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Large Crowd Attends Meeting To Debate Center School Future

by Diane Oberg

More than one hundred citizens turned out for the public meeting on January 10 which was called by the Prince Georges County School Board. At issue was the renovation of Center School or the construction of a new building on the old North End School site.

County School Superintendent John A. Murphy said that "the best educational decision we could make would be to construct a new school at the North End site." However, he added, if the community decides that the historical significance of Center is more important, the school system will provide a "quality school program" in a renovated school.

The school board will conduct a survey to determine the community's preference. A draft has been prepared for the survey, which is to be distributed in February. Suzanne Plogman, Greenbelt's School Board representative, urged those present to consider the advantages and disadvantages of both proposals and to base their votes on that analysis, rather than on an emotional attachment to either the Center or North End buildings.

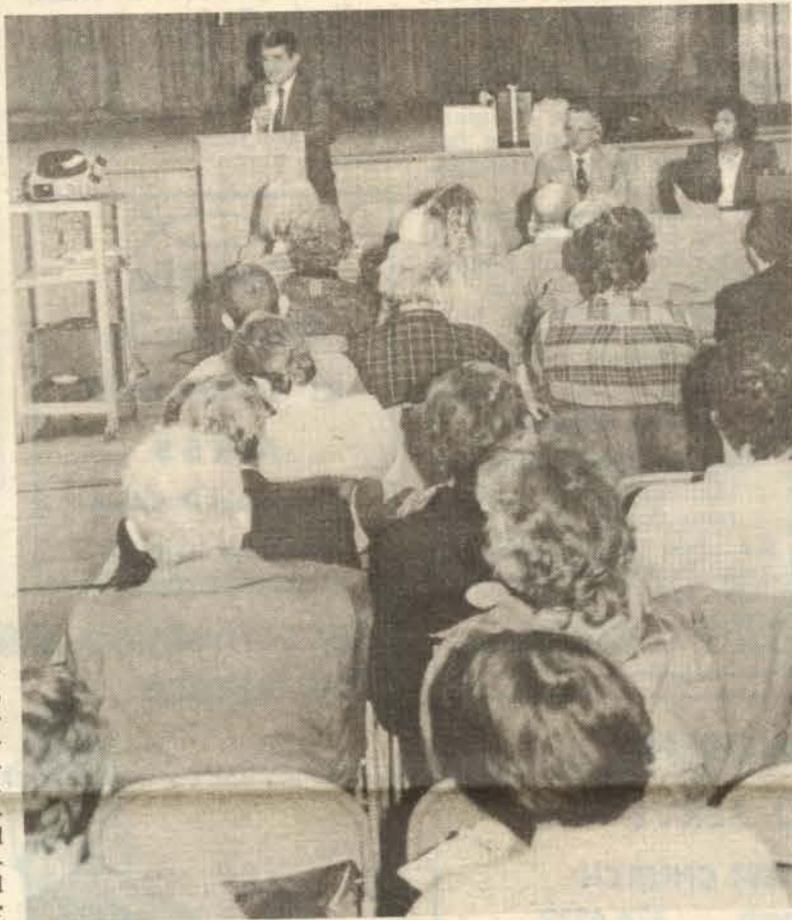
Architect's Views

R. C. Garcia said that the choice was between two favorable alternatives but, like Murphy, he said that the best educational facility would be provided by a new school. However, he noted that the best historic and social environment would be provided by renovating Center.

Center school's problems include an old building, which nevertheless appears structurally sound, five different levels, decentralized support functions, such as cafeteria and gymnasium, an inadequate playground and noncompliance with modern building codes for fire prevention devices and handicap access. In addition, Garcia said that Center's "labyrinth of halls" is difficult for the younger students to master. However, Center is conveniently located and accessible to the community and has recognized historic significance.

At an on-site design session (charette) this summer, participants developed a plan that meets educational needs but which Garcia said required accepting some design compromises. Problems remaining after renovation include limitations on teacher interaction caused by the multiple levels, improperly sized classrooms that cannot be changed for historic or structural reasons, a limited playground area and several problems related to the distances between classrooms and numerous stairwells.

