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Future Fate of North End School May Be Affected by Draft County Bill

by Bill Rowland

The fate of Greenbelt's now-vacant North End School again claimed the attention of the city council, during its May 17 regular meeting. Prince Georges County is trying to sell the former elementary school, which closed last year, together with its 13.1 acres of land.

In the most recent developments, council was given new information on costs associated with the school; was told of two expressions of interest from prospective purchasers received by the county; and considered a draft bill proposed by the county executive's staff that would let the county bypass the normal zoning law to permit almost any use desired by the buyer of a surplus school property.

In other business, the council agreed with an analysis of planning issues about which the city is concerned. The analysis was prepared by City Manager James Giese for use by Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission technical staff in preparing a new Master Plan for the Greenbelt area. (See story next issue.)

North End School

City Administrative Assistant Michael McLaughlin reported that the Board of Education's maintenance costs for North End School, in its last year of operation as a school, totalled more than \$127,000. This included almost \$7,000 for building maintenance and repair; almost \$46 000 for utilities; and close to \$75,000 for custodial services and supplies.

McLaughlin told council that the school building is being appraised by the county, and that a market price for the property has not yet been established. He also reported that the outstanding debt on the building is just over \$194,000, payable in annual in-

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A principal argument of the county executive and his staff for selling surplus schools rather than, as in the past, donating them to their parent communities, is that the county should not have to carry the burden of paying off remaining debt on the schools. McLaughlin told the council that city staff - with no help from the county - had found a recently enacted Maryland law which provides that the state will continue to pay any outstanding debt on a surplus school building that is used for a public purpose, provided certain criteria are met. McLaughlin said North End School fits the criteria.

McLaughlin further reported that the county has received two expressions of interest in buying the North End property. One party would convert the building to condominium housing, preserve the middle of the property as parkland, and use the rear of the land to construct single-family homes. In the second proposal, a small family-run firm headquartered in Cincinnati, which sells books and other published materials (in this area principally to the Library of Congress and the University of Maryland), would use the school building as a storage facility. County staff would not give McLaughlin the names of the firms making these two proposals.

In the council discussion that followed, Mayor Richard Castaldi said he thinks the city has a need for the school building and land, but wondered whether the city would have to negotiate a purchase price. He wanted to know what the city has to do to "get up front" without being caught in a bidding process. City Manager Giese pointed to the newly discovered law whereby the state would pay off indebtedness on the school as perhaps providing an answer for the city.

Councilman Thomas X. White said he thought the city had been talking to itself on the North End issue, with no one listening at the county end. He proposed that the city send a letter to key county officials expressing the city's desire to receive the North End property, and to begin discussions with the county toward that end. County Councilman Roy Dabney (who has been sitting in as a spectator at city council meetings) warned the council members not to antagonize the county executive in their attempts to get his attention. Dabney cautioned that if they do, the county executive will "turn around and sell it from under you."

Mayor Pro Tem Gil Weidenfeld said the city could still send an unaggressive letter to the county, both to keep the consideration process moving, and to express the city's opposition to the two private proposals received by the county. Pilski asked that the let-

stallments over the next ten years. ter include a request for identification of the parties who made those two proposals. The council agreed to the sending of such a letter.

Draft School-Use Bill

Kenneth Duncan, Prince Georges County's Chief Administrative Officer, sent the city, for comment, a draft bill that would amend the county zoning ordinance. The proposed changes would let the county council (acting as District Council) grant special exceptions from the zoning law for surplus school properties. The District Council would be able to let a buyer make almost any use desired of such a property, and could waive normal rules on such zoning controls as setbacks and height. Furthermore, the county's Zoning Hearing Examiner would be excluded from the decision-making process. The only significant restriction on the District Council in granting special exceptions for school uses would be the requirement for a "super majority" vote by the District Council on such cases.

The city's Advisory Planning Board sent a report to the city council registering its strong opposition to the draft bill as a circumvention of the zoning ordinance. City Manager Giese gave the council his view that school reuses should be 'in accordance with established and approved land use policies . . . determined through the zoning process."

Giese, in written comments, further advised the council: "With the change in the composition of the county council next year, it can be expected that the influence of municipalities and neighborhood citizens groups upon the members of the county council from other districts will be significantly diminished. The special exception procedure has no requirements as to findings (of) changes in the character of the neighborhood or errors in plans, as is required in rezoning to justify the change in use of a property." Giese recommended that the council "express its opposition to the proposed bill in its present form as being too farreaching and a circumvention of zoning law."

Weidenfeld said that if the draft bill passes, it could really undermine all the good planning done in the past. He noted the lack of safeguards to protect communities, and moved that the council express strong opposition.

Castaldi said the draft bill flies in the face of all zoning and planning precedents, to the detriment of the communities that the schools were built to serve. He foresaw a great chance of damage to the delicate balance of residential-area character.

