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# Weekend Fire does Heavy Damage **To St. Hugh's Elementary School**



The St. Hugh's School fire left a room on the west side just behind the auditorium completely devoid of its outside wall, roof and contents. - photo by J Henson

## No Injuries in 3 a.m. Blaze

#### by Barbara Likowski

St. Hugh's Catholic School was badly damaged by fire early in the morning of December 24. A motorist passing on Crescent Road noticed flames and notified police who alerted the fire department. Arriving shortly after 3 a.m., firefighters found heavy fire extending through the roofs of two classrooms, there was some extension to the rest of the school.

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building and \$200,000 to the con-

tents. The roof over at least six

of the 12 rooms has been dam-

aged. Lesser damage has been

sustained by the other six rooms,

including the auditorium and of-

September 1949 with four clas-

ses of 211 students and a fac-

ulty of four. For the first month

classes were held in the Green-

belt theatre while work on the building was completed. The

move to the new building was made in October. In 1952, be-

cause of larger enrollment, the need was felt for more class-

rooms and four more were ad-

ded. The school then encompas-

classrooms, an auditorium, li-

brary science lab and computer,

audiovisual, music and lounge

rooms. There is now an enroll-

ment of about 150. The Reverend

Immediately after the news of

the fire the community rallied

and offers of help were made.

Some people came to help move

equipment and to do anything

else that was needed. In a hastily

called meeting (see separate

story), city council met with

church officials and members of

the community to try to find

ways to help. As yet no definite

plans have been made about

whether to continue to hold

classes in makeshift quarters or

whether to shift the students to

other Catholic schools.

Hugh Monmonier is principal.

The school now has eight

sed grades one through eight.

St. Hugh's officially opened in

According to Prince Georges County Public Affairs Officer Tony Di Stefano the fire was "knocked down" in about 25 minutes but not before the equivalent of a second alarm was dispatched to the scene. Besides Greenbelt units were dispatched from Branchville, Beltsville, College Park,, Berwyn Heights, West Lanham Hills, Glenn Dale and Bladensburg. Firefighters remained at the scene until 11 a.m. to carry out fire-suppressing activities such as wetting down hot spots and removing debris. No one was hurt at the fire.

Investigation is continuing as to the origin of the fire. It is believed to have been electrical and does not seem to have been of a suspicious nature.

Damage has been estimated to be \$1.000,000 - \$800,000 to the

WHAT GOES ON Mon., Jan. 2, City and GHI offices closed

HOLIDAY REFUSE GREENING SCHEDULE Because of the New Year's Day Holiday, Monday, January 2, 1989, there will be no refuse collected that day. Monday's route will be collected day's route will be collected on Tuesday, and Tuesday's route will be collected on Wednesday, THERE WILL BE NO PAPER PICK UP ON WEDNESDAY. Thursday and Friday will be on the regular schedule.

## City, Citizens, School **Board Offer Help**

#### by Heather Elizabeth Peterson

A small crowd of parents and other interested people gathered in the city courcil room on December 26 to listen to an emergency meeting between city officials and the pastor of St. Hugh's Catholic Church. The informal meeting was organized to discuss what services the city might be able to offer St. Hugh's School in the aftermath of its fire.

Because of the holidays, many city officials were still on vaca-tion, including the city manager and the assistant city manager; however, the latter, Mike Mc-Laughlin was expected back on December 27. All members of council were present even though Mayor Gil Weidenfeld had only arrived back home that afternoon

Weidenfeld opened the meeting by indicating that the city was willing to help in any way it could "We're all one Greenbelt family," he said. "... In any tragedy all the family members get together and ask how they can help."

Weidenfeld immediately offered use of North End Center as a place where St. Hugh's could store any valuable equipment from the school. The rest of the conversation centered around possible places to school the St. Hugh's students.

The Rev. John P. Stack pas-tor of St. Hugh's indicated that no decision could be made until the extent of damage to the school was assessed. It is possible, he said, that the park end of the school is unharmed enough that it and the church's Grenoble Hall can house the students.

Father Stack estimated that it would take three to four weeks to repair the park end of the school, if it is useable. Classes at St. Hugh's had been scheduled to begin on January 3.

City officials were ready to offer other suggestions as to students could go. the vhere Weidenfeld suggested that a meeting of the Greenbelt Clergy See FIRE, page 4

#### Bloodmobile Here Jan. 2

Greenbelt Unit 136. American Legion Auxiliary will sponsor Red Cross Bloodmobile on Monday, Jan. 2, from 2:30 to 6:30 p.m. There is a nationwide shortage of blood right now - just when the need usually increases because of the holidays. Contact Addie Shaw at 794-8648 for information.

## **Ten Top Stories of 1988**

by Mavis Fletcher, Betsy Likowski, Diane Oberg and Mary Lou Williamson

In accordance with its annual custom, the Greenhelt News Review has selected the ten top stories of 1988. Had those decisions been made this week, the St. Hugh's School fire would have been among the stories.

#### **Bond Issue Projects**

Council learns in January that projects promised under the 1985 \$6 million bond issue will cost twice that amount. Construction of the \$2.1 million police building, long delayed by missing permits, begins but at added cost. Council balks, at first deleting garage which equals the increase. Council reconsiders, but tells police department to find the added garage cost, \$14,000, in its operating budget. Greenbelt East Coalition objects to squeezing police department operations.

