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Ten Top Stories of 1967

In accordance with its annual custom, the Greenbelt News Review has selected the following as the ten top stories of 1967, listed in the approximate order of their occurrence.

 Following a protest by nearly 500 Greenbelt residents at a public gathering, newly-elected Governor Spiro T. Agnew relieves Charles S. Bresler of his responsibilities with respect to liaison and grants concerning Prince Georges and Montgomery, reversing his previous appointment as the governor's representative to these counties. The city council had charged Bresler with failing to live up to his promises as a developer, citing his violation of the Charlestowne tract covenants and agreement.

GHI program for construction of four free-standing larger homes arouses controversy centering over determination of resale price policy. Controversy spills over into annual GHI election when an opposition group tries unsuccessfully to defeat a ticket composed of incumbents Charles Schwan, John O'Reilly, Norman Weyel and Jim Smith and associate Josephine Seay.

 City acquires 22.2 acres of parkland around Greenbelt Lake in con-demnation proceedings, after owners (Crescent Leasing Corporation and Charles Bresler and associates) decide not to challenge city's need for parkland. Federal open space grant of \$205,429 helps to meet half the cost of the land. Council approves plans for municipal service building on three acres of this land.

City adopts \$696,200 budget for 1967-68, calling for the lowest tax rate in its history, \$0.87 per \$100 of assessed valuation, which is 12 cents below the 1966-67 tax rate.

 County commissioners, after hearing objections of city council, Green-belt Homes, Inc., and Citizens for a Planned Greenbelt, deny request of owners of parcel 15 (Charles Bresler, Theodore Lerner, and associates) for high-density apartment and commercial zoning. The 32-acre tract, bordering the Capital Beltway between Greenbelt Lake and Greenbelt Rd., was original choice of county school board for senior high school.

- Civil rights issues come to the fore as city council rejects compulsory system of permits for meetings and parades and approves voluntary adoption of non-segregated rental practices by Greenbelt apartments.

 Greenbelt continues to grow as 1) the 494-unit University Square Apartments opens up, allowing Westway and Lakeside Drive to be cut through; 2) Springhill Lake Apartments, adding 176 units during the year for a total of 2,668, petitions for commercial zoning motel and office complex on 30-acre tract in northwest Greenbelt; 3) construction starts for additions to North End and Center schools; and (4) high rising Charlestowne North apartments, with 178 units, opens near the southern end of Greenbelt Lake

Edgar L. Smith receives high vote of 70 percent in September city council election, leading a ticket composed of incumbents Francis White, Richard Pilski, William Hoff, and Gerald Gough to victory in a field of eight. Smith subsequently elected mayor by his colleagues for a third

 City of Greenbelt loses its appeal to have the Charlestowne Village covenant with Bresler declared enforceable when the Maryland Court of Appeals rules that although the covenants were legal and valid, the city had failed to seek compliance within time limits specified by contract. At same time, court overturns lower court decision, ruling that agreement calling for Bresler donation of 3.3 acres to city for parkland was valid and remanding case back to lower court for a hearing on its merits

GHI Waterpipe Renewal Program; Tax Relief For Senior Members

by Sid Kastner

A detailed report on the waterpipe renovation program, which has been carried out for the frame houses over the last four years, was taken up by the board and management at Thursday night's regular meeting of Greenbelt Homes, Inc. (GHI). The meeting was also devoted to some other financial items, such as the operating statement for the last year and the expenditure authorization for the coming year.

GHI Manager Roy Breashears operating statement, and the board ter lines during the last few years. In 1964-65, underground tunnel work was done for 184 homes, and riser work (more complicated) for 178 homes. In 1966-67, tunnel work was completed for 158 homes. The overall cost for the four years has been \$118,250, of which about \$46,000 came from contingency reserves. The average cost per unit during 1966-67 has been about \$330, although it has gone as high as \$433 and as low as \$255. depending on the particular layout (i.e. whether sidewalks, common areas, etc. are involved). In response to questions, maintenance supervisor David Kane estimated that the average rate for future work would be somewhat more than \$330 per unit, but not as high as the upper figure of \$433. He noted that the heating situation was being taken care of by this work, as well as the water situation, a "bonus that we had not originally contemplated."

