

# Greenbelt News Review

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## Council Adopts Cable TV Ordinance; Recommends Site Plan For Exxon

by Leta Mach

At its meeting June 8, Council approved a cable television ordinance and made a recommendation on an automobile filling station. However, council needed more information before it could make a recommendation on two rezoning applications.

Because several technical amendments were made to the cable television ordinance during the evening, a suspension of rules was needed to pass the ordinance that night. Most of the amendments corrected typographical errors. One change, suggested by Storer Cable Communications, limits to 30 days any extension of a 60-day period within which a public hearing should be held on requests for subscriber fee changes.

Under the terms of the cable television ordinance, the city council and city manager would serve as the Cable Television Commission and executive director. However, council could set up a Cable Television Commission. The ordinance gives council the opportunity to grant one or more franchises in a number of options—city franchise, joint franchise with another city, or join the county system. Although franchises are for 15-year, renewable terms, the ordinance outlines procedures for revoking or terminating the franchise. A 5% franchise fee is set and any transfer of the franchise must be ap-

proved by council.

If economically feasible, 100% of subscribers in the franchise territory would receive cable television service 18 months after the franchisee received all necessary permits and licenses. A studio will be available six months after service begins. The franchise will provide one service outlet to each fire station, public school building, police station, public library, and other municipal buildings designated by the city. Access channels will be available for local educational, governmental, and noncommercial public use. The equivalent of 20 television broadcast channels (120 Mhz of bandwidth) will be available. The system should also have the capacity for two-way non-voice return communication.

### Site Plan

In another agenda item, Council approved the Advisory Planning Board's (APB) recommendations for the site plan for a Greenway Shopping Center gas station. The recommendations were sent to the Prince Georges Planning Board as council's position. APB recommended the site plan be approved with two conditions. First, the Technical Staff requirements for sign height and location should be approved and the city should be included in review of specific sign designs. Second, the city ordinances that trash containers be set behind the building set-back line and at least 30 feet from a public right-of-way should be applied and dumpsters should be screened by

shrubbery of equal or greater height. Western Development Corporation legal counsel Robert Manzli expressed agreement with the recommendations.

Two rezoning matters were delayed until necessary paperwork could be completed. For consideration of the rezoning of 33 acres south of the Maryland Trade Center, council set an early meeting. Coakley & Williams, contract purchasers of the tract, supports annexation in return for city support of the rezoning request to C-M (Commercial-Miscellaneous) and C-O (Commercial-Office). Coakley & Williams attorney Russell Shipley states, "I will request more time on the city's behalf, if it is necessary."

The Hearing Examiner has set a hearing date of July 22 for the rezoning request for 12 acres on both sides of Hanover Parkway. The contract purchaser, Western Development, is also proposing annexation in return for city support of rezoning and assistance in financing public improvements. No significant problems were foreseen and council felt the matter could be dealt with at its July meeting.

Council also received two petitions. A complaint about a police officer was referred to the City Manager. Council scheduled an early meeting with the Board of Directors of the Fire Department who were concerned that new regulations about the chain of command would create problems especially in the area of fire safety.

## After a Year of Ups and Downs, Final U.S. Census Figures Are "Approximate"

by Virginia Beauchamp

"Final census counts indicate that Greenbelt has a population of just over 17,330 and approximately 8,000 housing units." So wrote Peter A. Bounpane, Acting Chief of the Decennial Census Division, Bureau of the Census to Greenbelt Mayor Gil Weidenfeld in a letter dated May 26.

Wait a minute! How's that again? "Just over 17,330?" "Approximately 8,000?" Can this be the Bureau of the Census, reporting its final figures after the countdown in Greenbelt? Certainly we die, and we are born, and some of us move away, and some move in. But at the cut-off moment when they were counting, didn't they know the figure they were prepared to stand behind?

In fact, those two figures have fluctuated a good bit during the

last year. Preliminary estimates last summer on the number of housing units stood at 8,269. This was changed in September to 8,023 and further "corrected" downward in mid-November to 7,348. At that time the city strongly challenged the figures, which were greatly at variance with a count of dwelling units made by Assistant City Manager Dennis Piendak. His figure was 8,019. So there we stand—"approximately 8,000 housing units"—give or take a few, of course.

A similar pattern applies to the population count. In 1970 Greenbelt had 18,199 residents. Not "approximately," we note. Then the 1980 census showed 17,246, revised downward in November to 15,906. Later the Bureau conceded that some sections of Greenbelt had been inadvertently counted in another political jurisdiction. The new figure, "just over 17,330," more closely approximates the best guess of city

officials themselves.

Correct figures are important, as Bounpane's letter acknowledges: "The Census Bureau will certify the revised figures . . . and whenever official counts are needed (for revenue sharing and other purposes), the Census Bureau will provide the certified revised count." But since the correction was made too late to get into the computer files or published tables of the census, Bounpane assured the city that the revised certified count would be shown in "a correction note."

In changes over the last decade, Greenbelt fits into a national trend. There are more housing units, but fewer people occupying them. More and more households are headed by single persons, as divorce rates increase. Families have fewer children, and growing numbers of the elderly often live alone. Thus Greenbelt's population drop of nearly 1,000 since 1970 typifies the national norms.