Outdoor pool renovation, \$500,000, is completed in time for Memorial Day opening. During summer morths council, its advisory boards and citizens study architect's plan for \$2.5 million indoor pool adjacent to present outdoor pool. With some aujustments, council approves design in October, giving okay for architect to draw up final plans, but not before designating funding sources to cover both pools: \$2 million from bond issue, \$1 million from short-term financing approved last year. As council also promised, there is still \$2 million untouched for park land acquisition and development.

#### Parkland

In October city acquires Parcel 2. No move is made to develop Parcel 1 during 1988 and council continues to negotiate wilh the contract purchaser of the parcel. Council discusses with local officials possibility of county or state assistance with purchase.

Committee to Save Green Belt is formed in spring and members make their presence felt at meetings, in "letters to editor," by conducting tours of Parcel 1, and at Labor Day Festival.

Parkland advocates sought to convince council to move ahead with their projects. Council assures parkland advocates that money would be found for the purchase of Parcel 1.

In July city learns county will assume debt on 72 acres of land between Parcels 1 and 2.

Planning of the Schrom Hills Park continues with three sessions to involve citizens. Two issues of contention arise: whether to have lights on ball fields and whether to have pond or wetlands for storm water management in northern end of park. Army Corps of Engineers will decide. City buys Shimmel tract to add to park and is taking steps to acquire Steiner tract also.

Council decides on plan of action to clean up Greenbelt lake, enlarge silt basin near east end and build in-lake silt basin at each side of peninsula. Work awaits okay of U.S. Corps of Engineers. Beavers in residence at lake build lodges and cut down mar" trees. Three are trapped and relocated.

#### Metrorail

After years of promises and delays of the Metrorail Green Line > arrival in Greenbelt, residents are encouraged to see first-hand evidence: ramps leading to station rise on either side of Beltway. In January, Congress authorizes funds to complete last segment of line from Fort Totten to Greenbelt. Bids for Greenbelt station are advertised. New delays: Sept. challenge by College Park Airport pilots and friends seeks to halt construction until an alternate route is found fails when Judge throws out law suit. However EPA, still concerned by use of non-tidal wetlands north of Beltway for maintenance yard, asks Metro to look at alternative sites. U.S. Corps of Engineers has yet to make final decision.

#### North End Center

City receives \$144,000 state grant for senior day-care at North End Center but is unable to find day-care provider to run program. Second grant request for a senior citizen center is denied by state officials, Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission gives city \$190,000 for renovations.

Despite frequent lobbying of council by citizens and groups, little progress is made toward renovating building. At year's end city manager presents council with report outlining renovation options but cautions that funds currently available will not fund renovations necessary to open building.

Future of North End Center is further complicated by school board's consideration of site for new elementary school if Center School cannot be adequately renovated.

#### **Center School**

As year begins, discussion on Center School renovations turns on how to balance need for extensive modernization of the 51-yearold structure with strong desire to preserve significant art deco features of building. Mini-charette in mid-summer offers good compromises. By year's end, however, focus has widened. School board architect says renovation of original building in center of planned community offers best social and cultural value, but new structure at another location, possibly North End School, offers best educational value. School board plans January information hearing followed by February survey to solicit community participation before making decision by mid-year.

#### Master Plan

In April city gets first briefing on new Langley Park-College Park-Greenbelt Master Plan designed to guide land use and development for next 20 years. Greenbelters are surprised to learn that almost every piece of property in center of city would be rezoned by abolition of Residential Planned Community category which center of town has had since first zoning was done. At well-attended and vociferous meeting in June, Greenbelt Mayor Gil Weidenfeld expresses city's concern about this and other proposals in master See TOP TEN STORIES, page 2

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## **Ten Top Stories of 1988**

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plan and wins 60-day delay for citizens and city to take a position. In November opposition pays off when county council passes bill sponsored by Richard J. Castaldi which allows city to retain and even expand its RPC zoning and mandates official plan which will protect city's historic core in future.

Boxwood residents split on retaining master plan proposal to maintain right of way for extension of Ridge Road to meet Cherrywood Lane. Despite fears of some residents that extension will bring traffic from Metrorail station through Greenbelt neighborhoods, council votes to retain right-of-way in plan.

#### **Greenbelt East Development**

Greenbelt East gains two major advantages in 1988: it is possible to see beginning of end of development, and study by Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission planners shows how design standards of historic city could be implemented in eastern part of city.

Greenbrook Associates plan for developing tract near Hunting Ridge wins city support after developer scales plans back by more than 100 units and agrees to leave five-acre parcel undeveloped and dedicate it to city. Maryland Trade Center III is substantially complete and developer Coakley & Williams gains approval of site plan for three-story headquarters building to be constructed between MTC III and Holiday Inn.

On east side of Hanover Parkway, Commerce Center 3, com-panion building to building on Greenbelt Road corner, wins city approval despite dispute about traffic generation figures.

In August developers of Sunrise tract be ween Holiday Inn and Greenway Village Apartments move ahead with grading and work on retaining walls for apartments. Status of development is unclear at year's end. Developer Richmond-American gets county go-ahead to build 124 detached single-family homes on 29 acres of Magnolia Farms tract.

MNCPPC's New Greenbelt Study builds on "rings"-landscaped median strips in major roads-and "spires" of greenspace in private development to achieve design to go through neighborhoods and connect with historic Greenbelt via Spellman pedestrian overpass.

