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Golden Triangle Developer Answers The Concerns of APB, City Council

by John J. Seng

The unexpected appearance of Golden Triangle developer Kenneth H. Michael and an associate at the December 4 city council meeting opened the door for his improved relations with the city government. Michael "apologized" to the council for a lack of communication on his part, causing a somewhat strained relationship in the past. Additionally, he certified that, aside from a few minor modifications, the concept plan for development of the Golden Triangle remained unchanged.

Attempting to calm the rising concern of the council over reports of sudden changes in the plan, Michael blamed several county newspaper articles, and suggested that they misinterpret his recent showing of the plan as a revised version, when in fact it was not. The last concept revision was made a year ago, due to State Highway Administration reservation of a southeast portion of the tract for a Baltimore-Washington Parkway exit ramp, possibly to be built in the future.

Current Golden Triangle plans include the Capital Cadillac auto building presently taking shape, a banquet hall, a mini-convention center, a five-story office building, a 20-story office building-motel, and a

restaurant. Four low-rise buildings are also on the drawings.

Planning Board Queries
Greenbelt Advisory Planning Board (APB) presented several considerations in regard to this concept plan at the November 20 council meeting, to which Kenneth H. Michael (KHM) Company spokesman Thomas P. Hutchinson addressed himself at the December 4 meeting.

The first APB matter dealt with the apparent lack of recreational facilities, to which Hutchinson replied that KHM was looking into the possibility of commercial recreation establishments. Another APB concern reflected the adequacy of the hotel-motel room capacities. Hutchinson acknowledged, "There is a great need for rooms, but as to the number, we don't know. We'll leave that to the hotel firms—they'll set the amount."

Since only one restaurant was proposed, the APB report questioned: Where will people go to eat? In response, Hutchinson showed that when construction is completed, three or four eating establishments would be within reach, including hi-rise hotel and office building cafeterias and restaurants.

According to Hutchinson, KHM will confine office space construction to the 450,000 sq. ft. County Planning Board limit. "Maybe we'll be able to increase this amount after future road access improvements."

The proposed 20-story office building, to be situated at the highest point on the tract, emerged as another subject of APB skepticism. However, both Michael and Hutchinson hailed the building as "extremely important to the development of the site. You'll be able to see it when approaching Greenbelt from I-495. It will be a landmark in identifying the site."

Councilmen Approve

On the basis of the proposed plan, Mayor Richard Pilski announced, "I'll go along with this plan. It's in the best interests of Greenbelt that the parcel is developed and I'm available to promote it."

Mayor pro-tem Gil Weidenfeld added, "We've come a long way through some stormy sessions, but now we have a complimentary relationship (with the developer)."

Earlier in the meeting, councilman Richard Castaldi observed, "This can be a beneficial relationship—a tremendous success. It's a privilege to see such a fine edifice built in the first planned community."

KHM spokesman Hutchinson recently commented, "We were pleased with the reaction of the mayor and council and feel strongly that the city of Greenbelt is our best salesman. Past problems were purely due to a lack of communication. But the more we appear before them, the better the good relations that will exist."

Citizens Urge Better Access for Autos, Bikes And Pedestrians at Greenbelt Metro Station

by Mary Lou Williamson

"Let's built it soon and let's build it right!" said Diane McCusker, resident of Berwyn Heights and representative of the Prince Georges County League of Women Voters. These two concepts were echoed in many ways during the evening as local citizens and their political leaders spoke to the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) officials including Frank Francois, who chaired the meeting and Cleatus Barnett, at the Public Hearing December 12. Those concerns centered around poor access to the Greenbelt Metro Station and frustration over the slow progress toward its realization.

A public hearing generally has a mind of its own and this one was no exception. No one was there to contest the alignment from Greenbelt Road to the Capital Beltway, no one commented on the design of the station or that of the storage yard. One person asked for more parking spaces. (Those were the legitimate subjects for discussion.) The one item which was technically "not an issue" was road access—the subject of almost the entire hearing. Citizens will, after all, discuss first those items they are most distressed about.

Mayor Richard Pilski, the first speaker, opened the door to criticism of the access roads. "We do recognize that station access improvements are not directly the responsibility of WMATA. Nevertheless, it is also recognized that WMATA can lend its support for alternative access improvements." Greenbelt, he said, objected to the poor access to the north and east of the Beltway. "Direct convenient access is necessary," he said, "to attract riders to Metro." As a so-

lution to the problem the city would like a bridge across the Beltway joining Cherrywood Lane with streets under construction on the north side of the Beltway (Ivy Lane) exiting onto Kenilworth Avenue.

Benefits of such an alternative would be: easy, direct access to the station and no additional impact on Kenilworth Ave./Greenbelt Rd. intersection, Greenbelt Rd. and Cherrywood Lane.

"We told you (last March) that these access roads were inadequate," said Berwyn Heights Town Councilman Bill Armistead. "What you have is a recipe for traffic mayhem." He cited the additional traffic that will eventually come from the new construction currently underway at Golden Triangle, North Springhill Lake and Greenbelt East in addition to the already congested Greenbelt Rd., and then the traffic from the east headed for the Metro station. Berwyn Heights wants a complete exit from the Beltway, he said, and a bridge across the Beltway at Cherrywood Lane.

Cherrywood Lane
Springhill Lake (SHL) resident Jennifer Selver inquired: "What will be the impact of 1000 extra cars on Cherrywood Lane?" Cherrywood Lane will be widened by one lane was the answer offered by WMATA staff planner Lee Skillman.

But Greenbelt mayor-pro-tem Gil Weidenfeld pointed out that Cherrywood Lane is the main ingress/egress for SHL residents, most of whom work. "This is a very busy street," he said, "especially during peak commuting hours. Having the added Metro traffic," he continued, "will be a tremendous problem for the people who live there."

Beltway Access
Here opinions varied somewhat, but many speakers called for a full entrance/exit from the capital beltway (I-495). WMATA and Maryland State Department of Trans-

portation (DOT) officials questioned whether permission could be obtained from the federal government for a complete Beltway exit.

Sunnyside

R. I. Kingham, representing the 25,000 people living in South Laurel, said, "We don't see the access we need from Edmonston Rd. He suggested upgrading the planned service road into the storage area from Sunnyside. This road could continue on under the Beltway to the station, he thought.

