. Rhode Island Avenue at Farragut St., Hyattsville. Panelists include William J. Stevens, Chairman, Maryland National Park and Planning Commission, Gladys N. Spellman, Prince Georges County Commissioner, Kathryn E. Diggs, Chairman, Montgomery County Council.

Community Church News

The Visitation Program of the Greenbelt Community Church is still continuing. The Church will hold a series of Lenten Family Pot-Luck suppers on Wednesday evenings, March 16, 23 and 30 from 6 -8 p.m. Rev. Wyatt will show some of his Holy Land slides and some religious art masterpieces, as well. All families of the church are invited. Bring a covered dish and your own table service. The choir will rehearse following the suppers, as regularly scheduled.

COME JOIN THE BAND

The Greenbelt Concert Band is sponsoring free music tune-up sessions, for past and present musicians, every Monday starting at 8 p.m. in the Greenbelt Youth Center. A variety of musical concerts are planned so there are arrangements to fit every mood. New members are welcome.

The band members are especially looking forward to seeing their friends who may have been caught up in winter hibernation but are now looking forward to livening up Greenbelt with music.

WE KNOW

WHAT - Greenbelt Homes Annual Membership Meeting and Election

WHEN - May 18th and 19th, 1966

WHERE - All-day voting at the Twin Pines office in the Shopping Center

But Only GHI Members Can Tell Us WHO:

Four directors will be elected for two-year terms.

Three audit committee members will be elected for one year.

If you would like to serve in one of these capacities, or know of someone you think would be a good candidate, please call a member of the Nominations and Elections Committee as soon as possible. Consent forms must be signed by May seventh.

George Adams, Chairman 474-9263

Elizabeth Allen, 474-4963

9:45 a.m.

11:00 a.m.

Richard Gramm 474-8383

Andrew Feeney Thomas White 474-6440 474-6051

8:00 p.m. Wednesday ____ Prayer Meeting

Sunday School 6:00 p.m. ...

Morning Worship 7:00 p.m.

Crescent & Greenhill S. Jasper Morris, Jr., Pastor

HOLY CROSS LUTHERAN CHURCH

2 Ridge Road, Greenbelt, Maryland, GR 4-4477 Edward H. Birner, Pastor, GR 4-9200 WORSHIP SERVICES 8:30 & 11:00 a.m. SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:30 a.m. WEEKDAY KINDERGARTEN AND NURSERY



Greenbelt

Training Union

Evangelistic Hour

Jewish Community Center of Prince Georges County

MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Sun., Mar. 20. 8:15 p.m. Annual Election Chairman, Royal Hart

Mon., Mar. 21, 8:30 p.m. - LECTURE SERIES Mr. Elihu Platt "The World of Yiddish Literature"

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FOR SALE: 1965 Rambler "550" Stationwagon, 6 cylinder, straight shift, Monroe "Loadleveler" shocks, 8,000 miles \$1,795.00. 474-4237.

SALE: For July 2-bedroom end frame. Washer, tiled shower, 474-4479.

FOR SALE: New meat grinder, slightly used baby carriage, mattress, infant seat, soft plastic bathtub, Priced low. GR 4-8817.

3-PIECE bedroom set \$100. Dresser and chest, \$25. 474-6042.

BAKE SALE by St. Hugh's Eighth Grade - Center - Saturday - March 19.

FOR RENT: - Apartment, newly-decorated, with porch. Call 474-6400.

HOUSE WANTED: - 2 or 3 bedroom house, pref. end. Please call 773-8031.

CO-OP REFERRAL SERVICE Home Repairs - Appliances Reliable & Reasonable 6 Men Fix Anything. 474-7206.

WANTED: - Reliable Person for Summer Yard Work - \$12 Monthly - Start April 1 - Call 474-4760 after

WANTED: - Full-time Custodian for St. Hugh's School. Call 474-6464 for interview.

LITTLE LEAGUERS

by Jerry W. Shafer

The Greenbelt Little League sponsors two dances each year to raise money to support their program for the coming year. One dance is held in the fall and one in the spring. Our Spring Dance will be held on Saturday, March 19, at the American Legion Hall from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Door prizes will be drawn during the course of the evening.

Anyone desiring tickets should contact one of the Little League managers or commissioners. This occasion will provide an opportunity for parents and interested persons to meet the managers, coaches, and commissioners of the Little League.

