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## City Council-Its Record During Last Two Years

A city council election will be held on Tuesday, September 18. For the convenience of voters, a summary of the major activities of the present council during its two-year tenure in office is presented. The council now consists of Mayor Richard Pilski, Charles F. Schwan, Elizabeth Maffay, Gil Weidenfeld and Rhea L. Cohen.

Unlike recent previous councils, the current council has been characterized by divisions of opinion on many issues.

### Sewage Plant

One of these issues, which has dominated the entire two-year period, has been the controversy over the construction of an on-site temporary sewage treatment plant at the northern tip of the Smith-Ewing tract east of the Baltimore-Washington Parkway, to service the 1,193 unit Greenbriar apartment complex. According to the developer, Alan Kay, the plant is to embody the most advanced methods of tertiary treatment of sewage effluent.

The majority of council (consisting of Pilski, Schwan, Maffay, and Weidenfeld) felt that a recommendation for outright rejection of the treatment plant would not carry weight with State and county authorities, who were already favorably inclined toward the project as the result of evidence presented. Instead, the majority took the position that the plant should not be approved until extra safeguards were incorporated to assure that the plant would not represent a health or ecological hazard.

The fifth council member — Rhea Cohen — urged outright rejection of the plant because she did not feel that the extra safeguards would ever eliminate the health hazard. She also felt that the plant was a circumvention of the sewer moratorium.

### Land-Clearing

Another issue arising out of Greenbriar concerned a proposal by the developer to clear the tract through the use of open-pit burning, known as the air curtain destructor (ACD) method. The developer asked that the city's anti-burning ordinance be amended to permit the ACD to burn tree products six inches or more in diameter. The majority of council, faced with a situation whereby the developer was hauling away stumps to a land fill 26 miles away, agreed on a compromise under which only stumps would be burned, the rest of the land to be cleared by chipping, with the chips made available to local citizens. Mrs. Cohen opposed any use of the ACD method because of its effects on vital air resources, but the majority felt that since stumps could not be chipped and had to be hauled away, the pollution created by truck exhaust fumes would be worse than the pollution caused by the burning of stumps.

### Busing

Another issue which divided council concerned a Federal court ruling requiring the busing of school children to eliminate the last vestiges of a segregated school system in Prince Georges county. Although the issue was not one that the city of Greenbelt could readily influence, Pilski and Maffay felt that the council should respond to citizen reaction by going on record opposing the forced busing of school children to achieve racial balance in the school system. The majority of council, consisting of Schwan, Weidenfeld, and Cohen, felt that this action was inappropriate since basic civil rights were involved which were then being determined by the judiciary. Instead, therefore, the entire council proposed that the implementation of the proposed busing plan be delayed to the fall so as to minimize the hardships on the student body.

### Budget and Taxes

The budget adopted for 1973-74 was another subject causing a difference of opinion. The budget for the previous year (1972-73), which provided for an 8-cent increase in the property tax rate from 84c to 92c per \$100 assessed valuation, was unanimously adopted. However, the budget for 1973-74 which provided for no tax increase, after taking into account the tax rebate provided by the county government (and which the council had lobbied for), was a cause of contention. Mrs. Cohen felt that the tax rate could have been lowered if a larger portion of Federal revenue-sharing funds had been used to reduce taxes. The majority, consisting of Pilski, Schwan, Weidenfeld, and Maffay, preferred to use a greater portion of revenue-sharing funds for such capital improvement bond items as the Springhill Lake Recreation Center. In this way, they argued, bond issue money could be freed for purchase of parkland. Such money, they said, would be stretched to the fullest because parkland money can be matched by Federal and State open-space grants.

### Indoor Tennis Courts

Another controversial issue concerned the proposal for use of 4.5 acres of parcel 15 near the Capital Beltway just south of Greenbelt Lake for a privately-operated indoor-outdoor tennis complex. Schwan and Weidenfeld voted for the proposal on the grounds the facility would augment the city's recreation program at no cost to the city and that the city would acquire revenue from the project with which to purchase the rest of parcel 15. The majority, consisting of Pilski, Maffay, and Cohen, rejected the project on the grounds that it might pave the way for other commercial ventures on parcel 15, which is presently zoned residential.