Director Nat Shinderman, on the assumption that roughly one quarter of the work had been completed so far, came up with an estimate of around \$500,000 for the whole project. Chairman Charles Schwan asked the manager to include this report in his general

reported on the work on GHI wa- agreed that the members should be kept fully informed on it. Tax Relief for Elderly

A welcome development for some senior GHI members was reported by Breashears. The county has given the corporation tax credits for those with a yearly income less than \$3,000. A meeting has been arranged on Wednesday, Jan. 3, at 2:30 p.m., to arrange reimbursement . The eligibles fall into two groups. Tax credit has already been extended to the first group by the corporation, so the corporation will itself be reimbursed; the second group consists of those who have just filed recently, so that

they will receive direct payments. On the basis of this past experience, Breashears recommended against giving tax credits in advance, from now on, because of the difficulty in predicting what the actual figures would be at the end of each fiscal year. This recommendation was incorporated into a motion by director James Smith, which authorized management to give the taxpayer an option of either accepting a lump sum payment or a lower monthly charge over the next year. warmly commended the manager, comptroller Donald McGinn, and

GOES TO TRIAL JAN. 3rd

The trial of the \$2,000,000 libel suit filed by local developer Charles S. Bresler against the Greenbelt News Review will start on Wednesday, January 3, at 10 a.m. in the Prince Georges Circuit Court in Upper Marlboro. Three days are scheduled for the trial, which will be by jury.

The suit filed by Bresler in July 1966 charged the weekly newspaper with publishing material that had the purpose of imputing to him "the commission of the crime of blackmail" and "corrupt and dishonest motives in his dealings" with public officials.

The suit quoted excerpts from three news stories, two headlines, three letters to the editor, and two editorials during the period October 1965 - July 1966 as being printed with malice and "without reasonable justification or excuse.' The quoted material, for the most dealt with Breslers' transactions and negotiations with the city council and county school board regarding his land holdings

The News Review denied the allegations, declaring that the articles in question were constitutionally protected and privileged, that they were fair reports of "official public and judicial proceedings" and that they constituted fair comment upon matters of public

to be finished within 360 days of the award. **NEWS REVIEW LIBEL SUIT** The new library, designed by the

architectural firm of Walton and Madden - designers of Greenbelt's municipal building - will be large and modern. Its floor area of a-bout 35,000 sq. feet is nearly 80% of the area of the Regional Library without its administrative offices, and its expected capacity of 150,000 falls only slightly short of the entire book stock of the County Library System five years ago

Plans for New Local Library

Advance Past Bidding Stage

Bids for Greenbelt's new library, to be located near Center School, were opened last week, but no decision about the award of the construction contract has yet been announced.

One of the stipulations of the bidding calls for construction

In style and in other details, the new library comes close to Bowie's new 42,000 sq. ft. library, now nearing completion at a cost of \$832,129. It is designed as a two-story structure, 132' long on each side, and will be located off Crescent Rd., betwen the main entrance to Center School and the Crescent Rd. underpass near Westway. It will have two entrances, main one facing the municipal building (see picture) and a second one, on the lower level, opening to a parking lot north of the building. In addition there will also be an emergency exit opposite the main entrance.

Library Facilities

The upper floor of the library will house two large library rooms covering the entire length of the building - a main hall, 64' wide, adjacent to the parking lot, and a children's section, 34' wide, facing Crescent Rd. Separating the two will be a row of associated facilities, including circulation desk, periodical room and reading room for children. The entire level will be surrounded by a

a 60' by 45' meeting room, complete with speaker's platform, screen and projection room. Also located on the lower level will be offices, rest room and storage facilities. This level will be slightly higher

strip window close to the ceiling,

and there will be groups of 4 to 6 slot windows flanking each cor-

Downstairs, near the corner closest to Center School, there will be than the walkway entering the Crescent Rd. underpass, while the main floor will be about 5' above Crescent Rd.

The Parking Lot

Because a library of this size can be expected to serve a wide area, a large parking lot is planned. This lot is to be located behind the library, between Center School and the gully running below Lakeside drive; this area has a fairly steep slope - it has been a favorite sledding run for many winters - and will therefore require considerable grading. The lot will end some distance short of the school building and, apparently, the existing playfields on that side of the school will continue to exist

There will be only one road leading to the parking lot, passing between the gully and the library building. Presumably, it would have been much simpler to put up the lot on "Greenbelt Common" the wide field, dotted with tall oaks, right in front of the Center School. Luckily for the appearance of our city's center, this course was not adopted, and instead the parking lot was tucked away where it would be least conspicuous.

Inevitably, the library is going to block pedestrian traffic from the Crescent Rd. underpass to the city center. Indeed, existing plans show the walkway leading from the library's main entrance to a crossing of Crescent Rd., located 206' east of the underpass and apparently more convenient than the underpass for reaching the library. However, slight modifications of the walkway scheme may be all that's needed to establish a connection between the underpass and the library.



View of projected new library as it would appear from the vicinity of the municipal building.

others on the staff for accomplishing a much-needed service for the members involved.

The manager described to the board the corporation's operating statement for last year. There was a gap of about \$12,000 between projected and actual costs, of which \$6.000 was due to the corporation's having received less from monthly charges than had been anticipated. By motion, an expenditure of \$1,7-33,616 was authorized for first reading for the next fiscal year.