"Sunnyside Road cannot handle peak traffic now," countered Len Ferber, Vice President of the North College Park Citizens Association. He wanted to know what improvements would be made to Sunnyside and especially to the intersection with Rhode Island Ave. to compensate for the extra traffic.

Ferber reminded officials that College Park had fought against Metro. But now, he continued, his citizens association had decided "if you can't beat 'em, join 'em!" He listed concerns of residents who live just to the west of the B&O tracks both north and south of the Beltway. This community now wants an opportunity to participate in developing the plans for the area. They are worried, he said, about the additional traffic on the Beltway and would like screening to help reduce the noise and air pollution. The Beltway intersection with Route One is already dangerous, he said.

Weidenfeld added another concern about this intersection. "People coming from the east and even from the core of Greenbelt may find that Greenbelt Road has too much traffic and is too much of a hassle. It will be more convenient to get onto the Beltway, flip around at the Route One intersection and return to the Greenbelt station," he said. Many will find this easier than using Greenbelt Rd., Weidenfeld said. See METRO page 7, col. 4

New Alternatives Being Considered For Location of Postal Facility

by Leta Mach

At its meeting of December 18, city council was informed that consideration of the post office site plan for Parkway and Crescent has been postponed. The Prince Georges Planning Board will delay consideration until January 18, and the National Capital Planning Commission (NCPC) will not consider the postal proposal until February 1. In addition, a meeting of the concerned parties will be held Friday, January 12, at 11 a.m. in Congresswoman Gladys Spellman's office.

WHAT GOES ON

Friday, Dec. 22 - 10 a.m. Center School Carol Sing. Center Mall. Christmas Decorations Judging

Saturday, Dec. 23 - 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Blood Mobile. St. Hugh's. Christmas Decoration Judging

Sunday, Dec. 24 - Christmas Decoration Awards presented.

Thursday, Dec. 28 - 8 p.m. GHI Board Meeting. Hamilton Place.

At the request of NCPC, the postal service is giving further detailed consideration to 4 alternatives: 1. Leaving a customer facility at the present location, with a distribution facility elsewhere 2. The Candy Cane City site. 3. The theatre and 4. limited expansion of the present building into the parking lot. In order to consider these proposals and adopt a position before the meeting in Congresswoman Spellman's office, council scheduled a work session for January 10.

In assessing the proposals, City Manager James Giese reiterated his preference for a separation of postal functions and facilities. Although expressing interest in the use of the theatre and expansion of the present facility, he felt "much more information is needed before I could recommend favorable consideration." Particular concerns were about the impact on customer parking and the location of parking for postal vehicles. (The postal service has said one of its prime concerns is for a secure parking area for postal vehicles). In enlarging the existing facility, consideration would have to be given to maintaining delivery vehicle access to other businesses. The expansion would probably mean city property (the parking lot) would be sold. Giese wondered whether there would be problems with zoning since the parking lot is not zoned and the buildings involved are privately owned, even though the postal service is not subject to zoning. Councilman Richard Castaldi did not think there would be any problems.

Giese felt the theater space was about as great a space as the space in the new building, although the layout might not be as efficient. (Postmaster Emory Harman has suggested that the small theater front would be difficult to use for a lobby and that the floors would have to be leveled.) Councilman Thomas White felt the use of the east side of the mall near the theater could be accommodated in view of the Mobil redevelopment and the under-utilized garages. Giese stated that an addition to the existing building would not be very extensive. (The proposed Parkway and Crescent facility has 6,860 square feet of interior space and the present facility 4,881).

Giese indicated his third preference was for a new facility at Crescent and Parkway and his last choice the Candy Cane City site.

Speaking before council, Parkway resident Bill Wilkerson expressed his appreciation that the use of the theatre and expansion of the present facility were being considered. He also reminded council of parcel 15, next to the American Legion, and the possibility of Beltway Plaza for a sorting facility site.

City Notes

The general crew spent several days this week rebuilding the shoulders along Crescent Rd. They did some base repair to the west drive next to the municipal building prior to its being paved. The crew also mixed approximately 100 tons of cinders which was delivered this week with the 100 tons of solar salt that was on hand at the warehouse. This mixture will be used for ice control this winter. Some crew members also assisted the mechanic on some large equipment maintenance. The crew is installing street signs at various locations. Some street name signs that are needed are on order but have not been received yet.

Work has been continuing on the remodeling of the Police Department areas. The ceiling and lighting have been finished on the second floor in the hall and in CARES offices.

The parks crew spent several days raking leaves in various parks in the city. The leaf vacuum was also out. One man in the crew repaired some benches in park areas. One day was spent putting lights on and decorating the tree on Centerway for Christmas. A Christmas tree was also decorated in the city office building.

The refuse crew has been on schedule this week. Newspapers totaled 9 tons and 740 lbs. C & C Cullet Co. came this week and picked up approximately 53 barrels of glass.

The contract paving being done by A.H. Smith was completed this week with the paving of the west municipal building driveway and the Youth Center parking lot.

The building maintenance crew is continuing the remodeling work of the police offices.

The parks crew operated the leaf vacuum every day last week. Trash receptacles are being replaced in various parks.

On Friday, the city's evergreen tree was decorated with over 600 twinkling lights and the traditional holiday wreath was placed on the municipal building.

CAROL SINGING FRIDAY

Center School pupils will sing carols in the Center Mall on Friday, December 22, at 10 a.m. All Greenbelters are invited to come and listen and/or join in.

Holiday Refuse Schedule

Since Christmas and New Year's both fall on Monday, the holiday refuse schedules have been adjusted. The Monday routes will be picked up on Tuesday and the Tuesday routes will be picked up on Wednesday. Paper collections will be made on Thursday for all routes. Friday and Saturday pickups will be as usual.

Holiday Post Office Hours

Except for the delivery of special delivery articles, express mail and perishables, no delivery or window service will be provided on Dec. 21, 25, 31, 1978 or Jan. 1, 1979.

ADVERTISING DEADLINES

The News Review office will be closed for the next two Mondays, Christmas and New Year's Day, Dec. 25 and Jan. 1. For those weeks, the advertising deadline is extended until 10 p.m. Tuesday. The office will be open as usual on Tuesday evenings, Dec. 26 and Jan. 2, from 8 until 10 p.m.