#### **Other Development**

Belle Pointe, combintion commercial-residential townhouse development by Milton Co., gets final go-ahead from city and then county. Grading is underway by fall, with 10 acres closest to lake deeded to city

On Golden Triangle, Capitol Cadillac receives okay from city to lease 4.1 acres from State Highway Administration for additional parking, and Marriott gets green light to proceed with plans for Courtyard motel to west of Oxford building.

Westchester Park residents meet with council in August to explore annexation by city, and gain city's support in their opposition to rezoning of undeveloped portion of their property.

#### **Roosevelt Center**

As year begins, council and citizens express concern about proposed new pizza delivery franchise, citing potential traffic and parking problems. Council refuses to support a liquor license for a Cinema 'N' Drafthouse proposed for theater, despite a promise of renovations for Center. Shortly thereafter, Cultural Arts Center, which opposed proposal, is evicted from theater. Council and citizens praise renovation plans for city-owned areas of Center in March public hearing." Renovations will improve traffic flow and provide additional parking. In July council approves plans for redesigned entrance near municipal building.

#### Roads

Planned improvements to Baltimore-Washington Parkway are announced that will add acceleration/deceleration lanes at Rte. 193 interchange and relocate ramps to/from northbound Parkway. Greenbriar residents seek council's help in blocking taking of their land for ramps, which residents say pose noise and safety concerns.

Cherrywood Lane extended, between Ivy Lane and Edmonston Road, opens to traffic and work begins on bridge that will carry Cherrywood Lane over Beltway.

Work begins also on widening Greenbelt Road to three through lanes between Beltway overpass and Mandan Road.

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#### **RESEARCH ROAD FIRE** PROMPTS INVESTIGATION

At 12:40 a.m. on December 14 a fire was discovered in a home under construction on Research Rd. An alert citizen spotted the blaze and called the Greenbelt Police Department. The fire department was then notified.

According to Susan Taylor of the Public Information Office of the Prince Georges County Fire Department, the fire caused an estimated \$300 worth of damage. She said the cause of the fire is under investigation.

#### METRO EXTENDS SERVICE FOR NEW YEAR'S EVE

On Sat., Dec. 31, New Year's Eve, Metrorail service will be extended until 2 a.m., Jan. 1, to accommodate those patrons who will be using Metrorail system for their New Year's Eve travel. The following schedules will

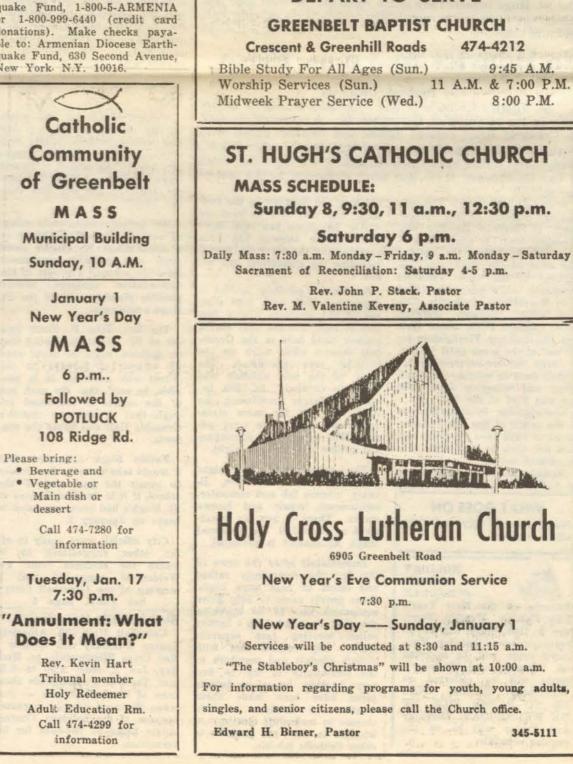
be in effect: Metrorail, Jan. 1, 10 a.m.-midnight Jan. 2, 8 a.m.midnight; Metrobus, Jan. 1, Sunday schedule, Jan 2, Saturday schedule; Maryland Commuter Rail, no service either day. For further information about

transit schedules, call Metro at 637-7000.

#### **Armenian Disaster Fund Seeks Donors**

The Diocese of the Arm .--Church of America is appealing for contributions to the in ian Diocese Earthquake Fund. For information or to donate call Armenian Diocese Earthquake Fund, 1-800-5-ARMENIA or 1-800-999-6440 (credit card donations). Make checks payable to: Armenian Diocese Earthquake Fund, 630 Second Avenue, New York N.Y. 10016.

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#### **Unitarian Church** United Methodist Church 40 Ridge Rd. 474-9410 Sun., Jan. 1. 11:15 a.m. New Sunday School 9:30 A.M. Year's Day celebration for Morning Worship 11:00 A.M. Rev. R. W. Kelley 937-3666 Daniel Montague, Pastor ST. JOHN'S CHURCH Episcopal Baltimore Blvd..at Powder Mill Rd., Beltsville 8:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist 10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist 10:30 a.m. Sunday School Rev. John G. Bals, Rector 937-4292 **Greenbelt Community Church**

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0 ages Mar mar 'A church of the open mind, the warm heart, the aspiring soul, and the social vision . . .'