The council unanimously agreed to have its written opposition to the draft sent to the county.

GREENBELT MOURNS DEATH OF STATE SEN. EDWARD T. CONROY

by Virginia Beauchamp

Maryland State Senator Edward T. Conroy, 53, died on Monday, May 24. He had been hospitalized since April 15, leaving his post before the end of the session because of severe side and back pain which exploratory surgery revealed to be caused by a tumor.

Senator Conroy had served in the state legislature for 20 years. In 1962 he was elected to the Maryland House of Delegates, where he was chosen chairman of the Prince Georges County Delegation. Four years later he was elected to the Senate position, where he served as vice chairman of the Judiciary Committee. In 1974 he became chairman of the Senate Constitutional and Public Law Committee.

Always concerned with the special needs of the two municipalities he represented — Bowie and Greenbelt — Senator Conroy was three times recognized by the Maryland Municipal League as Outstanding Public Official in the State of Maryland—in 1966, 1967, and 1971. Ironically he was one of eight officials named to receive the League's Distinguished Service Award at their forthcoming June 1982 convention.

Some bills he introduced in the state legislature were of special concern to Greenhelt. For example, he sponsored a bill making it possible for Twin Pines Savings and Loan to continue functioning as a cooperative. He led the fight for road improvements in and around Greenbelt and secured funding for paving the parking area near the Greenbelt Armory and for overhead lighting of Hanover Parkway and Greenbelt Rd. Legislation he sponsored provided funding for the Greenbelt Library. A strong supporter of Greenbelt's position on the location of Metrorail E route, he led the fight for transportation funds for state Metro transit.

A resolution he introduced in the waning days of one legislative session called for the county school board to reconsider the projected location of a high school -junior high school complex on Ridge Rd. (parcels 1 and 2), which was strongly opposed by Greenbelt citizens. This resolution was considered crucial in the eventual relocation of the high school_to the more accessible Hanover Parkway site.

Senator Conroy always took special interest in Greenbelt projects such as Green Ridge House. He was present at the dedication ceremony for the senior citizen residence in which his own mother was one of the first tenants.

Conroy many times went to bat for Greenbelt CARES — interceding with the State over funding or philosophy and assisting with legislation. Kids were important to him. He was willing to take the time to listen and then act.

"He was a tremendous friend and as good a legislator as we could have hoped for," was the assessment of former city councilman Charles F. Schwan, in recalling the kind of representation Senator Conroy had provided through the years to the city of Greenbelt. "He saved driver education in Maryland," Schwan remembered.

Seriously wounded during the Korean War, Senator Conroy was awarded the Silver Star, the Bronze Star, and two Purple Hearts. He was always active in veterans affairs, serving as past National Commander and State Commander of the Disabled American Veterans. In 1966 he was chosen both as outstanding Veteran in the state of Maryland



and outstanding Disabled American Veteran in the entire nation.

In 1980 he won the Democratic nomination for the U. S. Senate but lost out to Senator Charles Mathias in the general election. The following year he ran in a special primary election to fill out the term of former Congresswoman Gladys Spellman.

Senator Conroy is survived by his wife, Mary, two sons, Edward and Kevin, and his mother, Mary, a resident of Greenbelt,

Friends may call at the Beall Funeral Home in Bowie this evening from 7 to 9. A funeral mass will be held at St. Pius Catholic Church in Bowie on Friday, May 28 at 10:30 a.m. Burial will follow at 1 p.m. at Arlington National Cemetery.

The family asked that in lieu of flowers contributions in Senator Conroy's memory be sent to the Cerebral Palsy Society of Prince Georges County, 3901 Woodhaven Lane, Bowie.

Schools Close Early

The last day of classes for students attending the Prince Georges County Public Schools will be Friday, June 11, following a recent decision by the Board of Education and the Superintendent of Schools.

In addition, both Thursday, June 10, and Friday, June 11, will be half-days for students in grades one through eleven. Schools will close three hours early on those days. Morning kindergarten students will attend their last class on Thursday, June 10, for the half-day session.

Afternoon kindergarten students will attend their last class on Friday, June 11, in the morning.

The changes in the school calendar were made at the May 13 meeting of the Board of Education because one previously planned "snow day" had not been used this year.

MEMORIAL DAY OBSERVANCES

Annual Memorial Day observances by American Legion Post 136 and its Auxiliary, and by the Disabled American Veterans, will be held at the Memorial at Greenbelt Center on Sunday, May 30, at 10 a.m. The public is invited to attend this traditional program in memory of all Americans who gave their lives in the service of their country. Page 2

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A Time of Mourning

In the last two weeks, two great friends of the people of Greenbelt have been taken from us by death. Last week we mourned the departure of our own beloved "Buddy" Attick, former Director of Public Works. This week we are saddened by the death of our State Senator, Edward T. Conroy.

