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JURY AWARDS \$29,000 FOR WALK TO OVERPASS

by Mary Lou Williamson

A Prince Georges County District Court jury of 7 men and 5 women awarded \$29,000 to Greenbriar Council of Owners Phase I for .09945 of an acre of land to be used as a public walkway through a portion of their private community. The City of Greenbelt now has 30 days to forward the money to the Phase I Board of Directors. At the same time those Greenbriar residents, who have been at the center of the opposition to the construction of the overpass must decide whether to appeal the decision.

While the judgment of the jury is substantially above the city's last offer of \$4,449, the city staff anticipates no appeal. The city solicitor, Emmett Nanna, who handled the two-day condemnation trial says an appeal could delay the overpass another three months and would be very expensive. City Manager Jim Giese laid

out the background and some history of the overpass for the jury, emphasizing that safety of students now dodging cars on the Baltimore-Washington Parkway was the impetus for the overpass, but that the city viewed it as a two-way street of advantage to people living on both sides of the Parkway. He explained that the overpass itself would be constructed by the Federal Highway Administration solely from the right-of-way of the Baltimore-Washington Parkway. The city's responsibility, he testified, was limited to the construction of a pathway which would connect the public overpass with the nearest public street, Hanover Parkway, a distance of 325 ft.

The city council, he said, was anxious to work with the residents of Greenbriar on questions such as fencing, lighting, and maintenance of the area.

He read for the jury the results of the 1979 referendum showing wide support for the overpass at that particular location. (City Clerk Gudrun Mills had earlier identified in her testimony the resolution of council providing for

an advisory referendum, the written results, and a later resolution authorizing the manager and solicitor to proceed with condemnation.)

The city plans to build a 6 ft. wide concrete sidewalk through the islands of the parking lot which services 7714 to 7722 Hanover Parkway. The surface of the parking areas would be striped for pedestrian use where the
See APPRAISALS p. 6

WHAT GOES ON

Sun. April 19, 7 a.m. Easter Sunrise service, Greenbelt Lake Park. Rain location St. Hugh's Grenoble Hall

Mon., April 20, 9 a.m. SHARP Annual Easter Egg Hunt, Greenbelt Lake Park. Rain location: 10 a.m., Greenbelt Youth Center
8 p.m. City Council Meeting, Municipal Building

AGENDA REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL

April 20, 1981

Monday,
8:00 P.M.

I. ORGANIZATION

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Meditation
Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag
4. Minutes of Meetings
5. Additions to Agenda by Councilmen and Manager

II. COMMUNICATIONS

6. Petitions and Requests
7. Administrative Reports
8. Committee Reports

III. OLD BUSINESS

9. A Resolution to Repeal Resolution Number 445 and to Establish New Admission Fees for the Greenbelt Swimming Pool
- Second Reading
10. A Resolution to Establish an Annual Season Operating Policy for the Greenbelt Municipal Swimming Pool Beyond the Normal Closing Date of Labor Day
- Second Reading
11. Rezoning Applications No. 9350, 9351, and 9352-Sun States Corporation (Coakley-Williams) and Baker-Witt (Western Development) Properties (Advisory Planning Board Reports No. 243 and 244)
12. Environmental Assessments for the General Concept Plan for Greenbelt Regional Park

IV. NEW BUSINESS

13. Resolution

V. MISCELLANEOUS

NOTE: this is a preliminary agenda, subject to change.



Tom Canning is flanked by Mayor Richard Pilski (right) and City Manager Jim Giese at the November 12, 1978 dedication of Canning Terrace in Windsor Green.

— Photos courtesy of City of Greenbelt

Thomas Canning, Former Long-Time Mayor, Dies at Age 78

by Elaine Skolnik

Former Greenbelt Mayor Thomas J. Canning, Sr., died Saturday night, April 11 at the age of 78 after a heart attack. A retired attorney with the Federal Government, he resided in Greenbelt with his family from 1942 to 1963.

Canning served on the Greenbelt City Council from 1947 to 1963. For three of these terms he was elected by the other members of council to be the city's mayor. He resigned from council in 1963 when the family moved to College Park. Until recently he held the distinction of having served longer on the city council than any other individual.

During the years Canning was a member of council, the Federal Government sold not only the residences that are now Greenbelt Homes, Inc., but also the commercial, recreation and parking areas, the swimming pool, roadways, public utilities and vacant land. Much of the green area was dedicated to the city.

But once the Federal Government was out of the picture, the immediate impact was on the finances of the city. Councils on which Canning served had to deal with raising taxes and providing those services to which Greenbelters had become accustomed.

While he was on council, the Federal Government dedicated Center School (which was also a community center and city library) to the city. Using the funds received from the school sale in 1959, supplemented with bond funds, the city undertook the construction of the Youth Center, the fire station and the municipal building.

During this period the first private housing developments in the city were constructed—Lakeside, Woodland Hills, Lakewood, and the Greenbelt Plaza Apartments. Other projects underway included Springhill Lake, Lakeside North, Boxwood and the Beltway Plaza Shopping Center.

In his last years of office the zoning battles that characterized the sixties were beginning to heat up. The major problem facing the

city was the development of the vacant land in a way that was consistent with the principles followed in the original planning of the community. In early 1962 the county commissioners (county council) denied commercial zoning requested by the Golden Triangle owners and turned down requests for zoning for multiple-family dwellings and apartments on approximately 420 acres of vacant land.

Canning Terrace

In recognition of Canning's long career of distinguished service to the city, the first new street in the Windsor Green development was dedicated in his name on November 12, 1978. At dedication ceremonies of Canning Terrace, Richard Pilski, who was mayor at the time, described Canning as a "dedicated family man, a reliable family man, a reliable family man, a reliable family man."
See CONNING, p. 7

Easter Egg Hunt At Greenbelt Park

The Easter Bunny will host the annual Easter Egg Hunt on Monday, April 20 at 9 a.m. at Greenbelt Lake Park. Boys and girls, pre-school through sixth grade, are invited to participate in the hunt, which is sponsored by the Greenbelt Recreation Department.

Hidden in the eggs are many special prizes that have been provided by Big Boy, AMC Theatre, 3-Brothers, Consumer's, High's, McDonald's, Gino's, Basco, Roy Roger's, Donuts 'n' Stuff, Wendy's, Greenbelt Carry-Out, and Pizza Inn.

Immediately following the hunt, "Christian, the Magician" will appear on the Lake Park Bandstand. In the event of rain, all activities will be held at the Greenbelt Youth Center beginning at 10 a.m.

Trees on City Land Cleared By Mistake of Contractor

by Bill Rowland

Contractors have begun clearing and grading for construction of the Prudential Insurance Company's office building in the Golden Triangle. Although survey stakes were in place to show the property boundaries, workers crossed the line and removed all the trees from almost 1100 square feet of city parkland.

City Manager James Giese reported the matter to the city council during its regular meeting on April 6. The fact of the encroachment onto city land and the approximate area involved (1072 sq. ft.) had been verified by City Consulting Engineer John Emler the preceding week. Giese said that it was impossible to know exactly what numbers, sizes, or kinds of trees had been destroyed because all stumps and roots had been removed. He estimated, from the nature of adjoining undisturbed woodland, that there had been four to six large trees, and a number of smaller ones. They were probably hardwoods, perhaps gums or oaks or both. Giese advised council of his belief that Prudential owed damage reimbursement to the city.

Prudential was represented at the meeting by Kathleen Moore, the company investment manager. She told council, "Unfortunately our contractor, through an error in staking, did clear that area." She said that Prudential would like to restore the area to what it was by planting some new trees there, although she realized there is no way to directly replace mature growth. One possible plan she offered would be a planting of maple and pine; a second tentative plan would include sweet gum and flowering materials. Moore said the area will be seeded and mulched to prevent erosion.

When pressed by council as to how the accident had happened, Moore replied that she had clearly had the work boundaries staked out, and she was not sure how the error happened or who made it. She insisted that was a matter to be resolved between Prudential and its contractors.

