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NEW GREENBELT LIBRARY OPEN OFFERING USERS MANY SERVICES

by Dorothy Sucher

Greenbelt's eagerly-awaited new library opened its doors to the public on Wednesday, April 8, after a dedication ceremony the preceding evening. The building is well-planned and spacious, with a simple exterior of buff-colored brick, and has entrances on two levels.

The large glass doors of the main entrance lead to the upper level, which is divided roughly into thirds. The Adult Section and the Children's Section each run the length of the building, and they are divided by a central core containing offices for the staff.

Adult Services

The adult collection will include a number of services new to Greenbelt, according to librarian Harriet Ying, Head of Adult Services. Framed reproductions of paintings from many historical periods will be on loan to art lovers who enjoy a little variety on their walls from month to month, and protective plastic carrying cases will be provided.

A pleasant browsing area with a display table is flanked by the Young Adult collection and the newspaper and magazine area. Back issues of periodicals will be available on microfilm.

The majority of the shelf space is devoted to the fiction, non-fiction, and reserve books. Reading tables are of oiled walnut in a simple, modern style, as are the study carrels. The comfortable chairs have walnut frames and brown upholstery.

An adult record collection will, eventually include facilities for listening in the library.

Hard-to-shelve items like maps, pictures and pamphlets will be kept in vertical files.

Children's Services

A generous area running the length of the building has been set aside for children Separate sections have been devoted to paperbacks, records, reference books, biography, non-fiction and fiction, and juvenile magazines. The furniture is small-scale, and the most diminutive of all is found in the picture-book area for the youngest tots. Special double-sided, sloped tables are provided for them to prop their books on.

A nearby room, as yet unfurnished, has been set aside for chil-

dren's story hours and special programs.

Lower Level

The lower level entered from the See LIBRARY SERVICES, p. 3

Festival Committee Adopts First By-Laws

The Greenbelt Labor Day Festival Committee, which met Tuesday night, March 31, in the council chambers of the city offices was well attended by twenty-three members and ten other interested persons.

The agenda included the adoption of by-laws, the election of officers and the planning of the 1970 festival.

The following officers were elected: Chairman, William L. Lawson; Vice Chairman, Dave Lange; Secretary, Mrs. Bernie McGee; Treasurer, Mrs. Shirley Meredith.

The three at large members of the steering committee are: Emory Harman, Mike Burchik, and Howard Brinkley.

The audit committee consists of Mrs. May Griffin, Dennis Gillen, and Frank Klapac.

The fifteen-year-old organization adopted its first set of by-laws after extensive discussion and some amendments.

The title of Chairman Emeritus was bestowed on Vincent Caruso, first chairman of the festival, who addressed the group, recounting the history of the festival's formation. Its original purpose had been to keep people within the community and off the highways by giving them a fun-packed Labor Day weekend right at home.

SENATOR HART TO APPEAR

State Senator Royal Hart, Democratic candidate for Congress will appear at the Greenbelt Municipal Building on Sunday, April 12 at 8:30 p.m.

All citizens, regardless of political affiliation, are invited to attend.

WHAT GOES ON

Thurs., April 9, 7:45 p.m. GHI Board Meeting, Hamilton Pl. Fri., April 10, 8:30 p.m. Duplicate Bridge, Co-op Hospitality

Sat., April 11, Little League Dance, American Legion. Wed., April 15, 8 p.m SHL PTA Seminar

Thurs., April 16, 8:30 p.m. Greenbelt Peace Committee Meeting, E. Boldt., 1-B Woodland Way.

LITTLE LEAGUE SPRING DANCE

The Little League Spring Dance will be held Saturday, April 11, 1970 at the American Legion Post. Come out and have some fun.

Let's Clear the Air On Pollution Problems

by Joy Cowell

Environment Day, sponsored by the Greenbelt Citizens For A Better Environment will be held Saturday, April 18, at Center School in Greenbelt beginning at 9:30 a.m.

The day is designed to illustrate the local pollution problems. Field trips, films, exhibits, and booths are planned to interest both adults and children.

At 9:30 a.m. cars will leave Center school carrying passengers on a guided tour of local trouble spots. Although we all recognize pollution as a national, even international problem, many of us do not recognize the problem areas in our own back yard. At 10 a.m. the school will be opened for exhibits and booths and the displays will remain open to the public until 4 p.m. Among the many exhibits are two automobiles supplied by Washington Gas Light that are powered by natural gas and which will provide free short rides, and a high volume air sampler which tests for particulate matter in the air.

Other rooms in the school will be utilized for films and a tapeslide montage.

At 1 p.m. there will be a key note address by a distinguished speaker. The public is invited to participate in round table discussions led by people qualified as experts in the varied fields of pollution control. Circle the date on your calendar. Not only will the day be fun for the entire family but you can learn how you as an invidivual can combat pollution.



