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# **Cost of Bonds, Adequacy of Funds** Are Issues of Concern to Voters

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**Public Input** 

prove the bond issue next Tues-

day. the city council then intends

to get input from the citizenry

and the city's advisory boards on

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projects before establishing firm

priorities. This process will allow

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posed bond issue.

### by Elaine Skolnik

On Tuesday, May 14, Greenbelt voters will decide whether to authorize the city council to issue up to \$6 million in bonds for capital improvements in three separate areas - parkland acquisition and improvements, city building improvements and swimming pool facilities. Two million dollars is earmarked by council for each category.

Unanimously endorsed by city also are the benefits taxpayers council, the bond issue has been drawing support at public forums (see separate stories). Traditionally Greenbelters have been willing to pay for capital improvements to enhance the quality of life in their city. While it appears that residents share this commitment today, questions are being raised about the amount of tax increase needed to cover the cost of annual principal and interest and about the adequacy of \$6 million to cover all the projects designated to be accomplished with the money from the bond sales.

If the electorate approves the bond referendum, there could be an increase in the city's property tax rate. How much would depend on various factors - the scheduling of the bond sales, the increased growth of the city's tax base and the availability of grants and matching funds.

The maximum property tax rate increase—a "worst case" figure-is estimated by the city at 23 cents if, for example, all the bonds were sold at one time. However, if bond sales were phased in stages over a period of several years, the estimated tax increase would be lower.

According to the citys bro-chure, Looking to the Future, . new development planned to be constructed in the next four years will pay annual property taxes to the city of \$668.000 at the current tax rate (\$1.13). This is more than the estimated annual cost of repaying the proposed bond issue."

Pointed out in the brochure

**VOTING INFORMATION** 

Next Tuesday, May 14, the city's registered voters will trek to the polls to vote ,'For" or "Against" a bond issue question that authorizes the issuance of general obligation bonds not to exceed \$6 million to fund the construction and acquisition of capital facilities and improvements.

The polls will be open from 7a.m. to 8 p.m. at the following locations:

- Precinct 3 Greenbelt Municapal Building, 25 Crescent Road
- Precinct 6 North End School, Ridge Road and Research
- Precinct 8 Springhill Lake Community House, 6220 Springhill Drive
- Precinct 13 Greenbriar Community Center, 7600 Hanover Parkway

Only persons registered with the city can vote in this special election.

At the time registration books closed on Monday, May 6, there were 3.044 persons on the city's registration rolls. According to City Clerk Gudrun Mills, 342 names have been added to the rolls since March 20, 1985. Precinct 3 registered 1,003, Precinct 6, 1,014, Precinct 8, 318 and Precinct 13, 709. (Figures are unofficial.)

Applications for absentee ballots are available in the city office and must be signed and submitted to the city clerk no later than noon. Monday, May 13. Persons may apply in the city office and vote at the same time. The absentee ballot must be returned no later than 6 p.m. on the day of the special election, Tuesday, May 14. For further information call 474-3870.

The city bus will be available between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. to take people to the polls. Call 474-4100.

### What Goes On

- Fri., May 10, 7 p.m. Greenbelt Crime Prevention Committee, Municipal Building
- Tues., May 14, 7 a.m. 8 p.m Special Election - Bond Issue Referendum; Precinct 3. Greenbelt Municipal Building; Precinct 6, North End School; Precinct 8, Springhill Lake Community House; Precinct 13, Greenbriar Community Center.
- Wed., May 15, 8 p.m. Council Work session. Transportation

# **Public to Help Study Center** As Charette Nears Climax

### by Norene M. Yoch

Citizens of Greenbelt have the opportunity to partici-Mall. An intense seminar and study of Roosevelt Mall, called The Greenbelt Charette, is moving toward its exciting goal.

Essential to the success of this important seminar is citizen participation. All Greenbelters are encouraged to attend a public forum which will be held on Friday, May 31, at Utopia Theater, beginnnig at 7:30 p.m. Design professionals will be on hand to share in the proceedings. Results of a citizen survey conducted in April will be presented.

The audience will have the opportunity to discuss the Mall and its surroundings in terms of what is appealing, what is less desirable, and what changes might be considered. A two-minute time limit will be imposed on speakers to assure the opportunity for as many speakers as possible. In addition, topics to be discussed during the evening will be announced at the beginning of the forum allowing participants to choose the one topic they wish to address. A refreshment break is scheduled at midpoint in the proceedings.

To further insure that Greenbelters' needs are addressed by the professionals, citizens will have the opportunity to sign up to participate on design teams.

The Charette On Saturday, June 1, at 9:30 a.m. teams comprised of professionals in all disciplines will go to work, putting their ideas on paper for presentation to a panel of judges. Designs must be completed by 6:00 p.m.

Public presentation to panel, referred to as a jury. will begin in the City Council Chambers at noon on Sunday. June 2. Greenbelt Day. and will be cable-cast as well. While the jury is

deliberating, the Greenbelt Concert Band will perform in Roose-velt Mall. At the conclusion of the concert, the winning design will be presented.

### **A** Series of Events

The Greenbelt Charette, to be conducted by citizens with the support of the city council, city staff and volunteer professionals from the fields of landscape architecture, architecture, interior design, and planning is a series of events, leading up to Greenbelt Day, June 2.

On Sunday, May 19, Greenbelt Librarian Betty Allen and GHI's Don Volk will give assembled professionals gathered in Utopia Theater an overview of the city's history. Immediately after, the guests will be guided on a walking and bus tour of the City with the assistance of Mayor Gil Weidenfeld. City Manager James Giese, Mayor Pro Tem Richard Pilski and Volk. Upon returning to Roosevelt Mall. they will be greeted by Councilmember Thomas X. White and given the opportunity to visit with Center merchants. A picnic at Attick Park and showing of "The City" at Utopia will round out the day. Councilmembers Antoinette Bram and Ed Putens who helped plan these events will also be on hand.

The Jury Panel Through the efforts of the volunteer committees. a distinguished jury panel has been assembled. Jack Downs, planning director of the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission, will be on hand, along with Giese and the owner of the Greenbelt Center, George Chris-See CHARETTE, page 10, col. 3

# Tax Differential Worth \$1,000,000

Prince Georges County Executive Parris Glendening has advised the County Council in his proposed budget that the Municipal Tax Differential will save Greenbelt homeowners \$1,003,054 in fiscal year 1986. The Maryland Tax Differential program was partially implemented this fiscal year and will become fully implemented in the new year. As a result of the program, Greenbelt taxpayers will receive a total tax rate reduction on their county property tax rate of 47 cents, if the County Executive's proposals are adopted by the County Council.

The Municipal Tax Differential was adopted in 1983 by the County Council with the full support of the County Executive. It culminated many years of effort on the part of municipal officials to have the county recognize that it was taxing municipal residents for services which the county was providing in unincorporated areas but not within the municipalities. Instead, the municipalities were providing the service. The issue was complicated by the fact that the municipalities were not all providing the same services or the same levels of service. Greenbelt, for example, provides police services while College Park does not.

This fiscal year the county property tax rate was decreased in Greenbelt by 39 cents. Offsetting this reduction was an 8 cent increase in the city tax rate to compensate for the loss of prior years' payments from the county which had been made to partially compensate the city for the tax inequity. The net tax rate reduction for the year, therefore, was 31 cents. For the new fiscal year, the amount of this reduction will be increased by 8 cents and the net tax rate reduction will be 39 cents.

In addition, since the city has its own park system, it is not subject to the park tax levied by the Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Commission (M-NCPPC). For the new fiscal year that tax rate, which will be paid by neighboring taxpayers, is proposed to be 27.64 cents.

If the budgetary proposals of the County Executive, the M-NCPPC and the city manager are adopted, the effective extra property tax rate paid by the taxpayers in Greenbelt for city services will be 46.36 cents per hundred dollars assessed valuation, more than the taxes paid by residents of unincorporated areas. For most Greenbelt homeowners, this means that the cost of city services including police, street maintenance, parks, recreation and Greenbelt CARES will be less than \$200 per year.

# **Candidates File for GHI Election**

to the Greenbelt Homes, Inc. Board of Directors. They are Todd Amani, 45-P Ridge Road and Nancy Hutchins, 65-M Ridge Road, and incumbents Debbie Hartwick, 3-F Wayne Williams, 1-C Woodland Way.