League of Women Voters

The Greenbeltsville Unit of the League of Women Voters will hold its March meeting at the home of Mrs. Thomas Pacl, 108 Periwinkle Court, Boxwood, on Monday, March 21 at 8 p.m.

At the meeting the group will discuss advisory committees established and appointed by the County Commissioners. Discussion leader is Mrs. John Freund.

All interested women are invited to attend. More information may be obtained by calling 474-9125.



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WHEREAS, The American Legion has achieved a position of high esteem through its active pursuit of programs of service designated for the benefit of community, state, and nation: and

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WHEREAS, The American Legion will observe its 47th Anniversary, March 15 - 17, 1966, now therefore

I, EDGAR L. SMITH, Mayor of the City of Greenbelt, Maryland do hereby proclaim the week of March 12 to 18, 1966 as AMERICAN LEGION BIRTHDAY WEEK, and do call upon all citizens, business firms, and organizations to join in paying tribute to the good works of the American Legion, composed of veterans of the three wars of the Twentieth Century, as an expression of our appreciation of both the wartime and peacetime services of our Legionnaires.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the official seal of the City of Greenbelt, Maryland to be affixed this 1st day of March, 1966.

> EDGAR L. SMITH, Mayor City of Greenbelt, Maryland

Greenbelt's Views on Zoning Legislature

Prince Georges county delegate Dennis Marshall has recently introduced two bills to the state legislature on behalf of the city of Greenbelt. Drawn up by the city's zoning attorney, they are known as House Bills 971 and 975. Testimony supporting these bills was presented Wednesday, March 9, by Mayor Edgar Smith and Councilman David Champion, representing Greenbelt, at a public hearing by the House of Delegates. Smith presented similar demands at a hearing held by the delegates in Forestville on December 9, 1965, prior to the assembly's present session.

The former bill would require that all zoning applications affecting property within a municipal boundary be referred to that municipality for recommendations and that 60 days be allowed for study of the application. In addition, the bill would require a two- thirds majority of the District Council (the County Commissioners acting as a zoning body) to take action contrary to the city's recommendations. (At the present time, municipalities are allowed only an advisory role, and they are limited to 30 days before making their recommendations. In the experience of local officials, this is often too brief a period for any substantial research.)

House Bill 795 would affect only cities with populations over 10,000 (There are now 6 such cities in the county, including Greenbelt with a 1965 population of 12,156.) It would require the Park and Planning Commission to send by mail any correspondence and records relating to zoning petitions thus allowing the cities to have all pertinent information available in their consideration of zoning applications.

Supports Other Bills

Certain other bills before the house of Delegates have also received total or partial support from the city of Greenbelt. These are House Bills 580, 376, and 916.

The first of these provides for conditional zoning. By it a property owner might voluntarily (in order to secure zoning approval) set stricter conditions for use of his land than the zoning ordinance would require. According to the provisions of the proposed bill,

these conditions would become binding if the District Council agreed to them. The council approved the principle of conditional zoning.

Concerning House Bill 376, dealing with the procedures for adoption of Master Plans, Greenbelt generally agreed with the proposal, but took execption to two items. From sad experience, in which city officials expressed approval of a Master Plan at a public hearing, only to find at a later meeting, that

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the plan has been substantially revised—if not completely altered—with no opportunity given for testimony on those revisions, Greenbelt urged that further public hearings be held whenever a substantial change is made in a Master Plan proposal. (Bill 376 would limit such hearings to two.)

In addition, the bill calls for a 30-day notification period preceding such public hearings. Greenbelt recommends 60 days' prior notice.