View of the new Greenbelt Library as seen from Crescent Road. Dedication ceremonies were This the control that the control to the control to

School Board, Council Will Exchange Position Papers

by Elaine Skolni

A new position paper citing the facts that went into the purchase of parcel 2 school site was promised by the Prince Georges Board of Education after a suddenly-called 1-hour session with the city council at Upper Marlboro on Tuesday, April 7. The paper, to be compiled by the school board staff, will then be circulated to the City of Greenbelt for comments. The city will be given an opportunity to present its own position and after appraising both papers, the school board will decide whether there should be an open hearing.

Left up in the air is whether this procedure will satisfy SJR-81 resolution, passed by the General Assembly last week, which calls for a moratorium on the construction of a senior high school on parcel 2 (land between the Baltimore-Washington Parkway and 36 to 44 courts of Ridge) until the school board explores alternative sites with the city council of Greenbelt.

It was not clear whether the position paper would touch upon

Neighboring Cities-Apart, Yet Together

The City of College Park has indicated its intention once again of annexing an area of about three square miles, including a substantial portion of the Agricultural Research Center to the north of Greenbelt. Of concern to Greenbelt is that some of the area involved borders the northwestern boundaries of the city.

According to city manager James K. Giese, the area proposed for annexation would cross the Baltimore and Ohio railroad at the northwest corner of the city and follow the northern city limit line to Indian Creek, at which point its boundary line would follow Indian Creek away from the city north to Edmonston Road. It would then go north on Edmonston road to Beaver Dam road, where the line would go east, paralleling the Greenbelt city limits as far as Pesticide road, about a mile north of Greenbelt's northern boundary.

When first broached in 1967, the annexation plan was stymied by court action because of faulty annexation procedures. The City of Greenbelt at that time opposed the annexation since the area being considered for annexation was thought to be more closely oriented toward Greenbelt than toward any other municipality. Greenbelt's objections led to some modifications of the plan, which are now incorporated in the present proposal.

At the April 6 city council meeting, the council voted to advise College Park that it still opposes the modified annexation plan. It reaffirmed its 1967 position, opposing annexation of that part of the Research Center which lies north of the Greenbelt City limits and east of the railroad tracks. The city believes that the railroad serves as a natural and logical barrier between this area and the rest of College Park. It also notes that the principal roads traversing this area go to Greenbelt and Beltsville, not College Park.

According to Giese, the city of Greenbelt has no legal recourse against the College Park action, since it is not one of the parties being annexed.

I-95

On another matter, however, — the routing of I-95 — the cities of Greenbelt and College Park see alike. The concern is that if I-95 terminates at the Beltway, additional traffic will have to be carried via the Beltway from I-95 to the Baltimore-Washington Parkway and U.S. 1, both of which are overburdened with traffic already.

Mayor William R. Reading of College Park asked the Greenbelt city council to join with College Park in approving a resolution that would urge the completion of I-95 to a point as close to the District of Columbia as possible along the route previously agreed to in the negotiations between the State and the District of Columbia.

This the council voted unani-

alternate sites. School board attorney Paul Nussbaum intimated that any discussion of alternative sites at a hearing might give legal weight to the reverter clause which, according to Nussbaum, provides that parcel 2 property not needed for school purposes would have to be offered back to its original owner. A hearing, he said, should be confined to whether the board wants to build the high school now on the parcel 2 site, not whether this is a proper location for the school.

Greenbelt Reaction

Greenbelters left the meeting disappointed because earlier in the meeting the school board had voted for public hearings only to reverse itself later. Mayor Francis W. White, who was accompanied by council members Elizabeth Maffay, and Richard Pilski, city manager James Giese and eity solicitor Emmett Nanna, said that he felt downhearted, since there is now no guarantee of any hearings. "We had our moment of elation when we were first granted a hearing so that we could present the facts."

Earlier in the meeting, White stressed the desire of Greenbelt to present its case and to correct any misinformation that may have been given to the present school board, a majority of whom were not on the board at the time of the original board decision in 1966.

"In making the request," White said "I wish to make it perfectly clear that this is not just a request of the five members of council; it is a demand of the citizens of Greenbelt. They are the ones who will have to live with this mistake. They are the ones whom you are asking to pay extra so that you can save money — if, indeed, you are saving money. They are the ones who seek reconsideration to see if you can't do better."

The General Assembly resolution was cited to bolster the city's request, though school board chairman W. Carroll Beatty questioned whether the resolution was mandatory . In any event, Beatty said, the board had made extensive studies in selecting the site which had also been approved by the State Board of Education. "Greenbelt has had hearing after hearing," Beatty said. He also referred to a suit by Greenbelt Homes, Inc. which, according to Nussbaum, alleged that the Board of Education acted "fraudulently, conspiratorially, arbitrarily, and capriciously." The Court of Appeals, Nussbaum said, ruled differently.