The Landscape Committee has recommended planting trees to screen part of Southway from the Baltimore-Washington Parkway, and reported that the cost of planting suitable trees, such as Darlington oaks, willow oaks and sugar maples, would be about \$300 per tree, including labor. On a metion by director Smith, management was authorized to proceed with the project using its own best judgment.

Mrs. Roosevelt Memorial

Mrs. Carnie Harper. of the Greenbelt Woman's Club, outlined the progress of the Eleanor Roosevelt Memorial, which is described on page 2 of this issue. The memorial will center around an oak tree on Crescent Road near the Baptist Church, which used to carry a platform on which Mrs. Roosevelt stood while inspecting the earliest buildings in Other organizations, and the city itself, are donating services and funds for the memorShinderman, the corporation will donate \$100 toward the memorial.

The future program of the Select Committee, chaired by Joseph Vella was briefly discussed by Schwan and Shinderman. The important part this committee can play, in carrying out a "thorough analytical review" of GHI, was emphasized by Schwan. Shinderman proposed that the board rewrite the original letter which proposed the committee's function, to clarify its function further.

WARNING!

A new Maryland law requiring all automobiles and trucks to have outside mirrors on the driver's side goes into effect Dec. 31.

The law also requires all motorcycles to have a rear-view mirror on each side of the handle

BLOODMOBILE AT S H L

The Prince Georges County Bloodmobile will be at the Springhill Lake Community House on Monday, Jan. 8 from 3 p.m. to 7:45 p.m. A person in good health, weighing at least 110 pounds and between the ages of 21 and 59, may donate blood. Those 18 to 21 will be accepted if they have written permission from parent or legal guardan. A doctor is always present when blood is being taken from donors.

A Bit of History

The new library will be a vast improvement over the present one, which is housed in a classroom of Center School and has an area of about 1000 sq. feet. Founded in 1939 as a town library, the present facility, with 14,000 books and materials, was transferred to the Prince Georges Memorial Library system in 1955.

In spite of its projected growth in size, Greenbelt's library is hardly expected to recapture ever a distinction it held in 1945, when it was the county's largest. Perhaps, however, it will keep another distinction, more recently acquired - that of the highest per-capita circulation in the area it serves. In 1963-4, this figure amounted to 5.3 books annually, higher than that of any other library in the county and well above the county's average of 3.2. Is there any better proof that Greenbelters love their library?

Boxwood Civic Assn. Meets

Attention B.C.A. members! The regular general meeting of the Boxwood Civic Association has been postponed from Wednesday, January 3, to Wednesday, January

WHAT GOES ON

Sat., Dec. 30, 8-11 p.m., Teen Club dance.

Tues., Jan. 2, 8 p.m., P-TA. Center School.

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Goods and Services Donated For Mrs. Roosevelt Memorial

by Sandra Barnes

To many people in Greenbelt, the memory of Eleanor Roosevelt is especially dear and significant. Her interest in the project of "green towns," begun by her husband in 1935, is illustrated by her several visits to this area while the first houses were being constructed.

It is for her interest in Greenbelt as well as her services to humankind that many citizens of Greenbelt, and the Woman's Club of Greenbelt in particular, have sought to honor Eleanor Roosevelt.

On her several visits to Green belt, Eleanor Roosevelt stood on a platform erected on Crescent Road, between Lastner Lane and the Baptist church, where she surveyed the then young saplings and the Center, still being constructed. That platform is long since gone. The trees grew, as did the city, and one could no longer stand on that spot today and capture a panoramic view of Greenbelt as Eleanor Roosevelt did. But evidence of the platform's existence still remains in the scars it inflicted on the tall white oak tree beneath whose branches it stood.

The tree is now 80-100 years old with dimensions of 29" at the diameter of the base while the circumference of the base is 91". is this tree for which the Woman's Club is seeking funds and support in order to honor the name and works of Eleanor Roosevelt with a living memorial.

Plans for preserving the tree as a memorial will begin soon. The city has donated the labor for digging the trench and filling it with red clay and scrap iron according to Department of Agriculture officials' directions. The plaque holder, of heavy wrought iron, with custom-made decorative leaves on all four corners, and a scroll at the top, has been completed, as has the fence. The decorative wrought iron fence, 8' x 8' x 4'1", which will surround the area was refurbished by Jim Smith, who located it in an antique shop.

The bronze plaque, 211/2" long, and 14" deep, has not yet been ordered because a Woman's Club committee is still composing the inscription.

Six Vermont granite stones, each weighing 1,600-2,000 pounds, have been given to the Woman's Club by Leo Butler of Branchville. (He is the son of U.S. Supreme Court Justice Pierce Butler.)