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As It Really Happened . . It is very disheartening to pick up the News Review and find that something you said is so misrepresented as to be unrecognizable. Last week's article on the Schrom Hills Park lighting could have been a step toward mutual understanding had it been presented as it really happened. The fact that the reporter indicates that Jack Davis of Hunting Ridge "started off by calmly explaining . ' ' " makes me question at what point in his statement she arrived. Mr Davis used (Julie Greer's question) as an opportunity to submit some personal observations about her (and others') motives in wanting lights at the soccer/football field. He said Greenbelt should be grateful to Hunting Ridge for the park and that if Hunting Ridge had not been good enough to annex into the city, there would be no park. None of this was said in a calm manner. No one has objections to Mr. Davis having input into the park and certainly no one wants to shine lights into his apartment. I can't help but think he's aware of that.

When I (spoke), I was upset and there's no doubt in my mind that I spoke firmly and even raised my voice. I doubt that I shouted — certainly no more than Mr. Davis had. It upsets me that Julie and others who came to the meeting in sports attire should have their intentions criticized by someone who is there looking out for his interests. I also reminded Mr. Davis that, although Hunting Ridge is indeed a pleasant addition to the city. the residents there had also benefitted.

Although it upsets me that the reporter apparently didn't see things that I and others saw, or didn't feel it necessary to point out the real reason I responded, it upsets me even more that other people in town who are not able to attend the meetings do not get an accurate picture of just what is wanted.

The people who want lights on the field want only low practice lights for children. They can be placed to face away from residences and because they are only practice lights, they can be turned off by 8:30 at night. As for the argument that games will eventually be played there at night, I doubt that the county would allow night games on a plaving field without regulation lights.

This is not a matter of East or West - it's a matter of com-Our children need and munity. deserve decent practice facilities within their community and they need the support of adults to get what they need. Let's move forward - together - to the real issue, which is what the community as a whole needs and wants from the park.

#### Patricia Molden

## At the Library

A drop-in storytime will be held at the Greenbelt Library on Thursday, January 5 from 10:30 to 11 a.m. Children ages 3 to 5 are invited to participate in the program, which includes stories, filmstrips, songs and musical activities.

#### Caregivers of the Ill **Offered Support Group**

An ongoing support group for caregivers of the terminally or chronically ill is being held by Hospice of Prince Georges County at their office at 96 Harry S. Truman Drive, Largo. The meeting; are held on the first four Tuesdays of each month from 7:30 to 9 p.m. For more information, call Ruth Long at 499-0550.



Greenbelt has always been a united community, recognized nationwide for its total family living. It's a shame to see that we are losing our hometown pholisophy.

I am concerned with the context of the article of Dec. 22 about Schrom Hills planning session overemphasizing the division of Greenbelt. Greenbelt is being referred to as Greenbelt and Greenbelt East. A quote from the article blatantly sums it up: "Sheldon Goldberg of Windsor Green maintained that this park is for Greenbelt East kids to play in . .

One city comes to mind: Berlin. When will construction begin on the Wall? Better yet, let us become united again.

## Julie Greer

## Recreation Review

Weight Lifting Club Members All Weight Lifting Club Memberships expire December 31. In order for members to continue using the facilities, they must keep their current card. **Facility Entrance Pass** 

All participants, 16 years of age and over, entering the Recreation Centers are required to possess a Recreation Department Photo I.D. card. These cards may be purchased for a nominal fee at either center. Proof of residency must be provided at the time of purchase. Remember-only residents of the City of Greenbelt may purchase a pass.

Gymnasium Schedule Due to the high demand of gymnasium usage during the winter months, the schedule varies considerably during the week. avoid any inconvenience, please note the posted gymnasium schedule at each facility or phone 474-6878 for times.

Speech.



#### No Berlin Wall Here

our leaves: bag them and leave the bags on the service side of our homes for a special pick-up. (Please) explain to me, a senior citizen, how I can bag over

50 bags of leaves in the garden side of my townhouse, and carry (them) around this house. I calculate that 3-4 men can

work (the) vacuum truck and a large percentage of cover Greenbelt in a day; but with this new method, it will take a man almost a day to carry the bags from my house alone. Plastic bags are (not) biodegradable, so somewhere there will be literally thousands of plastic bags that will not decompose.

Until now, I have been able to rake my leaves onto a large tarp and drag it out to a curb side, doing the job alone and in one day. Under the new wonder one day. Under the new wonder system, I will be totally unable to bag and carry more than 3-4 of those bags a day. No way I can afford to hire such a job to be done.

Whoever had this brainstorm please advise how I am to accomplish this under your plan. Name withheld by Request

## GHI NOTES

Offices will be closed on Monday, January 2. For emergency maintenance that day call 474-6011. The staff of Greenbelt Homes Inc. wish you all a happy and properous New Year.

Blood pressure testing will be held on Wednesday, January 4, from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. in the Board Room.



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## SCHOOL CHOICES TO BE AIRED AT PUBLIC MEETING ON JAN.

The following news release was submitted by the Department of Public Affairs and Communications of the Prince Georges County Public Schools.

Greenbelt residents will now have a choice of two plans to significantly upgrade the facilities for elementary school education in Greenbelt. Plan A seeks to renovate the historic Greenbelt Center School, while Plan B proposes build-ing a new school at the old North End Elementary site. Both proposals are being actively considered and evaluated for relative costs and benefits. Additional design plans may also be considered for either proposal.