White said he did not consider the previous hearings satisfactory because of lack of communication. He said that a hearing was now desired because there are factors that place in serious doubt the selection of parcel 2 for the senior high school and "we wish to reacquaint the new board members with the facts."

Nussbaum told the board that it See SCHOOL BOARD, p. 4, c 1

Car Owners Beware

Contee Sand and Gravel Co, is presently resurfacing various streets for the city. The first street to be resurfaced was Crescent from 2 court to Garenway. Also scheduled are Woodland Way between Forestway and Hillside, Edmonston Road from Greenbelt Road to Springhill Court, and Old Crescent Road from the Lake Park entrance to the new Public Works facility.

City Manager James Glese cautions residents to observe all temporary parking restriction signs on the streets being resurfaced. Cars in the way of resurfacing will be towed away at the owners expense.

Inaccuracies and Falsehoods

As chairman of the GHI news-

letter Committee I wish to make

some comments on Milton Hoff-

man's letter in last week's News

Review. He deplored our News-

letter; I deplore his inaccuracies

He says that the question of

"increase of the Monthly Charges"

was referred to the Finance Com-

mittee at his request. This is not

true. What is true is that at one

of the Board meetings Hoffman

made some sensational charges

that the frame houses were subsi-

dizing brick maintenance and said

he had data to prove it. Mr.

Schwan asked the Finance Com-

mittee to look into the matter of

allocation of charges and to exa-

mine the formulas for determining

costs per unit. The Committee

held two meetings on this topic,

but at neither did Hoffman pre-

sent any of his data to substan-

tiate his charge. (He has not

shown it to the Manager, the

Comptroller, the Board, or to his

fellow Audit Committee members.)

ment's 1970 Budget Recommenda-

tions for 1963 "shows a difference

of ninety cents, approximately, per

month between Brick and Frame

homes, for all maintenance." Does

For brick houses the total was

\$101,923 for that year. Divided by

579 units, that works out to \$176.03,

or \$14.67 per month. For frame

houses, the amount was \$203,732;

divided by 1000 units that works

out to \$203.73 for the year or

\$16.98 per month. The average

difference in 1968, the year he

cited, was \$2.31 per month between

brick and frame units, not ninety

cents. (For 1970, the year for which

we gave examples in our Newslet-

He says we alluded to the figure

.2416 without explaining what it

means. We said, "GHI does not

charge you for maintenance by

adding up all the times you call

474-6011 and multiply that by .2416,

but the formula is almost as com-

plicated." Granted our humor was

pedestrian, I cannot understand

how any person with normal intel-

ligence could fail to understand

that .2416 was never intended to

allude to anything. It was just an

Too minor to mention perhaps is

that Hoffman states the example

used in our Newsletter was a

frame house, although we clearly

stated that Virginia lived in a

brick house. Also, he failed to

notice that the name of the publi-

cation is "Newsletter," not "News

I publicly submit my resignation

as publicity chairman of the

Greenbelt Labor Day Festival. I

do this because I do not feel that

the Festival is following its charge

to "unify the people of Greenbelt."

For the last several weeks, the

Festival has served as a pawn for

a power struggle amongst its sev-

eral committee members. I there-

fore, refuse to participate in any-

"A Power Struggle"

Katherine Keene

irrelevant number.

Letter."

To the Editor:

ter, the difference is \$4.91.)

it? It does not.

He states that page 2 of Manage-

and outright falsehoods.

To the Editor:

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First Things First

The successful efforts of Senator Edward T. Conroy, city council, and representatives of Save Our Community Committee in having the State legislature adopt a resolution declaring a moratorium on the construction of a new senior high school on parcel 2 until alternative sites have been explored are a reminder that where Greenbelt has a will, there is a way.

Long-time Greenbelt citizens who can recall only the repeated rebuffs that the city received at the hands of the Prince Georges County Board of Education have shown some apathy

Nevertheless, the moratorium resolution has given Greenbelt an opportunity once again to marshal its facts and molilize its forces to persuade the powers that be that other preferable sites are available for a senior high school.

The efforts of the city, with the aid of Governor Mandel and State Senator Conroy in securing a State Roads Commission commitment toward the perimeter road, are also to be commended. At this point, however, the issues of the school site and the perimeter road should be separated. There is a timetable for each. We think it would be premature and divisive for citizens to start wrangling over details involved in the perimeter road details which will not need settling for many months to come.

Now is the time for the city to give the school site issue its undivided attention.