In contrast, a new school would be designed to avoid these problems; it would also meet county and state requirements. Garcia



R. C. Garcia, architect for the county Board of Education, speaks at the Board's public information meeting on the plans for a new or renovated school in the core of Greenbelt.

Photo by J. Henson
said that the new school would have two levels, not five, with rooms properly sized for their use and lower operating costs. In addition, the North End site's 13 acres provide more recreation space than Center's six acres.

Another benefit of new construction cited by Garcia is better control over construction costs. Although Garcia's estimates show the two facilities costing similar amounts, there is greater uncertainty in the estimates on Center because of possible unforeseen difficulties in renovating an existing building, as well as the need to meet historic preservation standards.

Staff's Views

Principal Dr. John Van Schoonhoven and two Center School teachers spoke in favor of a new facility. Third grade teacher Janet Pappas and sixth grade teacher Donna Sturgill cited problems with Center, including the difficulties and dangers of moving children around the building. Both felt that the dispersal of classrooms throughout Center limits the ability of teachers to work together and share ideas. Both also objected to the small playground located close to library and municipal parking lots.

Sturgill said that although Center was a model school when first built, today it hinders the educational process.

Citizens' Views

Cynthia Dial, representing the

parents of 2 Court Plateau Place, spoke in favor of a new school, saying that \$8 million is too much to pay for a renovated facility. She said that the children deserve the best possible educational facility and that even after renovation students at Center would have to walk too far on too many levels.

Dial saw the current location as a drawback to the school, as there are too many people coming and going in the Center area. See CENTER SCHOOL, page 4

WHAT GOES ON

Mon., Jan. 23, 7:30 p.m. City Council Executive Session, Land Acquisition

8 p.m. City Council Meeting, Council Room, Municipal Building.

Wed., Jan. 25, 7:30 p.m. Public Hearing, Board of Education Budget, E. Roosevelt High School.

8 p.m. City Council Work-session, Audit Report. Immediately following: City Council Executive Session, Personnel Matters, Land Acquisition, Conference Room.

8 p.m. Advisory Planning Board Employees Lounge

Thurs., Jan. 26, 8 p.m. Greenbelt Homes, Inc. Board of Directors, Hamilton Place

Report Examines City Options If Center School Is Surplus

by Mavis Fletcher

A preliminary report presented at the city council meeting on Jan. 9 by City Manager James K. Giese examines the impact on the city if the board of education should decide to declare the Center School surplus. Giese emphasizes that the report is not intended to recommend any one alternative over another, nor does it attempt to deal with the educational issues involved in the choice between renovating Center School and building a new one.

The report assumes that the Center School building, if closed as a school, will be preserved and continue to be occupied. It does not assume that the building would necessarily be acquired by the city. Other possibilities include use as some private or public school, commercial office building, or as an office building for some governmental agency other than the city.

The report notes the significance of the school as a county historic site and discusses the negative effect on the original town plan which would result from its loss as an educational facility.

City Uses

If the school is closed and the building acquired by the city, it could house the same activities which have been suggested for a renovated North End School building. These include a senior activity center, adult and child day care, Recreation Department programming, a nur-

sery school, a performing arts center, artist studios and classrooms, a display room and workshop for the Greenbelt Museum, a cable TV studio, professional offices, and city storage. Also suggested were apartments for senior citizens. Giese says such housing would not be possible at Center School.

Giese suggests that careful consideration be given to using "a significant portion" of the building for city offices now housed in the Municipal Building and in the Youth Center. If all such offices were moved to the school building, the report suggests that the Municipal Building could be sold or leased to help pay for the school renovation.

(According to Assistant City Manager Michael McLaughlin, the Center School building, at 57,504 sq. ft., could accommodate city offices and most of the other uses which have been sought in a community center. The Municipal Building contains only 12,000 sq. ft., including 3,500 sq. ft. now occupied by the police department.)

Deficiencies

Giese characterizes the school as "in operating condition" but notes a long list of deficiencies which will have to be remedied to bring it up to county fire, handicap accessibility, electrical, and parking code standards. In addition, the building is mostly unairconditioned and the heating plant probably inefficient. There is also asbestos in the building, according to the report.