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Greenbelt's Library

Great Movie Memories will present "Flying Down to Rio" on Tues., Dec. 26 from 7-9 p.m. in the Meeting Room.

Drop-In stories will continue to provide stories, songs, fingerplays and action rhymes for ages 3-5 on Thursdays at 2 p.m. in the Children's Program Room.

On Wed., Dec. 27 School's Out Films will feature "Music Box" and "Babes in Toyland." The show, for ages 6-12, will begin at 3 p.m. in the Children's Program Room.

The Prince Georges County Memorial Library System will be closed for the Christmas holidays on Sat., Dec. 23, Sun., Dec. 24, and Mon., Dec. 25. The administrative offices, branch libraries and bookmobiles will resume normal hours on Tues., Dec. 26. For more information call 699-3500, ext. 266.

Engineers Will Monitor High School Structure

The Prince Georges Board of Education on December 14 awarded a contract to Loecraft Company, an engineering firm in Washington, to monitor the Eleanor Roosevelt High School building. Surveying instruments will be used to measure whether or not there are any movements of the walls. First results are expected in six months.

State and county agencies felt there should be further investigation of the charges that the structure poses a safety hazard. The Greenbelt City Council has voiced its concern to the Board of Education.

Roy I. Parker, Superintendent of Construction, said that he does not expect the monitoring to discover any serious structural defects.

College Courses at ERHS

A number of college-credited real estate courses which are part of the Prince Georges Community College Real Estate curriculum will be offered at various county locations this spring through the college's off-campus extension centers program.

Fundamentals of Real Estate will be offered at Eleanor Roosevelt High School.

All classes begin the week of January 22, with registration January 8-11 at the school.

The course are part of an academic program at the community College leading to a one-year certificate or a two-year associate in arts degree in real estate. All course have been approved by the Maryland State Board of Higher Education, the Department of Licensing and Regulation and the Maryland Real Estate Commission.

For registration information and fees, call 336-6000, ext. 418 Mon.-Thurs., 9 a.m. - 9 p.m. and Fri., 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Give Blood - The Gift of Life

Sat., Dec. 23 - 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

GRENOBLE HALL
 (St. Hugh's Church)
 Crescent Rd.

(For information, call 559-8500, ext. 51)

AMERICAN RED CROSS

Mishkan Torah Service

Preparations for Chanukah will be discussed at the Mishkan Torah on Fri, Dec. 22 at 8 p.m. Saturday morning services start at 9:30 a.m.

Golden Agers Celebrate

by Blanche Lee

Dressed in their Sunday best and in a gay mood, 92 members of Greenbelt Golden Age Club gathered at the Youth Center on December 13 and were greeted by hostess Dorothy Nolan, for a Christmas celebration and festive catered luncheon. Invited guests of the club were: Mayor Dick Pilski and Mrs. Claire Pilski, City Manager James Giese, Hank Irving of the Recreation Department and his staff of four, who did such a fine job of decorating the hall.

There was after dinner speaking by the guests, and Club President Bob Dove handed out awards of appreciation to officers and his fellow workers. Katie Basinger passed out the door prizes to those holding lucky numbers.

Soon there was a big commotion at the front door and who else but old Santa himself arrived with his pack, passing out candy canes to all the good boys and girls.

There was music and dancing, and the party ended with the singing of Silent Night by the entire group.

Bloodmobile Here Saturday

With the Christmas and New Year holiday season approaching, the American Red Cross is facing an acute shortage of blood for the coming weeks. In order to help alleviate that shortage, a bloodmobile is scheduled for Sat., Dec. 23, at Grenoble Hall in the basement of St. Hugh's Church between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.

The Red Cross wishes to remind all potential donors that there is no artificial replacement for blood - the only way to obtain blood is from a human donor. For more information, please call the Red Cross at 559-8500, ext. 51.



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Christmas Eve Services

St. John's Episcopal Church

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Holy Communion Services at 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m.

You are invited to attend either service

Rev. John G. Bals, Rector

422-8057

St. Hugh's Catholic Church

135 Crescent Rd., Greenbelt, Md. 20770 474-4322

CHRISTMAS MASSES

December 24 - 6:00 P.M. (Children's Liturgy)
 7:30 P.M. (Quiet Mass)
 12:00 midnight - Concelebrated Mass at midnight, with a pre-mass program of Christmas music by the Adult Choir, beginning at 11:30 p.m.

December 25 - 8:00 A.M., 9:30 A.M., 11:00 A.M., 12:30 P.M.

CONFESSIONS

December 20 - 11:00 a.m. to 12 noon
 4:00 to 5:00 p.m.
 December 23 - 11:00 a.m. to 12 noon
 3:00 to 5:00 p.m.
 7:30 to 8:30 p.m.

NEW YEAR'S DAY MASSES

December 31 - 6:00 P.M.
 January 1 - 9:30 A.M., 11:00 A.M., 12:30 P.M., 6:00 P.M.

Rec. Brochure Available

Copies of the Winter '79 Park and Recreation Program and Class Listing will be distributed to Prince Georges County residents during the first and second weeks of Jan. Unfortunately, due to budgetary restraints, resulting in part from recent postal increases, the brochure will not be mailed to county residents. Copies will be available in Board of Education facilities, Commission facilities, the County Administration Building, libraries, shopping centers and other public facilities. For further information pertaining to the brochure contact 277-2200, Ext. 257 or 261, weekdays.

This brochure lists programs and facilities sponsored by The Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission's Department of Parks and Recreation, Prince Georges County. Activities range from athletic programs, children and adult recreation classes, cultural activities, to special activities for the physically handicapped, mentally retarded and senior citizens. These programs are offered in various locations throughout the County beginning Feb. 3.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH

Episcopal

Baltimore Blvd. at Powder Mill Rd., Beltsville
 10:30 a.m. Morning Prayer (Holy Communion 1st Sunday)
 10:30 a.m. Sunday School
 Rev. John G. Bals, Rector
 422-8057

Christmas Decorations To Be Judged on 22-23

The Greenbelt Jaycees will be viewing and judging Christmas decorations on Dec. 22 and/or Dec. 23. Awards will be given to the winners at their homes on Christmas Eve. Nine awards will be given—three each to frame and brick homes, three to houses, and three to apartments. For more information call Bill Hammond, Chairman, at 345-5860 or Andy Webster, co-chairman, at 474-9554.