Several members of council voiced their appreciation that Prudential is willing to do what it can to restore the city park area to woodland. Councilman Charles Schwan did express his "indignation at someone who erred." Mayor Gil Weidenfeld said he believed the city should get an equitable return from Prudential in terms of value received versus value taken. And Councilman Richard Pilski noted "We are very skeptical of contractors who override the boundaries." The council members agreed that resolution of the problem should be worked out between city staff and Prudential, with a report back to the council.

Moore, when asked about the new building, told council that the footings were to be poured within the next four weeks, and that the building would be "coming out of the ground" in about a month. It is to be six stories tall, but because of the slope of the land will have seven stories above ground level on one side. Moore also told council that the firm would soon return with the plans for its second office building.

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Consciousness Raising Sponsored by NOW

A consciousness raising group for women sponsored by the Northern Prince Georges N.O.W. chapter will begin in Greenbelt on Tuesday, April 21. The program will run for 10 consecutive weeks. Each session will begin at 8 p.m. and end at 10 p.m. Scholarships are available. For further information, call 345-8397 (evenings).

Run-for-Life on April 25

The third annual Run-for-Life, co-sponsored by the Eleanor Roosevelt High School Honor Society and the American Heart Association, will be held on Saturday, April 25 at Greenbelt Park. The run will cover a 2.5 mile loop on roads and trails, and runners may complete up to four loops. Deadline is April 21. For more information call 277-5116.

State Arts Council Grant Is Awarded to Arts Center

by Virginia Beauchamp

A note of optimism was struck at the second annual membership meeting of the Greenbelt Cultural Arts Center, with the announcement of two immediate future improvements to the theater facility which houses the group and of the organization's selection to receive a \$1,000 grant from the Maryland State Arts Council. The grant itself, contingent upon matching funds from other donors, is expected to stimulate a major door-to-door canvassing effort sometime later this spring. Announcement of the award was made by grants subcommittee Chairman Lindley Darden.

The first improvement to the building will also be underway this spring. According to treasurer Irving Siegel, more than enough money has been set aside in an escrow fund to meet the estimated \$2450 cost for a sprinkler system over the stage that is required by the county fire code. The group hopes, however, that theater owner George Christacos will himself pick up the tab for this mandatory improvement to the building. Negotiations with Christacos are already in progress, Siegel said.

Following completion of work on the sprinkler system, a 15' by 30' silver screen for film showings will also be installed. With the screen, acquired from a theater in Reading, Pa. that went out of business, the Center can begin an ambitious film program, probably specializing in comedy sequences, film committee chairman Gus Weiland announced. A search is in progress also to locate a good projector, he said.

If the financial underpinnings of the organization have at times seemed precarious, the treasurer's report shows that the fledgling organization has nevertheless been able to keep current with its bills. It has been helped during the last year by the loan of \$3500 in sound and lighting equipment provided by the city of Greenbelt, and a request has been made for future similar support—primarily about \$2500 for a movie projector capable of showing feature length films in their entirety. Equipment thus purchased continues as property of the city itself and would be removed for use elsewhere should the arts group ever disband.

Program Offerings

In recounting the group's achievements to date, all conceded the January appearance of the Baltimore Symphony, held in the auditorium of Eleanor Roosevelt

High School, as the "highwater mark of the season." But a variety of other programs—dance performances, solo musicians and ensembles, dramatic presentations and film showings—rounded out the year's offerings. Scheduled for this spring, according to program chairman Graceanne Adamo, will be an improvisational dance company from the University of Maryland, an evening of mayhem by the Markland Medieval Madrigalia company, a concert by the New Century Singers, dance by the St. Mark's Dance Co., an instrumental concert by the Greenbelt Chamber Music Orchestra, and a three-week engagement of a Broadway musical review, to be put on by the Greenbelt Players. Adamo said she was also trying to plan an international arts festival, featuring many groups in the region that specialize in ethnic and folk music and dance.

Another possible future project, dependent however upon grant support would be a 1930's festival to commemorate the original sections of Greenbelt as having been declared a historical district. During the summer the group hopes to offer workshops for children in dance, mime, and theater. The Greenbelt Theatre for the Deaf is another enterprise of the organization, and signing has been provided at Sunday matinee performances.

Re-elected to the board of directors for two-year terms were Darden, Adamo, Frances Herling, Trix Whitehall, Jose Morales and Paula Lipman. Elected for the first time to membership on the board were George Moryadas, Bruce Fleshman, Gail Neumann and Mary Lindstrom. Konrad Herling has been president since the beginning of the organization. He ran for city council two years ago on the issue of rescuing the long-vacant old Greenbelt Theatre building for its use by the community in cultural activities.

CONCERT AT ERHS

The Knights of Harmony from Bowie will present a concert at Eleanor Roosevelt High School on Saturday, April 25 at 8 p.m. Featured in the concert will be the barbershop chorus, as well as quartets which will focus their singing on songs made popular in motion pictures. Tickets may be purchased at the door at a nominal charge, with special rates for students and senior citizens. For further information call Carl Maholm on 262-1279.

P.G. Philharmonic Gives Superb Concert at Utopia

by Albert K. Herling

"Superb" is the word that describes the performance of the Prince Georges Philharmonic in its "Mostly Mozart Concert" at the Utopia Theater on April 4. Once again, the people of Greenbelt and the surrounding communities are indebted to the Greenbelt Cultural Arts Center for bringing to the city a cultural event of such outstanding quality. Nor can it be disputed that the P.G. Philharmonic has reached its high performance ability due to the extraordinary ability of Music Director and Conductor Ray Fowler. Fowler takes this essentially amateur group and brings forth from the musicians a quality of performance they never dreamed they possessed.

The concert opened with the delightful "Magic Flute Overture K. 620" of Mozart and its treatment under Fowler's direction was all that could be desired. Mozart may be familiar but he is not easy to play nor is he easy to interpret. But Fowler's interpretation was truly a spiritual experience.

The ability of the string sections of the orchestra was put to obvious test in the "Serenade for Strings"—the Walzer and Elgic by Tchaikowsky. Tender and lush, carefully balanced, and magnificently disciplined, the strings were beautiful. Even the most critical could find little fault. And with such a magnificent and well-disciplined string section it is no wonder that the Philharmonic has attained such splendid heights.

With the performance by soloist Reginald Jackson of the Albinoni "Concerto in D minor, Op. 9, No. 2" the audience was given an extraordinary treat. The Albinoni Concerto, originally scored for oboe and orchestra, was arranged for soprano saxophone by Jackson. The concerto itself is an enticing composition, but the artistry of Reginald Jackson on this unusual instrument—this is the first time this reviewer ever heard it—was truly an experience. The quality of the instrument as handled by Jackson was wonderful to hear. The range of qualities which Jackson evoked from the instrument was something to wonder at. That he plays with a leve of the soprano saxophone is very evident, but never more than in the fantastic control he demonstrated in the glorious second movement of the concerto.

The final number in the concert was the very familiar Mozart "Symphony No. 40 in G Minor, K 550". Mozart lives, and there is no doubt he was very much alive in the Utopia Theater as the P.G. Philharmonic played this beloved symphony under the thoughtful, devoted and moving direction of Ray Fowler.

Those who were present spent an unforgettable evening at the Cultural Arts Center's Utopia Theater. Those that were absent missed an extraordinary experience. Next time there is an opportunity to hear the Philharmonic don't deny yourself.

Greenbelter Gives Concert

Greenbelter Willis M. Gault will give a recital of ancient and modern music on the Viola D'Amore on Sunday, April 26 at 3 p.m. at St. Margaret's Parish Hall, 1830 Connecticut Ave., D.C. The concert will be followed by a tea; the public is invited.

Easter Sunrise Service

The Easter Sunrise service for the Greenbelt Community will be conducted Sunday morning at 7 a.m. at the Greenbelt Lake. The public is cordially invited to worship in recognition of the Resurrection of Christ.

The sponsoring churches are Greenbelt Baptist, Greenbelt Community, St. Hugh's Catholic and Mowatt Memorial United Methodist. The Easter message will be given by the Rev. Dallas Pulliam.