## GHI Stops Its Sales Activities To Comply With Court Order

by Elaine Skolnik

In an executive session on June 11, the Greenbelt Homes, Inc. Board of Directors voted to terminate immediately its sales activities. (see box). This action was taken after Circuit Court Judge Vincent Femia on June 8 found GHI in contempt of court because its sales operations were not self-supporting, a violation of the court order handed down on January 4, 1980 in the Nyman suit against GHI. (Nyman filed suit in May 1978 charging that GHI's new sales policy of eliminating commissions on sale of homes and charging a single fee violated the Maryland anti-trust laws.)

### MOTION

The following motion which was passed by the GHI Board in executive session on June 11 is on the agenda of the board meeting tonight, June 18, at 8 p.m.

"Be it moved that pursuant to an order of the Circuit Court for Prince George's County, GHI hereby immediately terminate all sales functions performed by the sales and members services department; and further, that GHI shall escrow all sales commissions payable on the transfer of those GHI units which are presently subject to binding sales contracts and which were listed with the GHI sales office."

After GHI appealed, the Special Court of Appeals of Maryland on March 4, 1981 ruled that GHI's policy of charging a single fee for each home sold (regardless of whether GHI, an outside realtor, or the homeowner sells the house) violated the state's antitrust law. The opinion substantially affirmed the decision of the Circuit Court for Prince Georges County handed down by Judge Femia. The effect of the decision was to continue the lower court's ban on a single fee which combines administrative, inspection and sales service costs in a single package.

Nyman later filed to require

## Greenbelt Youth Honored; Alerted Police to Break-in

Lee M. Santos, 12, has received rewards and recognition for the key role he played in identifying the suspect in a residential break-in last December. Lee, a recent graduate of North End School, was on duty with the school safety patrol when he observed a person breaking into a residence. He signaled other posts, directing that the police be notified. When the suspect fled after hearing the police sirens, Lee got the license number of the car. Identification was made and it was later determined that there was also a warrant for the suspect in Baltimore County.

Lee's decisive action and quick response to the situation while he was continuing to discharge his safety patrol responsibilities have earned him high praise from local police and civic groups. This week the Lions Club presented Lee a plaque and a \$25 bond, the Greenbelt Police Department awarded him a certificate and a \$50 check and the Fraternal Order of Police Lodge 32 gave him a \$50 check. Under the auspices of FOP Lodge 32 and a private corporation, Lee and his parents, Richard and Linda Lee Santos of 62-E Ridge Road, will be taken out to dinner by limousine as an expression of appreciation of Lee's action.

GHI to comply and on June 8 GHI was cited for contempt. Judge Femia gave GHI until August 10 to come up with an acceptable plan that would show the sales operation is self-supporting. He indicated that if he approves the plan the fine would be suspended—\$100 a day running from January 4, 1980 to June 8, 1981 and continuing every day thereafter for as long as GHI remains in contempt. Additionally, GHI will have to pay legal fees which could amount to approximately \$40,000.

GHI's options appear to be to (1) abandon its real estate sales activities (listing, advertising, showing homes, etc.) or (2) pay its sales personnel strictly on the basis of commissions on sales of homes, and to maintain sales bank accounts and books separate from all other corporate records.

On the advice of counsel, GHI had instituted a 3% commission just prior to the court order on January 4, 1980 which, in the opinion of GHI's legal counsel, would put GHI in compliance with the court order. According to a GHI spokesperson, the 3% fee coupled with the slowing down of the real estate market resulted in income insufficient to cover the expense of the sales operation.

## "As Time Goes By" Continues To Run

by Paula Lipman

"As Time Goes By," an original musical revue of the 1930's, will play Friday and Saturday, 8:15 p.m. at the Greenbelt Cultural Arts Center, 129 Centerway. Because of its great popularity with audiences of all ages the show will be extended an additional week, Friday, and Saturday, June 26 and 27, at 8:15 p.m.

Among the numbers are "Begin the Beguine," "Brother Can You Spare a Dime," "Night and Day," "I'm No Angel," "Jealousy," "I Wish I Could Shimmy Like My Sister Kate," "La Cucaracha," "Birth of the Blues," and "Dancing Cheek to Cheek." Melodies from "Annie," "Wizard of Oz" and "Good Ship Lollipop" appeal to children and adults.

Leading soloists are Judy Marshall, Mary Nieter, Craig Mooring and Sandy Duvall. Leading dancers are Robert Caraballo, Kathy Bell and Graceanne Adamo.

Graceanne Adamo is choreographer and co-director as well as dancer in "As Time Goes By." She teaches dance in Prince Georges Community College, Maryland Institute, College of Art and Vic Daumet Dance studios. She has choreographed works for Improvisations Unlimited, in residence at the University of Maryland. In 1978 Adamo founded the Center for Contemporary Dance.

For information call 474-7763 or 345-3516.

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## Miss Greenbelt Pageant

Girls 15-19 years old who are Greenbelt residents have the opportunity to participate in one of Greenbelt's most popular events, the Miss Greenbelt Pageant. Participants have the chance to win numerous valuable prizes while enjoying a summer and labor day weekend they will never forget.

There will be a preliminary meeting for young women who would like to become part of this long standing Greenbelt tradition on Wednesday, June 24 at 7:30 p.m. in the Greenbelt Library conference room. Girls who are interested but cannot attend this meeting should call Lesley Kreimer at 441-1990.

## CITY NOTES

Bad sections of concrete were removed at the Municipal Pool. Lights at the tennis courts were repaired.

Work was also done on the Windsor Green Ballpark and the Springhill Lake golf course. Azaleas were planted in the Lake Park.