MOWATT MEMORIAL

United Methodist Church
 40 Ridge Rd. 474-9410
 Church School 9:30-10:30 a.m.
 Morning Worship 11 a.m.
 (Cribbery and Nursery provided)
 SERMON:
 "The Outside and the Inn"
 CANDLELIGHTING SERVICE-
 7:30 p.m.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH

Episcopal

4512 College Avenue
 College Park
 (1 block east of Book Exchange)
 Christmas Eve, Sunday, Dec. 24
 Holy Eucharist at 7:30 and 11 p.m.
 Christmas Day, Monday, Dec. 25
 Holy Eucharist at 10 a.m.
 Rev. A. Moody Burt, Rector
 864-8880

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For bus transportation, call Church office 8:30-12:30 weekdays.

Greenbelt Community Church

(United Church of Christ)

Hillside and Crescent Roads-Phone 474-6171 (mornings)

Candlelight Christmas Eve Service at 8 p.m.

SUNDAY

CHURCH SCHOOL FOR ALL - 9:45

WORSHIP SERVICE - 11 A.M.

Nursery provided at 2B Hillside

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Sunday, Dec. 24 10:00 p.m.

Pre-Service music begins at 9:30 p.m.

CHRISTMAS DAY FESTIVAL SERVICE

Monday, Dec. 25 11:00 a.m.

Sunday Morning Worship Services: 8:30 and 11:15 a.m.
 Sunday School classes: 9:45 a.m.

PRAB Submits Commemorative Guidelines for Consideration

by Linda Orenstein

A Community Relations Advisory Board (CRAB) report regarding commemorative guidelines for the naming of city property was tabled by Council at its November 20 meeting. The proposal, made by the Park and Recreation Advisory Board (PRAB), was fundamentally supported by CRAB and will be further discussed at a work session.

CRAB made minor changes in the guidelines, most of those for clarification and organizational purposes. Eligibility for commemoration extends to persons, living or deceased who have made noteworthy contributions to the City of Greenbelt and its citizens. No one currently an employee or an elected or appointed official may be nominated. Descriptive titles referring to historical, geographical or traditional names may also be considered for nomination.

Nominations for commemoration may be submitted by organizations, elected officials, and individuals to the Greenbelt City Council. The council, in turn, will refer the nomination petitions stating the contributions of the nominee to PRAB for its consideration and recommendations. PRAB itself will not make any nominations. After considering the nominations at two or more publicized meetings, PRAB will render its recommendations to the City Council which will then

make its decision.

A log of city property suitable for commemoration purposes such as property dedicated but unnamed, and land having "site" names (Parcel 7) or traditional names (Indian Springs) will be drawn up.

Commemoration of outstanding contributions might also be made by naming a facility after an individual (McDonald Field). PRAB noted that if possible the form of commemoration should suit the contribution being honored. For instance, a sports facility would carry the name of someone having made outstanding achievement in sports.

Commemoration could take other forms, such as a plaque in a suitable place, or the establishment of an "Honors Park", or a memorial grove of trees within a park. PRAB report 9-78 will be examined by council at a work session and subsequently will be dealt with at a regularly scheduled council meeting.

Historical Society President Explores Early P. G. History

by Virginia Beauchamp

The handful of Greenbelters who turned out for the November 21 meeting of the Greenbelt Historical Society in the Greenbelt Library could not seem to tear themselves away as speaker Frederick DeMarr regaled them with facts and anecdotes from a seemingly inexhaustible supply concerning earlier residents of this area.

DeMarr, President of the Prince Georges County Historical Society, began his talk with the assertion that the original Greenbelt, while unique in being built all at one time, Greenbelt was not unique in Prince Georges County as a planning community. All the towns in Prince Georges County prior to 1800, DeMarr stated, had been planned as trade centers to encourage settlement.

Among these was Bladensburg, built in 1743 at the headwaters of the Anacostia River on land whose exact 50-acre site was chosen by a committee of five town commissioners. The price set by the commissioners was subject to appeal to a jury of 30 men, but the price they established became final, he said. The land parcel was surveyed into 60 lots, one to a customer, to avoid land speculation.

Other Prince Georges County communities established by acts of the Assembly of Maryland, DeMarr noted, were Vansville, Marlboro, Piscataway, and Queen Anne. Vansville, just north of the present Agricultural Research Farm on Edmonston Rd., did not survive, although its name now designates a small county park at that site. It was named for Gabriel Peterson Van Horn's Tavern.

Transportation Corridor

The northern part of the County, DeMarr said, developed primarily as a transportation corridor between Alexandria and Georgetown and Baltimore — first along the Baltimore-Washington Turnpike (basically the route of the present U.S. 1), and after 1835 along the B&O Railroad. These routes follow a north-south ridge through the County's center, draining on the west into the Potomac and on the east into the Patuxent.

Early Families

Among the early families supplying leadership in the County were the Calverts, the Kents, the Snowdens, and the Herberts; DeMarr said. The Calverts, occupants of the Calvert Mansion on Riverdale Rd., owned an area bounded by Paint Branch on the north to Bladensburg on the south, and between the Present Kenilworth Ave. to U.S. 1. One son, Charles B. Calvert, was a member of the U. S. Congress during the Civil War period.

Further east was Rosemont, the home of Dr. Joseph Kent (located across the Beltway from the pre-

sent Landover Mall). Kent, a local medical practitioner, was also a four-term member of Congress, three times governor of the State, and finally a U. S. Senator until 1837.

The Snowden family, founded by a Welsh Quaker immigrant, Richard, in the late 17th century, located in the area north of present-day Greenbelt, including most of the Beltsville Research Farm. The grandson, also named Richard, became known as "the iron master" after his iron foundry, the Muirkirk Furnace. Another descendent, Major Thomas Snowden, who served in the militia during the Revolutionary war, built Montpelier Mansion east of Laurel. His total land holdings were around 30,000 acres.