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Greenbelt supports completely
Bill 916, which defines those eligible to appeal in zoning cases. It
specifically designates cities as
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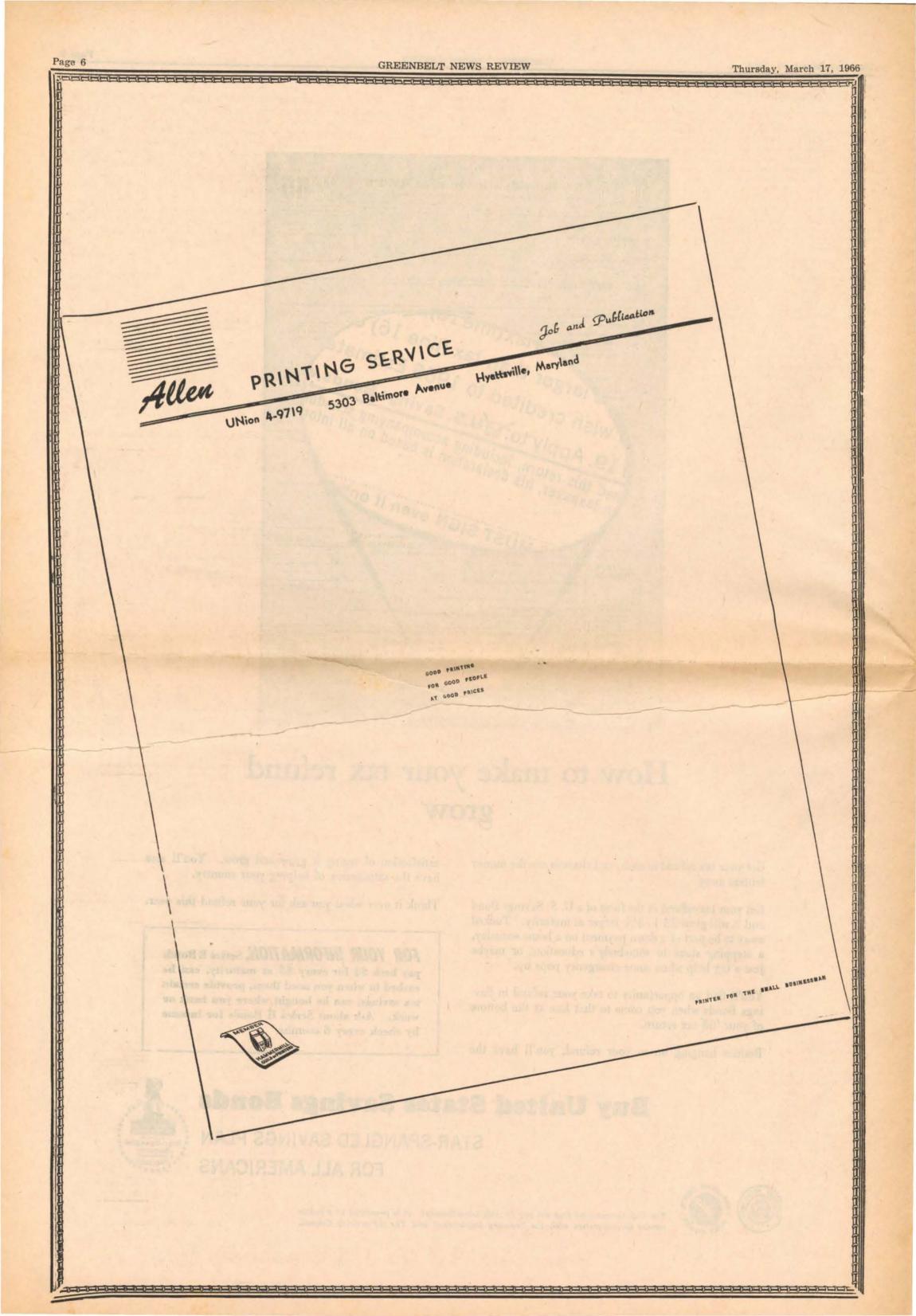
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Sid Barnett and Jack Sanders made it two wins in a row when they won a lop-sided victory North-South in last Friday's play. Their nearest opponents, Gene and Hilda Delio, were 11 points behind. In the East-West direction Ronald and Ginger Shepler were the victors by some 4 points over runners-up Harold and Willy Tanner. Next game: Friday, March 25.

Congratulations to Marvin Clute, 114 Lynbrook, who received a superior - sustained performance award from International Business Machines where he has been employed for ten years. Clute, who has a 1 s o won approximately twenty - five suggestion awards, was presented with a gold pen and pencil set, tie pin, bond and a trip to the IBM Technical Conference.

Birthday greetings to Susan Denmis. 3 Pinecrest, who celebrates her thirteenth birthday on March 19.