For two decades Senator Conroy has represented Greenbelt with special dedication. He understood our city's commitment to cooperative organizations and has eased their way through legislation shaped to their particular needs. Many physical improvements to this city came about in large part through his assistance in the legislative process. His concern for Greenbelt through the years of his service in state office has been unflagging. These contributions will be long remembered by citizens in this community.

We share with the families of these two important friends of Greenbelt their grief in the loss of these two extraordinary men.

City Plans Activities For Greenbelt Day

Sunday, June 6 will mark the 45th anniversary of Greenbelt's founding. Mayor Richard Castaldi and members of City Council will present Anniversary Day remarks preceding the annual performance by the Greenbelt Concert Band in the Center Mall adjacent to the mother and child statue at 2 p.m. The first Sunday in June is

officially recognized as Greenbel* Day, a day to commemorate the city's past, celebrate its present and look towards its future. Traditionally, the entire weckend is celebrated with a schedule of special observances, recreational activities and community events.

A full calendar of events will appear in next week's issue of the NEWS REVIEW. Citizens can choose a variety of attractions to provide for their weekend enjoyment. Some of the highlights of the Greenbelt Day Weekend to be held June 4, 5 and 6 are as follows. The municipal pool will be open for recreational swimming, special pool events and a Saturday night moonlight swim party, city ballfields will be hosting baseball competition and co-ed softball tournaments. On Saturday, June 5, the Greenbelt Library's Tugwell Room will be open from 2 to 4 p.m. for residents to view the many historical and contemporary mementos on display. There will be special contests for all ages throughout the weekend including golf, tennis and table game tournaments.

The Greenbelt Fire Department and Ladies Auxiliary are holding a fund-raising Las Vegas Nite program and Green Ridge House residents will celebrate the housing's third anniversary.

Holiday Refuse Schedule BECAUSE OF THE MEMOR-IAL DAY HOLIDAY, MON DAY, MAY 31, THERE WILL BE NO REFUSE COLLEC-TION ON THAT DAY. MON-DAY'S PICK-UP WILL BE MADE ON TUESDAY AND TUESDAY'S PICK-UP WILL BE MADE ON WEDNES-DAY. THERE WILL BE NO PAPER PICK UP THAT WEEK. REGULAR REFUSE COLLECTIONS WILL RE-SUME ON THURSDAY AND FRIDAY.

Slow-Pitch Softball Organized for Youth

The Greenbelt Recreation Department is seeking interested boys and girls who would like to participate in a summer youth slow-pitch softball program. This sports activity is now being organized in conjunction with the Maryland-National Capital Park Association and sanctioned by the U.S.S.S.A. Players are needed in the following categories and will particiate only if sufficient registrants are received to form a team in that level of competition: Boys - 13 thru 18 years; Girls - 13 through 18 years.

League rosters are limited to 20 players on a first come, first served basis.

Register at the Youth Center or call the Recreation Department Business Office weekdays 9 - 5, 474-6878 for additional information. Deadline is Friday, June 4

Interested coaches and assistants are also welcome to join in this program.

Golden Age Club

by Blanche Lee There has been a request for a change in the time of our regular weekly meetings from 11:30 a.m. to 12 noon. Preference will be read two more times and voted on at the business meetings, June 2 and June 16. President Florence Holly requests that all members come out to the meetings and vote their choice so that a majority vote may be obtained.

Trash Pick-up Regulations

The City has been receiving a large number of calls for special trash pickups these last few weeks. These calls, together with the GHI rehabilitaion program and general spring cleaning, have caused the city crews to run a week or two behind in their collections. The City reminds its customers of the following regulations regarding trash collections: **Special Trash Collections**

Special trash pickup for refuse customers must be requested by calling 474-8004. Pickups will usually be made within a few days, but during times when requests are numerous, it may take a little longer.

Special trash should not be placed at the curbside, in GHI common areas, or in parks or playgrounds. All special trash should be placed near the customer's regular collection point. The City may refuse to remove material placed at other locations.

All special trash should be bagged. boxed, or bundled. Brush and leaves to be collected should be placed where they will be accessible by city equipment, such as GHI service areas or between the curb and sidewalk, but not in common areas. Also, brush should be kept separate from leaves, because each requires a different piece of equipment for collection.

Appliances and old furniture should also be placed near the regular collection point. These items may not always be picked up at the same time as other special trash because special equipment and manpower are required.

Construction materials are collected by the city only when the resident does the work. Such materials should be placed near the regular collection point. Contractors are required to remove and dispose of their own debris - otherwise, the resident will be charged for disposal.