Mary, a daughter of Thomas, married John Carlisle Herbert of Alexandria, Va. He, as well as Francis Scott Key, had been classmates of her brother at St. John's College in Annapolis. Herbert settled with his wife, after she inherited a portion of her father's property, at Walnut Grange, a large home near the present site of the administration building of the Beltsville Farm. Herbert practiced law in Washington and was a member of the Maryland House of Delegates in 1812-13, where he was elected Speaker. As colonel of a local militia cavalry unit, he served during the War of 1812. Later he served in Congress and twice acted as Presidential Elector.

For those interested in further research into County history, DeMarr noted that an 1850 census, published by the Prince Georges Genealogical Society, is available at the Hyattsville branch of the County Library. The Historical Society has reprinted an 1860 map of Prince Georges County.

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GHI Board Studies Parking Problem, Methods of Financing Rehabilitation

by Sid Kastner

In its last full meeting of 1978, on Thursday, Dec. 14, the GHI board - chaired by director Wayne Williams in the absence of president James Smith - heard members' views on the problems caused by neighboring University Square apartments, listened to recommendations of several committees on policy matters and decided the merits of some individual requests by members. A last board meeting will be held on December 28, which, however, is slated to deal only with a few pressing problems.

A large group of members from 14 Court Ridge and adjacent courts were present to tell the board how they felt about the twin problems of parking and pedestrian traffic originating from the University Square complex, which abuts on the rear of 12-14-16 Courts on Ridge. Apartment dwellers in that court parking areas or on Ridge Road, and on foot have been short-cutting through the common areas to go to and from the apartments. A six-foot chain-link fence, erected behind 14 Court to stop such traffic, has been of doubtful value for the purpose. The kind of inconvenience caused to members by the parking problem alone was summarized by one citizen from 14 Court who told the board that she now has to park three blocks away from her home.

Most of the affected members felt the fence was not doing any good and urged that more direct actions be taken against two types of violations of GHI property - illegal parking in courts and pedestrian trespassing on GHI land. Manager Roy Breashears and director Norman Weyel agreed that the corporation does have the power to swear out a warrant against trespassers, if necessary. Several suggestions for anti-trespassing enforcement were offered from the audience and noted down by the manager for possible use, a few being especially well received by Williams and the board. One other possibility, applying particularly to 14 Court, was put out by Williams as a partial solution - namely to increase the parking area in that court so that assigned member parking could be instituted there.

Individual Requests

Two other member requests were heard by the board; one to extend a fence into a common area in the Laurel Hill area to prevent intrusion on his property, and the other to be relieved of the heating charge on his new addition. The first request itself was denied, but a compromise solution was offered by the board - to allow partial extension of two adjacent fences so as to limit access to the (small) common area. With regard to the other member's addition, the member himself was present to say that not only his addition but the original home itself has been thoroughly insulated, and that he is heating the addition electrically, so that he argued no extra heat would be taken from GHI's system. This was a tough technical "nut" for the board to crack; as director Donald Volk said, the situation would really require an expensive engineering survey to evaluate correctly. Though Nat Shinderman supported the member's position from the floor, the board went along with director Stephen Polaschik's view that a decision on this should wait till a later meeting.

Rehabilitation

Two committee reports relating to the coming rehabilitation project were given, one by director James Foster speaking for the Finance committee, and one by Ray McCawley for the Aesthetics and Environment committee. The Finance committee's four recommendations all dealt with measures the committee deems vital or useful for raising money for the project: one would explore, together with the

city, county and/or state, the possibility of a bond issue by the corporation; a second would ask for the cooperation of members in incorporating a one-time subordination clause in their contracts, so as to make GHI eligible for federal and state insurance on its loans (such insurance lowering the interest rate GHI would have to pay on money borrowed from financial institutions); a third would create a member option to voluntarily co-sign, with the corporation, a loan note with a government agency for particular programs; and the fourth - more tentative in nature - would explore the possibility of internal financing by GHI members themselves. Deputy general manager Kenneth Kopstein and Shinderman pointed out that the main purpose of these initiatives was to get action started on refinancing, rather than spelling out the final route. The board appeared to agree with this and formally authorized the committee's proposals.

Ray McCawley of the Aesthetic and Environment committee, after giving the committee's brief report, voiced his own suggestion that because of present inability of the several committees to focus on many rehabilitation questions at once, the board might designate a "Model Court" to start rehabilitation work on; this would generate concrete issues that could be directly attacked. This idea sounded interesting to the board, and chairman Williams asked the manager to look into it, though the latter expressed some reservations about its practicality.

Gutter Machine

Some maintenance matters were also taken up at the meeting, including the proposed purchase of a gutter fabricating machine so that GHI can make its own seamless roof gutters out of either aluminum or galvanized iron stock, at a much lower cost than the present pur-

chased galvanized guttering (43 cents per linear foot versus 87 cents) which also has seams to cause trouble. The cost of the machine will be about \$6250, and it can be mounted on one of the corporation's older trucks. The board quickly authorized its purchase which was recommended also by chief engineer Ove Kongstedt.

Another staff proposal dealt with entering into a contract with a Laurel plumbing company to provide supervision of GHI's plumbing work by a licensed master plumber, so that the corporation's work can meet county licensing requirements. The proposed arrangement, however, drew opposition from Shinderman who questioned the ethics of the situation, arguing that it would not guarantee a proper working relationship between plumber and maintenance staff, though director Weyel on the other hand saw no problem with it. Partly because of this, and also because engineer Kongstedt notified the board of another last-minute bid, a motion by Foster to table the matter for later consideration was passed.

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New County Bill Revised Sales Procedures on Surplus Land

by Elaine Skolnik

A revised county bill (CB-131), which changes some of the procedures for disposing of surplus land acquired by the county for public use, was recently passed by the county council. The final version appears to satisfy the Greenbelt City Council's major objections to the original bill.

When the proposed bill first surfaced last August, it drew fire from the city council because (1) it would allow the person from whom the county purchased the property to have "first right of acquisition" and (2) would set the repurchase price as equal to the amount the county paid for the property, plus expenses. The city council was disturbed that the repurchase price did not take into consideration increased land values over the period of years that the county had held the land. Council felt strongly that the bill did not serve the public interest.