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Open House Celebrates Library's Renovation

by Eileen Peterson

Visitors to the Greenbelt Branch of the Prince Georges County Library over the past few months have put up with noise, dust and disorder. The library has been under renovation since early September, but the Library's Branch Manager, Nancy Johanson, is happy to announce that, except for a few details, the renovation is complete.

The Friends of the Greenbelt Library will host an Open House on Saturday, Jan. 28, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. to celebrate the "new" library and conduct tours. The Children's Department will present Peter and the Wolf, performed by the Clarion Shadow Theatre at 2 pm.

The Greenbelt Branch has not had a general repainting or renovation since it opened in 1970. Carpets were frayed, chairs cracking and in need of upholstery, and walls and doorways in need of repainting.

Over the past four months the carpets were replaced. This was a gigantic task that necessitated the disassembly and moving of all the shelves and the books and their replacement after the carpet installation. While that was taking place, the tables and desks were sent out for refinishing and new counters made.

Staff work areas and the magazine storage area were moved. The Children's Room was made slightly smaller but more open to give librarians better supervision of the children. A new Children's Program Room was constructed adjacent to the Children's Room.

The Tugwell Collection was moved upstairs to be more convenient to both staff and the public. Countertops, door trim and signs are green in recogni-

tion of the City of Greenbelt.

The Greenbelt Branch has some new services that will be attractive to the public. Magazines and newspapers are now displayed in a glassed-in reading and quiet-study room where readers are able to study without the ringing of telephones and other distractions. Special facilities were constructed to house a room for tutoring, a listening room with record player and cassette player, and three rooms to house the "Computer Connection," a special facility to allow the public to use computers.

Scheduled to open sometime in March, the "Computer Connection" will be equipped with an Apple II-E, a Macintosh Plus and an IBM PS-II. All have disc drives and printers. Users may operate their own software or software provided by the library.

Borrowers of audio cassettes and video tapes will find a new display area to the left of the check-in desk as they enter the library. The Adult and Young Adult paperback shelving now have lighted canopies.

Starting in 1989 the Branch business reference collection will be upgraded with the addition of the Standard and Poor's Library Service.

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Career Seminar Offered

The Springhill Lake Fountain Lodge will host a career seminar featuring Sheila Ryan of CWI Personnel Services on Wednesday, Jan. 25 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Admission is free and there will be a wine and cheese reception following. Door prizes will be awarded. The public is invited. Call 474-4555 to register.

Registration to Be Held For Montessori Magnet

The "first-come first-served" registration of students for the pre-school segment of the Montessori Magnet Program will be held on Saturday, Jan. 28 at Largo High School from 9 to 11 a.m. Spaces in the program will also be awarded through a lottery of mailed-in applications and applications that are submitted in person on Jan. 28 after the spaces available at that time are full. The deadline for mail-in applications is Feb. 10.

The program is open primarily to 3 and 4-year-old students, although a few spaces for 5 and 6-year-olds may be available.

For more information about the registration process for county magnet programs, call 952-6044.

Our Neighbors

Dorie Bates 345-5961

Glad to hear that Ray Smith, Lynbrook Court, is home recuperating from surgery and thanks friends and neighbors for their thoughtfulness.

We have some new Greenbelters joining our ranks recently. Mary Ann Eliza Rios was born to Mary Theresa and Rafael Rios on December 31 at Holy Cross Hospital. She weighed 7 lbs., 1 oz. The Rios family lives on Morrison Drive.

Akheil Singla was born on December 17 at Holy Cross. He is the first son of Abanti and Gorka Singla and joins a sister, Grikeil, on Mandan Road.

Nalini and Muthuvel Chelliah have a son, Anand Muthuvel Chelliah, born December 30 at Holy Cross. He weighed 7 lbs., 13 ozs. and joins the family on Parkway.

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10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist

10:30 a.m. Sunday School

Rev. John G. Bals, Rector

937-4292

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Giese suggests that temporary waivers from some of the code standards might be obtained so that parts of the building could be occupied at an early date.