Prince Georges County school officials have scheduled to review both proposals and solicit comments from the Greenbelt community. Representatives of the architectural firm of SHWC, Inc., headquartered in Reston, Virginia. will be present to discuss conceptual designs for both the renovation and the new construction.

The meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, January 10 at Greenbelt Center School. Anyone who wishes to speak at the hearing should register in advance by calling 952-6115. Individuals will be allotted three minutes of testimony, five minutes for representatives of groups.

School officials also plan to survey parents enrolled at Greenbelt Center School, as well as community residents during the first week of February.

At issue is the future of historic Greenbelt Center School, which is in need of significant renovation and modernization. If the new school is ultimately approved, Greenbelt Center building would be available for local community use in Greenbelt. Original plans call for a massive renovation of the existing facility, while maintaining its histor-



In the most recent GHI news

release there is an article out-

lining how we are to dispose of

Leaf System Protested

Fire at St. Hugh's Police Blotter (Continued from page one)

Association might result in other houses of worship offering room to the students. Recreation Director Hank Irving offered the use of several rooms in the Youth Center.

Councilmember Joseph C. Isaacs said that the Greenbelt Jaycees had offered the use of their clubhouse, which they occupy only during the night. The clubhouse is adjacent to St. Hugh's, could house one classroom, and has plumbing facilities, although it does not have hot running water.

Isaacs told the News Review the following day that Chief of Police James Craze is consulting the Greenbelt Fire Department and Rescue Squad about the use of their large hall. The fire station is also adjacent to St. Hugh's, and Isaacs felt that the fire department hall and Grenoble Hall together might be able to accommodate all the students. St. Hugh's School contains 150 students divided into eight grades. Of the eight classes, Father Stack indicated at the meeting that most contain 20 to 28 students, "with one small classroom of eight to ten students."

School Board member Suzanne Plogman said that she had talked to John Murphy, the county school superintendent, and that he had given consent for the St. Hugh's students to enter the public school system for the duration of the school year, if St. Hugh's so desired. Father Stack had estimated that it would take six to eight months to repair the St. Hugh's School. Plogman also said that all the students could stay in Greenbelt schools. In addition, Center School Prin-cipal John Van Schoonhoven announced that there was room for "up to a hundred students" at Center School.

Father Stack felt that it was "speculative" to talk about where the students would go though he appreciated the offers. He went on to say that "the parents of St. Hugh's would like to keep the youngsters together," and indicated that he would try to achieve this.

Father Stack later told the News Review that he is the person who must make the decision as to where the students are sent. He added, "I'll certainly consult with the teachers, prin-cipal, and parents." He was uncertain as to when the decision would be made, as the extent of the school's damage had not been determined as of Tuesday afternoon.

Weidenfeld told Father Stack at the meeting that McLaughlin and the city would be ready to assist St. Hugh's in any way it needed. Father Stack responded to similar sentiments by saying( "I'm a little bit frustrated by the meeting because . . . I cannot get the words that could describe properly . . the fact that you are offering these services

He added, "It's not something that just came about because of this tragedy," and he recounted several ways in which the city helps St. Hugh's. Father Stack concluded that he was "not at all surprised" by the city's offers that night and was "very appreciative."

Greenbelt CARES

Paul Fischetti attended a fiveday conference in San Francisco on "Brief Therapy: Myths, Methods, and Metaphors," presented by the Milton Erickson Foundation of Phoenix, AZ, Dec. 7-11.

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

armed robbery occurred Dec. 14 about 9 p.m. at the Greenbelt Marriott on Ivy Lane. As two Bethesda residents were leaving the building and walking to the cars in the parking lot, a man carrying a gun demanded their purses. After he obtained the purses he fled on foot. The man is described as black age 25, 5 ft. 8 in., medium to heavy build, wearing a blue parka.

A young man walking on Cherrywood Lane near the Rec-reation Center on Dec. 21 about p.m. was approached from behind by a man carrying a hand. gun and robbed of his money and jacket. The suspect fled on foot. No injuries were reported. The suspect is described as black, age 20, 6 ft. 2 in. medium build with bushy mustache and wearing dark waistlength jacket.

Officer Carl Skinner stopped a vehicle weaving between lanes on Kenilworth Ave. near Pontiac Street. The driver, a 24-year-old resident, was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol. A search revealed both driver and passenger had in their posession a controlled substance, phencyclidine. The driver was also charged with possession of phencyclidine and several traffic violations. He was held on \$5,000 bond pending trial. The passenger was charged with possession of phencyclidine and was also held on \$5.000 pending trial.

Several breakings and enterings were reported around the city: 2 Ridge Rd., 2 Laurel Hill, 7800 block of Somerset Ct., 6900 block of Hanover Pkwy (2 incidents). 7800 bl. of Hanover Pkwy., and 7100 block of Ora Glen Ct. Entries were obtained by breaking plate glass windows, removing an air conditioning unit, prying open a kitchen door and a second-story window. Items taken include VCRs, television and cash. In several instances, nothing was reported stolen.

Thefts

Other thefts this week included; Four 12-packs of beer from the Co-op grocery store on Dec. 22, a box of toys from an office at 6300 Ivy Laane on Dec. 21and construction materials from South Ora Court. Officer Thomas Moreland arrested a 15-year-old nonresident seen concealing merchandise and attempting to leave Gift World in Beltway Plaza. She was released to her parents pending juvenile court action.