As amended, the measure stipulates that the previous owner could have first acquisition rights only on those surplus pieces of property that are smaller than the lot size required for development in the area or those pieces which are residentially zoned, regardless of size, and adjacent to the original property owner's existing residence. The bill applies only to land held by the county for 10 years or less.

The price for which eligible owners could reacquire their property includes the original sale price plus the taxes that would have been due on the land had it been held in private ownership during the years of county tenure plus the cost of improvements and administrative costs of transferring title back to the property owners.

Councilman David Hartlove, sponsor of the bill, said he introduced the amendments to allay fears that some property owners would receive a windfall. He also noted that the final bill applies only to residential properties and excludes any that is commercial or industrial.

Surplus land that does not fall under the new stipulations will be

disposed of in accordance with the county's present policy, which gives first priority for acquisition to any municipality in which the property lies, as well as to the Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Commission and the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission. If these governmental bodies have no interest in acquiring the land, the county will sell the property to the highest bidder at a public sale or to any purchaser who offers the sales price approved by the county council. The 6% interest charge on sales to governmental bodies has been dropped in the new bill.)

Greenbelt Property

CB-131 would exclude, for example, the owners of 72 acres of parcels 1 and 2, the land between Ridge Road and the Baltimore-Washington Parkway, from reacquiring the property that was once proposed for a three-school complex. Last spring the Board of Education declared the property surplus. The bulk of land was acquired in 1966, and in 1969 10 additional acres were purchased.

John Aubuchon, public information officer for the Prince Georges County Public Schools, told the News Review on December 8 that the land had not yet been deeded over to the county. He was not aware, he said, of any problems associated with the transference of the land and was unable to say when the process would be completed.

The city council at its December 4 meeting directed the city manager to write to the appropriate officials, including the county executive, to express the city's concern over the property's status.

Recreation Review

Open Gyms

The following is a schedule of other open gyms in the area. Greenbelt Junior High School - Suns, 1-5 p.m. and Eleanor Roosevelt Senior High School - Suns, 6-10 p.m.

Holiday Hours

During the Dec. holidays, the Greenbelt Recreation Centers will extend their hours to the public. Facilities will be open as follows:

Sat., Dec. 23 - 9 a.m. - 11 p.m.; Sun., Dec. 24 - 1 p.m. - 6 p.m.; Mon. thru Thurs. Dec. 25 - 28 - 12 n - 10 p.m.; Fri., Dec. 29 - 12 n - 11 p.m.; Sat., Dec. 30 - 9 a.m. - 11 p.m.; Sun., Dec. 31 - 1 p.m. - 6 p.m. Mon., Jan. 1 - 12 n - 10 p.m.

PREVIEW OF PROGRESS

General Motors conducted two non-commercial science shows on Tuesday, October 10 at Greenbelt Junior High School. Entitled "Previews of Progress," the exhibition "sought to inspire more student interest in science, engineering, and related technical and vocational careers to provide the trained talent America needs to keep pace with the promise of the future," according to GM president Elliott M. Estes.

Over 40 million people have seen "Previews" since it began in 1946. Narrated by a two-person team, the shows featured a talking computer, laser demonstrations, a moon rover model and a review of gas turbine engines.



In 1978 the face of Greenbelt changed in many ways and more is promised for the future. Development began on the Golden Triangle and construction of two new office buildings began at other locations. The majority of work on the City's largest public project, Green Ridge House Apartments for the Elderly took place with occupancy scheduled for the spring. The Municipal Building addition was completed and dedicated to the memory of former Mayor Edgar L. Smith. Canning Terrace in the new subdivision of Windsor Green was completed and dedicated in honor of former Mayor Thomas L. Canning. Bringing METRO to Greenbelt, a new Post Office, rehabilitation of GHI homes, the building of a pedestrian overpass across the Baltimore-Washington Parkway, the construction of an interchange at Greenbelt Road and Kenilworth Avenue and a new 96" water main through the City were some of the many development issues considered during the year.

While the face of Greenbelt is changing, its citizens continue to share the sense of community pride and the interest in keeping the City as a good place in which to live and raise a family. This common spirit has always seemed to make our City a little better than the rest.

As the year ends in the joys of another holiday season, we, the City Council, the many citizens of the community who serve voluntarily on the City's Advisory Boards and the employees of Greenbelt pledge to continue to work in the new year towards keeping Greenbelt as the special place it is.

To all a joyous holiday season and a happy, healthful and prosperous new year.

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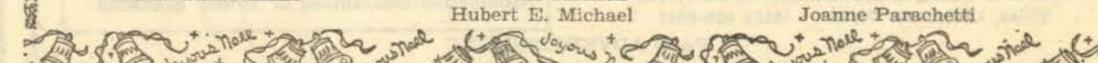
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Our Neighbors

Airman Albert W. Wheatley, son of Mrs. Ingrid Wheatley, 126 Rosewood Dr. was graduated from the aircraft maintenance specialist course at Sheppard AFB, Texas. He has been assigned to Dover AFB, Del. Wheatley is a 1978 graduate of Eleanor Roosevelt High School.

Debbie and Marty Campbell, Huntington, Md., are the proud parents of a son, William (Billy) who arrived on Dec. 14, weighing 8 lbs., 4 oz. Billy has a brother, Jimmy, age 2. Proud grandparents are Greenbelters Joe and Barbara Natoli, proprietors of the Greenbelt Pizza-Sub Shop.

Holiday greetings come from Bill Rowland, Tuolumne, California.

Congratulations to four Greenbelt Roosevelt students, Clint Boushell (who is a member of the News Review staff), Riki Maeda, Craig Fitzreiter and Paul Felsner, who made the All County Soccer "A" League team. Craig and Paul were chosen for the first team, and Clint and Riki were picked for the second team. Good work!

It's a boy for Karen and Sam Hurd, Pleasant Grove, Utah. Aaron R. was born on Dec. 17; he weighed 8 1/2 lbs. Happy grandparents are Ruth and Carl Bond, Greenhill Rd.

Ann Marie Mongelli, 45-G Ridge has returned from college in Richmond. She will be leaving for Florida to visit her mother and other relatives and her sister, Laura Jean, who now lives in Florida, will be coming to Greenbelt to visit.