Regular Refuse Collections

City refuse collections for regular trash are made Monday and Thursday, or Tuesday and Friday, depending on location. When a holiday falls on a weekday, there will be no newspaper pickup that week, and the schedule will be adjusted to provide two refuse collections in each location. Holiday refuse-collection schedules are announced in the News Review.

Newspaper Recycling

Newspapers only - no magazines, books, or other kinds of paper - are collected from all refuse customers on Wednesdays. City ordinance requires that newspapers be separated from other trash, and either be bundled or placed in a separate container at the regular collection point. If newspapers are in a bag or box, the bag or box will not be taken because it cannot be recycled. Questions

Any questions about the City's refuse collection service can be answered by calling 474-8004 during working hours.

Genealogical Society

The techniques of combining "Computers and Genealogy" will be explained at the June 2 meeting of the Prince Georges County Genealogical Society at 7:30 p.m. at the Greenbelt Library. Timothy J. Connor, a computer specialist with 30 years of experience in both the private and government sectors, will describe what to look for in computers and software for genealogical purposes, and how to avoid expensive and inappropriate choices. Connor is currently on six months of active duty with the U.S. Air Force Reserve as a computer consultant.

At the Society business meeting preceding the program, the membership will elect officers from a slate presented by No Chairman of the M Committee. Dues for

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year are payable to Treasurer James W. Reep. The dues entitle members to receive the monthly "Bulletin."

The Society Library in Belair Mansion in Bowie, 12207 Tulip Grove Drive, has a greatly expanded library available to members and is soliciting funds to further extend its services, according to Society President Catherine M. Mayhew.

Visitors are welcome at all meetings and may obtain "bekinners' kits" for genealogy prepared by the Society. For further information, inquiries may be made by calling President Mayhew at 262-8592 by writing to P.O. Box 819, Bowie, Md. 20715-0819.

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Thursday, May 27, 1982

LAST WEEK-END AVREY'S MAGIC by Paula Lipman

This weekend marks the last opportunity to see this sprightly musical. Curtain time will be 7:30 p.m. for Friday and Saturday evenings, 2:30 p.m. for Saturday and Sunday afternoon shows. Does Avrey, the mythological sea-monster, really turn enemies to stone? Is he hero or villain?

Treat out of town guests, family and friends to an evening of entertainment this Memorial Day week-end. Tickets can be purchased at the door or reserved by calling 345-4487.

Productions coming up in June will be: The Baltimore Symphony Orchestra Concert at Eleanor Roosevelt High School on Wednesday, June 2, at 8 p.m. (for tickets call 474-4621); Gong Show IV,



MOTHERS UNITED MEETS JUNE 2

Mothers United will hold its next meeting Wed., June 2, at 7:30 p.m., in the Rectory meeting room at St. Hugh's. Nutritionist Diane Parrington, a graduate student at the University of Maryland, will speak on the topic of infant and child nutrition. The meeting is open to the public.

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Jaycees 4th Gong Show

The Greenbelt Jaycees will present its fourth annual gong show, Saturday, June 5, 8 p.m. at Eleanor Roosevelt High School. The Jaycees' event will be a fund-raiser for the Eleanor Roosevelt High Orchestra, and the Greenbelt Cultural Arts Center. As has been the case before, the evening promises to be a potpouri of music and comedy, dance and other forms of entertainment. It will also be an evening for door prizes as the Jay-cees have met with area businesses to support this venture with door prize donations. In past years door prizes have included a membership in the Holiday Spa and free dinners at local restarants.

Anyone who is interested in performing, should call 474-5276. Auditions will be at the Cultural



will not be a meeting on May 31.

Members should attend the meeting scheduled for the week in which their unit is scheduled to be converted.

Post-conversion meetings will be held once a month on the second Wednesday at 8 p.m. These meetings will feature a speaker from PEPCO. In June the meeting is scheduled for the following day:

JUNE 9

If members have specific issues they would like addressed or find the meeting inconvenlent, they may contact the Member Services Coordinator, Dennis Lewis, (474-6644). Arrangements can be made for other meetings or information can be provided.

Members can call the Rehab Information Hotline (474-6644) for information during business hours. A pre-recorded message with scheduling and other information will be available on the line at all other times. Arts Center, Thursday, May 27 at 8 p.m. and Tuesday, June 1, at 8 p.m. Performances will be limited to three minutes. It must be emphasized that the performances are not tantamount to baing measurements of talent. Rather, it is an opportunity to par-

ticipate in an enjoyable, lighthearted, fund-raising event for community service oriented organizations.

The judges for the show will be Congressman Steny Hoyer, Joe Zangar, broadcaster of WASH Radio and the Vice-President of Litton Industries. call 474-5276.



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- 2. Generating System Furnishing and installation of a 12.5 K.W. gas powered electric standby generating system.