Congratulations to former Greenbelter, David Jefferson, who won a \$5,000 scholarship in the Westinghouse Search for Talent competition. David, a senior at High Point, expects to attend Yale or MIT.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Wells, 12-B Crescent, are the happy parents of a son. Daniel Charles Tilman was born March 2, and has a proud sister, Jacqueline Erika, 7. The Wells family will move to 1-B Westway this month.

Marine Private Robert D. Frese, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dale E. Frese, 11 Lakeside, is attending the Marine Mechanical and Fundamentals course at the Naval Air Technical Training Center, Jacksonville,

Best wishes for a quick recovery to Sam Angel who was injured in the parking lot at Maryland U.

A speedy recovery to Mrs. Nettie Granims, 4-B Ridge, who has been hospitalized.

The following boys of Scout Pack 746 received awards at the blue and gold banquet: one-year pin, David Banish, Ron Marlene; bobcats, Pat Moore, Bernard Penney; wolf badge, Keir Furey, Steve Gemeny, Steve Bowles; bear badge, Danny Evans, Ken Shock, Nils Winkler: lion badge, Jonathan Maffay, Steve Hunt; gold arrows, Keir Furey, Ray McCloskey, Sterling Tropp, Jon Maffay, silver arrows, Jon Maffay, Jeff Douglas, Ray McCloskey, Sterling Tropp; webelos certificate, George Jones; graduating certificate, Jon Maffay, George Jones.

Best wishes for a speedy recovery to Mrs. Morris Finkelstein, 16-A Crescent, who was recently hospitalized.

Martin Berkofsky, pianist, 58-J Crescent, was awarded a managerial contract from the National Music League of New York City. Berkofsky is a student of Walter Mautzlg and presently studies with Konrad Wolff.

The following families have new addresses: Donald Evans, 19-U Ridge: Stephen Jones, 42-H Ridge: Dennis W. Wagner, 5-E Plateau; Margaret Wiener, 6-N Ridge.

Mr. Bernard, owner of the Greenbelt Beauty Salon, is attending the International Hair Fashion Show this week. While there, he is a guest of Leo of New York and Kenneth, also of New York. Mr. Bernard expects to return with the latest news and techniques in hair fashions and wigs.

Edward O'Laughlin is visiting his relatives, Jo Ann, Nancy and Joey at 7-C Crescent Rd. this week and next week.

Our deepest sympathy to Mrs. Rose Haber, 1-F Westway, who lost her mother last week.

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The Police Blotter

A Sprnghill Lake lady recently called the police to complain that a young man was throwing pebbles at her window. Acting on her description a suspect was picked up and later positively identified. He is now out on bond pending trial.

Three car thefts were reported at the Klein's parking lot. Police are investigating.

A 1965 Mustang was stolen in Springhill Lake and recovered a few hours later in Glen Dale. It is believed that the car was used for joyriding.

The city police are still looking for a new dispatcher for the 3 -11 p.m. shift. Qualifications include ability to type, high school diploma or equivalent, 18 years or older, and preferably male.

Breaking and entering continues to be a problem at Springhill Lake. An estimated \$1500 in goods was taken from two apartments on Breezewood Drive that were entered with the use of plastic play-

"If you must leave items of value in your car, be sure to lock up when you leave," says Chief Lane. Warm weather brings an upsurge in this type of thievery.

Brain Teaser

The solution to the last brain teaser.

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Correct solutions were submitted by Ken Wiger of 6008 Springhill Dr. and by Arthur Wetter of 9-J Ridge, who added in postscript: "I think it's a slander."

The derivation of the solution will be posted on the bulletin board of the Twin Pines Savings and Loan Assn. on Centerway;

it is too lengthy to print here. Now hear this: what is the number X such as X2 and X3 contain each of the digits 0,1, . . . 9 exactly once?

County Music Festival

The ninth annual Instrumental Music Festival, sponsored by the Board of Education of Prince Georges County, will be held on Saturday, March 19, in the auditorium Northwestern Senior High School, Adelphi Road, Hyattsville, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Students from the public secondary schools perform as soloists, in ensembles, in concert bands, and in orchestras and are rated against a standard by adjudicators. Awards will be presented at the conclusion of the program, 4 p.m. by Superintendent of Schools William Schmidt.