### Election Supervisors

Finally, council split on the issue of establishing a board of election supervisors that would take over most of the functions of the council and city clerk in supervising the registration of voters, conducting the election, and appointing election judges and clerks. Schwan and Cohen favored the proposal and Pilski, Maffay, and Weidenfeld opposed.

### Parkland

On other, less controversial matters, the council moved ahead. It approved purchase of the 12.9-acre Springhill Lake golf course for \$86,700, of which the city had to put up only 25 percent, the rest coming from Federal and State sources. This land will be used for athletic fields and picnic grounds and will provide a site for the Springhill Lake Recreation Center. The council also acquired 13.9 acres of surplus land donated by the Federal Government in the northeast part of town adjacent to the Baltimore-Washington Parkway. Council also took the first steps in acquiring additional parkland in parcel 15, parcel 1, and the Smith-Ewing tract, thus forestalling high-density development of these properties.

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## NASA Turns Down Greenbriar Sewer Right-of-Way Request

by Sandra Barnes and Elaine Skolnik

NASA (Goddard Space Flight Center) announced last week that it has rejected the request of the Greenbriar developer, Alan Kay, for a right-of-way across 150 feet of NASA property. The purpose of the right-of-way was to permit the piping of effluent from the Greenbriar on-site sewage treatment plant to a point of discharge on a receiving stream on NASA property.

The requirement for piping was one of the conditions recommended by Greenbelt city council in its resolution of February 7, 1972. The council was desirous of making certain that the effluent would be enclosed in a pipe to a point in the receiving stream where the flow was no longer intermittent. The county council and the State Department of Health and Mental Hygiene accepted the city council's recommendation and required the piping as condition for approval of the sewage plant.

### NASA's Position

According to the NASA attorney, Alvin Bass, who handled the Greenbriar case, NASA considered the developer's request and also the views of environmental groups. In denying the right-of-way, the NASA official stated that the information the developers submitted did not demonstrate that the effluent would meet the state and the Environmental Protection Agency's water quality standards. NASA further advised Kay that he had not obtained a permit to discharge from EPA. NASA was also concerned about the possibility of noxious odors and about the aesthetic appearance of the plant, since NASA intends to build a visitor's center which would be visible from the plant site.

However, Bass stated that Kay was informed that NASA would be willing to re-evaluate the request if the developer meets the above objections. At this stage, NASA would ask for an environmental impact statement. Such a statement would require a 90-day waiting period for filing and counter-filing.

### Kay Responds

Alan Kay told the News Review that he intended to pursue his plan of obtaining the right-of-way for the pipe line on NASA's property. He stated that the effluent from the plant meets both state and federal water quality standards and that if EPA's new guidelines were to require the removal of nitrogen, then certainly he would have the nitrogen removed. (If EPA's guidelines—which have not yet been issued—require the removal of nitrogen from all waters which eventually reach the Potomac—then a permit to discharge will not be issued until this requirement is met, an EPA official told the News Review.)

Kay felt he could effectively answer all of NASA's objections. He said he would plant trees all around the sewage treatment plant to screen it from the Baltimore-Washington Parkway as well as from NASA's side. He planned to have his consultants and the plant engineer give affidavits affirming that the plant would not give off noxious odors.

Kay said that the WSSC had filed for a discharge permit from

EPA and that this was their responsibility and not his. "Whatever they (NASA) require us to do, we'll do," Kay proclaimed.

Kay has already started construction of the buildings in the west section of the project, and he has also received a permit from the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission for construction of the sewage plant.

If Kay does not get a right-of-way, WSSC has specified that it will not give him an operational permit for the treatment plant. The county, when it issued the building permits for the apartments last March, also specified that no use and occupancy permits will be granted unless the sewage plant is operational in accordance with the conditions laid down by the County Ten-Year Water and Sewer Plan.