Bid information may be obtained from the Purchasing Office, 25 Crescent Road, Greenbelt, Maryland 20770 (phone 474-8052). Bids must be received no later than 2:00 P.M. EDST, June 17, 1982.



Window replacement for brick, block, frame with slate roof and freestanding prefab homes has begun. Before work begins, the contractor will measure for the windows. Members will receive a one-week notice as well as a day-before door-hanger notice of this measurement. Measuring for windows takes only a few minutes. Approximately one week after they are measured, windows will be replaced. Again members will receive a one-week notice as well as a day-before door-hanger notice. Installation should take one day per home. Please bear in mind that bad weather can cause delays. The tentative schedule for window replacement through June 11 is as follows:

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May 21	May 27
May 24	May 28
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June 2	June 9
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June 4	June 11
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CITY NOTES

The city's flags will be flown at half mast until May 28, 1982 in memoriam for Albert S. "Buddy" Attick.

The general crew repaired base on Woodland Way this week. One member of the crew installed new nw bulbs and new equipment for the lights on Braden Field. The crew also cleaned storm drains

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1982 Summer Schedule For Performing Arts

Sunday, June 6 Greenbelt's 45th Anniversary 1937-1982, Greenbelt Day Performances

1 p.m. Betty Quigley's Studio of Dance. Center Mall at Mother and Child Statue. 2 p.m. Greenbelt Concert Band of Prince Georges County, John DelHomme, Conductor. Center Mall at Mother and Child Statue. (Rain location, Utopia Theater.)

Sunday, June 13, 7 p.m. Marylandaires. Lake Park Band Stand.

Sunday, June 13, 7 p.m. U.S. Army Field Band "Volunteers". Lake Park Band Stand.

Sunday, June 27, 7 p.m., First U.S. Army Band, Lake Park Band Stand.

Sunday, July 4, 7 p.m., Green-belt Concert Band of Prince Georges County, Fireworks Concert. Lake Park Band Stand. City Fireworks begin at dark. (In case of inclement weather, programs will be held on the next pleasant evening.)

Sunday, July 11, 7 p.m. Betty Quigley's Studio of Dance. Center Mall at Mother and Child Statue. (Rain location, Utopia Theater.)

Sunday, July 25, 7 p.m. The New Century Singers. Lake Park Band Stand.

Sunday, August 1, 7 p.m. Greenbelt Concert Band of Prince Georges County. Lake Park Band Stand.

Sunday, August 8, 7 p.m. U.S. Navy "Port Authority". Lake Park Band Stand.

Sunday, August 15, 7 p.m. Bavarian-Austrian Dance Company. Center Mall at Mother and Child Statue. (Rain location, Utopia Theater)

Sunday, August 22, 7 p.m. Yesterday's Tomorrow. Greenbelt Lake Park Band Stand. All the above programs are

open to the public free of charge. Just bring a lawn chair or blanket.

this week. The building maintenance crew altered the heat pump unit and built a retaining wall around the unit at the City Office Building.

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this week. Maintenance was done on the ballfields and Springhill Lake Golf Course. Grass was cut in various areas of the city. The city mechanic painted Car #6 this week. Routine mainten-

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ance was done on other city vehicles.

Swimming Pool was inspected by the Prince George's County Health Department for its 1982 season's operating permit. Opening day is Saturday, May 29 at 1 p.m. A special therapy ladder, to assist the elderly and handicapped pool patrons, was delivered this week and has been installed.



OMES INC IMPORTANT NOTICE **TO MEMBERS**

In Rehab Bulletin No. 5 and previous bulletins we have repeated instructions to members on moving furniture away from walls, clearing attics and closets as necessary in order to prepare for rehab work. Since we were aware there were a number of elderly persons in the community, we instituted a volunteer, self-help program to help some mem-bers with this moving. This proved to be inadequate to meet the demand so we started using valuable and expensive Maintenance staff time to ensure that rehab work was not unduly delayed. Unfortunately, the situation seems to have gotten worse rather than better and we are getting confronted daily with many situations in which we have to move members' furniture in order to get rehab work done.

Therefore, it has become necessary for us to get addi-tional help and therefore incur additional costs. THIS NO-TICE IS TO CAUTION MEMBERS WHO DO NOT READY THEIR UNITS FOR REHAB THAT GHIDC PERSONNEL ARE NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY DAMAGE TO ARTICLES DURING MOVING AND WILL NOT PUT THEM BACK AFTER THE WORK IS DONE. Also, a minimum charge of \$25.00 will be assessed to pay for the cost of the moving. For those elderly members we were originally trying to assist, we will continue to provide special assistance if you let us know in advance.

We strongly urge members to assist us in this matter.