Fishing in the Lake

by 'Pop' Bell

It looks as if we'll be in line for a lot of good fishing this coming year. I have just received a copy of a letter from P. D. Lines, Regional Manager of the Fishing Commission in Upper Marlboro, and it seems as if the commission will be doing its best to provide fishermen with plenty of fishing in Greenbelt Lake. Now it is our turn to go all out to help in any way we can. What do I mean by that? Well, the first and main thing is that fishermen should throw back all undersized fish and catch them according to the laws of the state. From all indications wardens will be on the job here in Greenbelt every day and violators will be subject

According to the Fishing Commission, they were unable to get any fish last year and none were put into the lake. This year Greenbelt Lake is to be stocked with the following:

- (1) 300 adult largemouth bass
- (2) 150 adult catfish
- (3) Herring to spawn 250 with

(4) 750 fingerling striped bass experimental stocking

(5) 150 adult striped bass.

As can be seen from the above list, everything possible is being done to give us good fishing. Information about the sizes of the various kinds of fish and the date on which they will be put in have not been announced yet. More details should, however, be forthcoming soon, THE REAL PROPERTY.

Photographic Display **Now at Twin Pines**

The Greenbelt Art Guild has added a note of variety to its Twin Pines displays by offering an exhibit of photographic work. The current show was judged by Mr. George Virgine, and first prize was awarded to Arthur Wetter. Second and third prizes went to Nicholas Pergola and John Dobo, with Honorable Mention to James Harper and John Dobo.

Although not a large show, with only 35 studies on display, there is a fairly wide range of subject and approach. The exhibit will be open during Twin Pines business hours for the next two weeks, and other photographers who would like to participate in any similar future activity should indicate interest by leaving a note at the desk, addressed to the Guild in care of Bill Collins, Chairman of the current show.

Democrats Meet Wed.

The regular monthly meeting of the Greenbelt Democratic Club will be held on Wednesday, March 23 at 8:30 p.m. at the Municipal Building.

Twenty-Five Years Ago

Greenbelt was picked as the site for one of 43 defense housing projects throughout the U.S.A. It was announced that 700-1000 defense homes would be built here on the perimeters of the town. (There were 885 original Greenbelt homes.) The Citizens Association and Town Council both met many times to consider the problems that would arise from such an influx of homes and people. It was realized that schools, stores, recreational facilities and the Health Center would all have to be expanded . . .

The city budget called for expenditure of \$94,195 with a tax

rate of \$2.08 . . .

There was a scarlet fever epidemic in town and 24 Greenbelt children were stricken. Strict quarantine measures were enforced and wage earners were allowed to leave town to go to work only if they avoided all contact with their sick children . . .

The new Variety Store opened in January with an Open House, attended by 500 persons. . . .

An editorial in the Co-operator was critical of "working wives". It stated that Greenbelt had low rents so that mothers would not have to work and would be free to devote their time to their homes and children. It warned that families with two incomes might find their income level raised so high that they would not be eligible to live in Greenbelt. . . .

Abraham Chasanow was elected president of the Greenbelt Citizens Association. . .

The transportation problem was serious; Greenbelt had no bus service and many workers had no cars. The Citizens Association set up a clearing house to bring together prospective drivers

The local Book Club reviewed "While England Slept" by John F. Kennedy. . . .

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City Notes

Arson, according to City Manager James K. Giese, was responsible for the blaze which destroyed the old Walker homestead on Greenbelt Rd. in the wee hours of Saturday morning. Members of the Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Dept. who responded to the 3 a.m. alarm decided that the old wreck was not worth saving. They stood by till 7 a.m. to control the blaze.

Because of the unusually heavy street repairs this spring, following upon the extraordinary demands upon the Public Works Dept. during the snow clearance efforts in the blizzard of '66, that portion of the municipal budget allocated to road maintenance is already overdrawn. At the next meeting of the city council, a proposal to transfer funds from other sources into the street repair account will be presented. .

This week the temporary patching program continued, with attention being given to the Lakewood subdivision.

The Litter Gitter is on the prowl again. To newcomers, the Litter Gitter is the city's vacuum operated trailer device which eats up old leaves. It will be making the rounds of the city during the week and will make a special trip on Saturday. Citizens with leaves to dispose of are reminded to rake them into piles within 10 feet of the streets. All other debris, such as small sticks, must be disposed of separately because they will damage the mechanism. No phone call is required for the leaf pick-up; but citizens with other kinds of trash to get rid of are asked to call 474-8000 for special trash collections. This trash should be bundled or put in containers. It should be deposited near the trash closets or regular garbage containers-not on the street.