Thus much work has already gone into the project. Use of the land, some labor, and insurance is being provided by the City of Greenbelt. Technical supervision in regard to the engineering,

Pines-Hochschuler

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Pines, 7-E Crescent, announce the marriage of their daughter, Carole Joan, to Stephen Howard Hochschuler, of Long Beach, Long Island. He is the son of Mrs. Greta Mandel and the late Mr. Harry Hochschuler. The ceremony was held on December 17 at the Marathon Jewish Center in Douglastown, Long Island, and was attended by a large contingent of Greenbelt friends.

Mrs. Maida Crocicchia, sister of the bride, was the matron of honor. Jeffrey Picower served as the best man.

Carole, a graduate of Simmons College in Boston, took her postgraduate studies at Boston University. She is a rehabilitation counselor in Boston. Stephen, a graduate of Columbia University, will graduate in June from Harvard Medical School. The couple will reside in Boston.

planning and design of the memorial is being furnished by Jim Smith and Son. The advisor on stone-cutting is Norman McLeod.

Other services, too, have been donated: photography, Norman Mc-Leod, Jr.; typing, Blanche Lee; gasoline and use of cars, Jim Smith and Carnie Harper; printing, Edmonston Press.

Funds in the amount of \$300 are still needed for such items as the plaque, sandblasting the granite, lead for setting posts, and the granite setting between the stones, as well as whatever will be necessary for the dedication ceremonies.

Carnie Harper, chairman of the project, was uncertain as to when the dedication would take place. But Jim Smith is hoping that it might be on Arbor Day, the second Wednesday in April, which is the traditional day for planting

Mrs. Harper noted that any person or organization desiring to contribute in any way to the memorial should contact her or the Woman's Club.

It is hoped that this undertaking by the Woman's Club will arouse civic pride in individuals as well as organizations which have been a part of Greenbelt for even a short time. Any monetary contributions over the expenses incurred for the memorial, shrine, and dedication ceremonies will be returned to the donors proportion-

Golden Age Club

by Allen D. Morrison

Never has there been such a party for the Golden Age Club as was given by Mrs. Sutton of the Springhill Lake Recreation Department on December 6. One hundred and twenty happy, smiling members poured into the club house there; they travelled by foot, car, and bus which was furnished by Mrs. Sutton. The Club in some form or manner will endeavor to show Mrs. Sutton its appreciation for this memorable day.

three-day and two-night trip to Williamsburg and Richmond is being planned for July. All present and future members who plan to take this trip must notify the Club's secretary not later than the end of January in order that hotel reservations, etc. may be made.

Hazardous Driving

To the Editor:

I am writing you with a sense of urgency about a unique and fastgrowing traffic hazard peculiar to motorists driving in Greenbelt on-

In order to retain the natural beauty of this area, the streets of Greenbelt were laid out leaving the natural terrain intact, with its hill, slopes and numerous curves. Seventy percent of the intersections are not only dead-ends, but curved dead-ends like the curved cross piece of the letter "T". Crescent and Ridge Rds, the two main arteries inside the city proper, are roads of winding continuity with many dead-end intersections.

These dead-ends, curves, and slopes make an ordinary driver's viewing impossible, and this being so, Greenbelt driving is as dangerous as in any metropolis in the country. Let's all remember our hazardous streets.

Vivian Paduda

Public Hearing on **Zoning Ordinance**

A major change in Prince Georges zoning ordinance has been proposed by the county's board of commissioners. The amended version would allow a 30-day period during which a zoning decision can be appealed before the commissioners, and will be the subject of a public hearing set for Friday, January 5.

The existing ordinance allows the commissioners to recall for reconsideration any zoning map amendment, within 30 days, Under the proposed amendment, a "Petition to Reconsider", filed by either the applicant or an aggrieved party within 30 days, would also recall the application to District Council's reconsideration. Such petitions may be determined with or without an opportunity to be heard by the petitioner, in the discretion District Council. In the event that reconsideration is undertaken, a rehearing shall be scheduled and advertised and the property posted, as in the case of a new applica-

The hearing is scheduled for 10 am, at the Commissioners' hearing room in the county service building in Hyattsville.

Center School PTA News

The Center School P.T.A. will hold the first meeting of 1968 on Tuesday, January 2 at 8 p.m. At this meeting, which will be our "Health Program", we will show a film from the Prince Georges County Cancer Society entitled "A Time for Decision" explaining the potential danger of cigarette smoking. Also we will have with us Mrs. Julia S. Heugly, Consumer Specialist for the Food and Drug Administration, who will speak on "Drug Quackery"

A meeting of the room mothers was held on Tuesday, Dec. 19. Room mothers will now be making personal contacts for volunteers As a result of this program, Mrs. Sandy Bracken of Greenbelt has volunteered her talent in the field of art. She will begin coming to the classes after the holiday.