They join three members who will seek re-election - Mary filed last week-Janet James, 39-G Ridge, James Lauziere, 11-L Ridge, and Paul Leddy, 2-B Northway. Members will be voting to fill six of the nine seats on the board.

To date, only two persons have filed to run for the three vacancies on the Audit Committee Andrea Haslinger, 11-P Ridge Road and Chuck Hess, 12-C Laurel Hill Road. In addition, three of the current members of the Nominations and Elections Committee have indicated that they

Five additional candidates have filed to seek election

minishing.

Research Road, Margaret Hogensen, 53-F Ridge Road, and

Moien, Steve Sinden, and Sandra Smith. All five of the N&E Committee seats are filled each year.

The Annual Membership Meeting will be held at Center School on May 22 and the election will be held in the Municipal Building on May 23. In order to appear on the ballot, consent-to-serve forms must be given to the N&E Committee or dropped off at the Member Services Office, Hamilton Place. All forms must be received by May 10. Nominations by petition must be presented to the GHI offices by 5 p.m. on May 15.

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# **Gaining Scarce Green Space Demands'For'** Vote on Bonds

A few fleeting years ago, Greenbelt was a small town beautifully surrounded by woodlands. Now, only scattered oases of green remain to offer respite from our urban clutter. Many of those spots are privately owned and ripe for clearing and construction. If some of these forested areas are not acquired soon with public money for public use, the pleasure they give us will be lost forever.

This is why passing the proposed municipal bond issue during the referendum next Tuesday is so urgent a matter for all of us. While other projects to be carried out with money from the bond sales have compelling claims of their own, at least some of those projects could conceivably be accomplished in later years. But loss now of the last remaining chances to buy green space for park land will be an irretrievable loss felt both by ourselves and the generations that follow us here.

The city's wish list for use of the bond proceeds reflects the desires of the citizens. Among goals on the list, in addition to the acquisition of park land, are improvement of existing parks; construction of a new, more efficient police station; repair and improvement of the old swimming pool and construction of an indoor swimming facility; and additions to the Youth Center and the public works building. All are worthy projects made necessary either by increased population of the city, with its needs for services, or by the longtime wear and tear of constant use.

A bond issue will not be without its cost, for city property taxes will have to be used to repay the buyers of the bonds. But city officials have proved through careful management of funds from the last bond issue that they know how to increase such monies with matching federal, state and county grants. As citizens we received more for our tax dollars by approving that last bond issue than any of us could have imagined. Passing the new referendum looks like the best investment any of us could make this year for ourselves and for our children.

The News Review supports the bond issue. We urge you to vote "For" in the special city election on May 14.

### Potomac High 15 Year Reunion to be June 8, 9

The Class of 1970 of Potomac High School located in Oxon Hill, is celebrating its 15-year class reunion on June 8 & 9. All class members who have not been contacted regarding this event are asked to call one of the following committee members: Elaine 894-9163, Linda 868-4028, or Joyce 567-6812.

### Summer Playgrounds Will Be in Greenbelt

The Maryland National-Capit al Park and Planning Commission will offer summer playgrounds at Greenbelt North End Park, Springhill Lake Recreation Center, in Greenbriar, and in Windsor Green. The programs run from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. with a supervised lunch. A tennis camp will be offered in July at Eleanor Roosevelt High School. For more information call 445-4500.

# **At Lion's Club Meeting**

Latest Fashion Featured

"Dressing for Objectives" is the title of the next program planned by the Greenbelt Lion's for their next meeting on Monday, May 13, at 7:30 p.m. at the American Legion Hall.

Gerald R. Blair, Deputy Director of Warehousing and Distribution for the J. S. Bank Clothiers, Inc., will present an exciting and up-to-date extravaganza of the latest fashions in both men's and women's wear. Models will be cn hand to demonstrate the merchandise.

The public is invited free of charge. Those attending will learn how to match their clothes to the occasion and to improve their wardrobes. They will get tips on how to impress friends. their boss, their customers, and themselves.

### Robert L. Shepherd

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Robert L. Shepherd, Jr., of Westway, a resident of Greenbelt for 19 years died Wednesday, May 1 at the age of 59 after a long illness.

Shepherd served in the Mr. United States Navy during both World War II and the Korean War, for a total of 22 years. After moving to Greenbelt in 1966, he was employed by the City of Greenbelt as a police dispatcher. He was a member of the D.A.V. and of Greenbelt American Legion Post 136, where he was employed for a brief time. He was employed by Computer Sciences Technicolor Associates at the Goddard Space Flight Center until his retirement in 1981.

He is survived by his three daughters, Kathleen Shepherd, Karen Faherty, and Sandra Shepherd, all of Greenbelt, a brother, William Shepherd of York, PA, and two grandsons, Kevin and Michael Faherty of Greenbelt. His wife Mary Shepherd, passed away in 1978.

Services were held at the Fleck Funeral Home in Laurel, with in terment at Maryland National Memorial Park with full military honors. The family suggests that donations be sent in Mr. Shepherd's memory to the Ameriban Diabetes Association.

### At Greenbelt Library

The Adult Book Discussion group will meet Thursday, May 16 at 10:15 a.m. to discuss print and film versions of selected short stories at the Greenbelt Library.

### **Discussion on Nuclear** Weapons at Library

The Prince Georges Coalition for a Nuclear Weapons Freeze will meet Tuesday, May 14 from 7:30 to 9 p.m. at the Greenbelt Library. A speaker from the Air Force will discuss nuclear weapons. Dialogue will follow on the usefulness of nuclear weapons for modern day defense. There will also be a discussion of current lobbying activities. The meeting is open to the general public. For information call 474-6890.

### **Concert Band to Play**

The Greenbelt Concert Band of Prince Georges County will present a concert on June 2 at 2 p.m. at Roosevelt Center. The concert is free and open to the public. For further information call Jean Smith at 474-0543.

This program is sponsored by the City of Greenbelt Recreation Department in conjunction with the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission, Department of Parks and Recreation, Prince Georges County, Arts Division.

Free Lecture on "Grieving" A free lecture on Grieving: Dealing with the Death of a Loved One, will be presented by Linda J. Cimarusti, Ph.D. a Clinical Phychologist. The program will be held on Tuesday, May 21, at 8 p.m. at Behavior Service Consultants, Inc., 133 Centerway. The presentation will include information about the range of emotions and behaviors experienced by persons experiencing a significant loss. Techniques for understanding them will be presented. There will be opportunity for discussion. Adance registration is required as space is limited. For more information and to register, call Behavior Service Consultants, Inc. at 474-2146.

### **Middle School Students** To Do Cleanup Jobs

Greenbelt Middle School is planning two cleanup events for this month. On May 17 students will be cleaning up the school grounds. On May 31 students will clean up around Greenbelt Lake. They will be at the park from 9:30 to 11 a.m.

### **Greenbelt Homemakers**

The Greenbelt Homemaker's Club will meet on May 17 at 8 p.m. at the home of Martha Sinden. 35-K Ridge Road. Homemaker Club meetings are open to all interested persons. For further information call Irene Szafran. 474-8168.



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### **Greenbelt Community Church**



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To coincide with the civt's

birthday celebrations, the Green-

belt branch of the Prince Geor-

ges County Library system will

hold an open house on Saturday,

June 1, to celebrate this branch's

The Wednesday, May 15, meet-

ing of the Friends of the Green-

belt Library will be a planning

session for the open house. The

Friends will be helping the li-

brary staff in a variety of ways

on that day. It will be a fun oc-

casion to which all are invited.

and the Friends group urges

those wanting to help to attend

Wednesday's meeting at 7:30 p.m. in the library. For details,

(for all ages)

474-9410

call the library at 345-5800.

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### To the Editors:

I would like to share a few thoughts on the upcoming bond issue as follows: - I am con-cerned about the "blank-check" nature of this referendum. We've been told "selling bonds is a com-plicated matter," so we can't be told the rate or terms of the obligations to which we may be committed. The known cost, large as it is (\$6 million' principal), is relatively small compared to potential multi-decade interest charges. Not only are the financial terms undisclosed, but what the bonds would actually buy is unknown in large part. A "wish-list" of buildings, parks, and pools is proposed, but even the proponent agree they may cost a lot more than \$6 million and the "wish-list" itself is remarkably imprecise and nonbinding. -The construction/ac-quisition costs of possible projects are only the beginning; staffing, maintenance, repairs, improvements, etc. will follow, and may cost more than paying off the bonds.