Costs

"It can be expected that while possibly in the short run, if waivers can be obtained, costs to reutilize the building could be less (than for the North End School); in the long run, utilization costs will be about the same per square foot as for the North End School, and since the Center School is larger, total costs will be greater." This statement summarizes Giese's overall assessment of the costs of renovation.

Using the school architect's estimate of renovation (and leaving out the cost of new construction needed in a renovated school), Giese estimates the cost of a "first-rate renovation job" for community uses at \$6,850,000. However, he also says that the costs estimated by the architect for historic preservation may be too high.

Using the cost figures which he applied in his recent study, *Alternative Plans for Reutilization of North End School*, Giese estimates the cost of renovating Center School at \$4,620,000, plus historic preservation costs. (The earlier report estimated the cost of renovating the entire 41,749 sq. ft. of North End School building at \$3,000,000.)

Asset or Liability

From the city's experience with North End School, Giese points out that "the transfer of Center School by the County to the City should not be regarded as the transfer of an asset for which compensation from the City should be considered, but rather a transfer of a liability for which consideration should be given for the County compensating (or financially assisting) the City."

The report lists a number of "bargaining points" to be raised with the county if transfer becomes an issue. These points include: the building should be transferred in usable condition, asbestos-free and debt-free; code requirements should initially be waived and phased in as the building is renovated; the county should give strong support to city grant applications; the county should take possible responsibility for part of the space and should liberalize restrictions on renting out some of the space.

At the Library

Thursday, January 26 Drop-In Storytime 10:30-11 a.m. for ages 3-5.

Saturday, Jan. 28 Peter and the Wolf at 2-3 p.m. performed by the Clarion Shadow Theatre.

Lion Belles Meet

The Greenbelt Lion Belles will have a dessert meeting at the home of Mildred Hieber, 120 Northway on Tuesday, January 24 at 7:30 p.m. Members are encouraged to attend.

Mowatt Memorial

United Methodist Church
 40 Ridge Rd. 474-9410

Sunday School 9:30 A.M.

Morning Worship 11:00 A.M.

Daniel Montague, Pastor

Paint Branch Unitarian Church

3215 Powder Mill Road
 (near Cherry Hill Rd.)

Sun., Jan. 22, 9:30 and 11:15

a.m. Sermon "Homophobia:

Our Silent Prejudice"

9:30 a.m. Sunday School

Rev. R. W. Kelley 937-3666

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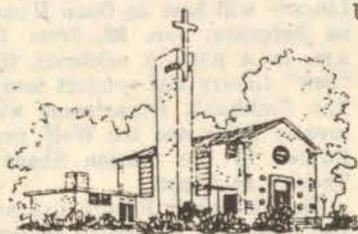
Crescent & Greenhill Roads 474-4212

Bible Study For All Ages (Sun.) 9:45 A.M.

Worship Services (Sun.) 11 A.M. & 7:00 P.M.

Midweek Prayer Service (Wed.) 8:00 P.M.

Greenbelt Community Church



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11:40-12:20 Fellowship

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Pre-School Department 9:50 and 11:15 a.m.

For information regarding programs for youth, young adults, singles, and senior citizens, please call the Church office.

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345-5111

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Director of Religious Education

937-3666

Letters

Open Letter

To Mayor and Council:

I have no doubt that the School Board can renovate Center School and make it a first-rate educational facility. I have no doubt that the city could make the North End School an excellent addition to our city facilities. However, I don't think that would be best for the city.

Center School should become a community center again. A city facility open seven days a week 52 weeks a year. Close to the current Youth Center, Braden field, and Greenbelt Lake. Close to the outdoor pool and proposed indoor pool. Close to the Roosevelt Center and its stores. Close to the city offices and CARES. Close to the library and museum. Close to Green Ridge House and easily accessible to all of Greenbelt — east and west.

What better place to locate a child care center or an elderly day care? Where else to expand city recreation and cultural services? How else to give more space to city services?

The North End property has always been a school site. Where better to have the new school? Close to the students who will attend. Away from busy streets and inadequate facilities. The educational value of the Center School building will still be available to the students of North End as a community center.

North End came to the city with some restrictions on its use. Now that the county wants it, we may be able to get better conditions for the use of Center School.