Greenbelt Grab-bag "by Punchin' Judy"

We have always believed in fairies, both Tooth and Tinker Bell. Nor do we have trouble accepting monsters, be they bug-eyed or Loch Ness The Easter Bunny is actual, and so is the Stork, and there are days when we even believe in the reality of Hubert Humphrey.

As you can easily see, we have no trouble at all accepting Santa Claus. In fact, never a year goes by that we don't pay him a visit our favorite department store. He's a dear old rascal, although we're not sure we would trust him with a young lady over the age of

Our daughter, at a very young age had some fleeting doubts about St. Nick. "How does he get down the chimney?" she worried. But after only a moment's thought, she answered her own question with the irrefutable logic to typical of our family. "It must be the reindeer," she stated with satisfaction.

Our son never had that problem. He's the sort that wanders around muttering, "Alfred E. Newman lives!" But what can you expect from somebody who cut his first tooth on a copy of "Fantasy and Science Fiction."

We were shocked, the other day, when a little girl told us, "Santa Claus doesn't fill the stockings. It's the mommies and daddies." We felt better in a little while, though, when she said reassuringly, "But Santa tells them what to get."

There are a number of things we'd like to find in our stocking. Favorable court and zoning rulings would be delightful. Greenbelt deserves a few goodies in that line. Sometimes, when we see what's going on in our town we almost lose our belief in magic. If there were only a wand we could wave!

But we look forward with hope, and wish you your heart's desire at this holiday season. And if you wonder how you are going to manage to pay for all the festivities, just remember: "It must be the reindeer."

Speaking Sternly

Predictions for '68

January - Pentagon adopts plan of new GHI homes as standard design for blockhouses along DMZ. "No road problem foreseen in Greenbelt" declares spokesman of State Roads Commission. February - Greenbelt Theatre con-

tinues sprucing-up campaign, repaints front in GHI green-andwhite and finally evicts birds' nest stuck there since the fall of '64. March - Local chapter of KKK foiled in attempt to burn Star-of-David on Braden Field. "That's Greenbelt for you" quips Imperial Wizard to reporters. "Always trying to be different." The new city of Columbia, Maryland, delegates committee to study Greenbelt to find what can be learned from it, while Reston, Va., plants hedges along its walkways and repaints townhouses in green and white. April - Proposed ordinance requiring pet raccoons within city limits to be muzzled is shelved following petition by 1249 raccoon-lovers. News Review comes out with special supplement of Letters-to-the Editor on the issue. Theatre registered as National Historical Landmark and given award for outstanding restoration job. May - School Board considers rout-

Greenbelt's Circumferential Highway through tunnel beneath parcel 2 as inexpensive alternative relocation of proposed high school. Guggenheim Museum awards first prize for abstract art to model of new GHI home.

June - Committee formed to bring the Bolshoi Ballet to perform in Greenbelt Junior High Auditorium. State Roads Commission announces that projected rapid rail tran-

Barnett-Spitzer

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Barnett announce the marriage of their daughter, Jane Karen, to Leonard N. Spitzer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Morris Spitzer of Canoga Park, California, on December 23 in Shaare Tefila Congregation, Silver Spring. The couple resides in Los Angeles, California. Jane is a junior in education at UCLA and Leonard is a senior at USC and is employed at Hughes aircraft Co.

Chasnoff-Pittle

Mr. and Mrs. Abraham Chasnoff of 45-N Ridge Road, Greenbelt, announce the marriage of their daughter. Rachelle Maurene, to Lee Edward Pittle, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert M. Pittle of Bethesda, on December 24. The marriage took place in the home of the groom's parents; Rabbi Tzvi H. Porath and Cantor Louis D. Feder of the Montgomery County Jewish Community Center officiated.

The bride wore an empire-line gown of white peau-de-soie trimmed with lace and beading, and carried an old-fashioned nosegay white roses. She was attended by her sister Phyllis, who wore gown of misty green peau-de-soie over satin and carried a nosegay of yellow roses. The best man was the groom's brother-in-law, Alan Blum. The couple will reside in Babson Park, Massachusetts, until June, where the groom is attending Babson Institute.

by David Stern

sit along median strip of Kenilworth Ave. will obviate any traffic problems due to the Golden Triangle shopping center. Council abandons plans for pet iguana ordinance after city solicitor threatens to resign.

July - "Columbia News-Review" begins appearing shortly after Columbia committee publishes its report. Levitt announces the construction of "Greenbelt North" in the rapidly expanding Washington suburban area between Frederick and the Pennsylvania turnpike.

August - Road authorities discover, and close, clandestine dirt road connecting Springhill Lake to the Traffic jam at Kenilworth intersection exceeds all previous records. Green and white townhouses are all the rage in Georgetown, which also replaces traffic lights by 4-way stops.