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# Our Buddy, Buddy Attick Remembered

Albert "Buddy" Attick died last week. He was born on a farm the City Managers... the Boys... It's 1937. You are a kid, one of of his adult years - forty of them - working for the city. He was a fireman, a policeman, a director of public works — a man much loved by his friends, family and co-workers. Buddy was special. The News Review published a number of articles about Buddy and his life in Greenbelt on the occasion of his retirement from city service in 1978. The following excerpts from some of those articles.

## **Greenbelt & Buddy Their Lives Entwined**

City Manager James Giese has often been quoted as saying that retiring Public Works Director Albert (Buddy) Attick is an encyclopedia of information about the city. Indeed, his life history and the history of the city are so completely entwined that one cannot be unraveled without telling about the other.

and Lillian Lee Attick, bought a on my own.' farm in 1908, off Edmonston Road and along the western edge of what is now the Golden Triangle. In 1911, Buddy's older brother, Mayo, was born in the farmhouse on the property, and Buddy in 1913. Each of eight children, five boys and three girls, was born in that house, and Buddy remembered that Dr. Griffith ("there were only two doctors in the area at the time") would ride out in his horse and buggy and "spend the night oftentimes until the baby was born."

Charles Attick ran the only barbershop in Berwyn, so the boys helped out on the farm as they were growing up. It was a small farm, with a few cows and some chickens. The boys did most of the maintenance work on the house themselves, including installing running water. The only thing they didn't do, Buddy said, was to stucco the house when his parents had that done.

When Buddy was in high school at Hyattsville High, he used to ride his horse to his father's barbershop in Berwyn and put the horse in the stable behind the shop. Then he would catch the streetcar at Rhode Island Avenue and ride as far as Riverdale. From there he would walk the rest of the way to school.

### Beginning of New Towns

About that same time, government agents were looking into the possibility of buying up a lot of farmland, including and surrounding the Attick farm, for a new government project, the Greenbelt towns.

Charles Attick became the first person to sell his land to the government. The government then helped the family resettle in a house in Berwyn. Buddy doesn't remember any members of his family feeling adverse to the changes. "It's a strange thingwe sort of accepted it," he said. Of course for Buddy there were

a few additional reasons to accept the changes: "I was just at that

## Buddy's parents, Charles Mayo time getting married and living He met his wife, Gladys, through the Berwyn Baptist

Church and they were married on June 1, 1935. In September or October he came to work on the construction of the new town. **Construction Begins** 

For the first year of the project, the Attick farmhouse located where Kenilworth Avenue runs beside the new Nationwide Insurance Building was the construction headquarters. Buddy said it was a strange sensation reporting to his house for work every morning after having just moved out.

Buddy was a platoon firechief. At that time trees and underbrush were cleared with controlled fires, and there was a great need for a fire department on a project so large. With that many people around also there was bound to be some carelessness and accidents. The fire crew used a 1935 Ford 500-gallon pumper, which became Greenbelt's first firetruck. Furniture Salesman

In the fall of 1937, when the new town was settled. Buddy began working for the government selling and delivering furniture to the new families. At that time people rented what are now the GHI homes from the government. Buddy and his wife had moved into their house at 1-A Gardenway as soon as it was completed. He remembered their rent being \$33.50 per month (including heat and electricity) and didn't think rent for anyone exceeded \$35 per month. The government had commissioned the design of some furniture to go with the new houses, and for an additional \$2.50 per month on their rent bill, residents could purchase this furniture.

Buddy says that a few families in town still have some of this original Greenbelt furniture today, and hopes that someday a museum can be founded to display it and show what the original homes really looked like. - Edith Beauchamp

### To Buddy

. This "Attick" began on some land on a farm Where the Beltway and Kenilworth meet. Not the usual "ATTICK" But a cute little boy,

Who grew up to be handsome and warm.

This "ATTICK" is "BUDDY"! A man we all know, Who has been, and is, everyone's friend; Who's full of the secrets Of the town that he loves: Who's watched it to change and to grow.

Who knows every house; every path, all the streets; Every waterline and manhole there is; Every nook, every cranny; Every pothole in town;

And who loves every person he meets.

This "ATTICK" is bright and warm like the sun, And he's filled with the stories of yore -Filled with knowledge and yarns That tell us about Greenbelt's people - their sorrows and fun . . .

- Gudrun Mills

Buddy Attick is described as a man no less important for his ability to work with people than for his professional skills and knowledge by Charles McDonald and James Giese, two of the city managers under whom he has served.

"My buddy, Buddy," as he called him, was one of the first people former city manager Charles T. McDonald met when he arrived in Greenbelt about 30 years ago.

In July 1948, McDonald became town manager. After Attick's son was killed in an auto accident, McDonald invited Attick to become director of public works in order to get him away from accidents and police work.