Plans for Home **Tours Underway**

Plans for the GHI Home Improvement tour scheduled for May 3 are underway. Many members have added rooms, remodeled kitchens or baths, and air conditioned their houses. Others have worked on the outside, making garden rooms, porches, patios, ornamental fish ponds, and experimented with such exotic things as Renaissance gardens.

It is hoped that many members will volunteer to show their

Temple Mishkan Torah Annual Art Auction

The Second Annual Art Auction of Temple Mishkan Torah will be held on Sunday, May 3, at the Interstate Inn. 8601 Baltimore Blvd., College Park from 1 until 5 p.m. Pre-auction viewing will begin at 10 a.m until time of auction.

Oils, acrylics, prints, water colors, ceramics, sculpture and plastic kinetics will be represented Works of some 40 noted artists will be featured including Greenbelt artists Isidore Reuben and Pat White.

Former Washington Post political cartoonist (and former Greenbelter), Izzy Parker, is adding a unique note with engraved printing plates of some of his drawings embellished with colored wax and mounted in shadow boxes.

Parent-Child Seminar

The Springhill Lake Elementary School PTA will hold a "Parent-Child Relations Seminar" on Wednesday, April 15, at 8 p.m. in the multi-purpose room. Dr. Donald Pumroy, professor of Education and Psychology at the University of Maryland, and three of his students will discuss aspects of parent and child relations. After the main speech, the group will divide into small groups to further discuss points of interest.

This program was prepared by the PTA's "Parent and Family Life Committee," Mrs. Joncier Greene, chairman. Refreshments will be served.

Tea and Tour for Expectant Parent

A Tea and Tour for expectant parents will be held Sunday, April 12, from 2-4 p.m. at Prince Georges General Hospital. The hospital's Obstetrical Department, including delivery and nursery facilities, will be shown to the couples. Refreshments will be served, following a question and answer session. For reservations, please call the Nursing Service Office, 341-2010.

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Letters to the Editor

In Answer to . . . To the Editor:

May I have the indulgence of your columns to answer two letters which appeared in the News Review) of April 2?

First, Mr. Hoffman's letter entitled "No, Virginia . .

No, Milton, .2416 doesn't mean a thing. When the article left the pen of the original writer, it read, 'No Virginia, G.H.I. does not charge you for maintenance by adding up all the times you call 474-6011 and multiplying that by A reviewer changed "pi" numerical equivalent, "3.1416." In publication, changed to .2416-perhaps a gremlin trying to fool with the "New Math" did it. The purpose of the article was to show that, although there is a complicated mathematical formula, it is not a foolish We're sorry about the one. gremlin.

Yes, Milton, you are responsible for a charge that the frame homes in GHI pay more than their share of maintenance costs and that the Those of brick homes pay less. your figures which I have seen seemed rather to substantiate the present formula. You said you had others at home. As you know, the Audit Committee has asked to see them, and I'm sure the Finance Committee, The Board, and Management would be interested in them. No one in a position of responsibility in Greenbelt Homes wishes to perpetuate charges if there be any.

You spoke to Virginia in the News Review about her "frame" home. The figures quoted to Virginia in the GHI News Letter were for her brick home. She says she wants to pay her share; you say she is not doing it. Let's see the figures to prove it.

In answer to "Divide and Conquer" by Mrs. Murrow, may I say that I am grateful to SOCC for getting the High School site back into the public eye. I thought you were beating a dead horse. The unsuitability of the presently proposed site is a subject on which Groenbelt is NOT divided. There is now at least a glimmering of light that perhaps this unpopular site may be changed.

The location of the school, however, is a different subject from that of a road to serve development between GHI property and the Baltimore-Washington Parkway. The owner of that woodland area is a citizen and a taxpayer. Under the free enterprise system, he has a right to develop it, and not the City Council nor the County Commissioners not the Governor and the Legislature can tell him he must keep it in a woodland because adjacent property owners want it that way. Government may place some restrictions on the way in which he develops it. but if any arm of Government were to force him to keep it in its present state against his will, I should be sorry, for it would be a step towards Socialism.

If the High School is changed to a suitable site, this new road (call it by any name you will) would need to be only as wide as Ridge now is and would serve a residential area. Some streets now dead-ends would surely be extended to connect with the new road in order that the residents of the newly developed area might drive to the Center. That is why we need to plan NOW. Greenbelt does appear to be divided into two groups. One group does not want to plan for a perimeter road in the hope that the ogre of development will go away; the other group feels that we must plan now in order to transform that ogre, already breathing down our necks, into the pleasant reality of new neighbors.

Another thing - Webster's New World Dictionary gives as one definition of "open," free to be entered, used, etc., as an "open" meeting. The Council meeting of March 23 was free to be entered by anyone who tried and free to be used by all who had anything to say. It was an "open" meeting.