#### SHL Neighborhood Watch **Group Holds Meeting**

The Springhill Lake Good Neighbor Watch Group will hold its first meeting of the new year on Wed., Jan. 4, at 7:30 p.m. in the Coommunity Room above the Pharmacy.

These training sessions, conducted by the Greenbelt Police Department, focus on recognizing and handling suspicious behavior and situations. The sessions are open to all residents of Greenbelt.

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## **Greenbelt Connection** HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

Because of the New Year's Days Holidays, Sunday, January 1, and Monday, January 2, 1989, the city's diala-ride service, the Greenbelt Connection, will NOT operate those days. The service will be resumed on Tuesday, January 3, 1989.

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Prince Georges County developers Greg Shannon, left, and Gary Baxley, right, present a check for \$1,000 to Wayne Curry, center, chairman of the Prince Georges County Drug Task Force. - photo by Mark Gregory Photography, Inc.

SHL's Chili Cook-off

Ten area restaurants served

up chili on November 19 at the

Springhill Lake Fountain Lodge

for the benefit of a good cause --Cystic Fibrosis. Kangaroo Ka-

tie's won the People's Choice Chili Award with Jasper's and

Sir. Walter Raleigh's tying for

second place. Other participat-

ing restaurants were: La Grin-gada, Wendy's, Curly's Garage,

Old World Inn, 94th Aerosquad-

ron, The Greenbelt Marriott, Margarita Maggies. About 200

people turned out, including mem-

bers of the Berwyn Heights and

Greenbelt Fire Departments who

came in uniform and parked

The day's activities included a

poster contest, a Jalapeno pep-per eating contest, and the cook-off itself. Robert Heime age 15,

won the grand prize with a pos-

ter of a crippled girl in a wheel-

chair. Lisa Byrd, 17, John Pa-

quet, 17, and Janine Reed, 14,

were runners-up. All the winners

were members of the Springhill

their trucks outside.

Lake Teen Club.

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#### **Greenbelt Cos. Help** Anti-Drug Campaign

In an effort to support the Prince Georges Drug Anti campaign, local two real estate firms have donated \$1,000 and are encouraging local businesses to do the same. Developer Gary Baxley, president of The Baxley Companies and Greg Shannon, president of Consolidated Commercial Realty, met with Wayne Curry, chairman of the Prince Georges County Drug Task Force Committee, to present the check. Baxley stated that "Prince Georges County is the premier area for quality controlled growth, and complimented local government officials for their commitment to maintaining the proper public facility and infra-structure." Shannon added, "We're committed to supporting a safe drug-free county for both businesses and residents."

Both Consolidated Commercial Realty and The Baxley Companies are based in Greenbelt.

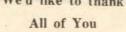
#### Kelly Services, Inc. Management Lauded

Kelly Services Inc. has been named one of the 20 best-managed companies in the U.S. by Business Month magazine. The company is the nation's largest temporary help firm, operating offices in more than 750 locations, including Greenbelt.

We are honored by this recognition, which is the direct result of the efforts of our local branch offices," said Terence E. Adderly, president and CEO of Kelly Services. "Kelly's Greenbelt branch is part of a nationwide network committed to delivering quality service and maximizing employee opportunities."

Greenbelt district manager Sue Luck said: "We at the Greenbelt branch take pride in sharing this honor with all of Kelly Services.'

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# Greenbelt's Business

**G&O Hires Quinn** 

Peter T. Quinn has joined Greenhorne & O'Mara, Inc., as department head of human resources at the firm's headquarters here. G&O is a consulting and design firm offering services engineering, architecture, in planning, surveying, photogrammetry and scientific applications. Working with Maureen D. Kirker vice president for Human Resources, Quinn is responsible for establishing the direction of the human resources department which assists the corporation in staffing for 16 offices in six states. He also is responsi-ble for policy development regarding equal opportunity and affirmative action as well as other recruiting practices.

Before joining G&O, Quinn was the Manager of Employment with The Rouse Company. His 10 years of personnel management experience includes employee relations, labor relations, training, compensation and benefits administration.

Quinn holds an M.S. in management with a concentration in personnel and industrial relations from the University of Baltimore, and a B.S. in economics from Salisbury State University. summunit

**Businesses** in **Greenbelt** are invited to send for this page

# Attention Prospective Home Buyers

Greenbelt Homes, Inc. (GHI), one of the largest and most established housing cooperatives in the country, is offering brief and informative presentations designed to introduce GHI to you. The presentation will explain what a cooperative is, how GHI operates, what services are provided to GHI members under the monthly charges, and the financing sources which are available. This information will be useful to you whether or not you purchase a GHI home. This is an ideal opportunity for persons who are considering homeownership to learn about GHI and to ask questions in a relaxed atmosphere. Let us introduce you to the cooperative lifestyle BE-FORE you look for a home. The next presentations will be held on:

#### **Tuesday, January 17** 7:15 p.m. Tuesday, January 31

### 7:15 p.m.

Please call Louise at 474-4161 for reservations and information. The sessions are free, and there is no obligation.



GREENBELT NEWS REVIEW

# **GHI Board Approves Plan to Sell SLSC Voting Stock to Co-op Bank**

#### by Mavis Fletcher

The board of directors of Greenbelt Homes, Inc. voted at its Dec. 15 meeting to sell CHI's stock in the Share Loan Service Corporation to the National Cooperative Bank. According to a report to the board by GHI's General Manager Ron Colton, the bank intends to acquire all the SLSC stock and merge it into the NCB Savings Association where it will function as the real estate lending arm of NCB's recently acquired savings and loan business.