The beautiful spring weather and the GHI Rehabilitation Program has given many residents the urge to clean up their homes and yards. As a result, a large number of special trash requests are being received daily. Collections are running a few days behind schedule, but no major problems have developed.

Streets were patched and storm drains cleaned. Debris was removed from gutters in various parts of the city. Snow removal equipment was cleaned and stored. The underground electrical problem at the Lake Park Bandstand was repaired.

Leaves and debris were removed from the shoulders of Crescent Road. Maintenance was done on various city ballfields and the Springhill Lake Golf Course. Annuals were planted in the Center Mall planters.

Although special trash requests were continuing to run very heavy, the regular trash crew has been on regular schedule.

Begonias have been planted. Roadside debris was picked up. Work was completed on installing new horseshoe pits at Candy Cane City.

A section of the entrance road to the Northway Ball Park was paved. Two new handicap parking signs were installed in the Firehouse parking lot and new street name signs were installed at the intersection of Mandan Road and Ora Glen Court. Sewers were cleaned and several streets were patched. Repairs were also made to the Lake Trail.

## ERHS GOSPEL CHOIR AT KENNEDY CENTER

The Eleanor Roosevelt High School Gospel Choir, directed by Dr. Barbara Baker, has been in-

## Mishkan Torah

Children who have birthdays in June will be honored at Mishkan Torah services on Friday, June 19. On Saturday, June 20 services start at 9:30 a.m. Shani Krasnick, daughter of Marcia and Ray Krasnick, will be called to the Torah as a Bat Mitzvah.

## St. Hugh's 1961 Reunion

A reunion is being planned now for the St. Hugh's Parochial School Class of 1961. All graduates, or people who know the whereabouts of anyone who was a graduate, please contact any of the following people as soon as possible:

- Mary Linstrom Jordan 624-5049
- Diane Ronchi Timbs 441-1189
- Mike Kerr 384-8295 and
- James DaMico 301-535-5875.

## AUDITIONS FOR ODD COUPLE TO BE HELD

Greenbelt Cultural Arts Center, 129 Centerway, is casting seven roles (5 men and 2 women) for the comedy *Odd Couple*. The play will run for three weeks in August: Friday and Saturday, August 14, 15, 21, 22, and 28 and 29 at 8:15 p.m., Sunday Matinee August 30 at 2:30 p.m. Interested persons should call Director, Bill Brandwein at 982-0657 evenings. For additional information call Angela Schreiber, 345-3916.

Auditions will be held on Monday, June 22 and Wednesday, June 24, at 8 p.m. in the Utopia Theater.

## GHI NOTES

A GHI Board meeting is scheduled for Thursday, June 18, in the board room. Items on the agenda include discussion of the Nyman case, signatures for bank accounts, cost effectiveness of block insulation, window repair, short rehab report, Comptroller's Office report, GHIDC inspection procedures, and deferral of charges for member's optional rehab items.

Phase I rehab work is nearing completion. Finishing touches are being made on the new windows. The plumber will be at 13 court Laurel Hill from June 19 to 22. The week of June 22 attic insulation will be installed at 11, 12, 13, 14, and 15 courts Laurel Hill. Please remember that these are approximate dates. Rain and mud make it difficult for workers to enter homes.

A small change has been made in the Staff Architect's office hours. Appointments can be made for half-hour, in-person or telephone conferences from 7-10 a.m. Tuesdays or 2-5 p.m. Wednesdays. Call the Manager's Office (474-5566) to make an appointment.

invited to perform at the John F. Kennedy Center on Saturday, June 20, at 7:30 p.m. The performance, part of a benefit for the Junior Citizens Corps, will be held in the rooftop Terrace Theatre. Tickets may be obtained from Margaret Miller, 423-2967.

## Disappointing Behavior

To the Editor:

Recently a yard sale was held at 7-T Research Rd. Unfortunately, someone actually stole 2 items. We were very disappointed that a Greenbelt resident would exhibit such behavior. However, the person(s) responsible may correct the situation by mailing payment (\$1.00 for the striped sweater and 50c for the yellow sweater) to 7-S Research Rd.

Those planning future yard sales, take warning.

Charles Hagelgans  
 Ruth Kastner

## City Takes Stand On Bus Changes

On Wednesday, May 27, a public hearing was held by WMATA and Prince Georges County to receive comments on proposed bus service cutbacks. The following excerpts are from the city's statement which was read by Michael McLaughlin, administrative assistant II:

"... While the need for service cutbacks is disturbing, City Council is encouraged that the portion of the Greenbelt Line route R-12 proposed for a cutback is to be replaced by the re-routing of the T-16 route. Before this change is made, however, Council, and Greenbelt residents who have appeared before Council, would like to have two concerns addressed. First, it is recommended that consideration be given to adding one bus on the T-16 in the morning before the presently scheduled 6:10 a.m. bus from New Carrollton. This will serve residents of the City, who will be unable to get to work on the bus because the first scheduled T-16 bus will not allow them to get to Beltway Plaza on time to catch the second bus to their job. A T-16 bus leaving Greenbelt Center at approximately 6:15 a.m. for Beltway Plaza would also ameliorate this situation.

Coordination with other bus routes is the second concern of the proposed service change. Again, Greenbelt residents using Metrobus have advised that better coordination between the T-16 and other buses which serve the Beltway Plaza, such as the R-12 and the C-2, is needed in order to better serve riders. With the present system, transferring from one bus to another sometimes results in inordinately long layovers. This is particularly true on Saturdays when other buses serving Beltway Plaza run on the hour whereas the T-16 runs approximately every hour and 15 minutes. As a result, there can be instances where a person riding the T-16 to Beltway Plaza would be required to wait almost one hour for a connecting bus to Prince Georges Plaza."