September - After bitter protests by the Help Our Greenbelt (HOG) committee, the Peace In Greenbelt (PIG) organization is denied participation in the Labor Day Festi-"Peace in Greenbelt - who needs it?" says a HOG spokesman "Things here are much more interesting the way they are." Due to slight underestimate of required school space, classrooms open in Armory, Firehouse, City Hall, and Co-op hospitality room, while City Council adjourns to upstairs storeroom of Co-op gas station.

October - Annual statue burning ceremony on Hallowe'en night covered by Huntley and Brinkley and by fire companies from as far away as Beltsville.

November - Presidential election won by Etaoin Shrdlu; Greenbelt again first in nation in write-in candidates per capita. Six weeks after citizens obediently started piling leaves by the roadside, city finally admits permanent disability of litter gitter machine. Guggenheim discovers its prize-winning sculpture is upside down.

December - New Greenbelt Library nearly complete; true to local custom, main entrance is in rear of building. State Roads Commission announces regret that Greenbelt will have to be razed to allow for access roads to the new Golden Triangle Regional Shopping Center.

Greenbelt Community Church

(United Church of Christ)

Hillside & Crescent Roads Dr. Dale A. Stover, Pastor

9:30 a.m - Church School, grade 5 through adults.

10:30 a.m. - Morning Worship. Church School, Nursery through grade 4. Infant care, 2-B Hillside.

11:45 a.m. - Coffee Hour Fellowship.

9:45 a.m. Sunday School 6:00 p.m. Training Union Evening Worship Morning Worship 7:00 p.m. Eve Wednesday, 8:00 p.m. Prayer Meeting 11:00 a.m. GREENBELT BAPTIST CHURCH S. Jasper Morris, Jr., Pastor Crescent & Greenhill

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The Police Blotter

Several stolen cars have been recovered in the Greenbelt area. In one case, a car stolen in Hyatts-ville was located at the miniature golf course on Greenbelt Rd. and returned to the owner at Spring-hill Lake.

Police would appreciate information leading to the recovery of a purse lost at Springhill Lake Dec. 4, containing cash and credit cards. Another purse was taken from a shopping cart at Klein's. Police Chief Lane urges shoppers not to leave purses on counters or in shopping carts. He reminds that loss of credit cards should be promptly reported to the stores concerned and suggests keeping a list of credit card numbers.

An automobile stolen from Hyattsville was found abandoned in a creek near Kenilworth Ave. before the owner was aware of the loss.

Some violations have been observed of the Boat and Trailer ordinance. These must not be parked on the street or on the set-back line.

A football game has been won by the "Choppers," a team sponsored by the Police Dept. and the Greenbelt Shopping Center. Identifying sweatshirts have been issued to each team member and a drum and bugle corps is con-

templated.

A police car was damaged on Dec. 8 while responding to a fire call at Springhill Lake Elementary School. The school was evacuated but no fire found.

Our Neighbors

by Elaine Skolnik - 474-6060

Mr. and Mrs. John P. Murray are now residing at 159 Westway. Their home at 6-N Hillside is now occupied by son, John Dennis, and his bride, Kathleen. The Murrays are among Grenbelt's first families and from the very start (September 1937) participated actively in the affairs of the new community. The News Review, then called the Cooperator, had its beginnings in the Murrays' living room at 33-P Ridge.

The Siehl family, 10-J Plateau, is enjoying a happy reunion with son Arthur L. Siehl (SM), who is on leave from Naples, Italy, where he is stationed aboard the USS Little Rock. And we wish him a very happy birthday on December 24. Home also is daughter Kathy's husband, Private Richard Ransom, who is stationed at Fort Ord, Cal. Ransom's mother is Mrs. Mary Ransom, 2-L Eastway.

Congratulations to Margaret Bridge, Barbara Feller, Marjorie Feller, Myrna Chasanow and Jay Smith, who were among the students recognized at the University of Maryland's Honor Convocation on November 16. Only 820 out of a possible 32,000 students reached

Junior Highlights

by Ann Gallagher

Francis E. Furgang, G.J.H.S.'s principal, has declared that the "Sahara must be turned into an Oasis" with the disclosure of plans to put top soil on the athletic field and seed it. Already mounds of dirt have been trucked to the field and graded in preparation for the spring seeding. According to Mr. Furgang, the real problem in making the project a success is allowing enough time for the seed to make turf strong enough to support athletic activity.

National Education Week was observed November 5 through 11. A total of 67 parents participated in the program aimed at acquainting them with the studies and activities of their children.