Center School is too important to Greenbelt to leave control with the county.

Ray McCawley

Suburban Exile

The educators tell us that Center School is totally unacceptable. In fact, we are told that the location of the school is unredeemable. The children need more space, less stairs, more parking. So we are told. If the city would allow it, I believe the faculty and school administration would have us tear down the last of the forest and build a "really first-rate" institution — for the children. If we were to cover the green earth with a school, I'm sure we could get a roomy modern institution of which we could all be proud. But the education our children would receive would be sterile and irrelevant. On the other hand, if we put all our children in a small holding pen and converted all the saved space to parks and galleries, how would they have the acculturation to appreciate our marvelous husbandry? Somewhere between must lie the balance.

My own children would be a lot closer to school if the North End site were rehabilitated. I imagine they would enjoy wide

halls and spacious playgrounds. And yet, I have grave misgivings about taking the school north. North End school would be an extension of mowing the lawn, washing the car, and walking the dog. Center School is an extension of commerce, civic administration and community life. Right now, with our elementary school next to our delightful and uncommon city center, we tell our children that their education is an integral part of the life of the community. I have no doubt that this was the intention of our city founders. They were most certainly not looking for a convenient vehicle for art deco architecture.

Don't relegate our children's education, however brightly lit and freshly ventilated, to a suburban exile, so common in our post-industrial age, so alien to our community.

Bob Rashkin

Tradition a Factor

To the Editor:

We can argue till the end of time about the merits of a good school at the North End versus a good school at the Center, but the debate will stay balanced between two goods except for a timely consideration.

Tradition, remembered in our drive for progress, weights the balance in favor of the Center School. The world does not begin anew with each generation. It took a lot of effort to get us where we are and the physical structures of that history achieve institutional status.

That the Center School is not of the latest vintage is no reason to throw it away. There's already much that points to a pre-occupation with comforts producing a troubling shallowness in education. Good stresses teach kids the appreciation of hard-earned accomplishments. As for the safety concern, the stairs at the Center School are no more dangerous than the gymnasium or playing field. Learning to cope with obstacles is the counterforce to wishes for instant gratification.

To opt for an improved tra-

ditional school at the Center over a shiny new one at the North End will say something important about the slick packaging of society's numbingly indulgent course. Our community will make news by taking a uniquely thoughtful step forward toward a more responsible vision for our kids.

Benjamin Abramowitz

Wants a North End School

To the Editor:

I have lived just across from the North End School, for the past 25 years. My three children attended the school (and) I was a frequent volunteer. When its doors closed, I was very sad. The building has been an empty relic since then and, in my opinion, a potential liability to the tax-paying citizens of Greenbelt.

It is my understanding that the county school administration is considering acquiring the school site (for a new elementary school.) The proposal includes new ball fields and recreational facilities, which the North End really needs and which would also be available for community use after school hours.

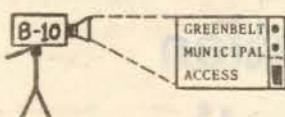
This proposed new facility could be the focal point that will stimulate the revitalization of the North End of Greenbelt. I also understand that a new elementary school is the most viable solution to the future educational needs of our children and grandchildren.

I would like to see our children's children attend a new North End School and would encourage the citizens of Greenbelt to support such an initiative.

Olive Blue

LEO GREEN TO ADDRESS GRAY PANTHER MEETING

Senator Leo Green will speak at an open public Gray Panther Meeting on Saturday, January 21 at 1:30 p.m. at the Greenbelt Library. Senator Green's topic will be "Issues in the 1989 Maryland State Legislature." Ample time has been allotted for Greenbelters to ask questions. For information or transportation telephone 474-7841 or 474-6890.



CHANNEL B-10

presents

"The Future of Center School"

A Public Information Meeting
(originally held 1/10/89)

Tuesday thru Thursday
January 24 thru 26
at 2:00 and 7:00 PM

(Due to time constraints, the question and answer period that followed the public participation portion of the program had to be deleted.)