-By grouping lots of projects together, it is impossible for citizens to distinguish between worthwhile projects and less worthwhile ones. Why should a citizen who may believe a project or two is worthy be forced to vote for millions of dollars for what he/she considers unworthy projects? I propose that "pro-ject-specific" bond proposals (if any must be made) be offered to voters to save money and promote choice and discretion. One costeffective alternative may be to make part of the North End School a new police headquarters if one is truly needed.

-Bond proponents' argument that the 39c county tax differential reduction and potential new assesable development now justify increased tax collections is badly flawed because (1) the onetime tax reduction enjoyed by Greenbelters is likely to evaporate (With the TRIM amendment modification recently passed, the county will be increasing assessments and tax bills) and (2) Tax reductions in and of themselves are a worthwhile goal. They allow us to keep and save or spend our own money as we wish (including joining private pools), rather than turning it over to politicians.

-There has been a lot of really misleading noise made about how passing this referendum is needed to maintain and/or improve the "quality of life" in Green-Nonsense! Funds raised belt. from bond issues do not descend from the heavens; they must be returned, with interest, from the taxpayers. Every dime that is taken from us as taxpayers to "improve the quality of life" is a dime unavailable to us to imTo the Editor:

On behalf of the Greenbelt Arts Center, I want to thank the News Review for its coverage of "Volunteers Appreciation Night" Saturday, April 27. It's extremely important that volunteers realize that their work is appreciated. Without participation from volunteers, community organizations cannot meet their goals. Equally as important, it loses the vitality which enriches the organization.

One of the volunteers, and member of the Board of Directors, Nick Mydra, organized this exciting affair. While I gave my full support and assistance to the project, it was Nick, not me, as reported, who proposed the idea and made the idea work.

Konrad Herling

President **Greenbelt Arts Center** 

### Support the Bond

### To the Editor:

As chairperson of the Roosevelt Mall Charette Coordinating Committee I have noticed an excitement mounting as the May 31, 1985 public hearing on the charette nears. Perhaps it's because it is our opportunity to help preserve a most important part of our community life, affectionately known as the "Center".

Similarly, the bond issue offers all of us a chance to pre-serve the "green" quality of Greenbelt by acquiring parkland; to enhance our recreation program by building an indoor swimming pool; and, to assure a safer quality of life by erecting a new police facility Greenbelt is a great community. Let's sup-port the bond and keep it great. Norene Yoch

prove our quality of life as we choose.

My strong feelings on this issue happen to be partly based on the sad experience of watching escalating taxes in my hometown in New York force people (often including especially "communityminded" volunteers) to move away. And those higher taxes reduced the marketability (prices) of their homes while at the same time forcing rents up to pay the taxes.

I doubt federal financial disclosure laws would allow someone to ask us to individually sign an obligation with the "blankcheck" qualities of this referendum; why should we collectively? I urge Greenbelters to vote "NO" on Tuesday. Perhaps elected leaders will then offer less costly and more precise choices for voters.

Franklin L. Gage

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### The Six Million Dollar Bond Issue

### Dear Greenbelt Resident:

This is the fourth of a series of articles on the bond issue proposal. This article will provide a brief summary of the proposal, cost information on the bond issue, and voter information.

VOTER INFORMATION

The polls will be open on Tuesday, May 14, 1985 from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. The polls are located at:

- Precinct 3 Greenbelt Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road
- Precinct 6 North End School, Ridge Road
- Precinct 8 Springhill Lake Community House, 6220 Springhill Drive
- Precinct 13 Greenbriar Community Center, 7600 Hanover Parkway

### The Bond Issue at a Glance

□ Voters must approve the authorization for the city to issue bonds for capital improvements. Approval will permit the issuance of up to \$6 million in bonds.

- □ The City Council has allocated bond issue funds as follows:
  - Park land acquisition and improvements \$2 million
  - City building improvements \$2 million Swimming pool facilities - \$2 million
- □ Many projects are included in this bond issue. These will be accomplished over a period of years. Determination of priorities will be made by the City Council.
- □ The city intends to acquire more park land
  - · In the developing area east of the Baltimore-Washington Parkway
  - At Northway Fields
  - In the vicinity of Attick Park/Greenbelt Lake
- Park improvement projects include
  - Greenbelt Lake at Buddy Attick Park
  - A neighborhood park to serve Windsor Green and Hunting Ridge
- Enlargement of the Northway Fields athletic Complex · Development of the Perimeter Trail and other pedestrian-bicycle trails City building needs include

  - New police station Addition to the public works facility
  - . Addition to the Youth Center
  - City museum
- Swimming facility projects include
  - An indoor swimming pool
  - · Major repairs and improvements to the Greenbelt city outdoor pool and bathhouse
- □ Although payment of annual principal and interest could increase city property taxes by as much as 23 cents, the City Council will make every effort to keep the tax increase as low as possible through financial planning and careful scheduling of debt payments.
- Last year, city taxpayers enjoyed a net reduction in their combined city and county tax rate of 31 cents as a result of the Prince George's County tax differential program. This year, there will be a further reduction of 8 cents, for a total reduction of 39 cents. This reduction is more than the maximum increase possible with this bond issue.
- Greenbelt residents must be registered with the city to vote in city elections. This is a sep-
- arate registration from federal, state, and county elections. Voting will take place on May 14, 1985 from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
- □ PLEASE VOTE!!

### The Costs

Selling bonds is a complicated matter. Not only are there many federal regulations to be complied with to assure that bond interest is exempt from income tax, but also the condition of the bond market will affect our decision as to when to borrow and for how long. To assist us in these matters, we must have the help and advice of financial consultants and bond attorneys.

On May 14, voters will vote to authorize the City Council to issue bonds. Council, with the help of its advisers, will decide when. It is possible that there will be more than one bond issue; but the total of all bond issues cannot exceed \$6 million proposed by Ordinance #967. It is not possible, at this time, to determine the exact cost of the bond issue to the taxpayer,

as there are many variables, such as interest rates, bond sale scheduling, and growth in the city that will affect the costs. As in the past, the City Council and staff will do everything possible to minimize the impact of this bond issue. Past city bond issues have not required a tax rate increase of even one cent to pay off the debt. This was true even of the \$950,000 Capital Improvment Bond Issue of 1969. For that bond issue, voters were advised that the tax rate could be increased by as much as 20 cents. However, due to the wise use of the funds and growth in the city, no increase was necessary.

It is estimated that, if all the bonds were sold at one time at 10% interest with equal payments of principal and interest over 30 years, a property tax rate increase of 23 cents might be required to raise funds sufficient to pay the first year's principal and interest due. Through the proper scheduling of the issuance of the bonds and payment of the debt, good financial management, and the growth of the city's tax base, we believe it will not be necessary to increase the tax rate by as much as 23 cents. For example, new development planned to be constructed in the next four years will pay annual property taxes to the city of \$688,000 at the current tax rate. This is more than the estimated annual ccost of repaying the proposed bond issue.

The second year of the county tax differential will go into effect in July this year, resulting in a tax rate cut of 8 cents. Added to last year's reduction of 31 cents in the combined city and county tax rates, residents will receive a 39 cents tax rate cut, - 16 cents more than the estimated maximum impact of this bond issue.

### **Grants and Other Funds**

The City Council is proud of the fact that the proceeds of the \$950,000 bond issue of 1969 made possible the completion of 20 projects with a total expenditure of \$2,105,600. This was the result of city funds being used to match state and federal grants. City Council and staff will again make every effort to supplement the bond funds with grants, donations, and other noncity funds, even though it is recognized that we may not be as successful since both state and federal grant programs are diminishing.



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### A Look at Some GHI ByLaw Amendments

### To the Editor:

I urge my fellow Greenbelters to vote for the Greenbelt bond issue on May 14. We need the facilities it will make possible.