Janet M. James

Lack of Communication

To the Editor:

Memo: To Mr. Charles Schwan, Chairman of the Board of Greenbelt Homes, Inc.

Subject: Your remarks concerning the perimeter road at March 26 meeting of the board.

It would seem from a perusal of the NEWS REVIEW account of the above meeting that our neighbors in the Ridge Road new townhouses are not the only ones who have experienced the lack of communication between the board and members. For instance, take the 9 Court of Research Road and the surrounding area.

I'm sure I am not the only one who is interested in knowing to whom you were directing the following remarks at the above-mentioned meeting, to wit-"that letters by anyone to the Governor" that undercut the city's effort for the perimeter road aren't doing the city any good"

Were you pontificating I wonder, on this subject to members of the board, the audience, or were you speaking via the press to a wider group? Be assured by this letter that your efforts were not in vain.

Just for the record, and in defense of those citizen-members of G.H.I. who had the colossal and unmitigated nerve to write the Governor in defense of their homes, may I say that at no time since the start of this controversy on school site and road have those of us, most directly affected, heard one word from the Board or you. We, who stand to lose possibly our homes or front yards, not to mention our peace, and privacy, have had no expression of concern, no line of correspondence from you or the Perimeter Road Committee set up by you. My call to the three members of the group elicited no new information as to boundaries. yardage, et cetera.

In other words, if the board or its official committee had kept in touch, we could have been spared the time and effort it took to contact the Council, the City Manager and finally the Governor for information, which was our due.

With your presumed rapport with the city administration, it seems to me you would have been the logical person not only to keep us current on any impact of the road that might affect our homes but furnish us with the facts concerning the meeting of city officials with the Governor. You were invited, no doubt, because you were Chairman of the Board of our housing cooperative.

Just as new voices and imaginative approaches through the Save Our Community group may well be the means of relocating the three-school complex, why cannot constructive public dialogue on the many alternatives and newer facets of this problem of the Greenbelt Beltway redound to the greater benefit of our planned community?

Finally, the time to speak, it seems to me, is before the road is designed and not after the stakes are set. Highway engineers of late years have even scrapped plans and made new ones to bypass the nesting area of birds or thing which claims to espouse one to avoid damage to fish life. Are thing and then does not practice people here less important? Eunice E. Coxon