In the event of inclement weather the service will be conducted in St. Hugh's Grenoble Hall.

Mowatt Memorial

United Methodist Church

40 Ridge Rd. 474-9410

Church School 9:30 - 10:30 a.m.

Morning Worship 11:00 A.M.

Rev. Ira C. Keperling, Pastor

474-1924

Mishkan Torah News

Rabbi Kenneth Berger will discuss Passover at the Mishkan Torah on Friday, April 17 at 8 p.m. Saturday morning services start on April 18

Paint Branch Unitarian Church

3215 Powder Mill Road
 4 blocks south of High Pt. H.S.
 April 19 - 11 a.m. "Moving with the Grain of Life"

Rev. Richard W. Kelley, Min.
 937-3666

Bahá'í Faith

Greenbelt Community
 P.O. Box 245
 Greenbelt, Md. 20770
 474-4090/345-2918

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH

Episcopal

Baltimore Blvd. at Powder Mill Rd., Beltsville

8:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist
 10:30 a.m. Morning Prayer
 10:30 a.m. Sunday School
 Rev. John G. Bals, Rector
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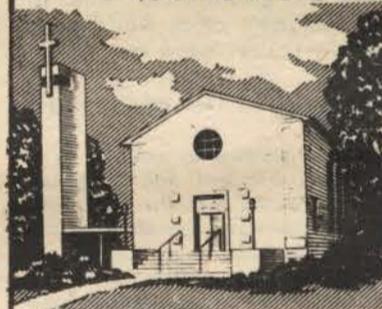
Bible Study for all ages (Sun.) 9:45 am

Worship Services 11:00 am & 7:00 pm

Mid-week Prayer service (Wed.) 8:00 pm

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

Greenbelt Community Church



(United Church of Christ)
 Hillside and Crescent Roads
 Phone 474-6171 mornings
 HOLY SATURDAY (April 18)
 9:00 P.M. Easter Vigil Service of Candlelight Communion.
 EASTER SUNDAY (April 19)
 Easter Morning Worship.
 Nursery provided at
 2B Hillside
 Rev. Sherry Taylor and
 Rev. Harry Taylor co-pastors

HOLY WEEK

and

EASTER SUNDAY SERVICES

(everyone welcome)

MAUNDY THURSDAY - 7:30 p.m. A Communion Service
 Music by the Junior Choir

GOOD FRIDAY - 7:30 p.m. A Service commemorating the
 Crucifixion of Jesus Christ
 Music by the Adult Choir

EASTER SUNRISE - 6:00 a.m. The Resurrection of Jesus
 Christ was discovered "as it began to dawn". A service held indoors commemorating the discovery.
 Music by the Youth Choir

EASTER FESTIVAL - 8:30 a.m. A time for all people to celebrate Christ's victory over
 & death for us. Because He
 lives; we, too, shall live!
 Music by the Combined Choirs
 Nursery services provided.

SUNDAY SCHOOL - 9:45 a.m. The children will search for
 the "empty tomb" hidden somewhere on the church lawn.

HOLY CROSS LUTHERAN CHURCH

6905 Greenbelt Road
 Edward H. Birner, Pastor Scott P. Wycherly, Dir. of Ed.
 Telephone: 345-5111

Excellent Performance

My heartfelt thanks and appreciation go out to the Prince Georges Philharmonic, under the direction of Ray Fowler, for an excellent performance of "mostly Mozart" at the Greenbelt Cultural Arts Center last Saturday evening! Despite the obvious limitations of space and facilities, the musicians provided an evening of great enjoyment and inspiration for many, residents and non-residents alike, who were able to benefit from the convenient location and modest ticket price of the concert.

I wonder how many of us really appreciate the advantages of having our own cultural arts center on our very doorstep? And how many communities can boast of a similar blessing?

"Let's hear from the Philharmonic again!" seemed to be the consensus following Saturday's performance. But let's hear also from the Greenbelt community in support of the Cultural Arts Center!

Barbara A. Schmidt

Equipment Needed

The Green Ridge Residents Association is wondering if any News Review readers might have a ping pong table or an exercycle they would be willing to donate or sell for a nominal price to Green Ridge House. Donations could be made to the City of Greenbelt, owner of Green Ridge House, in order to get the benefit of a tax-deductible contribution.

The person to contact at Green Ridge House is Bruno Landi, President of the Resident's Association, at 345-3152.

James Cassels

Rehab Must Go On

In an emotionally charged atmosphere at the April 9 meeting of the Greenbelt Homes, Inc. board a number of members expressed their concerns about the continuation of Phase II of the rehabilitation program. After listening to these members, all of whom opposed the continuation of the program, I felt constrained to vigorously support Phase II and I did.

Among those who spoke was a young lady who left a sick bed to state her views. She told us of how she had recently bought a GHI home, at an admittedly high cost of \$800 a month, as a "starter home"—her words. By this, I assume, and I hope that I'm not misrepresenting her meaning, that she intended to live in Greenbelt some limited time, accumulate some savings and possibly enjoy a profit on the resale of her home and to step up to a more desirable home. Let me be the first to say that there's nothing wrong with that aspiration so far. This member spoke in a reasonable manner and I expect would be a responsible citizen in any community for whatever period she chose to stay.

But if this means that rehabilitation of GHI homes should be limited because "starter home" owners do not have the same long-range interests as many of us then I must object. For many of us our homes are permanent homes. We cannot afford, nor will we permit our homes and community to deteriorate further and potentially become slums. We have pride in our community and wish to fulfill the aspirations of its planners to make Greenbelt the model community it was designed to be—structurally as well as socially. We want a diversity of people in Greenbelt. For the long haul or otherwise, we believe that members, when and if they leave, should have the opportunity to realize the increased values of their homes to meet escalating costs of homes elsewhere. But this cannot be done by withholding necessary repairs and improvements to our homes now. Those of us who will continue to live here cannot be left to cope with a moribund community.

However, I must agree with much of what has been said about the rapidly escalating price tag on rehabilitation. From an early estimate of approximately \$5,000 per home the current cost is approaching \$13,800. I am aware of some of the reasons for this increase, including inflation of costs because of earlier delays, loan requirements and the need to correct code violations not initially included in the original plans. However, I am concerned with the addition of some features which may be considered optional. The answer that the money for some of these additions can be wrapped up in the money to be secured from the proposed bond issue is too easy.

I think the time has come for the board to become hard-nosed about further additions. I think that we should not be so acquiescent about continuing escalating demands of participating government officials. It is unfortunate that members have broken up into antagonistic camps. We have a diversity of problems which are real to all of us. The rehabilitation program must go on. But it must continue with understanding and sympathetic consideration of members' problems. A cap must be put on further expansion and costs. And the quality of work must be at a high level. This means supporting the board with such help and input that any of us can provide in solving problems and not creating them.

Nat Shinderman

THANKS

As the district coordinator of the Hoyer for Congress campaign, I take pleasure in expressing my sincere thanks to the many volunteers whose efforts made possible our victory at the polls last Tuesday.

To the poll workers, telephoners, invitation addressers, coffee hostesses and helpers, to those who gave an hour or two of their time and to those who gave every spare minute for five full weeks, to all of you do Steny and Judy Hoyer extend their warm appreciation.

Our reward for the successful completion of the primary campaign is to be permitted to do it all again over the next five weeks. It is our expectation that the Hoyer volunteer corps will be expanded as Democrats join together in unity.

The outcome of the election on May 19 is important nationally as well as locally. I sincerely invite everyone who would like to join in our effort to elect Steny Hoyer to Congress to call me (345-2327).

Muriel "Micki" Weidenfeld

Metro E Route

On Tuesday, March 17, the Prince Georges County Council selected the ARS modified alignment (the original route, Editor's note) for the Metro E Route. I know that the residents of the County as well as my colleagues on the Council are relieved that this very difficult decision has been made. The several close votes on some segments of the alignment mirrored the controversy in the communities through which the line passes.