I urge my fellow GHI members to vote May 21 for most, but not all, the amendments to the GHI bylaws as presented in the package dated April 16 which I presume all of the GHI members have received. I served as a member of the GHI Bylaws Committee which developed most of the substantive bylaw amendments and some of the editorial ones, and had a chance to deal with others of the proposed ones which came from the GHI attorney, Pat Clancy. Most of Clancy's amendment in the package GHI distributed. Instead, it is being circulated in such guise that, if we aren't careful, we'll be voting for a change without knowing it. ments seem harmless, but a couple have to be rejected, including one which unfortunately isn't even being identified as an amend-

Look at your present GHI Bylaws Article V, Section 4, which is about the powers and duties of the Board of Directors. After a general listing of these powers and duties, and immediately before a specific listing of them, it now says: "Specifically, the Board shall:"

Clancy wanted to change that to read "specifically, but not in limitation of its powers and duties, the Board shall:" When that extra bit of verbiage got to the committee, we asked what powers and duties that would add, that the Board of Directors doesn't already have, and never got a satisfactory answer. The only answer we got was that it was a "protection" for the members, and an "addition to the members' rights", to add those words, because without them we wouldn't be able to chastise the Board if it failed to do something vital such as provide for payment of taxes, (paying taxes isn't specifically mentioned but is certainly embraced in the general powers given.

Now, on page 9 of the April 15 package, I find the phrase "but not in limitation of its powers and duties" has been inserted into what presumably is the noncontroversial part of the textthe part consisting of merely editorial and administratie changes that don't affect members' rights -and these words aren't underscored to show that they are proposed amendments. Unless this defect is cured in a new distribution, timely made, they will be out of order and should be deleted for that reason alone, as well as because they actually give the Board unstated and wide new potential powers without definition or limit and therefore do potentially curtail members' rights.

On page 8 of the same package, in Article IV, Section 9, it is proposed by attorney Clancy and the board to delete one of the existing "Responsibilities" of the membership at membership meetings. That is, "for determining policies of the Corporation;" hope the members at the membership meeting will vote to amend the over-all motion to adopt the editorial/administrative changes and will insist on keeping intact the right to determine the policies of our housing corporation when we as a whole membership meet-while allowing the Board to set policy, between membership meetings, within the bounds the entire membership sets.

I am proud of many of the other proposed amendments, especially the ones giving a fair hearing and right of reply in the

# REMINDER

This is to remind readers of News Review policy with respect to the printing of campaign and election material. In its last edition preceding an election the newspaper will not publish letters to the editor and similar materials that inject, for the first time, highly controversial issues and charges. Last minute introduction of such materal without an opportunity for refutation is considered an unfair campaign practice.

Letters to the editor and other copy on election issues must be submitted by 9:30 p.m. Tuesday evening, so as to give the News Review editorial board sufficient time to review content.

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same mailing or distribution in which someone may be attacked, in a petition, which is embodied in Proposal No. 12. It retains the members' rights to seek to 'censure an elected person for alledged cause, while giving the attacked person due process and a fair shake—something we didn't have two years ago when a censure motion went out in the meeting notice but the person against whom the motion was filed had to wait for the meeting before he could reply.

I regret that the majority on Bylaws Committee was so the tired, at the end of its numerous weeks of work, that it simply refused to deal with my motion on a needed change in how we elect the Nominations and Elections Committee. As things now stand, the N&E Committee is in charge of its own renomination and, presumably, its own re-election-a conflict-of-interest situation if ever there was one. And, if there aren't enough nominees for N&E by several days before the annual meeting, we can't even elect a full N&E Committee because under an amendment hastily passed about three years ago, we can't nominate for N&E from the floor as we had been able to do during all of GHI's previous history. In consideration of the overflowing package before us now, I have decided to wait 'till next year.

I urge rejection of another bylaw amendment proposal, not in the April 15 package, which . . . has been sponsored by . . . Steve Curtis and several co-petitioners. That is a proposal to reduce the number of Board of Director members, from the present nine, at full strength, in steps to some lesser number (I have heard, five). The board is a legislative body and should not be made fewer in members. When grappling with tough policy issues, too few heads may mean too few perspectives considered, too few aspects weighed or even thought of-and too much possibility of a rubber-stamp mentality developing if one very strong-minded person gets into a power seat.

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### **Greenbelter in 'Little Foxes'**

Greenbelter Helen Cameron will be performing in the Prince Georges Little Theatre production of Lillian Hellman's "The Little Foxes." The drama will be performed at the newly renovated Prince Georges Publick Playhouse in Cheverly on May 24, 25, 31 and June 1.

### GREENBELT NEWS REVIEW

# GHI Corrects Long-time Inequity on Refunds Approves Asbestos Removal in Crawl Spaces

### by Mavis Fletcher

At its regular meeting on April 25, the board of directors of Greenbelt Homes, Inc., changed a policy concerning refunds of member holdings in the working capital of the corporation, approved a contract for asbestos removal from crawl spaces and heard a list of members' requests and committee reports.

The working capital refund policy corrected what was characterized as a perceived inequity involving purchasers of GHI units between April 1972 and January 1978. Those purchasers, like today's, were required to pay 3% of the purchase price of their units into the corporation's working capital. For purchases made during the 1972-1978 period. this payment was made in two parts - the buyer paid the seller directly for whatever working capital payment the seller had made when he bought and also paid the balance of the 3% to GHI. (Since the units have constantly appreciated. 3% of the new sales price normally exceeded what the seller had paid.) However, GHI policy limited the refund to a departing member to whatever amount the member had paid directly to GHI. In effect, the departing member forfeited the payment he had made to the seller. The new policy provides for the refund of all working capital payments to a departing member whether the payment was made directly to GHI or indirectly to the previous owner. The motion passed 6-0 with Wavne Williams abstaining. He said he had changed units during th's period.

Purchasers who bought units after January 1978 will not be affected because at that time procedures were changed so that a seller was refunded his payment by GHI and the purchaser paid the entire 3% of the sales price to GHI. thereby assuring that the payment would be refunded when the unit was sold.

### Committee Reports

The board accepted a report from Mike Bordelon. Chairman of the Aesthetics and Environment Committee. which recommended approval of an addition at 25-D Ridge and a fence at 39-M Ridge. The board eventually approved both requests. The request for a 34' fence on the service side had considerable opposition. however. It was finally

### First Flea Market Heralds Spring

Spring is really here when the Arts Center organizes a Flea Market in Roosevelt Mall. This Saturday, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., new and used items will be available to bargain hunters.

Organized by Ann Pisano, the open-air market brings a modest sum of money into the Arts Center treasury while helping people trade goods from one crowded close tto another.

The Arts Center will have a book table, and donations may be brought to the Center after 9 a.m. Saturday. A tax receipt will be available.

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### approved by 4-3 with Directors Williams, Frank Gervasi and Ray McCawley opposed.

The board also accepted a report from the Finance Committee recommending that the board establish an ad hoc committee to develop a GHI policy on reserves. According to Don Volk, chairman of the Finance Committee, GHI does not currently have such a policy and the auditors have indicated that a policy is needed.

A draft report from the Ad Hoc Committee on Moisture Problems in GHI was presented by Gervasi, chairman of the committee. The report commented favorably on the program of the management staff for inspecting all masonry homes and all frame units reporting moisture problems, although widespread, often differ from home to home and need to be treated on a case-bycase basis. The report listed various experimental solutions which are being tried and emphasized that the moisture problem is a priority item in GHI at this time.

### **SLSC Board Members**

The board appointed General Manager Ron Colton and reappointed member Bruce Bowman to represent GHI on the board of directors of the Share Loan Service Corporation for one year, the term to end after the 1986 SLSC annual meeting.

The board also voted to authorize the GHI representatives to vote for a reorganization of SLSC ownership. Voting stock in SLSC is held by the National Cooperative Bank (2 votes), GHI (2 votes), and CMB Funding (1 vote). CMB Funding is jointly owned by NCB and the Cooperative League of the USA. Under the proposed reorganization. CLUSA will give up its share of CMB Funding and will receive. in return. CMB Funding's shares in SLSC. SLSC will then be owned by NCB (45%). GHI (45%), and CLUSA (10%). CMB Funding, which will be a whollyowned subsidiary of NCB, will continue to manage SLSC.

The board decided to defer consideration of parking problems in 11 Court of Ridge Road because interested members were unable to be present. The matter was referred to the Buildings and Grounds Committee and management was directed to make a survey of drainage problems in the court since these problems might play some part in the parking problems.

### Asbestos Removal

According to Colton, inspection of asbestos in crawl spaces under GHI homes showed that much of the asbestos had been disturbed by subcontractors during rehab without GHI's knowledge or approval. Therefore, Colton recommended its prompt removal. Although GHI has a trained and licensed crew which has removed asbestos from occupied areas. bids were taken for the crawl space work in order to complete it expeditiously. The lowest bid, according to Colton, was in fact lower than management's estimate of the cost of doing the work with GHI resources. The board authorized the letting of a \$295,000 contract by unanimous vote and, suspending the rules. passed the motion for second reading.