GHI holds 200 voting shares in SLSC. The remainder of the voting stock is held by NCB and the National Cooperative Business Association. In addition, GHI holds \$62,700 worth of nonvoting stock which it received as patronage dividends from SLSC.

The terms of the sale call for GHI to receive \$100.000 in cash and \$100,000 worth of Class C stock in NCB in exchange for GHI's 200 shares of SLSC stock. During the five years between 1991 and 1995, the bank will redeem \$67,500 worth of the Class C stock for cash. Redemption of the remaining \$32,500 will occur at a rate of \$10,000 for each \$22 million of new share loans made on GHI units.

In addition, NCB will convert the patronage dividend SLSC stock to Class C stock in the bank. This stock will not be redeemed.

Colton recommended that the board approve the stock sale. He also reported on a legal opinion which held that the board had the authority to sell the stock. At the 1984 annual membership meeting, the members authorized the board to acquire the stock in a joint venture with the NCB. At the time, no one mentioned the possibility of GHI's selling or otherwise divesting itself of the stocks, Colton said. The board is prohibited by the GHI bylaws from selling real estate or a subsidiary corporation. Colton noted that at the membership meeting which authorized GHI to acquire the stock no mention was made of a subsidiary corporation; acquisition of the stock was called an investment.

Director Alan Freas made the motion to accept NCB's offer and it passed unanimously. The sale will probably be finalized before the end of 1988.

#### Washer Connections

The board also dealt with subjects which are closer to home. One of these was the recurring problem of washing machines which are improperly plumbed. Colton noted that, under the rehabilitation program, each unit was given its own incoming water supply line; however, two units typically share a waste line. If the plumbing for the washer is improperly installed waste water from the machine from one unit sometimes backs up in the sink of another unit.

Colton explained that proper installation requires that the washer be tied into a drain line which is separate from the sink drain. Of those which have been inspected in the last six months, he said, an estimated 80% are improperly installed. Most of the inspections have been in connection with resales. Where such violations are found the sellers have been required to pay for correction which can range from \$400-\$800, averaging about \$500, Colton reported.

Colton was seeking a board position on the question of who should pay for correcting the fautly plumbing since many of the members say that the plumbing was incorrect when they bought the unit. Most of the board members were unwilling to have the corporation assume the cost of correcting the plumbing violations. Director Nancy Hutchins said that it seemed unfair to ask members who had installed the washers correctly or didn't even have a washer to help pay for the violations. Directors Betty Deitch and Mac Wirick agreed that the present policy should not be changed. Freas and Director Hess said that GHI should bear the cost only if it can be shown that GHI did the work incorrectly or approved the faulty installation. The consensus of the board was that the present occupant of the unit will have to bear the cost of correcting the fault.

#### Finance Committee Report

Director Ray McCawley pre-sented a report of the Finance Committee which recommended that in future budgets all capital improvements and all mainten-ance except that normally planned and budgeted should be funded from the Replacement Reserve. The report further recommended that, if the Replacement Reserve did not contain enough money to fund such work, the money be borrowed from the cor-poration's working capital and repaid from the Replacement Reserve when that reserve has the funds to repay it. The report noted, however, that the working capital should not be reduced below a critical point (defined as "some minimum amount of money that GHI absolutely must have to operate normally") established by the board of directors.

The report was accepted but not discussed. Colton said the report would be brought back for the board's consideration during a planned study of the Replacement Reserve. Oil Refund

Colton reported to the board that the U.S. Dept. of Energy had approved GHI's application for a refund under the oil overcharge proceedings on oil purchased between 1973-81. GHI was recently awarded \$2,836 in refunds and more money is expected to become available in the future.

Colton said that substantial oil users were given a limited time to get their claim in and validated before the deadline passed. GHI was able to prove that it had purchased more than 14 million gallons of fuel oil during the period. In GHI's group of claimants, Colton said the cooperative's share of the refund pool is 16.4%. GHI is the second largest claimant, behind the City of Tampa, Florida.

#### Other Actions

After a lively discussion, the board gave approval for members in the 8 Court of Hillside to retain their two sheds provided one which is in disrepair is brought up to standard, Permission for the second shed had been granted in error by the GHI staff eight years ago. The board finally granted permission for both sheds until the unit is resold when one will have to be removed. The vote on the motion by Hutchins was 5 to 1 with Director Betty Deitch opposed. (Vice-President Andrea Haslinger presided for part of the meeting until President Wayne Williams got there; Director Margaret Hogensen was detained downtown at a meeting.)

The board however, turned down a request by a member in the 5 Court of Laurel Hill Road for a freestanding shed in the yard of one of the larger townhomes. Under the rules governing these homes, freestanding sheds are not permitted. The neighbors had not been asked about the shed plans according to the member. Director Mac Wirick made a motion to approve the shed plan; Director Alan Freas amended the motion to require approval of the neighbors. However, the motion fail-ed on a 2 to 4 vote with only Wirick and Freas supporting it.

Discussion of new city leaf collection procedures which require GHI members to bag their leaves instead of raking them to the curb was postponed until a board meeting in January when a city representative will be present.