The public works department has been working as weather permitted on damaged pavement in city streets. Lakeside Drive received a

Medicare Forms Available

Postmaster Emory A. Harman announced today that application blanks for supplemental Medicare benefits are available at the front window of the Greenbelt Post Of-

The supplemental program costs \$3 a month and provides doctor bill and other benefits. Everyone 65 and over is eligible for the basic hospital benefits under Medicare.

Senior citizens who reach 65 before the end of 1966 face a two year delay if they do not sign up by March 31. The application forms are preaddressed to the Social Security Administration in Balti-Security more, Maryland.

Prince Georges Plaza is making their Community Auditorium available for the enrollment of Medicare applicants. A representative from the Silver Spring Social Security district office will be in the Plaza Auditorium on Thursdays and Fridays, March 17, 18, 24, and 25 from 4 - 8 p.m., and on Saturdays, March 19 and 26, from 12 - 4 p.m.

On Friday, March 25, at 4 p.m., a representative from the Civil Service Commission will be present to answer inquires from Civil Servce annuitants who want information about their health insurance coverage under government plans.

Finley-Twynham

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond I. Finley announce the engagement of their daughter, Carolyn Gail, to Robert A. Twynham, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Alwyn E. Twynham of College Park. A June wedding is planned.

number of temporary patches, as did Northway, Crescent, and the driveway at 13 court of Ridge. Streets in Lakewood will receive similar attention.

Another undertaking of the department has been the construction of large trash containers for the city parks. These consist of large barrels pivoting between two

Now's a good time for you 20pounds-or-more overweight gals to join the Castaweighs Tops Club. It meets each Tuesday at 8 p.m. (After you join you come a little earlier to weigh in.) At the Youth Center. Everyone is welcome.

Local Hospital Cited For Safe Childbirth

Prince Georges General Hospital, in Cheverly, has been cited as one of 376 hospitals in the Nation where "childbirth is safest" and the only hospital in Maryland outside of Baltimore City so cited in a major article in McCall's Magazine. The magazine listed the hospitals as the best for "high-risk" pregnancies, particularly because they are accredited teaching hospitals where obstetrical residents are trained.

Commissioner Gladys N. Spellman, who heads the Hospital Board, praised the hospital for being nationally recognized for its work "in this field of childbirth, so close and vital to all of us. The recently completed new wing of our hospital was devoted in major part to the obstetrical section and nursery and is among the best in the Nation."

Taking note of current massive renovation and expansion of other units at Prince Georges General, Mrs. Spellman added "we hope to make such model units of all of our facilities there, as time and financing permit-if we can just keep ahead of the demand. The fact that quite a few of our hospital sections have been commended in the past year alone for outstanding work-despite the space and manpower limitations some of them have had-demonstrates again their good work. We are going to try and provide what they need and what the County needs."

The current \$8 million building program will get underway this Spring and take several years to

Castaweighs TOPS Club Recreation Review

by Richard Stevenson Director of Recreation Arts and Crafts

Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday afternoon and Saturday morning, the crafts room is open for children of all ages. Crafts of all types are presented. A small fee, for materials used, is charged.

"B" League Basketball The championship playoff, for the "B" League, was held Monday night. The Knicks put up a good fight, but lost to the Bullets 75-70. Once again, Kelly led the Bullets with 37 points and Pahel headed the Knicks with 24. The Bullets will represent Greenbelt in a county-wide "B" League Tournament later this month.

Community Concert Band

If you have played or now play a musical instrument, why not make plans to join the Greenbelt Community Concert Band? The band rehearses every Monday evening at 8 p.m. at the Youth Center.

Ladies' Sports 'n' Shorts

Each Tuesday evening, at 8:30 p.m. at the Youth Center, activity and fun are the by-words. Basketball, volleyball, tumbling, exercise and ping-pong are the featured activities. Enjoy yourself, bring enthusiasm and join your friends. Call 474-6878 for further informa-

Final plans have been completed for the Fourth Annual Basketball Tournament. League winners in the Baltimore - Washington areas

Basketball Tournament

will be playing in the tournament. All games are scheduled to be played in the Center School Gym. The tournament wil start with afternoon and evening double headers Sunday, March 27. Evening double headers are scheduled throughout the week with the finals set for Sunday, April 3.