A draft of the agenda for the annual membership meeting of May 22 was presented to the board. A forum for members to explain proposed uses of the boiler rooms was set for Monday. May 13. in the board room. Regular board meetings this month will be May 9 and 30. The usual date for the second monthly meeting would have conflicted with the GHI elections on May 22



Major Items of Business:

NOMES INC.

- Action on Minutes of May 16, 1984
- Reports of Officers. Directors. & Elected Committees
- Presentation of Awards
- Presentation of Candidates
- Election of Nominations & Elections Committee
- Old Business
- Attached Frame Boiler Plants
- New Business
- Proposed Rehabilitation & Refinancing for Larger Homes Detached Boiler Plants
- Proposed Bylaws Revision
- Membership Petition about Reducing the Size of the Board

VOTING FOR BOARD AND AUDIT COMMITTEE MEMBERS ON THURSDAY, MAY 23 7 a.m. - 8 p.m. IN CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS AT THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING.

# East Greenbelt Queries City Officials on Bond Meeting

### by Dea N. Zugby and Robert C. Zugby

If the proposed bond issue passes and the improvements are completed, how and how much does the city plan to pay for the staffing and maintenance of the improved facilities? This, from Harold Miller of Greenbriar, was the first question raised by citizens assembled on May 1 at the Greenbriar Community Center to discuss with city officials the anticipated costs and benefits of the proposed bond issue.

City Manager James Giese replied that funding would come through the city's regular operating budget. However, there is no way of determining the specific operating costs of these improvements, he pointed out, because we really do not know how much of this staffing and maintenance would be required anyway. He explained that, even if the bond issue does not pass, the swimming pool will continue to need ever-increasing maintenance, the police department will still need more work space, and the city will still have to devise some means of acquiring and maintaining new green space when it becomes available. Indeed, the more important ques-tion might be: What will be the cost to the taxpayers if the bond issue fails to pass?

Sponsored by the Greenbriar Community Association, the forum attracted residents mainly from Greenbriar/Glen Oaks, Windsor Green/Glen Ora, and Hunting Ridge, although other Greenbelt communities were also represented.

### Benefits Expected

After a brief introduction by moderator Robert Zugby, Giese used a slide presentation to illustrate the benefits of the bond proposal. The six million dollars to be raised through<sup>4</sup> the sale of bonds. he said, would be applied in equal amounts to public building expansion and construction. park land acquisition and improvement. and construction of an indoor swimming pool to supplement the city's outdoor pool, which is also in need of major renovation and repair.

City Administrative Assistant Michael McLaughlin then reported on the projected effect of the bond issue on the city's property tax rate. Although the bond issue could add as much as 23 cents to the tax rate. he said, such mitigating factors as spreading out the six million dollar sale over a period of time, the county tax differential, and the city's rapidly expanding tax base due to new development would probably lower this figure considerably.

City elected officials present were strong in their support of the staff presentation. Mayor Gil Weidenfeld asserted that passage of the bond issue would mean the preservation of "a quality of life in Greenbelt" which "is not found anywhere else." Mayor Pro Tem Richard Pilski, describing himself as a "fiscal conservative." based his support on the will of the people (a show of hands had indicated general support by those present) and on the stability of Greenbelt's tax base. Councilmember Thomas X. White cited the urgency of some of the proposed projects-especially an

expanded police facility; he also noted the effort to achieve balance among the three main areas of need and the present as a time of opportunity for this kind of accomplishment. Councilmember Edward Putens reminded the audience that the main objective of the bond issue is to address those needs raised by the citizens themselves in the last election day survey; at that time, voters had assigned high priority to swimming pool improvements, a new police facility, and green space preservation and expansion.

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### **Replies to Questions**

The following addition points were made by city staff and council members in response to audience questions:

-The possible loss of federally funded programs will have relatively small impact on the city tax rate; its greater impact will fall on the county budget.

-The going commercial rate for vacant land within the city is too high for large purchases for park land, even with the \$2 million to be made available for this purpose through the bond issue. However, the city must have the means to move quickly when the possibility of a bargain in this area presents itself.

-Bonds will probably be sold in denominations of \$5,000 or more. Smaller amounts were studied but reluctantly rejected as not feasible.

-Priorities within each of the three categories to be funded by the bond issue will be determined by city council. Weidenfeld assured the audience that such decisions will not be made lightly but only' after extensive consultation with community associations, advisory boards and private citizens. Other council members present agreed.

-Use of the North End School as a new police facility had been discussed by council. Rejection of this idea had been based on reluctance to allow vehicles on emergency calls to rely too heavily on extensive use of residential streets.





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# GHI NOTES

In order for biographies to be submitted to the News Review, candidates for the upcoming GHI elections must turn in consent-toserve forms to the N & E Committee or the Member Service Office by the evening of May 10. Nominations by petition must be presented to the Secretary or the Corporation office by 5 p.m. on May 15. Friday, May 17 is the deadline for proxies. For more information, call the N & E Chair Mary Moien (474-4713).

Work has begun to remove asbestos from the crawl spaces of GHI units. All work is done in unoccupied areas and members should not be disturbed by this process. Members will receive a notice before work is done under their units. All areas should be completed by the fall. Anyone with questions may contact the Maintenance Office (474-6011).

### **EXPERIENCE COUNTS!** JANET JAMES HAS SERVED **GREENBELT HOMES ON:**

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JANET JAMES appreciates the history of GHI as a planned community; she knows what a cooperative is and approves of the cooperative principle; she is for enforcement of regulations; she knows GHI is not a museum, but the homes in which GHI members dwell. On the Board of Directors, JANET JAMES will be guided by this knowledge and governed by this philosophy.

**VOTE FOR JANET JAMES** FOR BOARD OF DIRECTORS GHI elections May 23, City Council Chambers.



Greenbelt Lions Club Fund Raising Project "Mini-Caravan" on display at the Beltway Plaza Mall with (left to right) Marketing Director of the Beltway Plaza Mall Pat-Valle, Lions Program Chairman Emory Harman, Treasurer Joe Wilkinson, 2nd Vice President Hank Irving, Manager of the Sporting Life Store Barry Blechman and Lions Fund Raising Chairman Bud Cormack.

# Lions to Raise Funds With Mini-Caravan

The Greenbelt Lions have embarked on a major fund raising project thanks to the donation of a "Mini-Caravan" by Lion Barry Blechman, owner of the Beltway Plaza Sporting Life Store. This project will last until July 4 when a drawing will be held at the Greenbelt "Buddy" Attick Park Bandstand at 6 p.m. The winner need not be present to win. A gasoline powered "go-cart"

with a heavy fibreglass "Bodyby-Adidas", the Mini-Caravan is manufactured by the Dodge Motor Company. The Mini-Caravan is part of an ADIDAS (Sporting Goods Company) national advertising promotion. Winner of the Mini-Caravan will be entered in a national drawing for a full-size 1985 Dodge Van and \$500 worth of sporting equipment.

On week-ends, the Mini-Cara-van will be on display at the Beltway Plaza Mall or Roosevelt Center in old Greenbelt. At other times, it may be seen at the Sporting Life Store in Beltway Plaza. Tickets are on sale in the Sporting Life Store in the Beltway Plaza, the Greenbelt Youth Center Business Office and by all the Greenbelt Lions and Lion Belles.

Proceeds from the project will be used for the Greenbelt Lions Service Programs which include sight and hearing conservation, pre-school for the handicapped, youth activities, and emergency projects for the needy.



Greenbelt Lions Fund Raising Chairman Bud Cormack sells first ticket for the "Mini-Caravan" Fund Raising Project's drawing to Marketing Director of the Beltway Plaza Mall Pat Valle, while (left to right) Lion Barry Blechman (Manager of the Sporting Life Store) and Treasurer Joe Wilkinson look on.



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outdoor pool which was built in 1938 and rebuilt in 1965.

### Page 7 Saturday, May 18

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### public on the implementation of the bond issue. Projects

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the public to have a continuing

influence over the scheduling of

the bond sales which, in turn, will affect the need for and

amount of property tax increase.

With an eye on next Septem-

ber's city council election, coun-

cil members can be expected to

be sensitive to the wishes of the

The council has allocated \$2 million of the proposed bond issue for each of the following categories:

Park Land Acquisition and Improvement — Contemplated is the acquisition of land in "strategic locations to buffer and control development." The city is targeting sections in the vicinity of the Northway Fields and near Greenbelt Lake.