Other Greenbelters speaking at the hearing were Dorothy Baluch, President of Citizens for Greenbelt, and Irene Hensel, from the Transportation Committee of the Citizens for Greenbelt. They opposed the cutbacks, but advised if there were to be cutbacks, then the remaining buses should coordinate better with connecting buses serving Beltway Plaza.

## EBM OPENS NEW HEADQUARTERS

Joseph F. DeDermott, President of Eastern Business Machines, has announced the corporation's new headquarters on June 29. The firm is located at 6303 Ivy Lane in Capital Office Park.

The 16,000 square foot facility will house the entire corporate staff and Washington area branch operations, including the EBM training center, marketing, sales, service and equipment rental.

## THANKS

To the Editor:

I would like to extend my belated, but still very warm, appreciation to the members of GHI who helped to return me to the Board of Directors in the recent election. GHI is now in the midst of the most important transition since its founding. I am grateful to be able to continue to work directly with corporation management during this critical time.

If we are to successfully complete the rehabilitation phases in the best interests of all the members, our cooperative will need the active participation of the membership. As the member committees are reorganized over the next few months, please give serious consideration to becoming a member of at least one of them. Thank you.

Wayne Williams

## CARES to Provide Classes For High School Diploma

Greenbelt CARES Youth Services Bureau is offering people a chance to get a high school diploma. Starting on June 30, CARES will be providing free classes to prepare for the General Education Development—GED Exam. Instruction will be given in the five test areas — math, social studies, science, literature and grammar as well as test taking skills. The only requirements for enrollment are for persons to be officially withdrawn from school and 16 years old or older.

The classes will be given Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10 a.m. to 12 noon at the Greenbelt CARES offices. To reserve a seat, as class size is limited, or for more information, please call Johnnie at Greenbelt CARES at 345-6660.

## 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

## St. Hugh's Summer School

Grades 1-8  
 June 29 - July 24, 1981  
 For information call 345-1388  
 Mon-Fri, 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

## Bahá'í Faith

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

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 422-8057

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 For bus transportation, call church office 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

## Greenbelt Community Church

(United Church of Christ)  
 Hillside and Crescent Roads  
 Phone 474-6171 mornings

11 a.m. - Sunday Morning Worship and Church School

Nursery provided at 2B Hillside

Rev. Sherry Taylor and Rev. Harry Taylor co-pastors

## Summer Enrichment Program

VBS - at Center School June 22-July 2, 9-11:30 AM  
 Crafts, Music, Recreation, Bible Stories. Children post-kindergarten thru sixth grades. Fee - \$2 for entire program.

Sunday Re-Creation (Learning By Doing) begins June 21 9:50-10:50 AM Sunday Mornings. A time to celebrate life together!

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## Holy Cross Lutheran Church

6905 Greenbelt Road  
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 Sunday School: 9:50 a.m.  
 Sunday morning nursery at both services  
 Edward H. Birner, Pastor Phone 345-5111

# Council Changes Management Firm For Green Ridge House

by Virginia Beauchamp

A new management firm for Green Ridge House was chosen by the Greenbelt City Council at their regular meeting on Monday, June 8. The nod, on the recommendation of City Manager James K. Giese, went to Community Realty Co., Inc., which already manages the Springhill Lake apartments. That fact — that the firm was already well known in Greenbelt and well respected — was the major consideration in making the choice. Another reason was that the firm is large enough to have in its employ full-time an electrician, a carpenter, and a plumber. Council members felt their availability in an emergency would be an asset.

Community Realty was one among eight candidates for the contract. Others were CMF Management Co., whose present two-year contract is just expiring. Council hopes the new contract can be negotiated for an 18-month period so that they will not again be encumbered with the responsibility of renegotiating a contract just as the budget hearings dominate their work days.

One member of the audience, Jose Morales, who has maintained a close interest in the functioning and smooth running of the retirement facility, objected to council's failure to choose the Green Ridge Residents' Association to manage their own facility. Resident James Cassels had prepared a proposal for the residents to manage their home cooperatively. Morales particularly emphasized the importance to the residents of having someone there 24 hours a day—a service that the residents themselves could clearly offer. But Giese felt the two employees called for in the contract, plus an emergency number to call, would meet the needs of residents. The firm is not responsible for medical care of residents, Giese said—only for maintenance of the building.

Councilman Thomas White said

that council's main reason for not choosing the Residents' Association as the management team was that an outside firm would offer "some insulation." "There is a potential for bad feelings, personalities in decisions," he said. White pointed out that before Green Ridge House opened, council had questioned whether the city itself should manage the facility. They had decided against that step, he noted, precisely because of the same "lack of insulation."

Councilman Richard Castaldi said he felt the selection of Community Realty could give the residents the "best of both worlds." They would not have the headaches of management problems, he pointed out; at the same time they could volunteer to staff the information desk in off-hours if they so chose. "It would be a good way to learn all the problems," he said.

"It's a judgment," said Councilman Charles Schwan. "We hope it's right."

One elderly resident, who had been following the discussion avidly, called out as she left the room as council turned to the next agenda item: "You'll hear from us if we don't like it." She had the last word.