Poetry Hour The 4th, 5th and 6th Grade Friday Poetry Hour will meet on Friday, March 18 from 4 - 5 p.m. at the Center School. The 3rd Grade will meet Monday, March 21, same time, at the Center School. The

Miles-McCord

Mr. and Mrs. George W. Miles of Lanham, announce the engagement of their daughter, Pamela Lou, to Theodore Edward McCord, son of Mr. and Mrs. James F. McCord, also of Lanham.

Miss Miles is a graduate of North Hagerstown High School, Hagerstown, and attended the Univ. of Md. McCord, a former Greenbelt resident, is a graduate of Gonzaga High School, Washington, D.C., and is a student at the Univ. of Md.

A wedding date has been set for March 25.

WSSC Opens Fishing Season

The waters are somewhat low due to drought but fishing is as good as ever in the well-stocked reservoirs of the Washington Subburban Sanitary Commission at Rocky Gorge (near Laurel) and Triadelphia (near Brighton). Last year about 10,000 persons fished in these lakes and permits - 50c a day, \$5 the season - are now on sale for the 1966 season, which runs from March 1 to November 30. They may be obtained at the offices of the WSSC, room 321, 4017 Hamilton str., Hyattsville, between 8:15 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Interested persons can obtain details and regulations concerning fishing and the use of boats on the WSSC reservoirs by writing to the above address.

Monday group elected its officers at the last meeting. First officer, Linda Dean; second officer, Nancy Pilski; third officer, Kim Nichol-

Senior Teen Club

On Saturday, March 19, the Senior Teen Club will feature "The Secret G's" from 8 - 11 p.m. at a dance in the gym of the Youth Center. School clothes will be worn.

From 8 - 11 p.m. on Saturday, March 26, there will be a dance in the gym of the Youth Center featuring "The Korvettes." School dress is required.

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To make arrangements for routine transpor-

tation, call the Greenbelt Fire Department, 474-5511, so that they can arrange for a crew at least 24 hours ahead of the necessary run.

We do feel that even though we have two ambulances in Greenbelt, that when we are on call, and an emergency occurs that takes our other ambulance, then if a third emergency occurs, outside help must be called.

There are times, however, when one of our pieces must be out of town for various reasons. If need be, an outside ambulance can be called and stationed in Greenbelt during the necessary time, and give complete coverage to our mem-

All of the Rescue Squad and Fire Department members think the biggest bargain anywhere is the amount of service you can command for your Ambulance Club membership of \$4.00 as requested in the coin cards.

The men who man our equipment are VOL-UNTEERS; that means they donate their time -studying, drilling, and on calls. These men are performing a public service. That is the reason they don't mind knocking on your door once a year to ask for a donation. Please have your coin card or check ready.

WE DO NEED YOU WE HOPE YOU NEVER NEED US!!!

In Case of Emergency

In Greenbelt, to call for an ambulance or a fire truck, call UNion 4-1122. This will connect you directly with the Prince Georges County Fire Board. Do not call any other number for ambulance or fire emergencies because any calls will only have to be transferred to this number and time will be wasted. A trained dispatcher will gather the necessary information, and send the nearest piece of equipment. In case of fire, equipment will also be sent here from out of town.

When making a call to UNion 4-1122, give them the information asked for. The dispatcher wants to know what the emergency is, where it is, and who is calling. This is the only way he knows just what to send and just what, if any, special equipment is needed.

The voice on the other end of the line may seem maddeningly calm while he asks these questions but this is the way he has been trained to act, to get the necessary information. If he gets excited when talking to you, your excitement will tend to rise at the same time.

One of the lesser known services the Rescue Squad performs is the loan of crutches. We have on hand a few sets of crutches, both solid and adjustable, available on a loan basis to people who need them. There is no charge for this service; most of these were donated to us and we feel that they can be put to good use by anyone that has a need for them. On the other hand, if you have a pair which are not being used, whatever size, why not make them available for someone who has need of them? Call us and we will be glad to pick them up and put them in first-class condition. Help us build up our supply.

We also have a folding wheel chair available for the same purpose. If this item is needed, contact the Fire Station, GRanite 4-5511, for

information as to its availability. The Greenbelt Police number is 474-5454.