The city also proposed to develop Schrom Hills Park as a neighborhood park for residents of Windsor Green, Glen Ora and Hunting Ridge. This newly acquired undeveloped park land is 37 acres adjacent to recently annexed Hunting Ridge condominium apartments. Other park improvements will involve Buddy Attick Park and Greenbelt Lake, the Northway Fields and the Perimeter and other Trails.

City Building Improvements -A separate police facility is being proposed. The city brochure cites the following recommendation of a special study of the Greenbelt Police Department made for the city council by the consulting firm, Public Administration Service: "Another major finding of this report that greatly affects the operation and management of the Department is that the current police facility has serious limitations that warrant finding a new building to house the Department. . . . These shortcomings are so serious that it would be impossible for the Department to earn accreditation based on standards established by the Commisison on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies. As a result, the City needs to move with all deliberate speed toward obtaining a new facility for the Police Department."

Contemplated also are (1) a small Youth Center addition to provide two locker rooms and an improved weight-lifting exercise area; (2) expansion of the Public Works Building to provide for another garage and an ad-dition to the small office building; (3) rehabilitation of the 13-acre North End School property which the city acquired from the county, including possible adaptation of the building for multiuse purpose daycare center, senior citizen center, pre-school or nursery school. drop-in recreation center, etc.; (4) remodeling of the Municipal Building if the Police Dpeartment moves to new quarters; and (5) establishment of a small city museum "to preserve memorabilia relating to the history of the city and its establishment by the Federal Government as a model planned community."

Swimming Pool Facilities—An indoor pool is being proposed. Locating the pool next to the outdoor city pool and the sharing of facilities will be explored. Considered also will be the feasibility of enclosing the outdoor pool instead of building a new facility, and the possible inclusion of other health and fitness facilities such as exercise equipment. a sauna and a whirlpool. Voters in 1972 turned down an indoor pool im a single-issue referendum. The bond issue also contemplates improvements to the city's Join Us in a VOTE for Greenbelt's Future Vote FOR the Bond Issue On May 14, 1985

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Thursday, May 9, 1985

# Bond Issue Pro's and Con's Are Aired At Citizens for Greenbelt Public Forum

by Virginia Beauchamp Although a few public officials were present at the May 2 meeting of Citizens for Greenbelt (CFG), the spotlight focused primarily on the citizens themselves as they presented and discussed alternatives raised by the proposed municipal bond issue referendum. About 40 persons turned up for the hearing, which was held in the city council chamber.

CFG president Eunice Coxon turned the meeting over to vice president Keith Chernikoff, who chaired the formal presentation. Chernikoff then called on assistant city manager Mike McLaughlin to discuss potential changes in the property tax rate if the referendum passes in the special municipal election on May 14. Following his presentation. Dorothy Pyles, Betty Sonneveldt, and Steve Curtis each made short speeches favoring three of the projects proposed for develop-ment with funds raised from the bond issue - construction of a new police station, building of an indoor swimming pool and revamping of the present outdoor pool, and acquisition of undeveloped land to preserve as much green space as possible.

### Tax Rate Projections

Because of many variables now unpredictable, such as interest rates, the scheduling of bond sales, and future growth that would increase the tax base, it is impossible to predict the exact impact on the tax rate of an individual home owner, if the bond issue referendum should pass. With the aid of charts, McLaughlin described several possibilities, starting with what he described as "the worst case scenario." in which all of the authorized \$6 million worth of bonds would be sold at once. This is considered an unlikely possibility, as planning for the projects is expected to be phased-in over several years. Since by federal law any money received from the sale of municipal bonds must be expended within one year, no bonds to raise funds for a particular project would be sold until the project was well along in the design stage and ready to go.

In the "worst case scenario," the tax rate could rise by 23c per \$100 of assessed valuation on residential properties, McLaughlin said. This would average out. Chernikoff pointed out, to approximately \$3 per month for GHI properties and between \$6 and \$9 per month for homes in Boxwood and Lakeside. (With the 1969 capital improvement bond referendum, the tax rate was estimated to increase by as much as 24c. In fact, because of careful use of the money and growth within the city, no increase was necessary.)

"It may cost us money," Mayor Gil Weidenfeld said. referring to the proposed capital improvements. "but we will also get an increase in property values."

### New Police Station

"I was appalled." said Pyles in her presentation. when she described her formal walk-through of the present police facilities. Since 1977, when the police station was enlarged, police personnel have increased 70%. She described a locker room too crowded "to swing a cat in," an interrogation room so small it could hold only two chairs face to face, no secured areas where police cars could drive up and bring prisoners in, and entrances serving also as public entrances for city offices.

Squelching a suggestion that a new facility could be constructed at the North End School. Pyles pointed out that it is not centrally enough located for proper use of police vehicles.

Sonneveldt confirmed the inadequacy of space in the present facility. Describing the lack of privacy available for a police interview with a child victim. she indicated that the experience had been made more difficult because of the inadequacy of the room arrangements.

In later discussion councilmember Tom White named possible sites proposed for a new police station - the tract on Crescent Rd. between St. Hugh's rectory and the fire station. Greenbelt Rd. near the Armory, or a location near the municipal center. But both he and Weidenfeld emphasized that no real site plan review or planning can occur until expenditures for this purpose have been approved. Projected costs for a police station - approximately \$1.5 million-do not include land acquisition. City Manager Jim Giese said. He noted that the city already owns some of the sites considered and, in any case, the amount of land needed would be "not many acres."

### Swimming Pool

Sonneveldt, who as a parent is active with the Greenbelt Swim Team, noted that the present pool is several inches smaller in both dimensions than it is claimed to be. Team parents learned this fact when they ordered new lane ropes-the wrong size. No pool records are official as it is, she said, because the length is nonstandard. Swimmers complete all races by crossing a line on the bottom of the deep end. not by touching the edge of the pool as is done everywhere else. As the water moves, the line appears to move and timing can be inexact.

"Swimming is very big in Greenbelt." she said. "—a way of life." Noting that for many years Greenbelt swimmers have had to go as far as Takoma Park or Bowie for winter training or swimming for health. Sonneveldt urged the need for an indoor pool. This would be especially useful for lap swimming for the many adults who find the present pool too crowded with children during the summer saeson.

Two possible sites have been suggested for an indoor pool— North End School and a spot adjacent to the outdoor pool. The latter location would make possible use of the bath house for both pools.

### Land Acquisition

In discussing possible city purchase of some of the remaining undeveloped land to protect the greenbelt concept, Curtis indicated particular interest in Parcel 2 and parts of Parcel 1. now owned by the Prince Georges Board of Education. (This land was purchased long ago for a three-school complex, an idea that failed because of strong citizen opposition.) The property

is adjacent to the Northway ballfield.

Another possible property for acquisition would be Parcel 15 near Charlestowne North. the highrise apartment building near the lake park. The Schrom Hills Park in Greenbelt East off Hanover Parkway has already been acquired at no cost to the city. Its development as a park could be funded through the bond issue.

In later discussion Werner Neupert raised a note of caution. "One reason the lake park is still green." he said. "is that the city has been poor. Do I buy into things I really don't like?" He particularly objected to a photograph in the city brochure on the bond issue referendum which pictures a picnic shelter. "It's the biggest picture in the book," he said.

Giese indicated that while the picture may be big, the actual facility is not large. Of more urgent concern than a picnic shelter. White noted, were improvement of the spillway and dam at the lake, siltation and erosion control, and completion of a city trails system.

### Objections

More than one person present expressed concern about the vagueness of the plans for projects under consideration. "I don't like a pig in a poke," said Betty Deitch.

Talking to this point, both Weidenfeld and White emphasized the great amount of staff t'me necessary for working up exact details and choosing the most appropriate sites. Until the money was committed, it would be fruitless to undertake such work, both stressed.

The city would negotiate to maximize the value of any plan, public hearings would be held before any plan was put out for bids. The advantage of not having three separate bond issues which would lock in money for each particular use, he emphasized, is that the city would have more flexibility to negotiate for the best possible terms for any given project and to take them up in the order of greatest need or advantage to Greenbelt.

Only one objection was voiced at the meeting to the concept itself of issuing bonds at interest. This was expressed by John W. Kurowski, who had prepared flyers describing his position. He objected to the people of Greenbelt paying interest to increase the fortunes of Wall Street bankers. But as White later pointed out, to pay for a new police station next year through direct taxation rather than by bond issue would raise the city tax rate by 70c.