## Recreation Review

The tennis courts are city courts and are maintained by the City of Greenbelt. Greenbelt residents have priority use of this facility. All users are reminded of the following rules:

1. Sign-ins must be made at all times.
2. Reservations may be made, but for no more than two hours in advance of the present time.
3. Reservations and sign-ins must be made in person by a Greenbelt resident listing name and address. All other players must be signed in as resident and non-resident guest.
4. A person may not sign-in for more than one court at a time or have an outstanding reservation while playing.
5. No one is allowed to play longer than one hour while others are waiting to play, unless participating in a city sanctioned tournament or class.
6. City sponsored tennis programs and maintenance have first priority for use. Schedules will be posted for your convenience. To avoid unnecessary delay, check court notices for daily information on lessons, tournaments and practices. Courts may not be used before 8:00 a.m.

### Court Etiquette

1. Relinquish the court when due. Observe all court rules and insist that others do the same.
2. Be considerate — help others who do not know the accepted tennis courtesies.
3. Refrain from being too loud.
4. Return balls which roll onto your playing area as soon as possible.
5. Cross behind an occupied court quickly, and only during a break in play.

Skateboards, bikes and roller skates are not allowed inside the tennis court fence.

The courts are maintained for citizens' pleasure and convenience. Call the Greenbelt Department of Public Works for maintenance requests, 474-8004. For lesson and tournament information, call the Greenbelt Recreation Department, 474-6878.



SUSPECT 1

SUSPECT 2

The above described subjects are wanted for the Rape which occurred on June 4, 1981 at 3:00 p.m. on Crescent Rd. near the Greenbelt Library.

Suspect 1 is described as: Black Male, 5'-10", 155 lbs., 18 years, dark complexion, a large pink burn mark on the left side of his neck. Suspect was last seen wearing a white shirt, designer jeans.

Suspect 2 is described as: Black Male, 5'-8", 150 lbs., Green Eyes, 17-19 years, Missing the left index finger; One silver front tooth. Suspect was last seen wearing a yellow and brown tie dyed shirt with a small alligator on it; brown corduroy pants.

Both suspects were last seen walking on Crescent Rd. from the area of the Library towards the Center Mall.

Any person with information please contact Greenbelt City Police, 25 Crescent Rd., Greenbelt, Md. Phone 474-7200. All information will be kept confidential.

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### County Budget Adopted

Prince Georges County Council Chairman Parris N. Glendening in summing up the Council's actions in adopting the budgets of the County, the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission, the Washington Suburban Trust Commission, and the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission on Friday, May 22, emphasized "We are providing a balance between a tax reduction and delivery of services."

Over the last three months, the Council restored a number of program funds felled by the Hogan budget and adopted a significantly different version of the FY 82 operating budget than that proposed by the County Executive.

"We've succeeded in reducing the property tax rate 8½ cents per \$100 of assessed valuation and added approximately \$9.8 million to maintain quality in our educational system, our police force and our parks and recreational facilities," Glendening said. "The average taxpayer essentially will have the same tax bill."

#### Program Additions

In order to offset major cut-backs proposed by the Executive, the Council sanctioned an increase of \$8.9 million to the Board of Education, an addition of \$130,425 to the Police Department which increases the number of sworn County Police Officers to 896, restoration of funds in the health and human services area of the budget, and creation of a special fund for highway projects.

The Council nixed a controversial move by the Executive to consolidate three commissions which deal with problem solving for County residents by restoring funding for the Human Relations Commission, Landlord / Tenant Commission, and Consumer Protection Commission.

In addition it added \$1,500 to the Office of Services to the Handicapped, increased compensation funding for the Community Restitution Program by \$70,000 and increased by \$100,000 funds for the purchase of apparatus and equipment used in fire and rescue operations.

It also added \$273,153 into the Department of Health budget to restore five Human Service Aide positions proposed for elimination and to increase operating expenses and compensation for programs in school health, mental retardation and addictions.

Within the Department of Social Services, the Council moved for a \$10,000 increase in the Respite Care Program.

Other additions included \$15,000 for the purchase of library books for the Surratts/Clinton and Glendard Libraries; \$30,000 in increased operating expenses to restore funding to Tourism; funding for a two percent bonus for Volunteer Firefighters retirements; \$5,000 in increased operating expenses for the Oxon Hill Little League Franchise and County Babe Ruth League; and the establishment of funding for an annual \$.01 dedicated tax to support a Street Improvement Program.

# Greenbelters Bid Farewell To The Darwin Beck Family

by Sandra Barnes

There are those who serve with fanfare and bravado and there are those who serve with quiet competence. One always is aware of the former group, who frequently write letters to the editors and express themselves at open meetings while many do not know members of the latter for their views are usually expressed in small groups which earn them the respect of their peers without notoriety. A family which has served with "quiet competence" for the past eighteen years was honored on Sunday, June 14, at the home of Howard and Pat Savage in the way that they chose, the same manner which has characterized their many acts of community service—quietly. The Beck family—Darwin, Shari, Heidi, Heather, Kelli and Parker—were bid farewell by their friends, neighbors and fellow committee persons. The Becks will be moving from their third Greenbelt home to New Jersey in the next few weeks.

Mayor Gil Weidenfeld introduced Councilman Charles Schwan who presented Darwin with a resolution from the city council, citing his contributions to city advisory boards and committees. Friends presented the family with a hand-drawn picture depicting their many activities in the community.