what it preaches. Vicki Lathom

~~~~~~ 9:45 A.M. ... Sunday School 6:00 P.M. .... Training Union Morning Worship 7:00 P.M. Evening Worship 11:90 A.M. ... 7:39 P.M. Wednesday \_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_ Midweek Service

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11:00 A.M. PROBE Discussion groups for Adults.

WHERE WE ARE/WHERE WE SHOULD BE

Resource Leader: Jinney Burke - a church educator and secular worker, currently engaged in an intercity education project. PROBLEMS IN THE COMMUNITY

Resource Leader: Mr. Emmet Nanna - Juvenile Rehabilitation

Resource Leaders: Dr. Arthur Kaufman, Mr. Robert L. Field.

#### **New Greenbelt Library Dedication Ceremonies**

More than two hundred enthusiastic residents of Greenbelt attended the opening of the spacious new Greenbelt Library, Tuesday evening, April 7. Chairman Charles Dukes of the library board of trustees introduced the guests of honor and principal movers behind the library.

The American flag was presented to the library by Harold Siegel, on behalf of Congressman Larry Hogan. State senator Edward Conroy presented the Mary-land state flag on behalf of Governor Mandel; he described the library as "a stepping stone to the future, as well as a storehouse of the past . . . available to all who want to learn." County commissioner Francis Aluisi contributed a County flag to complete the com-

Albert Herling, chairman of the Friends of the Greenbelt Library the local group supporting the library concept in recent years then spoke. He opened his statement with the words, "The library we prayed for, hoped for, worked for is now a reality." He related the history of Greenbelt's original library, giving credit to Rexford Guy Tugwell (architect of the Greenbelt concept), the various librarians who have served the city, and recent and present members of the Friends of the Library: the Clifford Simonsons, Bruce Bowman, Frank Lewis, Charles McDonald, James Cassels, Gordon Allen, Leo Gerton, Leonie Penney, Seymour Kaplan and Joel Katz.

Commissioner Francis Francois reminded his listeners that Greenbelt's library is a branch of the County system and as such has access to all its facilities. Dr. Elizabeth Hage, director of the County system, then introduced Greenbelt Librarian Mrs. Carolyn Estridge, who heads a staff of twenty-five.

The library facilities will include a periodical room, record eollection, microfilm facilities, framed picture collection, as well as the projected Rexford Guy Tugwell room housing a collection of historical material pertaining to Greenbelt. Mrs. Estridge extended a warm invitation to all to come and visit the library and participate in future programs the library will undertake.

#### Program on Drugs

The Women's Society of Christian Service of Mowatt Memorial United Methodist Church invites the public to attend a program on drugs featuring an 18 min. color film "Drugs and the Nervous System," on Monday, April 13, 8 p.m. at the Church, 40 Ridge Rd. Refreshments will be served

### Library Services

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parking lot contains a large meeting room seating 240, a stage with a movie screen recessed into the ceiling, a projection room and kitchen. It will be used by the library for programs and films, and can be booked without charge by community organizations.

A room, to be known as the Rexford G. Tugwell Room, has been set aside to house reference collections on planned communities and consumer cooperatives. The room contains easy chairs and two reading tables, as well as the cabinets destined to house the collection, which is still being gathered.

The Greenbelt Friends of the Library have been working to obtain historical material on the Greenbelt towns, according to Al Herling, president of the group. Some papers are filed in the United States Archives in St. Louis while others are in private collections. The Friends of the Library are hoping to establish a fund for the purchase of additions to the Tugwell

Also on the lower level are a glass-walled switchboard room doubling as an information desk, a lounge and kitchen for the staff, workspace, and storage.

Interior Design

The lighting is well-planned and easy on the eyes. Large translucent rectangles of light recessed in an acoustical tile ceiling provide plenty of glare-free illumina-Wall-mounted black cylinders cast a glow down the walls. In the daytime, the roof, which spans a large free area with very few columns, appears to float above a narrow strip of glass through which one can catch a glimpse of trees and sky. And at night the

line of artificial light adds to the exterior appearance of the build-

The browsing area and the children's reading area with its miniature furniture are tucked into opposite corners of the building and have views of the world outside through narrow, slotted windows.

The building is carefully detailed in sturdy, low-maintenance materials. A monochromatic color scheme in shades of brown, buff, and cream is enlivened with an occasional touch of bright orange and unified by red-brown carpeting that should accept gracefully an eventual admixture of the local red clay. Stairwells and halls are floored with ceramic tile in shades of brown.

Small touches—built-in clocks, trim umbrella stands, ballshaped doorknobs of brushed steel are well-though-out and easy on the eyes. All in all, the quality of the building should make it a pleasure to use.

It is fully air-conditioned. Electric mats set into the concrete will prevent snow from accumulating near the entrances.

Statistics

The new library has a floor space of 35,000 sq. feet and a capacity of 125,000 volumes. It was constructed at a cost of \$794,200 by the Avery Construction Co. of Edmonston, and designed by the architectural firm of Walton and Madden of Riverdale. Architectural and landscaping fees came to \$48,498. The library, a branch of the Prince Georges County Memorial Library, is located at 11 Crescent Road. Mrs. Carolyn Estridge is Branch Li-

SPRINGHILL LAKE APARTMENTS LAKESIDE NORTH APARTMENTS CHARLESTOWNE VILLAGE CHARLESTOWNE NORTH UNIVERSITY SQUARE BOXWOOD VILLAGE IVY HOMES GREENBELT PLAZA APARTMENTS G. D. C. APARTMENTS CRESCENT ROAD APARTMENTS PARKWAY ROAD APARTMENTS LAKESIDE HOMES LAKECREST HOMES LAKEWOOD HOMES WOODLAND HILLS HOMES

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City of Greenbelt