I wish to take this opportunity to inform the citizens of the Greenbelt area of the selected alignment and to state my views on the future of mass transit in Prince Georges County. The line will proceed eastward from the Fort Totten Station in D.C., cross the County line at the DeLaSalle College property, cross Chillum Road west of Queens Chapel Road, curve in a northerly direction across the Northwest Branch of the Anacostia River to the West Hyattsville Station (on the west side of Ager Road near Hamilton Street). From the station it curves along the easterly edge of Northwest Branch Park and south of East-West Highway to the Prince Georges Plaza Station on the west side of Belcrest Road. It then continues eastward and enters a tunnel under the intersection of East-West Highway and Queens Chapel Road, curves northeast under Queens Chapel Road, then easterly in the vicinity of Albion Road where it surfaces, crosses the B&O Railroad, continues northward to the College Park Station straddling Calvert Road, then along the B&O line to the Greenbelt Station adjacent to and south of the Capital Beltway. A storage and inspection yard will be located north of the Beltway. Currently, scheduling calls for revenue operation to begin in mid-1988 (per the January 1981 WMATA Design and Construction Schedule).

As you may know, I fought for some changes in the modified ARS alignment. First, working with the various transportation staff and the private sector, I was able to identify a modification which caused less impact on the Kirkwood apartments and permitted a commitment to the M. S. Ginn company for future expansion to be honored. That modification was accepted by the Council. Second, I worked for the alternative through University Park which would route the line primarily through park land, thus avoiding major impact on homes in the community. Third, I argued for a station location in College Park which would not necessitate the closing of Calvert Road, as I am unconvinced that funding for an alternative road will be easily forthcoming. Both these proposals failed by a close margin. My aggressive representation of the communities of University Park and College Park was an attempt to minimize the impact of Metro and protect these lovely neighborhoods.

Now that the decision has been made, it is incumbent on the elected officials, the WMATA staff, and community leaders to see that the E Route is constructed as soon as possible. To this end, I am committed to the following:

- (1) Full funding for construction of the route must be found. As most of the construction funds are from federal sources, this means aggressive pursuit of that goal with our congressional representatives.
- (2) The construction schedule must be accelerated. The line is needed in our part of the County and we cannot wait for another decade to see construction begin.
- (3) Every effort must be made to minimize the adverse impacts on residential areas by utilization of the best construction techniques, minor adjustments in station locations, assurance of access to stations, and careful selection of parking lot locations, among

other means.
(4) The development potential for the E Route corridor must be maximized. The four stations on this route have sufficient adjacent land available for major development and redevelopment which will be of tremendous importance to our part of the County. The economic spin-offs from this potential development could well pay for this alignment.

This has been a long and arduous decision-making process and, I, for one, shall be glad to get on to the actual construction of the line. Unquestionably, the bright future which I see for the northern part of Prince Georges County is linked to an effective transportation network of which the E Route is a vital part. If I or my office can provide information about the specifics of the alignment, please call upon me.

Parris N. Glendening
Chairman
Prince Georges County Council

Spirit of Compromise

The Letters to the Editor in your April 2 issue were very interesting, but a little sad as well. The Rehabbers, as Mr. Abramowitz scornfully calls them, were celebrating their victory with joyful shouts and the anti-Rehabbers mourned their apparent defeat in bitter tones. This is similar to what has gone on at GHI meetings for a long time, with Rehabbers and anti-Rehabbers shouting at each other in increasingly strident tones.

Is GHI, then, to be divided into two opposing and antagonistic camps? Should we erect an Iron Curtain or, to maintain the architectural character of GHI, a masonry wall between these two camps? Will confrontations between two groups, each believing that they have a monopoly on truth, escalate to such a degree that neighbor be parted from neighbor, and we find ourselves in a pint-sized version of the Civil War?

It is time for those on both sides who pride themselves on having "the courage of their convictions" to remember that the spirit of compromise is necessary for any democratic group, be that group GHI, or the United States. We all know from our high school history that our original Constitution was the result of much compromise, without which we would have remained 13 separate and squabbling states. We, as members of GHI, can either go forward and face our uncertain future, or continue to talk at, and not listen to each other, as has often been the case in the past.

Like it or not, rehabilitation is

with us. Given that it has already started, we are going to have a rehabilitation program. Given this, and the fact that at every GHI meeting, a majority of those members who care enough about GHI to come to meetings have voted for rehabilitation, I think it is time for the opponents of rehab to realize that GHI is going to have a rehab program.

Like it or not, rehabilitation has resulted in some poor workmanship, a massive amount of inconvenience, and a feeling that the homes that some members have lived in for years are no longer their own. These problems have been made worse by the apparent indifference of the GHI management to member complaints, and the slow response of GHI to structural defects. To take only my personal case, it took me three months to get a rotten porch replaced, the structural repairs to my unit made a mess of my living room walls, which were repaired incompetently and sloppily, and, in the course of replacing windows, the workmen managed to cover my bed with broken glass. Does being a supporter of rehab mean that I have to support this kind of behavior? I think not.

In short, it is high time for everyone to contemplate again what it means to be part of a cooperative. It is time also for some compromise on both sides, and for those who have "the courage of their convictions" to listen to what the other side has to say.

Bob Esty

Against Phase II

Having worked my way through to the available options in last week's letter to the editor, I went back with fortitude to my records and reread my Mutual Ownership Contract of April 1956. There, I found fresh life and opportunity against the indiscriminate impositions of expensive Rehab programs.

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City Council Receives Proposed Budget; Considers Zoning and Hikes Swimming Fees

by Bill Rowland

The regular city council meeting on April 6 ranged over a wide variety of topics, including city budget, swimming pool fees, rezoning behind Greenway Shopping Center, vacant schools, road repairs, and Lake Park parking.

City Budget

City Manager James K. Giese presented the proposed budget for the forthcoming fiscal year to council, with the comment that although the document is larger than in the past, it contains "as little new as has ever been in a budget." City services would be held at their present levels, however, because of a State requirement that the city make payments to reduce an unfunded retirement system liability, the city property tax rate would need to be increased by 6c per \$100 assessed valuation. If it were not for the retirement system payments, the tax rate could be reduced by 5c from its present level. Giese pointed out that council will want to decide whether to reduce taxes by cutting back on services.

Council has scheduled budget-related meetings for every Monday and Tuesday evening through June 1 (excluding those Mondays on which regular council meetings are held). Most of the meetings are on specific sections of the budget, with a public hearing planned for Tuesday, May 19. Council expects to pass the budget on June 1.

Swimming Pool

City staff has recommended changes in some swimming pool rates for the 1981 season, including an increase in the cost of all season passes and a decrease in the swimming lesson charge for nonresident children. The changes would not become effective until the opening day of the pool season on May 23, so that persons who buy passes before opening day could get them at the old lower rate.

According to a resolution given first reading at the April 6 council meeting, season pass rates for residents would increase by 33% for families (from \$60 to \$80); by 60% for singles (from \$25 to \$40); and by 67% for guest children (from \$30 to \$50). The increases for nonresidents would be 17% for families (from \$120 to \$140); and 40% for singles (from \$50 to \$70).

The cost of swimming lessons for nonresident children would drop to the same rate as for resident children. This change, plus the fact that season pass rates for nonresidents would be slightly lower than those charged by MNCPPC, are offered as inducements to nonresidents to purchase season passes.

Daily admission rates would be unchanged, as would be the cost of swimming lessons for resident children. Senior citizens age 62 and over would continue to be admitted free.

Giese, in written notes to council, explained that last summer's unusually hot weather had resulted in increased pool attendance and a related increase in pool revenues. However, pool operating expenses also increased, and the net result was a deficit for the city of about \$20,000. This deficit, noted Giese, "was a modest improvement over the previous year." Giese added that the proposed increases in user fees are not expected to make the swimming pool self-supporting.

In another action relating to the

pool, staff has recommended to council that authority to decide to keep the pool open beyond its normal Labor Day closing be delegated by council to the city manager. This would cover situations such as arose last year when unseasonably hot weather continued into September. An implementing resolution was given first reading at council's April 6 meeting.