Mrs. Weilheimer, a resident of Greenbelt, is presently student teaching 8th grade Home Economics classes. After graduating from Maryland University this February, she hopes to teach handcrafts to secondary Home Economics classes in Prince George's County,

The Golden Bears, our great soccer team, have ended a fine season with 3 wins, 3 ties, and 2 losses. G.J.H.S. has a fine academic team also. The following students achieved the Principal's Honor Roll by earning straight A's: Irma Majer, Pam Williams, Santa Delavore, Eileen Karlander, Bernadette Brinsco, Sarah Grambs, Ruth Kastner, Kim Kirwan, and Karen White

the high level of achievement required for convocation.

Three CPAs of Greenbelt, Norman Joseph Eisenberg and David Lawrence Wilt, and Louis Isaac Rosen have been elected members of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. Eisenberg is associated with the accounting firm of Oksner Q. Welch, and Wilt with the accounting firm of Ernst & Ernst, both in Washington, D. C. Rosen is an Instructor of Business Administration at the University of Maryland.

Sergeant John P. Haslinger, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph T. Haslinger, 11-N Ridge, is on duty at Nha Trang AB, Vietnam. Sgt. Haslinger, a security policeman, is a member of the Pacific Air Forces.

Paul S. Lentz, 5 Orange Ct. is a violinist with the Dickenson College-Community Orchestra, whose fifty members are drawn from the college faculty and student body and from the community. Lentz is a senior at Dickinson.

Engineering Aid Constructionman Michael F. Keller, USN, son of Lt. Col. Andrew K. Keller, 4 Olivewood Ct., is serving with the Thirteenth Naval Constructon Regiment, Da Nang, Vietnam.

Best wishes for a speedy recovery to Mrs. Rita Wiser of 56-G Crescent who is convalescing from an operation.

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The reason taxicabs might become more available is that the county plans to lift its limit on eab licenses, presently set at 405. Simultaneously with this change, however, a new ordinance will go into effect, regulating taxicabs in the county and setting stringent standards for their operation.

In addition to requiring mandatory installation of taxi meters - scaled and regularly inspected - by April 30, 1968, the ordinance also prohibits the use of overage taxicabs. Under it, no vehicle will be allowed to operate as a taxicab in the county if it is older than 5 years, or has logged more than 200,000 miles.

Taxi fares will continue at their present level, until new ones are established by the Board of Commissioners.

HAPPY NEW YEAR RESOLVED FOR 1968

Postmaster Emory A. Harman today urged the citizens of Greenbelt to be sure to use the correct address on their letters and packages going to servicemen overseas to avoid serious delays in delivery.

He said that last year more than 9 million pices of mail were delayed in delivery. Of this number, 3½ million pieces failed to include the complete 5 digit APO or FPO number in the address. This improperly addressed mail had to be sent to a military locator directory, where time-consuming searches were made to determine the proper addresses.

There are four essential elements to an overseas military address. They are:

 The serviceman's identity grade, full name, and service number.

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..... City Notes

Mayor Edgar L. Smith will be Greenbelt's representative on the board of the Washington Council of Governments. Each of the 15 government organizations comprising the Council nominates one representative to sit on the board. In addition, three members from the combined state legislatures of Virginia and Maryland-this year two from Virginia and one from Maryland-also hold memberships on the Board.

Since each member-organization has one representative, Greenbelt enjoys a representation on the board equal to that of governmental jurisdictions as large as Washington,D. C., and Prince Georges County. At the annual membership meetings, however, votes are weighted according to the populations represented.

Santa Claus did not overlook the ducks at the lake. The Public Works Dept. purchased 200 lbs. of cracked corn to tide the ducks over the winter season; some was distributed on the 23rd, more on succeeding days. The food store also contributed large quantities of stale bread, and many local residents appear to have been feeding the ducks as well.

If the warm weather holds, the streets, sidewalks, curbs and gutters of the entire city should soon be again in a good state of repair. The city crew spent several days last week removing broken sidewalk near the south side of the underpass in the Center, and a contractor was expected to pour new sidewalk there this week. Forms have been built also for new curb and gutter to be constructed from Crescent Rd. to the parking lot behind the Firehouse. It is hoped that this will take care of a chronic drainage problem. Additional concrete slabs will be laid down at the entrance to the Youth Center. The contractor will also put in curb and gutter, a section of sidewalk, and the apron for a driveway at the new GHI house on Woodland Way, at the expense

Gentry Rd. is the name of the short street that at present stretches from Greenbelt Rd. at the Phillips 66 station in Beltway Plaza to the A & P store. That section has already been dedicated to

Dentists Seeking "Oueen of Smiles"

The Southern Maryland Dental Association is seeking a "Queen of Smiles.'

All girls in Montgomery and Prince Georges counties, ages 15-18, are invited to mail in a photograph of themselves with name, address, age and telephone number written on the back of the snapshot to: Dr. Arthur Hendrickson, 9009 Rhode Island Avenue, College Park, Maryland.