Others noted that Marylanders, not New Yorkers, would be the more likely buyers, since only the former would avoid state taxes on income earned through buying the bonds. In any case, it was noted, these are an attractive investment for people in the higher tax brackets.

Endorsing the idea of building for future generations. Weidenfeld said: "The people before us had vision. That's why we're living here. Greenbelt has a better quality of life."

# DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION CITY OF GREENBELT, MARYLAND

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### sponsors TEEN DANCE

| WHEN:  | Saturday, May 18, 8-11 p.m.    |
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| WHERE: | Greenbelt Youth Center         |
| WHO:   | Everyone 11 - 16 years of age  |
| COST:  | One dollar (\$1.00) per person |
| MUSIC: | Local D.J.                     |

Refreshments will be available. For further information, contact Anne, Tuesday-Friday after 1 p.m., 474-6878.

# City of Greenbelt, Maryland NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

### Intention to Increase Tax Rate Above

### **Constant Yield Tax Rate**

In compliance with and pursuant to the provisions of Article 81, Section 232C of the Annotated Code of Maryland, the City Council of he City of Greenbelt, Maryland will hold a Public Hearing of its intention to increase the property tax rate for the fiscal year starting July 1, 1985, as proposed in the City Manager's budget, above the constant yield tax rate. The constant yield tax rate is designed to produce for a local government the same amount of property tax revenues as was producd in the previous tax year. The Public Hearing will take place at

8:00 P.M. - TUESDAY, MAY 21, 1985 in the Council Room, Greenbelt Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road. At that time, the Council will hear comments regarding any proposed increase and explain the reasons for the proposed increase. All interested persons are encouraged to attend this hearing and present their views.

> City Council of the City of Greenbelt, Maryland



### GREENBELT NEWS REVIEW

Volk, architect and landscape

architect, will be joined by Wolf

Von Eckardt, TIME Magazine

#### **CHARETTE** from page one **Ride-a-Bike or Hike May 19** tacos. Greenbelt's own Joanne

The annual Greenbelt Hosea White Memorial Ride-A-Bike for the Retarded is scheduled for Sunday, May 19 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The 10 kilometer route will start at the Youth Center and run through the city into the Re-search Farm and back as in previous years. The event is open both to bikers and hikers.

The participant bringing in the at Greenbelt's recreation centers highest total collections from sponsors on the Greenbelt route will have his or her name engraved on the Hosea D. White, Jr., Memorial Plaque displayed in the Youth Center along with an individual plaque for personal display. This person will also receive a \$100 bike shop gift cerment and the Greenbelt Jaycees. tificate. All participants with collections of \$200 or more will receive special prizes; and for every \$100 worth of collections from sponsors the participant will

receive one chance on a VCR. The Greenbelt route in this county-wide event is dedicated to the memory of Hosea D. White, Jr., a Greenbelt resident, whose annual participation and contribution to the program made it a yearly success in raising critically needed funds for training programs for the mentally retarded.

Pledge forms may be picked up

### **Police** Blotter

**Based** on Information Released by the Greenbelt **Police** Department

Armed robbery occurred in Candy Cane City on April 26. The weapons used were knives.

A 1982 maroon Datsun 280Z bearing Maryland registration GXE 687 was reported stolen from Beltway Plaza on April 26.

Cpl. Thomas H. Miskell recovered a stolen auto which had been reported to the Prince Georges Police.

A breaking and entering was reported at a construction site in the Golden Triangle.

A male resident has been arrested for robbery and forgery. The robbery occurred on April 7 in the 11 Court Ridge Road. The suspect was incarcerated in lieu of \$30,000 bond.

A breaking and entering was reported on Hanover Pkwy. and a case of malicious destruction occurred on Mandan Road.

Pfc. Craig A. Rich apprehended a non-resident breaking into the vending machines at the Co-op station.

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**BOILER ROOM** 

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Monday, May 13

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Meeting agenda.

architectural critic and member of the National Awards Jury of the American Society of Landscape Architects. Completing the jury are Mark LaPierre, landscape architect with twelve years schools and the Municipal Buildexperience in urban design, land ing. For additional information contact the Recreation Departplanning and downtown commerment Business Office, 474-6878, cial revitalization, and Washingweekdays 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. or ton architect Joseph Passoneau, call Eileen Labukas, 474-9486. former Dean of Washington Uni-This project is co-sponsored by the Greenbelt Recreation Departversity (St. Louis) Architecture School.

### PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, The Maryland Association for Retarded Citizens has scheduled the 13TH ANNUAL MARYLAND STATE RIDE-A-BIKE FOR THE RETARDED for SUN-DAY, MAY 19, 1985, with SUNDAY, JUNE 9 set aside as the rain date; and

WHEREAS, The Greenbelt Recreation Department has sponsored this annual event in Greenbelt since its inception and is again sponsoring this worthy cause in cooperation with the Prince George's Association for Retarded citizens and the Greenbelt Jaycees; and

WHEREAS, The funds raised by the Ride-A-Bike help to assure the continuing operation of 18 supervised homes and apartments serving about fifty retarded adults; assist in the development of a new employment assistance program which places and supports individuals with mental retardation in jobs throughout the county's business community; provide information and referral services to individuals and families; and operate a comprehensive program to assure that government on the local. state, and federal level responds appropriately to the life-time needs of our retarded citizens; and

WHEREAS. All paid pledges to the Ride-A-Bike will support the programs and services needed so urgently by our retarded citizens and their families; and those who contribute and fulfill their pledges can be proud of their contributions;

NOW, THEREFORE, I. Gil Weidenfeld. Mayor of the City of Greenbelt. Maryland, by authority vested in me by the Council and the citizens of Greenbelt, hereby issue this Proclamation to declare SUNDAY, MAY 19, 1985 or, in case of rain, SUNDAY, June 9, 1985 as

### RIDE-A-BIKE FOR THE RETARDED DAY

in Greenbelt, Maryland, to focus attention on the problems of the mentally retarded; to seek and encourage the support of the community for our retarded citizens and their families who cannot ,without the support we offer. be assured of the continuation of the special programs vital to the education, training ,and protection of the rights of our retarded citizens; to urge the citizens of Greenbelt to actively participate in all or a portion of the ride-a-bike and to pledge their financial help to the participants; and to express pride and appreciation to the many citizens and businesses who generously contributed in the past to make this event a success in our commun-

ity."



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Greenbelt. Maryland, to be affixed this 6th day of May, 1985

Gil Weidenfeld, Mayor ATTEST: Gudrun H. Mills, CMC **City Clerk** 

The Charles F. Schwan, Jr., Memorial Fund

cepting contributions in memory of Charles F. Schwan, Jr., to the Greenbelt Arts Center, the museum or other 50th Anniversary Committee projects. Tax

The City of Greenbelt is ac. deductible contributions (checks should be made payable to the City of Greenbelt) may be sent to the Schwan Memorial Fund, care of the Cit oyf Greenbelt 25 Crescent Road. Greenbelt, MD 20770.



### PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, May 15 of each year has been designated by the United States Congress as POLICE OFFICERS MEMORIAL DAY in honor of those officers who gave their lives in the performance of their duties; with Prince George's County observing POLICE OFFICERS MEMORIAL DAY in memory of officers slain in this county, on WEDNESDAY. May 16; and

WHEREAS, Each year, the week of May 15 is being observed throughout the nation as POLICE WEEK, and citizens in communities, large and small, are joining their Police Departments in observing this special week to focus attention on the services performed by their law enforcement officers; and

WHEREAS, Greenbelt's Police Department is observing the week of May 13 through 19, 1985 as POLICE WEEK and, during this time, is sponsoring a number of special events at the Beltway Plaza in Greenbelt, which will encompass activities and events in which local, county, state, and federal law enforcement agencies will participate; and

WHEREAS, During POLICE WEEK, the Greenbelt Police Department will again undertake the well received identification and fingerprinting program of children and will have displays on security, tactics, equipment, illicit drugs, and alcohol abuse, and as a highlight of the week, will host Actor Adrian Zmed who portrays a Los Angeles police officer in the popular TV series "T. J. Hooker"; and

Whereas, All these activities will be manned by officers and staff of the Greenbelt Police Department who will meet with citizens of the community in an informal but instructive setting to bring to the community's attenion the wide range of programs and services provided by the department, to answer questions, and to familiarize citizens with the scope of the department's objectives, activities, and capabilities; and

WHEREAS, It is appropriate and fitting for the citizens of Greenbelt to recognize the service. dedication, and devotion of our officers to the wellbeing of the community. and to show their pride in the Greenbelt Police Department:

NOW, THEREFORE, I. Gil Weidenfeld, Mayor of the d. City of Greenbelt, Maryland, by authority vested in me by the Council and the citizens of Greenbelt, hereby issue this Proclamation on the occasion of POLICE WEEK. May 13 through 19, 1985. in the City of Greenbelt. and 5000 and in observation of POLICE OFFICERS MEMORIAL DAY, Wednesday May 15, 1985; and, in behalf of the Council, urge the citizens of Greenbelt to participate in the activities planned by the Police Department; to express our thanks and appreciation to the officers of the Greenbelt Police Department in a visible and positive Q way by showing our respect by adhering to the laws of our city ,our state, and our nation; and to demonstrate good citizenship by supporting our officers in the performance of their duties and difficult tasks while protecting our citizens, our properties and upholding our laws.

> IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Greenbelt, Maryland, to be affixed this 13th day of May, 1985.

**GIL WEIDENFELD** Mayor ATTEST:





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### Recreation Review **Discount Amusement Park** Tickets

Discount theme park tickets are available at the Greenbelt **Recreation Department Business** Office, Monday thru Friday, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. and Saturdays, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

This program is sponsored for the benefit of the Maryland Recreation and Parks Association to continue its efforts in improving conservation of parks and recreation in the State of Maryland. Payment should be certified check, money order or cash.

### Tennis Court Use

The city owns and operates tennis courts at both Braden Field and Lakecrest Drive. There is a sign-up board at both locations. All players must sign in as outlined by the posted rules. To avoid unnecessary delays, please check the posted permits for tournaments.

#### **Camp** Pine Tree

A summer camp is operated by the City of Greenbelt, Depart-ment of Recreation. Marking its 20th season, Camp Pine Tree has

# Our Neighbors

### Martha Kaufman 474-9359

We wish Catherine Griffin of 45 Ridge Road a pleasant recuperation at home. Her sister, Mary, brought her home from the hospital on Friday, May 3 with a visiting nurse in attendance. Vistiting them from outof-town are sister and brotherin-law Helen and Bill Flynn.

A blessed event occurred at Karen and John Camp's house at Hanover Parkway on March 18. Baby Nelson Taylor Camp weighed in at 8 lbs. 11/2 oz. Karen was brought up in our town and has lived here since her marriage three years ago. Grand-parents Anne and Wes Sweat live in Boxwood Village.

Our deepest sympathy to the family of Robert L. Shepherd who died last week.



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### **Democratic Club to Hear School Superintendent**

John A. Murphy, Prince Georges County Superintendent of Schools, will appear before the Eleanor and Franklin Roosevelt Democratic Club at its meeting on Friday, May 17 at the Greenbriar Community Building off Hanover Parkway.

Murphy will report on the current status of the county's educational system, discuss his programmatic goals, and respond to questions from the audience. The public is invited to attend this presentation, which will follow the club's regular business meeting at 8 p.m. For further information, contact club president Gary Kohn at 474-8423 or Joe Isaacs at 345-5671.

been offering fun and skill programs in outdoor and special activities. The camp will operate from 9 a.m. - 3:30 p.m., Monday-Friday, with daily bus pickup for residents between 8 and 8:30 a.m. For further details, call the Recreation Department, Monday-Friday, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. 474-6878.

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### **CITY NOTES**

Steve Langone received a City Manager's Award on April 24 in recognition of Steve's many volunteer hours to the city. He has been instrumental in the Food Distribution Program and recently in the distribution of the bond referendum booklet.

The general crew worked on the water system at the North End School and on street patching on Laurel Hill Road and

painting parking spaces starting resurfacing. A task force is cn Parkway.

The parks crew cut grass throughout the city and worked on ball fields and the golf course. They also constructed a decorative retaining wall at the Springhill Lake Recreation Center for landscaping purposes.

Several members of the general and parks crews assisted with trash pickups which is especially heavy because of the season and the GHI spring clean-up.

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### **Spring Dance Concert At Utopia Theater**

A Spring dance concert will light up the stage at the Utopia Theater this weekend as the Central Maryland Ballet Theatre presents a variety of original and classical dance works Saturday and Sunday.

#### Saturday evening's program Asst. Postmaster to Speak

Peter Del Grosso, former Assistant Postmaster General, will speak on the history of the Postal Service in the United States at 1 p.m. Wednesday, May 14 at the Greenbelt Library. Del Grosso's appearance is sponsored by the Greenbelt and College Park chapter of the National Association of Retired Federal Employees, which meets on the third Wednesday of every month.

Members, Federal employees and retirees, their spouses and friends are invited to gather at noon for coffee and cookies and to "bring a bite to eat." A short business session will precede the program. This Association is concerned with legislation and regulations affecting retirees' pensions and earned benefits, as well as the sharing of information and experience. William Krashoc is the chapter president.

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Thursday, May 9, 1985

**CITY OF GREENBELT, MARYLAND** 

# NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION

# TUESDAY, MAY 14, 1985

POLLS OPEN 7 A.M. TO 8 P.M.

PRECINCT 3Greenbelt Municipal Building, 25 Crescent RoadPRECINCT 6North End School, Ridge Road

PRECINCT 8 Springhill Lake Community House, 6220 Springhill Drive PRECINCT 13 Greenbriar Community Center, 7600 Hanover Parkway

### DIRECTIONS FOR VOTING





#### BOND ISSUE REFERENDUM QUESTION FOR AGAINST Shall general obligation bonds in amount not exceeding Six Million Dollars (\$6,000,000) be issued by the City of Greenbelt, Maryland, for the purpose of financing the construction and acquisition of capital facilities and improvements as authorized and provided by City Ordinance No. 967.

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- Remember: Once the red handled lever is moved to left, your vote is cast and you can no longer make any changes in your vote.



PRECINCT 3 - CENTER MUNICIPAL BUILDING

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PRECINCT 8 SHL COMMUNITY BUILDING

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PRECINCT 6 -NORTH END SCHOOL

Ridge Road Eastway #1; 3; 5 Empire Place

# WHERE TO VOTE

**Fayette** Place Forest Way Greendale Place Greenhill Road **Greenknolls** Place Greentree Place Greenway Place Hedgewood Drive Hillside Road Ivy Lane Julian Court Lastner Lane Laurel Hill Road Lynbrook Court Northway Orange Court Periwinkle Court Plateau Place Research Road Ridge Road #43; 45; 47; 49-446 Rosewood Drive Tamarisk Court White Birch Court Woodland Way

PRECINCT 13 - GREENBELT EAST - GREENBRIAR COMMUNITY CENTER

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SECTION 8-4 OF THE GREENBELT CITY CODE (1984) PROVIDES THAT ANY QUALIFIED ELECTOR WHO WOULD BE PREVENTED FROM VOTING IN A MUNICIPAL ELECTION BY REASON OF RELIG-IOUS BELIEFS, PHYSICAL CONDITION, OR AB-SENCE FROM THE CITY ON THE DAY OF ELEC-TION, SHALL BE ENTITLED TO VOTE BY ABSEN-TEE BALLOT

APPLICATIONS SHALL BE MADE IN WRITING TO THE CITY CLERK, AND THE SIGNATURE OF EACH PERSON WISHING TO VOTE BY ABSENTEE BALLOT SHALL BE AFFIXED TO THE APPLICA-TION. SUCH APPLICATION MUST REACH THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK NO LATER THAN NOON, MONDAY, MAY 13, 1985, AND THE ABSEN-TEE BALLOT MUST BE RETURNED NO LATER THAN 6 P.M. THE DAY OF THE SPECIAL ELEC-TION, TUESDAY, MAY 14, 1985.

APPLICATION FORMS ARE AVAILABLE IN THE CITY OFFICES, OR APPLICATIONS MAY BE MADE IN THE FORM OF A LETTER TO THE CITY CLERK.

APPLICATIONS ARE NOW BEING ACCEPTED, AND PERSONS MAY COMPLETE AN APPLICATION AT THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE AND MAY COMPLETE ABSENTEE BALLOT AT THE SAME TIME.

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