Here over nearly two decades, the Becks will have left their mark on Greenbelt, which became their model in selecting a similar community in their new home in Mahwah. They report that some realtors were surprised when the Becks asked to see homes in towns which not only had good schools and a church of their affiliation, but also had recreational activities and a sense of neighborliness and civic spirit.

A closely-knit family, the Becks have devoted much of their time to those activities which include their children. Holy Cross Lutheran Church has been the center of Beck family life with Shari serving on the nursery committee and the education committee as well as the Lutheran Women's Missionary League. Darwin has served on the building committee and was in his second year as President of the Congregation when he resigned in March. Both have been youth councillors and, as Reverend Edward Birner remarked, "around anytime anyone needed help."

With three daughters, Shari spent a number of years with the Campfire girls and has recently been proofreading for the News Review and blood pressure testing at GHI.

Stressing family togetherness, the six Becks would attend and, in many cases, help organize church suppers, bazaars, and other religious and social activities. It would not be unusual for the whole Beck family—including teen-age daughters—sometimes with boyfriends in tow—to attend a square dance or pot luck dinner at the elementary school attended by the younger children.

A deep commitment to the quality of public education for their own children as well as others has been an important element in their lives. Darwin has served as president and treasurer of the Center School PTA, and both Shari and Darwin have been in-

lie Schwan, "off and running right from the start. He was one of the few who virtually needed no apprenticeship." His contributions to GHI included his position paper on reserves and the deferral of monthly charges program for senior citizens and handicapped persons. He also tried to restructure board meetings to be conducted in a more orderly and professional fashion to avoid "nine amateurs wrestling with problems (we) do not understand and reaching decisions by fatigue rather than fact."

The Greenbelt City Council appointed Darwin to the Community Relations Advisory Board (affectionately known as CRAB) on which he has served for 13 years, most recently as chairman. In 1976, CRAB was challenged to study problems associated with improvement of citizen-police relations and the committee came up with a number of recommendations including hiring a juvenile officer, expansion of the police department as well as their physical quarters, better communications with the community, higher visibility of the officers, and others, many of whom have been adopted. Recently, CRAB has been studying the needs of the elderly in the community. Here, too, Darwin's reasoned judgment in dealing with sensitive issues has been applauded

by city staff and co-committee members.

Darwin also has volunteered his services to many political campaigns, from the democratic party and school board candidates, to treasurer of Schwan's campaign for city council.

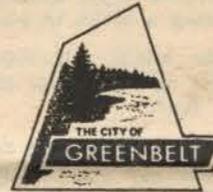
With the numerous activities the Becks have contributed their time and talents to over the years, it goes without saying that they will be missed. The community they have loved and served so well bids them farewell. Greenbelt's loss will certainly be Mahwah's gain.

### HOYER OPENS OFFICE

Congressman Steny H. Hoyer reopened the Fifth District's regional office on June 17. Hoyer will be using the same office as former Congresswoman Gladys N. Spellman, located at 3700 East-West Highway, Suite 106 in Hyattsville, on an interim basis through the summer. Hoyer plans on opening a permanent district office in the Metro East complex in New Carrollton in early fall.

"We want to ensure that we maintain a continuity of service to our constituents, and the Hyattsville office is immediately available to us," Hoyer said.

The District Office phone number is 436-5510.



## Department of Recreation City of Greenbelt, Maryland



### 1981 SUMMER ADULT LEISURE TIME ACTIVITIES

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Available by mail — Just fill out the application below and mail with your check for the full amount, made payable to the CITY OF GREENBELT, to the Department of Recreation, 25 Crescent Road, Greenbelt, Maryland 20770. Classes will be conducted as scheduled unless otherwise notified.

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ACTIVITIES	LOCATION	DAY/TIME	AGE GROUP	FEE
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	YC	Th 7p - 8p	16 & over	\$10/8 classes
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# Our Editor on a Quick Trip Through Greendale

(This is the third in a series of three articles on Greendale's sister city of Greendale, Wisconsin. The articles are the result of a trip to Wisconsin in May 1980 by our editor and her husband.)

The similarities we noted between Greenbelt and Greendale often brought knowing smiles. The communities face similar problems. A Section-8 elderly housing apartment complex has been built, slightly ahead of Greenbelt's Green Ridge House. Greendale's facility is comprised of four smaller buildings housing more than twice as many residents. Construction was by private developer.

The school population is falling; a fifth elementary school site probably won't be needed.

Some of the largest lots and most expensive homes border the Root River Park. The owners are concerned by what they consider over-use of the park during good weather and would like to see the park's use by out-of-towners limited.

### Government

Greendale has a manager-council form of government. Members of the city council, called the board of trustees, are elected at-large for two-year terms. However, there are six trustees and a separately elected mayor (president). The village, whose population is estimated at 18,000, has five precincts (wards). The board, which meets on the first and third Tuesdays of each month, has the same basic function as Greenbelt's city council—setting policy for the manager and his staff to carry out. With the additional responsibilities that Greendale has, its government has some added functions: tax assessment, zoning, construction-related inspection, and health and fire departments.

A broadened public works department, headed by the village engineer, also oversees water and sewer systems and street lighting. The village clerk is also village treasurer and, among other things, is responsible for keeping vital statistics records. The police department and municipal court are housed in a small separate structure between the shopping center and Central School. There are 27 uniformed officers and a chief. Twelve dispatchers service police and fire emergency calls. A social worker assigned to the police department works with "families, married couples, single persons and juveniles who are experiencing problems" according to the spring 1980 issue of the "Village Newsletter." In addition to its

chief, the fire department has 18 full-time and 24 paid-on-call firefighters.