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Police Blotter

Pfc. Matthew Carr gave chase to a 1984 Chevy when the driver refused to stop for a traffic violation in the 6000 block of Greenbelt Road. The driver turned into the Beltway Plaza parking lot, hit a lamp post and the car flipped onto its side. Members of the fire department cut off the top of the car in order to rescue the injured man who is in fair condition in Prince Georges Hospital. Investigation revealed the driver, age 33 was a "walkaway" from the Anne Arundel detention center work release program. The vehicle had been stolen in Severn, Md. Charges are pending.

Cpl. Danny Allwang stopped a vehicle on Jan. 7 for a traffic violation on Kenilworth Ave. near Pontiac St. After the driver got out of the car, the officer saw a "slapjack" weapon and as he investigated further he found PCP-laced marijuana also within the car. The 23-year-old non-resident was arrested and charged with possession of PCP and marijuana. He was held on \$500 bond pending trial.

Pfc. Craig Rich arrested a 33-year old resident of the 7000 block of Hanover Parkway for driving with stolen registration plates. He was released pending trial.

A shotgun was reported stolen from Best Products on Jan. 6 about 3:15 p.m. A camcorder was taken from Luskins, also in Beltway Plaza, on Jan. 10. The suspect was described as a black male, age 25 to 30, 5 ft. 6 in., 130 lbs., wearing a "RUN DMC"

sweatshirt, faded denim jacket, blue jeans and a red knit cap

A 4-door, maroon 1988 Honda Accord LX (MD tag VLH-944) was taken Jan. 8 from the 9100 block of Springhill Ct. A 2-door, beige, 1984 Chevy Camaro (MD tag SJH-694) was taken Jan. 9 from the 7800 block of Mandan Rd.

A patron at the Holiday Inn, who left his car running and unattended in front of the building on Jan. 10, returned to find it stolen. The car is a blue Pontiac 6000 (Missouri tag BZN-842).

Vandalism to and theft from autos were reported in the following areas:

9100 bl. Edmonston Rd., 7700 bl. Hanover Pkwy., 200 bl. Lakeside Dr., 400 bl. Ridge Rd., 6000 bl. Springhill Dr., and 7900 bl. Mandan Rd

Recreation Review

Gymnasium Schedule

Due to the high demand of gym usage during the winter months, the schedule varies considerably. Please note the posted gym schedule at each facility or phone 474-6878 for times.

Floor Hockey

Floor Hockey Drop-In — Mon. 7:30-10:30 p.m. at SHL Rec. Center continues through March 29. City residents free. Others pay a nominal fee.

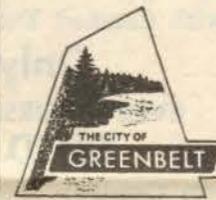
Basketball Open Gym

30 & Over Basketball Open Gym Wed. 7:30-10 p.m. at the SHL Rec. Center. For info, call John R Webster III or Janet Goldberg at 474-6878 or 345-2770..

AGENDA

Regular Meeting of City Council

Monday, January 23, 1989
8:00 p.m.



I. ORGANIZATION

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Meditation and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag
4. Consent Agenda - Approval of Staff Recommendations (The consent agenda consists of those items which have asterisks (*) placed beside them, subject to such revisions as may be made by the Council prior to approval)
5. Approval of Agenda and Additions

II. COMMUNICATIONS

6. Petitions and Requests (Petitions received at the meeting will not be acted upon by the City Council at this meeting unless the standing rules are waived by the Council)
7. Minutes of Council Meetings
8. Administrative Reports - Lake Park Master Plan
9. Committee Reports - Presentation

III. LEGISLATION

10. Resolution to Authorize the Condemnation of Certain Real Estate in the City of Greenbelt, Maryland for the Purpose of Adding Such Property to Schrom Hills Park to be Developed by the City of Greenbelt in Accordance with the Plan of Development of Schrom Hills Park - Second Reading
11. Resolution to Authorize the Condemnation of Certain Real Estate in the City of Greenbelt - Parcel I - First Reading

IV. OTHER BUSINESS

12. Schrom Hills Park Master Plan
13. ZMA 9754 - Greenhorne & O'Mara at Westchester Park
14. Proposed Federal Legislation - Federal Preference for Section 8 Housing
15. Admissions and Occupancy Policy for Green Ridge House
16. Resignation from Crime Prevention Committee

NOTE: THIS IS A PRELIMINARY AGENDA - SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Open Community Meeting

1989 Labor Day Festival
Thursday, January 26
7:30 p.m.

Greenbelt Library Meeting Room

This meeting is an opportunity for Greenbelt residents and groups to provide suggestions and ideas for the 1989 Labor Day Festival. The 1989 budget will also be on the agenda.