The board of directors will meet on its regular schedule on the second and fourth Thursdays (Jan. 12 and 26).

## Center School Kids Sing At Green Ridge House

The holiday spirit was evident at Green Ridge House on Friday, December 23 when Center School children under the direction of vocal music instructor, Wilma Vazquez presented a music program to the resident senior citizens. Members of the fifth grade chorus and Deidre O'Connor's 4/5 combination class sang and played many of the holiday songs.

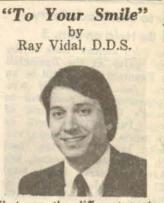
Announcers Chris Avery, Crystal Kerfoot and Suzanne Moien asked the seniors to sing along with many of the songs. Soon young and old were singing together.

Instrumentalists Ayana Al-Fatah, cello, and Meridith Criswell, saxophone, played carols. Another carol player was second grader Amanda Powell who played the piano. Residents urged her to continue her piano lessons. Santa was there, too. Under the white beard and big belly was really Brian Doss. dressed to fit the part and acting the part, too.

Before the program ended each of the announcers invited the residents to visit Center School-to help in the tutoring program, to perhaps adopt a kid as a foster grandchild. or to just drop in and say "hi."

Merle Fike, president of the Green Ridge House Residents Association, thanked the children for coming and sharing with them. Fike said the songs brought tears to his eyes. It wouldn't seem like Christmas without children, resident Mae Lee remarked. Both thought the children were better than many adults they had heard.

After the program the sharing continued. Green Ridge House residents with the help of their resident manager. Ruth Stinson, served hot chocolate and cookies to the children. The gift from the kids was a candy cane and bright red folders decorated by the children. Inside each folder were the printed words to the songs they had sung together.

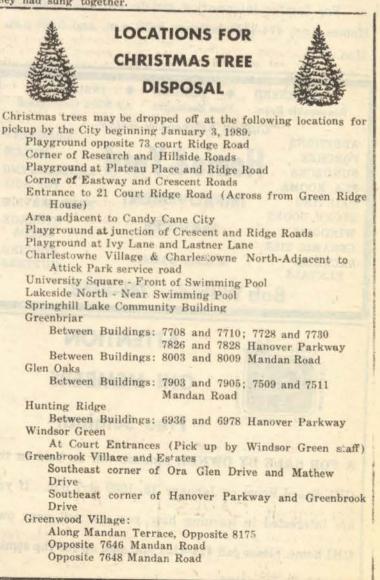


What are the different parts of a tooth?

Teeth are composed of 2 main parts, crowns and roots. The crown is the portion that you see when you look at your teeth. The shape of the crown is determined by its function in chewing. Front teeth are shaped like chisels because they cut food. Back teeth, which tear and grind food, have pointed or slightly rounded elevations called cusps. These cusps fit into grooves of the opposing teeth when you chew.

About 2/3's of the length of a tooth is the root. It is normally not seen except in periodontal (gum) disease or severe injury. Roots serve to hold the tooth firmly in the jawbone. They have a hollow central chamber called the canal. Nerve fibers and small blood vessels enter through the tip of the canal to bring "life" to a tooth. The number and size of the roots vary according to the role played in chewing, but in general front thet have one root while back teeth are multi-rooted.

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The main purpose of the meeting will be to discuss possible bylaws for the group as well as its future agenda. Also, elections will be held. All members are urged to attend.

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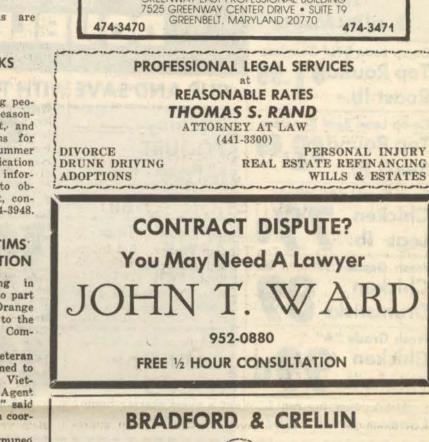
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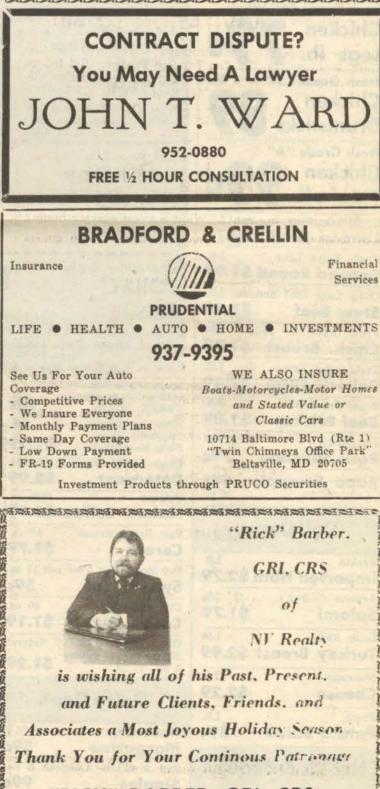
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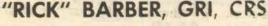
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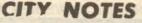
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The parks crew built a bus shelter at the intersection of Hanover Parkway and Mandan Roads. The horticulturist cleared debris at Greenbelt Lake.

The Greenbelt Connection had a very heavy schedule this week due to the holiday shopping season.

Special trash collections are current.

#### **GREENBELT PARK SEEKS TEMPORARY HELP**

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