Because of his experience. Mc-Donald found Attick relied on him to become adjusted to his new job. "He was a very apt student." Mc-Donald declared. The two attended meetings and became familiar with public works throughout Maryland-so much so that Attick quite often became an advisor to other municipalities. Under his direction, Greenbelt developed the first Maryland landfill at the present Sweetgum Picnic area located in Greenbelt Park.

The present city manager. James Giese, also emphasized that Attick was very well liked by his associates. Giese felt that some people did not like taking their complaints to Attick because after talking with him these individuals often forgot they had a complaint.

Giese said Attick didn't embarrass easily. However, he recalled an incident when Attick drove Giese and several councilmen onto the old city landfill to look at the Baltimore-Washington Parkway overpass locations. Attick was embarrassed as his 4wheel drive vehicle became stuck and help had to be summoned from the police department.

Attick is a "walking file on Greenbelt," Giese concluded.

-Leta Mach

## the Council . . .

Greeting Buddy Attick is like greeting the dawn of a beautiful day.

- Charles Schwan Buddy Attick didn't talk down policeman on Halloween and served us 40 years, a man of great ability, exuberance and charm, a country boy who became a success in the big city of Greenbelt. For 40 years Buddy was the city of Greenbelt's sun and moon, woke with it in the morning and tucked it away at night.

-Richard Pilski "He's more than just a public works director. Buddy is an extremely helpful neighbor. Many times he'll see me working on my car and stroll over for a neighborly chat. He ends up putting in two or three hours of heavy work under the hood, or even on the ground below."

#### -Thomas X. White

"Buddy Attick is Greenbelt's book of knowledge. He knows everything that's worth knowing about Greenbelt. Also Buddy gets along so well with the citizens of Greenbelt his title should really be 'Greenbelt's Ambassador of Goodwill' rather than Director of Public Works."

-Gil Weidenfeld Buddy Attick didn't talk down to the kids, but got them to do what he wanted in his own way. -Richard Castaldi

the first to come to live in this new community called Greenbelt. Most of the streets are unpaved. There are no street lights. Your playground is the woods and farms all around you. Cows and old farmhouses and decaying mansions dot the pastureland.

One of the best things for you and your friends to do on a hot summer's day is to go skinny dipping in Greenbelt Lake. There is no pool. And the water in the newly-created lake is invigorating on your bare skin.

Sometimes darkness creeps in; you and your friends build rafts and recreate battles, paddling across the lake. Pow! Pow! You shoot and sink the enemy's ship. Before long, though, a loud voice

booms into a megaphone and sails across the rippling water. It's Albert "Buddy" Attick, the Greenbelt policeman, who taught you how to swim and can greet every little kid in town by name. His voice reaches you as you steal toward shore. "Come out," it demands. "I know you're there!"

And you and all your friends, convulsed in laughter, shout back, "We know you know we're here!" And you charge into the woods, naked and laughing and running. Later, exhausted, and ready to go home, you go back to where you left your clothes. Buddy has taken them, and you slink home, running from tree to tree. There are no street lights after all.

Tom Freeman's family was one of the first to move into Greenbelt. He was 10 years old and he remembers Buddy Attick as a guard along Southway. There were two guards for each of the entrances to Greenbelt who would question people on their intentions as they entered the town. Each of the guards had a horse, Pete and Mack. All the kids knew and loved these guardians of the gate. Renfro the Mounted, they were called.

Pete and Mack were stabled in a barn on Hamilton Place (across from the present GHI building) and Buddy taught kids how to ride. No sooner did they learn than Tom and his friends, like Johnny Belten and Zip Nanna, would scramble onto the horse and be off to Baltimore.

. . Down at the Center, near the mandatory 10 p.m. curfew, along with the other Center bums ("There have always been Center bums," Tom asserts), Buddy would come by, look at his watch, look at all the kids huddled together, and shout "It's 9:55; get lost!" And you did.

... Buddy helped start the rescue squad and was the first fire chief. All the kids earned their Boy Scout merit badge for first-aid from Buddy.

. . The kids had a lot of fun in this town. And when they were caught, they paid for their mischief. Most of their Saturdays were spent doing yard work for people to pay back for some of the pranks they pulled. "We were Peck's bad boys," Tom laughs. But Buddy and the other officers were always there to rescue them and send them home, chastened, but undaunted.

-Sandra Barnes When Emmett Nanna, Greenbelt's City Solicitor, talks about Buddy Attick, he recalls his relationship to him as a youngster when Attick was the town policeman. He remembers him as someone not as old as a parent, yet someone all the children could go to for help. "Everything you remember about him is pleasant," says Nanna, who calls him a

#### "great guy."

Reminiscing, Nanna talked about Attick patrolling the Lake Park on horseback; Buddy driving the kids back and forth from high school; Buddy - - all the kids' buddy. He chuckled as he recalled the usual mischief and pranks. Attick handled that, like everything else, with a smile. Nanna laughed as he related the time when he himself was rescued. He was on the lake, which was supposedly frozen. Ducks had evidently made a hole in the middle of the lake, but Nanna didn't know it, went too close, and fell in. It was Buddy Attick who came to his aid, hauling him, nearly frozen, to safety, "He was a security blanket," Nanna said, "always around if anything happened." -Linda Orenstein

#### the **Ride-Along**

On one of his last days in office before his retirement, I had the privilege of riding along with Buddy in his jeep as he inspected the city.