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Any member interested in serving as a Director or as a member of the Audit Committee should contact one of the following members of the Nominations and Elections Committee: George Adams, 474-9263; Darwin Beck, 474-2073; Gordon Allen, 474-4963; David Bridge, 474-1463; Catherine Foster, 345-2025.

Names of members whose nomination has been presented in writing by the Nominations and Elections Committee, or by Petition, shall appear on the election ballot, provided said member shall have signed in writing his willingness to accept the office

Names presented by petition must be signed by ten or more members.

The Nominations and Elections Committee must submit its nominations to the Secretary by May 9th, so if you are interested in serving please make your intention known to the Committee.

SCHOOL BOARD from p. 1 has a contract of obligation to proceed with the high school; it has a contract with the architect; it has advised the staff to make the necessary feasibility studies. "If you rescind, you will have to pay the architect and others," he

#### Board Motion

Nevertheless, school board member Chester E. Whiting made a motion to grant the city a hearing at a future date. "I am not satisfied with the information I have received to date," he said, But several board members warned that they should only have a hearing if they have an open mind and are willing to look at the facts. "It would not be fair to give citizens false hopes by having a hearing if we have already decided not to change the site" said board member Ruth S. Wolf.

On the motion to grant a hearing, all the board members but J. Righton Robertson voted in favor. Jesse J. Warr, Jr. abstained, saying that he couldn't possibly see "how we can conduct a hearing on whether we can build now or later." He was apparently referring to Nussbaum's admonition that a public hearing should not discuss alternate sites.

#### Schmidt Remarks

At this point, School Superintendent William S. Schmidt noted that Governor Mandel has notified him that planning funds will be available for the perimeter road. Schmidt said that he had lent his name and support at the State level to get State aid for a perimeter road, on the basis that the senior high school made such a road urgent. He reminded the board that the school board had held up the architects' plans until the perimeter road had been solved to the satisfaction of Greenbelt. He said that he did this on good faith "that everyone was reconciled to the building of the school." Now, he said, there is evidence of a change of thinking on part of city council.

White explained that the perimeter road was needed whether the school went in or not. No one is kidding themselves, White said, into thinking that the perimeter road would eliminate school traffic use of the interior roads.

"The closer we get to ground-breaking of the school," White added, "the greater the concern of the citizens. It is not a new thing. There were thousands of signatures on petitions years ago against the site and again we have signatures on petitions."

Schmidt then suggested the procedure that was finally decided upon - namely, a circularization of a school board position paper giving the history of the school site and the pros and cons of the selection. The board then voted not to grant a hearing to Greenbelt at this time, with A. James Golato voting in the negative.

#### Alternate Sites

Despite an earlier admonition from Nussbaum that the school board should confine its discussion to whether "you want to build a high school now on parcel 2", Beatty asked staff official Eliott Robertson to discuss other sites.

Robertson gave the following run-down: (1) Parcel 15 (land south of Greenbelt Lake)-not big enough for senior high school and road communications were even worse. (2) Golden Triangle - had limited access, no pedestrian access, and with commercial zoning was priced "out of this world."

(3) Smith-Ewing tract - bound on one side by Parkway, on other by NASA, and on south by Greenbelt Road. Pedestrian and road access was poor.

(4) Tidler property (land outside city boundaries south of Greenbelt Rd) - Planned for apartment zoning, the price of acquisition might be too high.

White noted that the parcel 15 site with its 30+ acres was large enough for the school board in 1965 to start condemnation proceedings.

White told the board that the city had insufficient notice to present its case that day. The meeting on Tuesday had not been set up until the day before when the city offices received telephone notice that it would be allocated 15 minutes on Tuesday's agenda

#### Softball Leagues Form; Three Tournaments Set

For the twelfth successful season, the Greenbelt Recreation Department is sponsoring a Men's Slow-Pitch Softball League. This year two leagues will be offered. The 'A' type recreation league is a single round robin with terminal play at league championship level. Teams will not be affiliated with A.S.A. for sectional, regional or national play. The 'AA' is a first class, competitive league with play on a par with area A.S.A. slow pitch leagues. Teams will play a double round robin, A.S.A, affiliated. The winner will be the City Champion and will compete in sectional, regional and national play.

Three tournaments will be held this season. The Firecracker in late June finals on July 4th; Mayor's Invitational limited to 3rd, 4th and 5th place league teams, in mid August; and the Labor Day tournament, to be played August 31 - September 7.

Leagues and tournaments are open to area teams. If you would like to enter your team in one of the leagues or tournaments, please call the Greenbelt Recreation Department, 474-6878 for further in-

#### Recreation Review

Mens Gym

The Greenbelt Armory Open Mens Gym has been discontinued. due to the conclusion of the Boys' Club season. Mens Gym will resume its activities on Monday and Sunday nights at the Youth Center, from 7 - 10 p.m.; Wednesday will offer a young mens' gym (18-25 yrs.), while Tuesday and Thursday evenings are reserved for boys 17 and under.

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### Area Science Fair

The 22nd annual Prince George's Area Science Fair will be held in the Cole Activities Building at the University of Maryland in College Park on April 17, 18, 19, and 20.