Entries will be accepted through January 15 The young lady selected will be a guest of honor at the three area dental societies marking the beginning of National Childdrens Dental Health Week, Monday, 7:00 p.m., February 5 at the Washingtonian Country Club in Gaithersburg, Maryland



yond that point a temporary road has been built by Springhill Lake, which may or may not prove permanent location for the extension of Gentry Rd. into the development, where it will connect with Cherrywood Lane. This temporary extension has only a thin paving coat, which develops potholes eas-The crew worked last week to fill and pave some of these broken places.

The architectural firm working on plans for the projected Municipal Services Building predicts that final plans will be ready by the end of this week.

In fulfillment of a requirement by the People's Court, the city last week marked off "no parking" spaces around all fire hydrants. most cases, these are marked by large yellow X's in rectangular areas rather than merely by yellow curbing. Parking spaces were also marked off on newly paved Parkway Rd.

The Public Works Dept. also removed broken gutter near the North End School, between 2 and 4 Cts. of Plateau, and between 57 and 59 Cts. of Ridge. They also dumped dirt for backfilling behind the new curbing on Crescent Rd. at the Center. Replacing the gutters and spreading and grading the backfill will be undertaken by the special contractor who has doing considerable gutter, curb, and street repair throughout

A contractor hired by the developer of Boxwood Village completed the final surfacing of Ivy Lane at Ridge Rd. One section of streets in Boxwood is now virtually completed. Streets in the Lakecrest subdivision (Lakeside extended) are now ready for acceptance by the

The Public Works Dept set in posts on the west shoulder of Westway near the Jewish Community Center in order to discourage parking there. They also raked leaves in the playground near

4-H Dog Training Course

Boys and girls in Prince Georges County again have the opportunity to enroll in the "Dog Training Classes" sponsored by the 4-H Clubs of Prince George's County.. Classes will begin Jan. 13, at 9 a.m., at the Quonset Hut, University of Maryland, and continue every Saturday morning for 12 weeks. Classes of one hour each will be offered in both basic dog training and advanced dog training. The course is open to all boys and girls in Prince George's County between the ages of 9 and 15.

For more information call the 4-H Club Office, 736-0428. Those boys and girls wishing to enroll should send a letter to: 4-H Club Office, 3415 N. Forest Edge Road, Upper Marlboro Md. 20870; with the following information: Name, age, mailing address and phone number. Please state whether or not you have had the dog training experience before. Enclose the registration fee with your application. Registration closes January



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1. Most important of all, don't drive your car unless you absolutely have to. You may get stuck yourself and tie up other cars as

2. However, if you must drive, be sure you have a full tank of gas. Standing in traffic uses up gas at a pretty fast clip. If you run out of gas, you'll be guilty of blocking traffic and subject to arrest under the snow emergency regula-

3. Be able to see and to be seen. This means you must keep your windshield and windows clear. Open a window slightly to keep the inside of the glass from clouding over. Clear all snow and ice off your glass before you drive. A "peep-hole" driver soon gets into trouble.

4. Keep well behind the car ahead. This is very important because it takes anywhere from 3 to 12 times more distance to stop on snow and ice than on dry pave-

5. A good general rule is: Take it easy. Start slowly. Don't spin your wheels; this is the sign of an amateur driver. Slow down gently. Stop carefully. Don't jam your brakes on. Pump them light-

6.If you skid, turn your steering wheel in the direction of the skid, to head the vehicle back on course. Turn just enough to correct the

7. Don't run your battery down. Remember that while you are standing in traffic, your heater, radio, headlights and other electrical equipment are draining your battery and can leave you strand-

8. Many a motorist gets out of tight spots because of a bucket of sand and a shovel. You will find sand at your disposal at many difficult spots along our streets and highways. Better yet, carry some sand or salt with you, together with a small scoop or a large tin can.

9. Some motorists carry battery jumper cables, so that the battery of another car can get them going

10. Finally, always leave your window open a bit to prevent deadly gas (carbon monoxide) from entering your car.

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Recreation Review

Recreation Department Staff

register to be placed on a team in the basketball league. The Teen Club will hold a dance this Saturday, December 30, featur-Children's Class Registration

Registration for Children's Classes will take place on Wednesday and Thursday, January 10 and 11, at 4 to 5:30 p.m., in the Youth Center. Activities will include guitar ballet, children's oil painting, and trampoline. Registration is conducted on a first-come, first-served

Folk Dancing

The Recreation Department will be offering folk dancing lessons weekly, starting the second week in January. The program will include dances from Greece, Syria, Turkey, Germany, and Hungary. These international dance lessons are for beginners and advanced For further information dancers. contact the Recreation Depart-

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