Our first stop was at the Nationwide Insurance building under construction on Edmonston Road across the road from the Springhill Lake Apartments, Buddy wanted to inspect the progress in construction of the building and follow through on some complaint about damage to the exit ramp from Edmonston to Kenilworth Ave., but the visit was spiced with anecdotes about his early life.

The building rests on land that was a part of the Attick farm. He noted as we drove in that the entrance to the parking lot from Edmonston is situated exactly where their driveway had been when Edmonston was just a dirt road

The actual farmhouse stood a few hundred yards away on a hill where Kenilworth Ave. now runs. The land was much higher in those days, and in fact he said, from the bedroom windows you could look out and see the Washington Monument and the Capitol Dome on a clear day. . .

The Attick farmhouse had three stories, a kitchen, living room, parlor, and dining room on the first floor; four bedrooms on the second, and two bedrooms with dormer windows on the third. It was a large frame farmhouse with fireplaces in every room for heat.

. . Inside the Nationwide building Buddy greeted the Superintendent of construction by his first name-he greeted everyone we met that day by the first name. "I know everyone by the first name, I can never remember last names," he said. With Buddy, first names just seem more natural.

He discussed his business with the Superintendent, always in the same friendly tone, kidded with the man's son who he knew was getting married soon, and greeted every worker we met with a booming, "Good morning, good morning!" or, "Looking good, looking good!" Buddy greets everyone that way. He also gets to know everyone. He pays attention to people, and could tell a little something about each person we saw

Our next stop was along Cherrywood Lane, where PEPCO was installing some new streetlights that the city had contracted for.

"Good morning!" he called out to the foreman as we drove up, motioning him over with a wide gesture. "How's your crew doing?" The crew was comprised of new trainees. Buddy explained † me in an aside.

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## Police Blotter

Cpl. Miskell apprehended a 12year-old male resident of Springhill Lake who had earlier attempted to break into an apartment on Breezewood Terrace at 2:45 Upon further investigation p.m. by Det. McGrath, it was determined that the boy had also broken into an apartment on Edmonston Court through the patio door. The case was referred to the Department of Juvenile Services. Later, additional charges were made when Cpl. Craddock investigated a breaking and entering to a townhouse on Edmondton Road and found that the 12-year-old boy had also broken into that home and stolen a bicycle.

A home in the 100 block of Ridge Road was entered by way of an unlocked door during the day. Jewelry and a small amount of cash were stolen.

A resident of Springhill Lake reported his apartment entered during the day through an unlocked window. He reported a handgun, some change, a jacket and a small amount of marijuana stolen.

A resident of a home on Ridge Road discovered three teenage males had entered her home through a window while she was out. The three ganied entry at approximately 2:50 p.m. and were upstairs when she returned home. They fled upon her entry to the residence. Some jewelry and others items were stolen.

An argument over the use of a washing machine caused a fight in the laundromat in the Beltway Plaza. During the discussion a fight took place between several persons, resulting in a young woman being cut twice on the arm with a knife by another young woman. Officer Turner charged the suspect with assault

GREENBELT NEWS REVIEW with intent to maim.

Another fight call took place in the Greenway Shopping Center. Upon arrival of the officers, the fight broke up. However, one suspect is wanted for possession of a deadly weapon.

A young lady resident, returning to her apartment from the parking lot on Breezewood Terrace during the evening reported that a male suspect came up to her, touched her breast and, when she screamed, fled on foot from the area.

The following promotions were approved effective May 16, 1982. mononono

## GHI NOTES

Vinyl siding work next week will be 7, 10, and 12 courts Plateau Place, weather permitting. The window schedule and the heat conversion schedule will be printed in the News Review soon. Members have received the 1981-82 Annual Report and Rehab Bullentin #6. Call the receptionist, Mary Hurley, (474-6644) if extra copies of this material are needed. The Rehab Hotline number is 474-6644.

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Our deepest sympathy to the family of Ed Conroy - his wife Mary, sons Edward and Kevin, and his mother Elizabeth.

Thursday, May 27, 1982

Tom Savage, son of Pat and Howard Savage, Lakeside Dr., was graduated from the Philadelphia College of the Bible on May 6. Savage, who was president of his class for two years, received the outstanding preacher's award. He has also been listed in "Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities." Congratulations, Tom!

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