Greendale's recreation department budget is about half Greenbelt's. There are six tennis courts, three ball fields, a recreation/community center with three full-time and some part-time personnel. Fieldstad told us there are as many as 100 part-time personnel employed during the summer months. Responsibility for the recreational program is shared with the school district. No municipal outdoor pool was planned for Greendale.

In addition to the Village Board a long list of advisory boards and commissions serves the community. The Plan Commission draws up long-range development plans and detailed plans for their execution, hears requests for rezoning and plan modifications. There is also a Zoning Board of Appeals. The Fire and Police Commission appoints the respective chiefs, recruits personnel for the departments and holds discipline/dismissal hearings when necessary. There are boards for parks and recreation, industrial development, tax assessment review, public celebrations, library and historical preservation and records. The Building Board's functions include assuring conformance to architectural design requirements.

### Master Plan

A Master Plan was developed and adopted in 1963, seven years ahead of Greenbelt's. The difference: Greendale's Master Plan has real teeth which village residents have fought to maintain, says Fieldstad.

It takes a half hour to get to downtown Milwaukee via public transportation.

Garbage is also collected by the village but it is "curb side" only and just once a week, with strictly enforced rules. Recycling of newspapers, glass and aluminum has been left to private groups within the community.

A new library is the next major municipal project, according to Fieldstad. (The original one-room library, shared by school and public, was housed in Central school.)

A forty-five minute mini-tour of Greendale offers only a first glimpse. As hasty visitors, we were left with many questions as we climbed aboard our super-saver flight for Baltimore. How effective is the privately run recycling? What is the story of the post office? The theater, was there a theater? What is the tax rate and how does it compare with Greenbelt's? Who runs the school system? What is the newspaper like and how is it run? What problems does Greendale face?

## Police Blotter

On June 13 at 11:35 p.m., a sexual offense occurred in 2 Court of Gardenway against an adult female. The offender was a white adult male with a neat collar-length haircut, possibly a wig. He was wearing a long-sleeved, light-colored shirt and was of stocky build. A lookout has been broadcast.

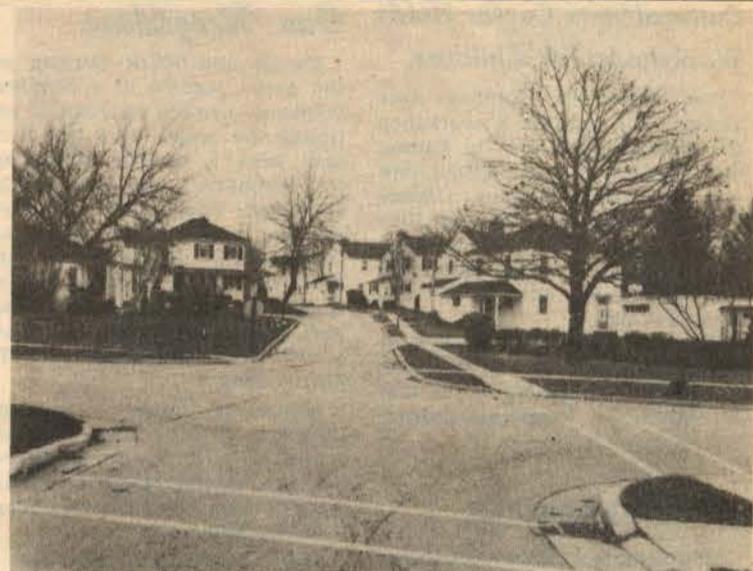
A 1967 Plymouth, stolen from the Beltway Plaza on June 5 was recovered in Baltimore County. A 1974 Honda motorcycle, CB360 was stolen from the Exxon station on Greenbelt road.

An adult male was assaulted by a group of juveniles at the Beltway Plaza. The windshield of his vehicle was also broken with a bottle.

An Eleanor Roosevelt High School student was assaulted and robbed by three juveniles.

The Drug Fair, located at the Beltway Plaza, was the scene of an armed robbery. A lookout has been issued for two suspects.

Pfc. Watkins spoke with the Beltway Plaza Merchants in reference to reporting procedures when a robbery does occur.



Free standing homes line a typical, narrow street in the original portion of Greendale, Wisconsin. Fifty percent of the housing in this planned community consisted of these two-story units. They are almost square with what used to be a wall storage room protruding on one side. The houses now sell for \$50,000 and more. — photo courtesy of the Village of Greendale

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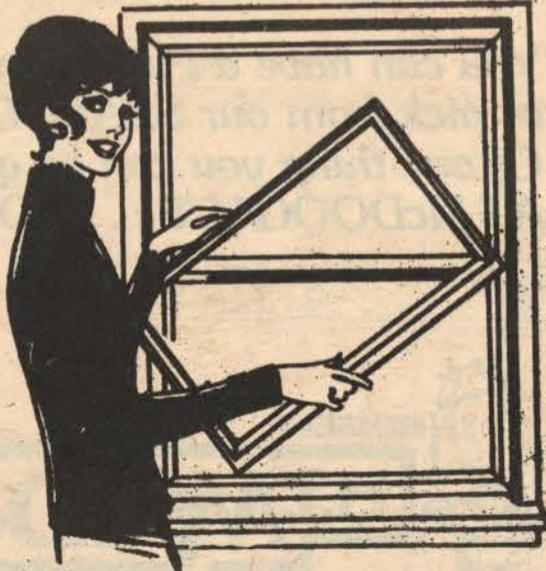
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### Recreation Review

#### Uniform Turn-in

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#### Swimming Pool Hours and Passes

The Municipal Swimming Pool is now open seven days a week for recreational swimming from 1 p.m. to 8:15 p.m. Season passes offer considerable savings over daily admissions. Applications are available at the pool, recreation centers and municipal building. A wide variety of special aquatic programs and swim lesson opportunities are also available to the whole family.