### County's Requirements

As a further condition of the building permits, the county required a performance bond in the punitive sum of \$500,000 to guarantee that phase 1 of the package treatment plant would be constructed and operational by October 1, 1973.

According to Jay Morris, administrative assistant to county executive William Gullett, if NASA requested an environmental impact statement, the county would not impose the \$500,000 fine.

The NASA action culminates a persistent campaign by the Prince Georges Environment Coalition and the Greenbelt Save Our Community Committee, under the direction of the firm of Covington and Burling, to have NASA follow the procedures of the National Environmental Policy Act in determining whether the environment would be adversely affected by the Greenbriar project.

Kay also has pending with the National Park Service a request for an alternative right-of-way across NPS land adjacent to the Baltimore-Washington Parkway that would permit piping to another part of the receiving stream. NPS has taken the position that it will not consider the developer's application until his request with NASA was disposed of.

## Aluminum Recycling

Effective immediately the City will accept aluminum at the Public Works Warehouse for recycling purposes. As is currently done with glass, residents wishing to recycle aluminum may do so by bringing it to the warehouse between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday and Saturday mornings until noon. Arrangements will be made in the near future for additional evening and weekend hours. Specially marked containers have been set out for deposit of the aluminum.

## Meeting on Booths

The Greenbelt Labor Day Festival Committee will hold a meeting open to the public on Monday, August 6, at 8 p.m. in the auditorium of the Greenbelt Library. A representative from each organization sponsoring a booth who is familiar with the organization's proposed activities and booth requirements is urged to attend.

The type of the booth, a sketch of it, showing preferred shelving arrangements and electrical requirements and any special considerations for the booth should be made known. Si Prisop, Carnival Chairman, 474-6362, may be contacted in advance or at the meeting.

Submit any resumes for the Outstanding Citizenship Award to Mrs. Barbara Lawson, 7062 Hanover Parkway, Greenbelt, or call 345-3125.

At present only material or containers made entirely of aluminum will be accepted for recycling. In addition to beverage cans, a number of food items sold in the Greenbelt and Metropolitan Washington area are packaged in all-aluminum containers, including both fresh and frozen bakery items, canned meats and various convenience foods such as sandwich spreads, pizzas, pot pies, puddings, snack items and the like. An easy way to identify an all-aluminum can is by its lightweight, smooth properties and the absence of a seam on the side. Similarly, a magnet will not stick to an all-aluminum can or other container. The frames from discarded lawn furniture are also recyclable. Waste aluminum foil may also be recycled.

For health and sanitation reasons, all food containers must be washed clean prior to deposit for recycling.

## SWIM TEAM NEWS

by Mike "Turtle" Jones

In the last dual meet of the season, Greenbelt put up a strong fight against Burn Brae, but found itself on the losing end of the score, 271-242. High point scorers were Mariette Vanderzon (14), John Schrider (11), Colleen Davis (11), Nicolette Durantine (11), Sue Smith (10), and Kevin Shaughnessy (10).

This Saturday, Greenbelt will participate in the division finals in Belair. Competing in this meet will be Burn Brae, Belair, BCC "Y", New Carrollton, Whitehall and Greenbelt. Swimmers should be ready to leave the Greenbelt pool by 7:45 a.m.

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**LETTERS TO THE EDITOR**

As election time draws near, the Greenbelt News Review wishes to remind readers that letters to the editor should address themselves solely to issues and refrain from engaging in personalities. The News Review reserves the right to edit letters that seriously depart from this principle.

**Tennis Tournament**

The Greenbelt Tennis Association's mid-summer tournament will begin Saturday Aug. 4 and Sunday Aug. 5 from 8 am to 2 pm at the Braden Field Courts. The tournament is open to Association members and to Greenbelt residents. No fee is required for GTA members. Non-members will be charged a fee which automatically makes them an Association member.

The singles tournament will have two divisions (top flight and duffers flight). The duffers flight is restricted to players who are below position 15 on the singles ladder or have never been a finalist in a city or county tournament. The top flight is open to all who wish to play in it and to those who don't qualify for the duffers flight. Doubles will have one division only and will begin after the singles semifinals. All finals on Aug. 12.