Rezoning

An attorney for one of two would-be developers of vacant land behind the Greenway Shopping Center tried, but failed, to persuade council to recommend approval immediately to his client's request for rezoning, independent of any later action council might take on the similar rezoning petition by the other developer.

One parcel of about 12 acres, known as the Baker-Witt property, straddles Hanover Parkway. Western Development Corp. is the contract purchaser of the property. The second parcel, to the west of Baker-Witt, is about 33 acres, with Coakley-Williams the contract purchaser. The parcels are just outside Greenbelt's city limits. Both owners have petitioned for C-M (Commercial-Miscellaneous) zoning, but the city's Advisory Planning Board has questioned the C-M request on two counts: that present roads are inadequate to handle the expected traffic; and that there are no uses considered desirable by APB that could not be met by a C-O (Commercial-Office) zoning. APB therefore has recommended C-O instead of C-M zoning for both parcels at least until such time as Hanover Parkway might be extended to Good Luck Road, with C-M zoning for consideration only if a specific acceptable use is proposed for a specific part of the property.

Council was already scheduled to meet on April 13 in work session with representatives of Coakley-Williams. But at the April 6 regular meeting, Robert Manzi, an attorney representing Western Development, appeared before council and asked that they consider and decide on the smaller Baker-Witt property separately from their actions on the Coakley-Williams property. He told council that Western Development is willing to accept C-O rather than C-M zoning for Baker-Witt. He also suggested that Western Development's representatives would be wanting to discuss with the city annexation of the Baker-Witt land. Manzi asked for an immediate commitment that evening from council on the zoning issue.

Members of council quickly made it clear they did not intend to grant the request. Councilman Richard Castaldi said he wanted to see in writing any commitments that Western Development might be willing to make to the city. Councilman Thomas White voiced his reluctance to divorce the two zoning applications until the implications are fully explored and understood. He said he would be concerned about a "too early city embrace" of the Baker-Witt application because of the dampening effect that might have on council for studying and deciding the other larger (Coakley-Williams) area. Councilman Charles Schwan did not think council should act that evening on a hurry-up basis.

Manzi, admitting that he had not expected to succeed but that he had felt he had to try, asked for a work session with council. Later in the evening, a work ses-

sion was tentatively scheduled for April 14.

Vacant Schools

Council received a letter from Audrey Scott, Mayor of Bowie, in which she said, "In 1980, the General Assembly adopted legislation which requires the creation of a shared space council. . . . This study of joint uses of surplus public school buildings is an important new concept which deserves thorough examination. The City Council (of Bowie) asks your municipality to join with us in asking the County Executive and County Council to implement this legislation so we may fairly determine what alternatives exist to the closing of so many schools in our County."

Greenbelt's council voted to join Bowie in making such a request to the county executive and county council.

Legion Drive

Greenbelt's American Legion Post has asked the city for widening and resurfacing of Legion Drive. City Manager Giese in his written report to council noted the growing number of commuters who park on that road, and the overflow crowds from the Legion building who park on the shoulders. Giese itemized repairs that have been made to the road and its shoulders and said that the city would replace temporary patches with permanent ones.

Acknowledging that it would be desirable to pave the shoulders and resurface the street, Giese went on to advise council that "The city is faced with the need to resurface many streets and improve many shoulders within the community, and funds to do this work are inadequate. Based upon the conditions and needs of other streets within the city, it is not felt that the need at this location is sufficient to warrant undertaking of the improvements requested."

Councilman Richard Pilski said he felt this response was an "insult" to the Legion's request, and asked that staff give council an estimate on the cost of repairing and repaving the street. Mayor Gil Weidenfeld, with agreement by the other council members, asked that staff be prepared to discuss the issue and its costs during the forthcoming budget sessions.

Lake Park Parking

With the return of warmer weather, the subject of overflow parking by Lake Park users onto Crescent Road and into nearby Boxwood streets has again become a problem for council. During a March 30 work session, council considered various possible changes in present parking regulations offered by city staff, but found them all deficient in some manner or another. Council concluded that the Boxwood Civic Association should be asked for any recommendations it might have for modifying the existing parking regulations. At the April 6 meeting it was noted that a letter had been prepared and sent to the homeowners' group, soliciting their ideas.

It was also noted that commuters who ride Metro express buses are using the Lake Park parking lot on weekdays. Council asked that city staff develop figures on commuter parking at the lake. Council also directed the city manager to ask the State Highway Administration whether a part of the SHA parking compound on Kenilworth Ave. could be opened to commuter parking.

Purchases

In other business, council approved the additional money needed for purchase of a dump truck, snow plow and photocopy machine. It also voted the funds needed to replace a large replacement valve needed at the swimming pool, and to replace a riding rotary mower and equipment trailer that were stolen last summer.

Council was prepared to give first reading only to an ordinance and a resolution that would appropriate \$14,850 for the negotiated purchase of a so-called "skyvan" — a van truck with a hydraulic aerial ladder. However, when council learned from the city manager that the present pickup truck with ladder that is

to be replaced has a defect in the ladder mechanism which may pose a safety hazard for its users, council suspended the rules and passed both ordinance and resolution without delay.

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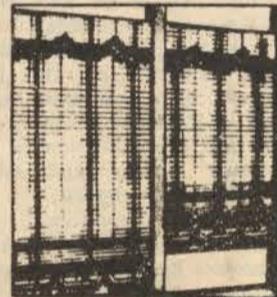


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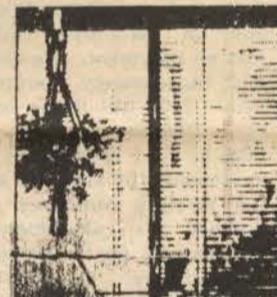
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walkway crosses the parking lot, one parking space would be lost. Through the wooded area between the parking lot and the right-of-way of the Parkway, the land to be taken by the city widens to 30 ft. As Giese explained to the jury, the pathway will wind between the large trees so that only small scrub trees will need to be cut down to make room for the path. Here the surface would probably be asphalt. Giese testified.

"The only question before us is who gets what? Is that right? Judge Jacob Levin inquired of the four attorneys before the jury selection process began Monday, April 13 in Court Room No. 1 in the Court House in Upper Marlboro. The judge's strict interpretation of Maryland's condominium laws simplified the task for the jury — to set a lump sum that the city would pay to the condominium association for the land. The sum would include a fair return for the actual land to be taken and could include, if the jury saw fit, damages which would result as a consequence of the public improvement (sidewalk) constructed on the land taken. What the judge said the jury should not do was to identify which individual apartment units might be entitled to specific damages as had been requested by the Greenbriar attorneys. William Dunn represented the Phase I association. Douglas Bregman and Jeffrey Axelson represented a dozen or more individual owners most of whose units face the parking lot in question. The central issue hinged around this point — would there be consequential damages to the individual units most affected. The owners of these units saw the condemnation as an extreme invasion of their privacy. Their appraiser, Fred Lauterbach, agreed. He set a total lump sum figure of \$71,010 which he divided into two categories — the taking of the land (\$33,260) and consequential damages to 51 apartment units (\$37,750). In the first category, he appraised the actual value of the land at \$8,291. To that he added \$5,219 for a temporary construction easement of an adjacent quarter acre in the parking lot for one year; \$1,500 replacement cost for one parking space; and, \$18,250 for the additional cost of maintaining the adjacent property (picking up trash and extra grass cutting, etc.) This last figure was based on his estimate that one-man-hour-per-day more work would be generated by the public walking through the area. Calculated at \$6 per hour, the yearly cost to Greenbriar owners would be \$2,190 in perpetuity. Lauterbach testified it would take an investment of \$18,250 to provide a yearly income of \$2,190, assuming 12% interest.

He figured consequential damages to the individual units by calculating probable monthly rental loss from \$15 for a three-bedroom unit with a den to \$11 for a one-bedroom unit, where the units face the offending sidewalk. Those units on the back sides of the buildings whose owners were served by the parking lot, were calculated at half those losses. Again, he capitalized the loss, setting the total consequential damage to the 51 units at \$37,750.