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Students will register their exhibits on Friday evening, April 17, from to 6 - 8:30 p.m. Exhibitors are invited who have received recognition at individual junior and senior high school science fairs held previously. Judging will be held Saturday, and the exhibit will be open to the public Saturday evening from 7 - 9:30 pm.

The awards assembly will take place Sunday from 2 - 4 p.m., and the fair will again be open to the public from 4:30 - 9:30 p.m. on Sunday and from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. on Monday. Students will remove their exhibits between 5 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. on Monday.

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Mrs. Jane Barnett Spitzer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Barnett, 45-F Ridge, recently received a BA. degree from UCLA's College of Fine Arts, Named to the Dean's List, Jane and her husband reside in Huntington Beach,

Best wishes for a happy birthday to Diane Stock, 1-F Plateau, who will be 2 years old on April 11.

Congratulations to Janet Louise Sutton who was graduated from the Prince Georges General Hospital Medical Secretarial Program on April 3.

Richard Lichvar, 18 Woodland, has been named to the Deans List of the College of Busines and Public Administration of the University of Md. for the first semester of 1969-1970 school year, A junior, Richard is majoring in Information Systems Management. He is a Tau Delta Phi Fraternity



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Minibike Supporters Seek Riding Trails

by Al Skolnik

Mini-bike enthusiasts had their day in court—or rather their night before city council—last Monday night. A group of boys, all under 16 years, who were seeking council aid in finding a place to gyrate without running afoul of the law got unexpected support from an adult mini-bike enthusiast, city solicitor Emmett Nanna, Jr.

"I think this is a wonderful activity, and I will do anything to support it," he said "I will even volunteer my services to write mutual release agreements so as to protect private property owners who wish to offer their vacant properties for mini-bike trails."

The city recreation department is also supporting the boys, through its efforts to organize a mini-bike club which will provide needed controls and supervision. Nanna said that if the boys organized, he will invite them out next summer to his West Virginia farm for a mini-bike rally. He said that the farm has all sorts of trails.

Where to Ride?

But this was no help for the problem of where to ride now, since riding on walkways and green areas is not allowed, and the boys are too young to use public roadways. Spokesmen for the boys - John Ramsey, Joe Comproni, Joseph Aulisio, and Danny Leech—questioned whether they might not be able to ride in the woods near University Square or in the area between Lakewood and Northway near Hillside. Both these sites were vetoed, however, the former as being privately owned, the latter as an area widely used by young children for play. Also mentioned were the National Guard Armory and some vacant land in Springhill Lake. Owner representative Harold Kramer offered to make the SHL land available for mini-bike use.

Hugh Jascourt, chairman of the Park and Recreation Advisory Board, also noted that Interior Dept. officials had approved a mini-bike trail for Greenbelt Park, to be ready some time in May.

Restrictions

The course would be restricted to a loop road closed to regular traffic. Development of the course, however, was contingent upon the boys' getting together to form a club which would establish rules for use of the course and upon a contract agreement between the city and the National Park Service. In addition, Jascourt noted, the city's Recreation Department, would have to negotiate with the County concerning funding for supervision of the program.

A last problem concerning the development of the Greenbelt Park course was how to reach it. Since vehicular travel on roads and highways is restricted to licensed drivers-those over 16the boys would have to be transported to the site. In short, the matter would take a good deal of looking into. Council directed City Manager James Giese to get together with Recreation Director Darryl Lofgren to review the situation. In the meantime, Councilwoman Elizabeth Maffay urged the boys be patient, and requested them to follow the minibike rules.

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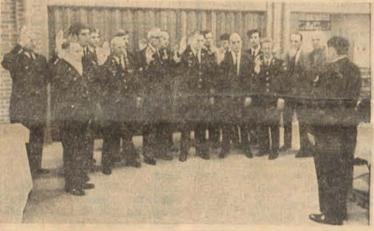
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1970 Annual Installation of Officers

Left to right, Front Row - Harry Atherholt, Chaplain; Bud Zoellner, Vice Pres.; Vince Dutton, Deputy Chief; H. John Crisman, Chief; Paul Rousseau, Trustee; Dennis Dunn, Sergeant. Back Row - Joe Wenrick, Pres.; Dick Bragonje, Captain; Dave Hissey, Treas.; R. Custer, Training Officer & Lieutenant; Jim Bordas, Sergeant; Joe O'Loughlin, Trustee; Mike Dutton, Sergeant; N. Wolfson, Asst. Superintendent of Machinery; Jack Reynolds, Trustee; Russ Kerr, Superintendent of Machinery. Not present, Bruce Munro, Sec'y. and Mike Kerr, Sergeant. Sworn in by Gus Forte, President of Prince Georges County Fire Ass'n.

Yesteryear's procedures do not measure up to today's standards. We are compelled to replace our 1964 International Ambulance this year. Place your donation in the return envelope (the envelope with your address on the back flap) - this is our voucher for your tax-deductible contribution. Chief Crisman cordially invites all residents of Greenbelt, Maryland to become Gold Card Ambulance Club Members. A contribution of \$10 or more entitles you to membership in this club,

The basic purpose of the annual ambulance fund drive is to financially assist the Rescue Squad so that no emergency call for help goes unanswered; that two completely equipped ambulances are maintained in Greenbelt; that the Rescue Squad has the resources available to carry on optimal first aid training. The number of training hours for 1969 was 4,190 which placed our department third out of thirty-nine departments in the county. REMEMBER - we need your support to carry out our civic duty - yes, your duty to yourself is ours jointly. HEED THIS CALL NOW!

Please Call 345-7000 If You Want Your Contribution Picked Up