#### Recreation Center Summer Hours

Following is a schedule of summer hours for both the Youth Center and Springhill Lake Recreation Center: Monday through Thursday 12 noon - 10 p.m.; Friday 12 noon - 11 p.m.; Saturday 9 a.m. - 11 p.m.; and Sunday 1 p.m. - 10 p.m.

#### Camp Pine Tree

There are still openings in all sessions of Camp Pine Tree.

Parents should plan now to enroll their child for the Recreation Department's fun and skill program of outdoor and special activities. Camp Pine Tree begins its 16th season on Monday, June 29. For boys and girls, grades one thru six, the program includes archery, athletic and group games, crafts, nature, physical fitness, roller skating, drama, swimming, tennis, gymnastics and field trips.

Camp is in operation for eight weeks from June 29 through August 21. Campers may sign up for a minimum of one week. However, swimming lessons are conducted over the summer in four sessions. For a child to receive a certification for completing the various levels of swimming ability, he must be in attendance at one or more of the following sessions: June 29 - July 10; July 13-24; July 27 - August 7; August 10-21. Camp will be closed on Friday, July 3.

Utilizing the Braden Field complex and the Youth Center, Camp Pine Tree is open Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. with bus transportation within the city limits of Greenbelt.

For additional information on fees and programs, contact the Greenbelt Recreation Department Business Office weekdays, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m., 474-6878.

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### MICHILENE CONTINUES GREAT POLE VAULTING

by Larry Noel

Joe Michilene pole vaulted 14 feet last weekend at the National Masters Track and Field Championships in Atlanta, Georgia. He was vaulting in open competition in the 30-34 year old group and came in third and was beaten by Maryland University's pole vaulter, Buddy Williamson, a former world-class vaulter, who did 15 feet. Remarkable about Michilene's vault was that it is only 1½ inches under the world record for deaf vaulters. Michilene leaves for the Deaf Olympic Camp in North Carolina on June 29. The World Deaf Olympics will be held in Cologne, West Germany in July. The Greenbelt Jaycees are proud of the way the City of Greenbelt got behind Joe Michilene to raise the money for this Olympic effort.

#### SWIM TEAM NEWS

Next Monday, June 22, the Greenbelt Swim Team will hold its last evening practice at 7 p.m. All parents of swim team members are also requested to attend so that they can meet the coaches and other parents, and to discuss how the meets will be run. In case of rain, the meeting will be held at the city council chambers in the municipal building.

Morning practice will begin Tuesday, June 23, from 6 to 9 a.m. Advanced swimmers should come between 6 and 7 a.m., intermediate swimmers should practice between 7 and 8 a.m., and younger and more inexperienced swimmers should practice between 8 and 9 a.m. Swimmers not sure of their particular category should discuss practice times with the coach.

Greenbelt's first meet is scheduled for Saturday, June 27 against Takoma.

### Stolen Property Victims

The FBI has been conducting an extensive investigation concerning two major fences of stolen property in the metropolitan area. As a result of search warrants, they seized tens of thousands of presumably stolen items, including jewelry, silver, gold, china, porcelain, antiques, coins, guns, furs, etc. This property will be placed on public display on June 26, 27 and 28 at the D. C. Police Academy, 4665 Blue Plains Drive, S.W. Washington, D.C., for identification by those persons from whom it was taken.

No members of the public will be admitted to the display unless they have been the victims of thefts during the period of January 1, 1979, through April 28, 1981.

The hours for identification are from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. on June 26 and 27, and from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on June 28.

Two officers from the Greenbelt City Police Department will be available to assist in processing any recovered articles. Persons who have had property stolen may call the office of the Chief of Police, Greenbelt Police Department, 474-7200, Monday through Friday, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. for additional information on procedures.

### Golden Age Club

by Blanche Lee

A brand-new trip for Senior Citizens is planned for July 17 to go to Frederick and tour the oldest Governor's Mansion in Maryland. Reservations have been made for lunch at the popular Dandee Restaurant after the tour. There will be two air-conditioned buses. Contact Travel Chairman Zelpha Parsons, 345-3904 for early reservation.

A few bus seats remain for the June 26 and 27 Hopewell, Pa., trip to see the Passion Play. Bus will leave Suburban Trust at 9 a.m. Friday morning (not 7 a.m. as previously stated). Also, the group will attend the Passion Play in the evening of Friday, June 26. The famous Winterthur Museum and Gardens will be visited on the return trip.

Senior Citizens who have reservations for the Cape Cod trip for September 1, 2, 3, and 4 are reminded that second payment is now due.

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### Local D.P.M.A. Meeting

The local Data Processing Management Association will hold its last meeting (before the summer break) Thursday, June 25, at the Domino Restaurant, 10280 Baltimore Ave., College Park. The featured speaker is Clem Grabner, Director of Advanced Systems, Social Security Administration. His topic will be Life-Cycle Management. The social hour starts at 6 p.m., dinner at 7 and speaker at 8 p.m. For reservations call Don Medley at 344-3795.

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