Lauterbach testified that the actual acquisition of the land "could be minor compared to the loss in value to the adjacent property owners themselves." The factors that he used, he said, in arriving at this opinion were "loss of privacy, outsiders coming in across one section of the condominium, increased traffic, noise

ions, the benefits of access to the facilities in the old section of town — elementary schools, library, pool, churches and friends — would far outweigh any disadvantages. Thus they found no consequential damages at all.

If there are two otherwise equal apartments — one facing the parking lot and one in a private area — would they be equally marketable, Bregman asked Lauterbach.

"No. It would take more time to sell the unit facing the sidewalk," testified Lauterbach.

Would there be "any specific benefits to the residents of Greenbriar" to be derived from the overpass and public walkway, asked Bregman.

"No," stated Lauterbach. "It is clearly evident that this acquisition (is designed) to move students from the older sections of Greenbelt to the new school. Greenbriar doesn't need a right-of-way to the school." The walkway would also provide the best walking route from old Greenbelt to the new Greenway shopping center, but again not for Greenbriar, he said. "Greenbriar," he summed up "is fairly well self-contained community. I doubt there would be any benefits to Greenbriar residents."

In his cross-examination, Nanna centered on the fact that Lauterbach had made an appraisal of \$29,200 in February of 1980. "What compelled you to go back," asked Nanna, and more than double your figure?

"Market conditions," responded Lauterbach, increased costs, the project had since sold out of new units eliminating that competition, and the city's obtaining the land in fee-simple rather than just an easement. He also said he had inaccurately counted apartments from the front seat of his car. Tuesday morning, he testified, he had been given a list of apartments by size and address in the affected buildings. He had finished his calculations in the hall outside the court room prior to testifying. He added up the figures on the witness stand when asked to by Nanna.

Greenbelt's two appraisers, Michael Hagan and Anath J. Bright gave almost identical appraisals for the taking of the land: \$9,753 and \$7,300, respectively. Both men testified that in their expert opin-

ions, the benefits of access to the facilities in the old section of town — elementary schools, library, pool, churches and friends — would far outweigh any disadvantages. Thus they found no consequential damages at all.

Hagan pointed out that the football field and high school across Hanover Parkway would generate as much 'noise as you would get from an occasional pedestrian or bicyclist. He testified that any additional litter and noise were probably not significant.

"You are saying there would be no appreciable change?" inquired an incredulous Dunn on cross examination. Are you aware of the large number of people from old Greenbelt who will be going over there? Dunn asked.

"Why?" Hagan broke in, "There's nothing over there for them. Everything is on the other side."

Asked whether more vandalism was likely, Hagan said he couldn't foresee it.

"No one is permitted in the area at the present time," Dunn pursued his line of questioning. Right now Greenbriar owners have the "right to have trespassers removed." With a public pathway, he said, "They'll no longer have that right."

But Hagan said "I felt the value I put on the taking (of the land) would take care of all this."

Bright emphasized the advantages of connecting Greenbriar to the inner walkway system of the original planned community portion of Greenbelt on the other side of the Parkway. "That safe walkway system goes between houses, not along the streets," he explained. He suggested in response to cross examination, that students who now use various wooded paths to cross the Parkway would prefer the ease of the overpass and would be less likely to trespass as they do now.

Bregman asked whether two apartments otherwise equal, one facing the walkway and one in a private area, would be worth the same.

"You can't measure the difference," Bright responded.

"If you, personally, were the buyer?" Bregman pursued.

"I would pay more," Bright said. "For the safety of my grandchildren, I would pay more."

Soccer News

The Greenbelt 8 year old County Soccer team did it again. They beat Kettering II 5-0 on Saturday, April 11. Paul Baker pulled a "hat trick" (scoring 3 goals) and Colin Joseph and Larry Trimble scored one goal each.

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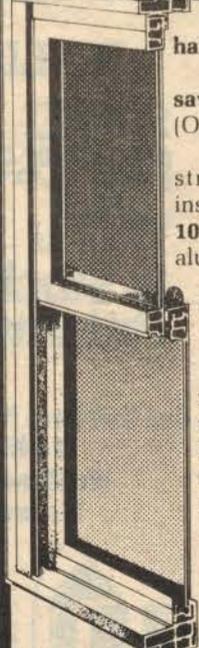
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Mayor Thomas J. Canning administers the oath of office to new City Manager Charles T. McDonald in July 1948.

Symphony Presents Five Performances

by Charles Hagelgans
The Prince Georges Symphony ended its regular subscription season last Saturday night with a concert at Eleanor Roosevelt High School. The opening work, entitled "DECA", was composed by the symphony's music director, Frederick Morden. The piece was in a single movement, divided into several sections of contrasting character and tempi. Good ensemble by the orchestra prevailed, with the forceful passages being played with confidence and brilliance.
Edvard Grieg's Piano Concerto in A Minor was played beautifully by the evening's guest soloist, Enrique Graf. Graf is a native of Uruguay, a student of Leon Fleisher, and a faculty member of the Peabody Institute Preparatory Department. A fine performance overall by both orchestra and soloist, the musically sensitive and exciting piano cadenza inspired the audience to applaud at the end

of the first movement, which Graf most graciously accepted.

The orchestra went on to close the performance with Beethoven's Symphony No. 5 in C Minor. Maestro Morden's interpretation was well appreciated by the audience. Clean, bold playing by the French horns punctuated a strong effort by the orchestra.

Domestic Violence Seminar Schedule

"Domestic Violence: Families in Crisis" is the title of a two day seminar to be presented by the Prince Georges County Commission for Women on two consecutive Tuesdays, April 21 and 28, at the Auditorium of the Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Building, 6600 Kenilworth Avenue, Riverdale, Maryland.

The seminar is designed to provide an understanding of the dynamics of domestic violence, the resources available to the victim and the abuser, and the impact of the courts and legislation on families in crisis. Call 952-3383.

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gious man and a dedicated community man. . . . Those of us who knew him respected him for his honesty and good judgment that was often assisted by a good heart. He loved people and people loved him."

Canning was an attorney with the Army Corps of Engineers for 25 years before retiring in 1966. He then worked for seven years as a negotiator with the real estate division of the Prince Georges County Public Works Department before retiring a second time in 1973.

Survivors include his wife, Elizabeth, of College Park; six sons, Michael of Bowie, Robert of Dunkirk, Gerard of Springfield, Richard of Beltsville and Thomas J., Jr. and James, both of Greenbelt; two daughters, Ann Mitten of Mechanicsville and Mary Murray of Severna Park; and 18 grandchildren.

The family suggests that expressions of sympathy be in the form of contributions to the Catholic Relief Service, 1011 1st Ave., New York City, 10022.

Golden Age Club

by Blanche E. Lee
Reservations for the Greenbelt Golden Age Club Anniversary celebration on Wednesday, April 22, must be made no later than April 19. Club members who wish to attend and have not signed up, please call Florence Holly 474-6646.

There are still some reservations available for the June 26 Hopewell, Pa., trip to see The Passion Play at Hopewell Methodist Church. There is no restriction as to Club members or age limit, and reservations should be made by June 1 by calling Travel Chairman Zelpha Parsons 345-3904.

A few reservations remain for the September 1, 2, 3 and 4 trip to Cape Cod, Martha's Vineyard and Nantucket Island for seniors 60 and over. It is not necessary, however, to be a Club member. For further information call Zelpha Parsons.

Dance Workshop Dinner Theatre Come

Greenbelt Cultural Arts Center will sponsor its first Workshops in the Arts program, beginning April 21, with a 6-week program featuring Graceanne Adamo, Washington dance, choreographer and teacher.