To register for the tournament call Sue Modzelewski (345-7424) before the draw Friday Aug. 3 at 6 pm. Starting times are obtained by calling Sue after 7 pm on Friday Aug. 3.

**Chris Ford's Pitching**

Chris Ford pitched the Johnny's Jets to victory in the Women's State Double A Tournament at Baltimore. The 20 year-old fast-pitch softball pitcher began Sunday, July 8, by pitching a no-hit, 11 strikeout performance. She piloted all the games in the double elimination affair undefeated. As the result of her performance, she was awarded the Most Valuable Player Trophy after the championship game Sunday, July 15 at Utz Softball Stadium in Patterson Park.

Chris's parents, Mr. & Mrs. Fred Ford, Jr., 55-M Ridge Rd., have lived in Greenbelt 25 years. Chris began her career at 10 in the Greenbelt Recreation League under coach Cliff Raley. While attending Greenbelt Junior High her physical education teacher, Frances Licciardello, asked the Fords if Chris could tryout with a team she played for in Baltimore. At age 14 a contract was signed with the team, a member of the Eastern Major Girls Softball League, which travelled from Connecticut to Florida. Three years later she joined the Jets and today is considered one of the best pitchers in Maryland. She does okay with the bat, too, hitting over .400. Chris was in the first graduating class of Parkdale and is now employed at the Fairland C&P Telephone Co.

The Johnny Jets were in the Regional Tournament which was held at Utz Stadium this year, July 28 and 29. The winner will go on to the National Tournament at Stratford, Conn., to compete against the finest teams in the country.



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Archery	8 & O	\$4/8 resident lessons
Arts & Crafts	6 & O	FREE - nominal material cost
Golf - Springhill Lake	8 & O	\$4/8 resident lessons
Greenbelt Chucks & Lassies (Tues. & Thurs.)	6 & O	FREE
Swimming	6 & O	\$4/8 resident single; \$7/8 resident family; \$10/8 non-resident pass holder
Beginners, Adv. Beg.		
Intermediate, Swimmers		
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**Marvin Schwartz**

Dr. Marvin J. Schwartz, 38, 217 Lakeside Drive, assistant professor of physics at the University of Maryland, died Tuesday, July 24, of a heart attack.

He was stricken while jogging, as was his custom, in the university's Cole Activities Building.

Dr. Schwartz, who had been with the university since 1971, was a member of the plasma physics research group working on the magnetic mirror compression experiment.

He also was faculty advisor to the Student Physics Society.

A graduate of the City College of New York, Dr. Schwartz received his doctorate from the University of California at Berkeley, where he was an acting assistant professor.

He had been with the French plasma laboratory in Fontenay aux Roses for 1½ years before coming to the University of Maryland.

He is survived by his wife, Yvonne and a daughter, Karin, of the home, his parents Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Schwartz, and three sisters.

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**Axelroth-Goldberg**

Mr. and Mrs. Laurence Goldberg, 14-L Hillside, are happy to announce the marriage of their son, Harold Robert to Wendy Axelroth on Saturday, August 4. The bride is a graduate of the University of Maryland School of Nursing. Mr. Goldberg has been attending the Detroit College of Law. The couple will live in Detroit.

**Methodist Church News**

Holy Communion will be observed on Sunday, August 5.

The Adult Choir will meet at the Community Church, Thursday, 8 p.m.

The Young Adults will be meeting at the home of Dave and Sheila Gibbs, Ellicott City, Md., Sunday, August 12. For more details contact Juanita Wilmer or Sharon Potter.

We still need volunteers in constructing the amphitheater. Please contact the Rev. Cunningham if you can help.

**Football Clinic**

A football clinic will be held on Saturday, August 4, from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., at Largo Senior High School, 505 Largo Road, Largo, for all Prince Georges County Boys Clubs' Football Coaches.