Joni and Pat Larson announce the birth of a son, Jesse Lewis, on Nov. 28. Jesse weighed 6 lbs., 3/4 oz. His mother, a member of the faculty of North End school, formerly taught at Center School.

FOUND: Your animal warden finds stray animals every week. If your pet is lost, call the police dept., 474-7200.

FOR CHRISTMAS - Beautiful healthy puppies FREE to good homes. 474-6348.

PARENT - Excellent care for your important child. Supervised activities, meals, references. 345-9311.

FOR SALE: H.O. Train set & accessories. 474-9386; leave name & number.

CARPOOL - Drive/ride to Dupont Circle area. Work 9 to 5, have indoor garage space if needed. Call Joe, 345-5671 or 466-5128 (day).

LOST - Gold bracelet - Center School vicinity. High sentimental value, \$25 reward. 474-5977.

General house cleaning - experienced, excellent references. Call Dotie, 345-9075.

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FOR SALE: Magnavox T.V. Console, 23" screen. 474-6092.

SEAMSTRESS NEEDED to alter set of drapes. 345-2947.

HELP WANTED: Part Time. Ideal for retired individual with grocery store or food sales background. To set up displays, stock shelves 3 days per week. Car required Hourly wage plus mileage. Please call 345-9500 for appointment, National Association for Employer Resources, Riverdale, Maryland. Fee paid. Agency.

University Boutique International, Inc.

Beautiful, natural clothing and exquisite gold and silver jewelry for women & men

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Aerobics Dance Class

Learn choreographed routines to popular music. Classes in cardiovascular conditioning will begin the second week of January. Classes will meet for one hour every Monday and Wednesday. The woman's class is from 7 to 8 and the co-ed class is from 8 to 9.

To reserve a space in classes now forming call 490-0636.

GHI NOTES

The next meeting of the GHI Board of Directors will be Thursday, December 28 (not Dec. 21) as reported last week) in the GHI Board Room.

Members should have received a questionnaire related to financial assistance for rehabilitation on their doorstep about two weeks ago. If, for some reason, anyone did not receive this questionnaire, please call the Manager's Office, 474-5566 and ask for one to be sent.

One of the programs described in the questionnaire is the Rehabilitation Loan Deferral Program. If the member obtains a loan to pay for the rehabilitation on his/her home, the monthly payments on this loan—plus the interest—would be made from monies in the RLDP fund established for this purpose. This money would be paid back to the fund at any time or when the member sells his house. If the member sells his house before the loan is paid off, he only pays back to the fund what he "borrowed".

Eligibility will be limited to households whose members pay more than 25% of their income for housing. This will enable those low-income families who do not receive Section 8 housing assistance to obtain a loan so that their monthly charges are not increased by rehabilitation costs.

At the recent conference of the National Association of Housing Cooperatives, GHI's Deputy General Manager, Ken Kopstein, was elected treasurer and member of the executive committee. He is also co-chairman of the Legislative Committee.

NAHC adopted an action agenda for 1979 to promote cooperative interests at the federal level. Of special importance to GHI is the national association's commitment to work for federal insurance program for equity loans.

Dial 911 for Fire/Rescue

by Wayne Lewis

Attention Apartment Dwellers! Have you ever had the alarm bells in your apartment building ring? If so, what did you do? If not, what would you do if they did begin to ring? Many apartment residents are under the impression that when the alarm bells ring they also ring at the local fire department. THIS IS NOT SO.

The alarm bells in your building are to warn you of possible danger. YOU MUST CALL THE FIRE DEPARTMENT TO COME. If your alarm bells start ringing and keep ringing there may be trouble. If the alarm bells stop ringing, there still may be trouble. Don't be afraid to call the "911 Emergency Number" and report this situation. We would rather come and check out the problem and find nothing than not come and end up with something more severe.

Free to good home - 2 year old affectionate spayed female cat, gray with white chest. 474-1152.

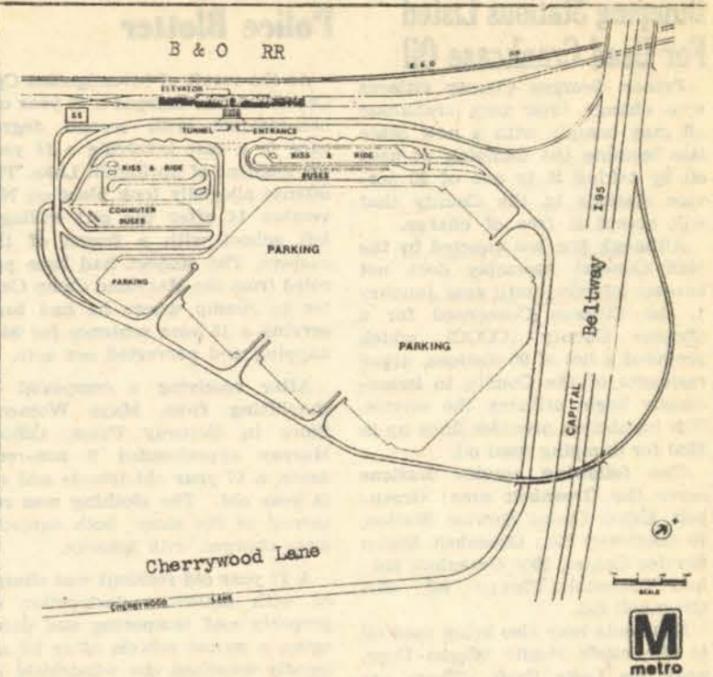
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SEASON'S GREETINGS

Ceramics Classes start Jan. 3
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CLOSED UNTIL JANUARY
153 CENTERWAY
GREENBELT, MD. 20770



Proposed site plan for Greenbelt Metro station shows no pedestrian or bicycle paths and only two entrances for autos. The entrance off the Capital Beltway (I-95) would serve east-bound traffic only. The remaining traffic would be expected to use Cherrywood Lane. WMATA and other agencies including the City of Greenbelt and owners of Springhill Lake will meet to plan access improvements.

MetroSta.PublicHearingCont

culated.

Pedestrian & Bike Ways
In response to a question by Mc Cusker, WMATA officials indicated that local jurisdictions must be developing their own pedestrian and bikeways. We will pick up those trails at our property line and bring those people safely into the station.