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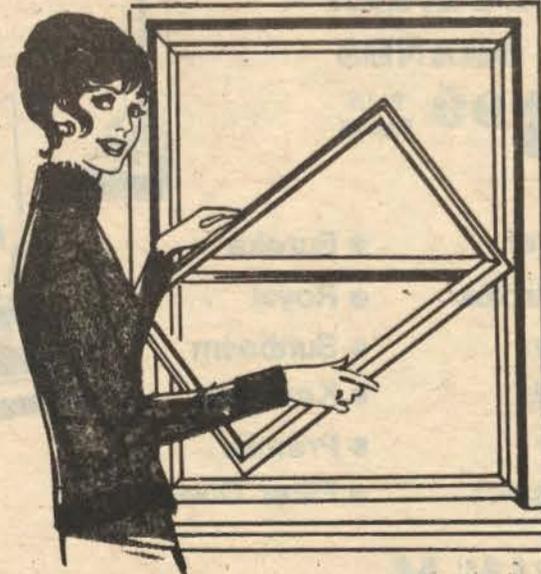
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JoAnn Rowe Named City of Greenbelt's Outstanding Employee

At the City's annual Awards Banquet, held Saturday, March 21, JoAnn Rowe, Recreation Assistant, was named Outstanding City Employee of 1980. JoAnn began working with the City in 1976 on a part-time basis; shortly thereafter she became a full-time Recreation Assistant. In presenting the award, Mayor Weidelfeld particularly noted JoAnn's conscientiousness, cooperation and dedication. He also recognized JoAnn for her record of community service and involvement in volunteer services, including participation on the Board of Directors of the Greenbelt Boys' and Girls' Club, coaching and managing several youth and women's athletic teams and assistance in church youth programs in the City.

Besides Ms. Rowe, a number of other City employees were noted for having received promotions in the previous year. They were Danny Blake, Tom Ceccarelli, Mike Craddock, Jim Craze, Kattina Giles, Kenny Hall, John Lann, Tom Miskell, Cindy Murray, John Pyles, Doug Sappington, Kenny Stair and Steve Stratchko. Sgt. Herbert Faulconer received a pin and a gift for 30 years service with the City. Faulconer began his employment with the City as a dispatcher and was promoted through the ranks to his present position of Police Sergeant.

Police Lt. John C. Krob and Joseph Lonesky, Public Works Crewman, received 15 year service awards. Ten year service pins were presented to Woodrow Wines, Public Works Crewman, and Barbara Havkost, Administrative Assistant. Recognized for five years of service were Cindy Murray, Public Works Office Assistant, Dorothy Lauber, Secretary to the City Manager, George Rogala, Recreation Supervisor, and Richard Mills, Public Works Crewman.

Tom Withrow, Jr. Will Also Compete

A second Greenbelter is also attempting to raise \$4000 to compete in the Deaf Olympics in West Germany. Tom Withrow, Jr., 22-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas E. Withrow, Sr. of Westway Road, has earned a spot on the U.S. team as one of three top deaf hammer throwers in the country. Tom, a senior at Gallaudet, was not officially told of his selection until the last week of February. Since then, he has been able to raise almost \$1000. Like Michiline, Tom needs to reach \$4000 by May 1 if he is able to go to the competitions in West Germany.

A 6'1", 225 lb. athlete, Tom was born deaf and is the son of deaf parents.

Contributions for Tom may be made out to the "Deaf Olympic Fund" and sent care of Thomas E. Withrow, Sr., 139 Westway Rd., T-3, Greenbelt, Md. 20770.

Joe Michiline's Fund Nearing Goal

The Greenbelt Jaycees announced that the fund to send pole vaulter Joe Michiline to the Deaf Olympics in West Germany in July has reached over 75% of its goal of \$4,000. Presently, \$3,100 through the contributions of many Greenbelt individuals and organizations.

The Greenbelt City Council has declared Sunday, April 26 as Joe Michiline Day. As part of this event Joe will appear on this date at the Greenway Shopping Center at a time and location to be announced.

Contributions to the Joe Michiline Fund may be sent to the Greenbelt Jaycees, P.O. Box 302, Greenbelt, MD. 20770.

SHL BASEBALL PARADE

The Springhill Lake Youth Baseball League will hold its annual Opening Day Parade on Saturday, May 2. Included in the parade will be clowns, majorettes, VIP's and a surprise or two. Any individual or group may participate in the parade. For more information call the Springhill Lake Community House at 474-4555.



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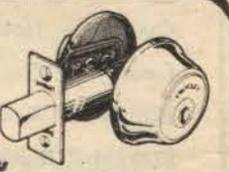
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Greenbelters were saddened to learn of the death of former Mayor Thomas Canning. Our deepest sympathy to his family.

Carla Jean Smith has been awarded an American Jurisprudence prize for receiving the top grade in a law course at Indiana University School of Law. She is the daughter of Jim and Mary Agnes Smith of Greenhill.

Susan G. Dambruskas, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Dambruskas, has been named to the Dean's List for the winter term at Alderson-Broaddus College in Philippi, West Virginia. She is a freshman majoring in Technical Writing and Business Administration.

Congratulations to Craig Dies who captured the "Best Swimmer of the Year" award in his age group. Craig, who swims for Piney Branch/Rockville during the winter months, currently holds 21 team records.

Caglan Aras won the Grand Award and a \$50 bond for the junior division for his project "Hydrogen Production by Solar Energy" in the 33rd annual Area Science Fair held recently at Prince Georges Community College. Aras, a ninth grader at Roosevelt, also tied for first place in the engineering category of the junior division.

Air Force Airman 1st Class Robert O. Reamy, son of Mrs. Jewell Reamy of Springhill Lake, is one of 160,000 U.S. and South Korean military people participating in the Team Spirit '81 military exercise in South Korea.

Coast Guard Fireman Apprentice Anthony S. Leadbeter, son of Willard S. and Barbara E. Leadbeter, has completed recruit training at the Coast Guard Training Center, Cape May, N.J.

Police Blotter

As a result of a call, Sgt. Stair arrested a suspect who was attempting to steal a battery out of a parked vehicle during the day in Beltway Plaza parking lot.

Officer Lynn arrested a shoplifter who was attempting to remove clothing from Marshalls Department Store in Beltway Plaza. Officer Love arrested a suspect in the mall area of Beltway Plaza as he refused to leave upon request of security guards. The suspect was charged with trespass.

An attempted pocketbook snatch was reported on Edmonston Road in Springhill Lake during the evening hours. The suspect, a white male in his 20's, fled from the scene.

Pfc. Justin arrested two suspects for a theft from a parked vehicle on Hanover Parkway.

Several acts of vandalism took place on Ridge Road and Centerway Road, and on Brezewood Drive in Springhill Lake. The Methodist Church had a window broken and shrubbery damaged. Several cars had paint sprayed on them and several cars had their tires cut.

The manager of Mantrap in the Beltway Plaza reported that, as he was about to use the vault deposit box in the Equitable Trust Bank in the Beltway Plaza, a black male in his 20's approached him and robbed him of \$2,000 at gunpoint. A lookout was issued.

Two male juveniles were apprehended by Cpl. Lann for vandalism to the North End School building.

Children from the Mishkan Torah Child Day Care Center visited the Police Station and "OLO," the Department's Safety Robot, on April 6.

Betsy Turkiewicz Honored At Breakfast of Champions

by J. Henson

Greenbelt Betsy Turkiewicz was one of a group of outstanding area achievers who were honored on Saturday, March 28 by the Prince Georges Champions Association at the Eighth Annual "Breakfast of Champions." The program was held at the Andrews Air Force Base Officers Club.

Awards for the most outstanding achievements in the fields of academics, arts, athletics and sciences were presented. Nominees selected were those who have won state, regional, national or international championships. Thirty-two individual and 19 team awards were presented. Betsy received an award for her participation in the All-Eastern Orchestra. A senior at Eleanor Roosevelt and concert mistress for her school orchestra, she has been studying the violin for the past 10 years. From her earlier achievement of her selection for the All-State Orchestra, she was selected to participate in the All-Eastern Orchestra. After graduation Betsy plans to attend a music conservatory, where she will major in performance.

The Eleanor Roosevelt High School Concert Choir also received an award and performed three musical selections.

WASH (97.1) radio personality Jerry Clark, acting as Master of Ceremonies, and guest speaker Lt. Governor Sam Bogley presented the awards.



Violinist Betsy Turkiewicz receives an award from Lt. Gov. Sam Bogley at the eighth annual "Breakfast of Champions." Prince Georges Champions Association President, Burt Oliver, is seen in the rear.