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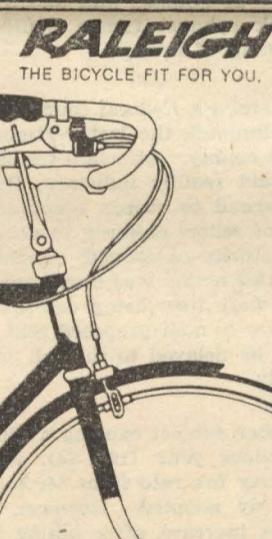
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### In Greenbelt Park

August holds a wide variety of free musical concerts in the Sweetgum picnic area at Greenbelt Park, sponsored by the National Park Service.

On Saturday, August 4, from 3-5 p.m., Bobbie Woods will perform in a folk concert of variety music.

The following Saturday, Aug. 11, from 3-5 p.m., a rock concert will be presented by "All Clear."

### MOTORCYCLE ACCIDENT

Greenbelt was the scene of a motorcycle accident resulting in serious injuries to three people on Sunday morning.

At approximately 7:30 a.m. city police received a dispatch call that a child had fallen from a bike. When they responded to the call, they found the motorcycle and three injured young people. An ambulance was immediately called.

All three had been riding on the motorcycle down Empire Place when the driver lost control of the vehicle. He ran into a parked car and the riders were thrown in all directions.

The driver, a 21 year old malcontent, was transported by the Greenbelt ambulance to the Maryland State Police Barracks on Kenilworth Ave. He was then flown to the Trauma Center in Baltimore where his condition is listed as fair. He had one leg amputated below the knee.

The other riders, a male adult and a female juvenile, both residents, have been hospitalized, each with a broken leg.

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YARD SALE: - Saturday, Aug. 4, 9:30-? 42-A Ridge Rd. Many misc. items included. Clothing, toys, puzzle books & jewelry.

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#### Center Mall Improvement

Council approved a plan for renovating the city-owned property in the Center Mall that lies between Centerway and the statue. The \$55,000 cost is to be financed through bonds to be repaid by a tax levied against a special taxing district consisting of the properties within the commercial center.

#### Environmental Matters

The council set up a citizens' environmental group to secure citizen support for conservation programs. It adopted a clean lots ordinance which requires property owners, when notified by the city, to remove litter. It strongly opposed a National Park Service proposal for a swap of land with the Marshall Hall amusement park owners that would have made available a portion of the Greenbelt Regional Park for private development. It also opposed proposals for making surplus land available at the Agricultural Research Center for the Marriott Great America amusement park.

#### Other Matters

Council agreed that the city rights-of-way along Lakeside Drive and Northway should be cleared of trees, shrubs, and fences so that pedestrians, especially school children, would not have to walk in the streets.

Council liberalized the eligibility requirements needed by elderly homeowners to qualify for a tax credit, and extended similar relief to elderly tenants.

Council received approval for a \$58,998 Federal grant under the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act to establish and operate a Youth Service Bureau (Greenbelt CARES) to provide walk-in counseling service. It also received Federal grant money for a feasibility study of intra-city bus service for the Greenbelt area.

Council initiated a twice-a-week trash collection service (previously three a week), with the third collection day devoted exclusively to newspaper collections.

Council approved the lighting of four tennis courts at the Center, at a cost of \$9,000.

### RECREATION REVIEW

#### KAVA

Brought back by popular demand, "God, Mother, Country" will provide live musical entertainment on Saturday, August 4 at the Youth Center. All teens are invited to enjoy this group which is one of the area's top modern bands. Time is 8-11 pm, wear your casual clothes, bring a friend.

#### JUNIOR TENNIS COMPETITION

The Greenbelt Recreation Department is sponsoring this competition for boys and girls 18 & under, 16 & under, 14 & under, and 12 & under on August 11, 12, and 13. Prizes will be awarded to the winners of each division in singles and doubles play. Deadline for sign up is Thursday, August 9, 4 p.m. at the Youth Center. A minimal fee will be charged.

#### PUPPET SHOW

Gary and Jean Smith, the Prince Georges County Puppeteers, will present "Scratch Goes To School" on Thursday, August 9 at 10:30 am in the Youth Center. The program is free and open to all. Come on down and enjoy the show.