Armistead objected to this wait and see attitude on the part of WMATA. There will be a network of bike trails in the area by 1987. We need to be able to park and secure bikes. You must not wait til bike trails come to your property line."

Harry Sanders, a former resident said he too was disappointed with plans for pedestrians. Sanders walks a mile to and from work at the end of his Metro ride and felt sure neighborhood residents would walk to the Greenbelt station.

John Mercer, Westchester Park, commented on the proximity of the Hollywood residential area which is closer than SHL. "Imagine," he said, "the frustration of going round and round and not being able to get to something you can see." They need a pedestrian crossing at least.

Ferber, however, cautioned WMATA that Hollywood citizens "want to tell you where we think such a

crossing should be put."

Railroad Interface?
Several wondered whether the B & O railroad commuter line would interface with the Metro at Greenbelt station. Why was DOT going ahead with plans to fix up the Riverdale B&O station? Residents were assured that such an interface was in the plans, but that the federal grant would be used to renovate the Riverdale facility in the interim.

Solutions
All through the hearing, both WMATA officials and the DOT representative, Gerald Cichy, appeared willing to work with all those present in an effort to come up with the best possible plan.

Hurry Up!
George Brugger, as a businessman on Greenbelt Road, bid Metro welcome. But, he said as an attorney for one of the property owners to be displaced by the station, he was anxious for an early resolution on land acquisition. "This property has been entangled in a bureaucratic morass for years . . . We urge you to do what you can to take the land now. You'll have savings in dollars for the system and relief for my client."
"Welcome," he repeated, "but, hurry up!"

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Invitation to Bid CITY OF GREENBELT

The City of Greenbelt, Maryland is seeking bids for the purchase of:

Five (5) Portable Aluminum Bleachers

Specifications may be obtained from the City Offices, 25 Crescent Road, Greenbelt, Maryland 20770, telephone 474-8052, and bids will be accepted until 2:00 P.M. (EST), Wednesday, January 17, 1979, at which time they will be opened and publicly read. Bids shall be delivered in a sealed envelope on the outside of which shall be shown the name and address of the bidder and the words "SEALED BID - PORTABLE ALUMINUM BLEACHERS."

Dumping Stations Listed For Used Crankcase Oil

Prince Georges County citizens who change their own crankcase oil may comply with a new State law banning the dumping of used oil by taking it to one of 90 service stations in the County that will accept it free of charge.

Although the law enacted by the 1978 General Assembly does not become effective until next January 1, the Citizens Concerned for a Cleaner County (CCCC), which provided a list of 90 stations, urged residents of the County to immediately begin utilizing the service. The legislation provides fines up to \$250 for dumping used oil.

The following service stations serve the Greenbelt area: Greenbelt Exval Co-op Service Station, 70 Southway Rd.; Greenbelt Exxon Service Center, 5900 Greenbelt Rd.; and Greenbelt Phillips "66", 6000 Greenbelt Rd.

Residents may also bring used oil to the city's Public Works Dept. near the Lake Park. There are containers for oil, glass and aluminum to be recycled.

Postal Service Guarantees Overnight Pkg. Delivery

For many of those who have put off mailing their Christmas gifts, Express Mail may now be the best answer, Postmaster Emory Harman said today.

The Postal Service guarantees next day Express Mail Service for any item up to 70 pounds if deposited for mailing by 5 p.m. the day before. If it should fail to meet this commitment, the postage cost is refunded. The service is available from more than 1000 cities.

Postmaster Harman noted that though Express Mail costs more than regular parcel post, that is offset by the expedited nature of the service and the lower cost per pound as the weight of the parcel increases.

"In addition, the Postal Service guarantees on-time delivery or your money is refunded," Postmaster Harman said. Customers have the option of depositing packages by 5 p.m. for availability at the destination post office by 10 a.m. the next day or for delivery to the addressee by 3 p.m.

Post offices will be closed Sunday, December 24, and Monday, December 25. However, by requesting Express Mail Delivery Service, rather than pickup service, mailers can assure delivery by Christmas. Express Mail deliveries are made everyday of the year, including Sundays and holidays.

Postmaster Harman noted the Postal Service has an on-time delivery record of over 95 percent for its Express Mail Service.

Merchandise insurance coverage of up to \$500 on any item weighing up to 70 pounds is available at no additional charge, Postmaster Harman noted.

Police Blotter

As the result of investigation Cpl. Ceccarelli has charged a 49 year old non-resident with second degree rape in a case involving a 14 year old resident of Springhill Lake. The offense allegedly took place on November 14 after the girl willingly left school with a friend of the suspect. The suspect had been paroled from the Maryland Camp Center in Jessup where he had been serving a 15 year sentence for kidnapping and perverted sex acts.

After receiving a complaint of shoplifting from Mays Womens' Store in Beltway Plaza, Officer Murray apprehended 2 non-residents, a 17 year old female and an 18 year old. The clothing was returned to the store; both subjects were charged with larceny.

A 17 year old resident was charged with malicious destruction of property and tampering and damaging a motor vehicle after he allegedly smashed the windshield of a resident's vehicle. He was transported to Boys Village to await Juvenile Court action.

A 26 year old non-resident complained that he had been robbed while using the postal facility at Beltway Plaza. He reported that he was approached by a subject armed with a .38 calibre revolver who demanded his money. The suspect held a cloth in front of his face so he could not be identified. Lookouts have been issued and investigation is continuing.

Will's Hardware Inc. and Plastolite

Wishes the Greenbelt Community a Merry Christmas and Joyous Chanukah and a very Happy New Year.

Staying warm this winter can be easy with Plaskolite Plastic, the all season window sealing kit. This semi-rigid, crystal clear and reusable plastic cuts loss through windows by up to 93%. Available now at Will's Hardware in Beltsville.

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Sunday 10-4 p.m.

* Closed Christmas & New Year's Day

DIRECTIONS FROM GREENBELT

Take Edmonston Rd. to Sunnyside Rd. (first traffic light) and make a right, follow Sunnyside one mile and make a right on Rt. 1. Take Rt. 1 one-half mile and Will's is on the right in the Chestnut Hill Center.



Happy Holidays

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