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The building is presently being managed by CMF Management, Inc. under a contract which extends to June 30, 1981. While the City is seeking and accepting proposals from other management firms at this time, the City Council has made no decision as to whether or not it will employ another management firm and reserves the right to extend its contract with CMF Management.

The City is a non-profit entity which has received a mortgage loan from the Maryland Community Development Administration (CDA) and is required to comply with all rules and regulations of CDA. The City is further subject to the rules and regulations of HUD as relate to the administration of a Section 8 program. Any management agreement executed by the City is subject to the approval of CDA.

Interested parties should respond with a comprehensive description of past and present management activities, detailing for each project managed the number of units, the ownership, the method of financing, if known, the type of occupancy, and the reason for terminating the contract if the project is no longer managed.

Information concerning the following should also be provided:

1. Experience in managing projects regulated by the Maryland Community Development Administration
2. Experience in managing projects receiving HUD Section 8 elderly rental assistance
3. Management firm's accounting capabilities
4. Management firm's maintenance capabilities

Responses should also include resumes of all management personnel, an indication of total number of staff personnel, and a management philosophy as regards the management of elderly housing. Firms or individuals with experience in facilities with food preparation facilities and dining areas should also indicate and include in their management philosophy techniques for utilizing this space.

Proposals should be sent to Mr. James K. Giese, City Manager, City of Greenbelt, 25 Crescent Road Greenbelt, Maryland 20770, so as to be received no later than May 8, 1981. Firms selected for final interview on the basis of the written proposals will be notified and will be expected to appear for a personal interview at a later date.

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Eastway Group, Plumbing Problems Dominate Emotional GHI Meeting

by Mary Lou Williamson

Two thorny problems occupied the Greenbelt Homes, Inc. Board of Directors at its regular meeting of April 9. The members of the 3-court of Eastway want to be left out of rehab; and some of the plumbing work under Phase I has presented difficult problems for individual members.

The increases in the total rehab loan package over the past two years from 5 million to 26 m. and now 30 "boggles my mind," Sylvia Rosen (3 Eastway) told the board. "The people in our court want to keep the old boiler. They will pay to have it fixed. Leave our windows alone," she implored. "We don't need insulation and we don't want new siding. The house needs air, we don't want to live in a tomb." She suggested that if the windows had had proper maintenance at the right time, they wouldn't need replacing now.

Another member of the court, Benjamin Abramowitz took the board to task for asking members to come out to long evening membership meetings. Many of the members in his court, he explained, had suffered some serious illness during the past two years. "Not all of us can go to meetings," he said, excluding himself. "Tell your inspectors to knock on our doors and ask us what we want."

In response, Nat Shinderman reminded the group that the corporation had hired expert consultants (TAA) 10 years ago to help plan a rehabilitation program. Their proposal, he said, at \$7 to 11 m. was 50% more extensive than what we are now getting for \$20 m. Despite this advice, the membership had said no," he recalled. "We thought we could hold back inflation and deterioration by just saying no." Today, he continued, the cost of the program will be immeasurably greater if we should continue to postpone it!

"We don't need all this money spent on what is not at all necessary," countered Rosen, challenging Shinderman's premise of need. Abramowitz, who has put a 2-story addition onto his own home, said he preferred to do his own work, paying for it within a few years. He felt that method would cost him less in the long run. He feared the rehab loan would raise the monthly cost of buying a unit beyond what the market would bear.

"The Department of Commerce has projected a 20% rise in the cost of home heating oil for the coming year. That 20% equals our entire cost of oil five or six years ago when we started working on rehab planning," said director Wayne Williams, who had been on the Long Range Planning Committee at that time. Williams is equally certain that energy-saving rehab is an economic necessity for GHI.

"I am convinced we will pay less with it (rehab) than without it," added Director Margaret Hogensen. "That is my honest and deeply felt conclusion."

Taking the middle ground, audit committee member Frank Gervasi supported points by both Rosen and Shinderman. He favored allowing individuals or groups such as the 3-court to do their own work, adding that he thought that the right of the group to maintain their own boiler is a good idea. Any work financed individually, he said, "will lessen the debt of the corporation." While he

shares the concern of many about the size of that debt, he said he didn't think it was much different, in today's dollars, than the \$7 to 11 m. TAA plan Shinderman had spoken of earlier. "A house that cost \$23,000 ten years ago now costs \$65,000; ten years from now it will cost \$190,000, he speculated. "When we talk about \$13,000 per unit to upgrade our homes, it seems a big fraction of what we paid for that unit; ten years from now, it will be a small fraction."

Oppose Survey

Members Charles Schwan and Shinderman took issue with Abramowitz' plea for the corporation to make a door-to-door survey. A year ago, explained Schwan, "we had quite a lot of neighborhood meetings. The corporation went out to members in their courts, explained the program and asked for members' views." Shinderman agreed; he also pointed out the availability of proxies for those who cannot attend a meeting but wish to vote on the issues.

While admitting that window "maintenance should have been better, it would not have had any effect on the retention of heat as will the new windows being installed," said Schwan, refuting Rosen's earlier statement.

Concerned, Schwan hoped there could be a meeting of the minds. He called for the board to schedule a special meeting for the exchange of information with the members of the 3-court. President Don Volk appointed Abramowitz to help set up such a meeting.

On a slightly different tack, Eunice Coxon objected strenuously to the gradually increasing cost of the total rehab package. "Some of us feel we've been the victim of a game plan. We certainly aren't against rehab, but upping the price to \$15,000 or \$20,000 per home . . . I think this has long been in the planning. We end up in a state of shock. Can we afford to stay here at \$350 a month?"

Election Procedures

Distressed by the voting procedures at the Special Membership Meeting, Coxon reiterated her desire to have those procedures improved prior to the annual meeting on May 28. (She had had a letter to the board read at the last meeting dealing with these issues. See GHI story in last week's issue of the News Review.) She would particularly like to see

secret balloting and sufficient seating for the members. Janet James, member of the Nominations and Elections Committee, agreed that changes were needed and should be forthcoming. "We only do the counting," she remarked. "We are making recommendations to the board, but the board has to take action." Chairman of the committee, Stephen Polaschik, will make a formal report to the board at a future meeting. Director Wayne Williams suggested an ad hoc committee to study alternatives on voting procedures.

Plumbing

Hogensen itemized a menu of problems with the plumbing work being done under Phase I: outside faucets installed so that they can't be used, insulation not replaced in inner walls after work is completed, delay in inspecting work, delay in closing walls, installing new-style cocks that don't work (toilets run), installing anti-scald shower heads that don't work (device won't hold temperature of water selected) — all of which implied poor supervision, poor planning and poor timing. A report from the ad hoc committee on Rehabilitation Complaints by Bettie Denson supported Hogensen's charges. After some discussion, the board approved motions by Carl Conrad giving the contractor one week to fix two particularly long-standing problems. The contractors will also be asked to stop now and complete all unfinished work before starting any new units.

In other actions, the board —approved a resolution approving the \$4.5m. loan from the National Consumer Cooperative Bank.

—approved heavy-up contracts for two rows of homes, 3 E-H Crescent and 17 G-K Ridge, whose owners are utilizing Maryland Housing Rehabilitation Program financing.

—adopted a short form of minutes — motions and results only — to be available by the following meeting, but not to replace full-length minutes.

—tabled discussion on division of brick and block rehab costs until legal opinion is obtained. At present, costs are to be shared equally although the costs of rehabilitating the block homes will be greater than for the bricks.

—voted to sell the seven units now owned by GHI.

White Appointed To Commission on Cities

Thomas X. White, Greenbelt City Council member, has been appointed to the National League of Cities' Commission on Cities in the 80's. White will represent the Maryland Municipal League on the Commission.

The Commission on Cities in the 80's was created to explore

ways of strengthening the capacities of the nation's municipal governments to respond to the major forces which will influence America's cities and towns in the 1980's. The Commission has been asked to develop final conclusions and recommendations by the end of 1981.

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