### Traffic Safety Experiment

Following up the recommendations of a traffic study completed last winter, the City this week installed rough pavement rumble strips on Crescent Road as a means of providing an audible warning to drivers approaching a pedestrian cross walk.

The initial installation is at the cross walk at Crescent and Northway in the eastbound traffic lane of Crescent Road. The rough pavement begins 200 feet back from the cross walks and continues for 100 feet; then there is a conventional smooth surface for 50 feet followed by an additional 50 feet of rough pavement leading to the edge of the cross walk. Accompanying the rough pavement is a sign on the road shoulder bearing the reminder "VEHICLES YIELD TO PEDESTRIANS IN CROSSWALKS."

Only this one area received the rumble strip installation at this time pending a review of its effectiveness and durability.

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## City Negative on Request For New Beltway Store

Although scheduled as a special meeting, council accomplished a lot of business at its July 23 gathering. Besides the usual go-around over Greenbriar, the council reviewed a preliminary plan for development of parcel Q of Beltway Plaza, moved ahead on the Center Mall renovation project, discussed the air curtain destructor experience, and introduced measures for first reading.

### Against Strip Zoning

The council was not sympathetic to the Beltway Plaza developer's latest plans for the shopping center involving a subdivision known as parcel Q, located on the east side of Cherrywood Lane adjacent to the ARCO service station. Parcel Q is to be developed as a High's store and will replace the existing store in the original part of the shopping center.

Agreeing with the city's Advisory Planning Board, the council termed this plan "piecemeal development" and pointed to the Topsy-like, unattractive growth of Beltway Plaza resulting from lack of coordinated planning.

A representative of the developer told council that the developer, Sidney Brown, cannot make a total plan until such time as he has actual commercial interests willing to lease and develop a portion of the shopping center.

But the council members remained skeptical, pointing to the development of other shopping centers in the area. "The fact that Brown has been unable to develop his project as a strong regional shopping center is no excuse for us to forego the public interest" seemed to sum up the collective attitude of council.

The council ended up recommending to Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Commission denial of the plan until such time as a complete plan of development for the remainder of the Beltway Plaza properties is prepared and approved by the city. This position is consistent with previous recommendations of council when a similar plan came up in October 1971 for the subdivision on the west side of Cherrywood Lane.

**Center Mall Renovation**  
The Center Mall renovation pro-

ject got a boost when council received enough bidders so it could award contracts. International Concrete got the bid for the concrete replacement work at \$11,070. The city work crew will do the demolition work. Standard Marble will apply the special concrete work (Baumanite) at \$14,297. And Maurice Electrical Supply Co. will supply pole lamps and flush mounted lights at \$1,673.

Council also provided the financing to accompany the bids by authorizing the borrowing of \$60,000 for 6 months at an annual 5% interest rate. This is temporary financing, as the city expects to issue bonds and levy assessments against the special tax district consisting of the property owners in the center.

### Air Curtain Destructor

The air curtain destructor (ACD) method used to clear the Smith-Ewing tract came in for evaluation by city manager James Giese. He said there were limitations as to the ACD method, but he noted that it had never been claimed that the method was pollution-free. He said special difficulties arose because the Smith-Ewing soil consisted of soft clay, which led to a number of collapsed pit walls, causing smoke emissions.

Giese also noted that the ACD method when limited to just stumps — as was done in a compromise worked out with the developer — complicated the problem since the right kind of fire could not be created without adding additional material. Giese also commented that perhaps the city overinspected in that the inspectors became too sympathetic to the problems.

Councilwoman Rhea Cohen interpreted this report as confirmation of her feeling that the city's anti-burning ordinance should never have been amended to permit the ACD method. Mayor Richard Pilski took issue, noting that the number of instances of smoke emissions and violations were few.

### New Ordinances

Introduced for first reading were ordinances making Ridge and Westway a four-way stop intersection and closing Greenbelt Lake Park and Braden Field between the hours of 11 p.m. and 5 a.m.



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