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In addition, construction of a new school would avoid the need to bus Center's students to an alternate site in Bladensburg, as would be required for renovation of Center.

An information sheet distributed by the school system at the meeting said that Center cannot be renovated without relocating the students because of safety and educational concerns, and the additional costs involved in building around the students.

Historic Significance

One major reason for preferring renovation of Center, cited by many citizens, is the historic significance of the Center School building and its function in the planned community. Several speakers said that the historic, social and cultural aspects of the school contribute to the students' education. However, some questioned how much of the building need to be maintained in its current state.

Former Center School PTA President Leta Mach agreed that the friezes depicting the preamble to the constitution must be preserved. However, she saw no need to preserve the remaining walls, saying that most have already been modified.

This view was contested by Mark Miller of the Art Deco Society of Washington, D.C. He said that his organization would fight this notion "tooth and nail" in the press and in the courts. Miller praised the concept plan developed by Garcia and the charrette participants and expressed a desire to work positively on the school project.

County Historic Preservation Commissioner Susan Adams praised the architects for attempting to maintain the county's historic preservation standards in their renovation plans. She said that the commission will support a proposal that "maintains the character and architectural qualities of the building."

City councilmember Thomas X. White, speaking individually, reviewed the history of the city's support for the renovation of Center School and objected to the consideration of alternate sites "when all efforts should have been focused on the renovation project . . ." White ar-

gued that the "historic context of Greenbelt Center School has such overriding importance that it must be retained as an educational facility . . ."

Albert Herling said that the desire to preserve Center as a piece of our heritage is not a devotion to the past but rather is essential to preserve the city's future.

The Plan

Not all who supported the renovation of Center were pleased with Garcia's plan. Parent Peggy Sclater agreed with many of the problems identified by Garcia in the renovation plan, but argued that a better plan and some administrative changes might solve many of these problems.

Several speakers, noting that many of the problems seem to be caused by the 1968 addition, suggested that it be torn down and replaced, hence resolving the

worst of the problems.

However, Deputy Superintendent Edward Felegy said that the state would not approve demolition of the newest portion of the building as part of a renovation plan. Although he said that this could be considered, it would require additional county funds for an already expensive project.

Other Concerns

Several speakers were concerned about what would happen if the school system abandoned Center. Felegy explained that if the school system has no further use for the building, its only choice would be to turn the building over to the county government for disposal. One possibility is that the county would then transfer the school to the city government.

Sclater was concerned about the possibility, saying that the city has a "very poor reputation" for putting its plans into action.

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Barbara Simon noted that the city has not even raised the \$3 million necessary to renovate the North End building and questioned how long it would take to raise the \$7 million necessary to renovate Center.

Tony Pisano, member of Citizens for the North End Center but speaking individually, described the group's plans for an intergenerational community center in the north end, and urged the school board to renovate Center and leave the North End building to the citizens of Greenbelt.

In response to a question, Felegy said that the students currently bused to John Carroll would continue going there, regardless of what happens at Center. He said that the busing is

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part of a county-wide desegregation effort and that reassigning those students would affect racial balances not only at the Greenbelt School, but also at John Carroll.

Felegy said that the school board plans to review its staff's recommendations in the spring and then make a decision before submitting the plans to the state for approval.

CFG Will Discuss Center School Plans

Citizens for Greenbelt will hold a special meeting to discuss future plans for Greenbelt Center School. The meeting will be held on Thurs., Jan. 26 at 8 p.m. in the City Council Room, Municipal Building.

OFFICIAL NOTICE

WORK SESSION

Interview of Citizens Interested in Board/Committee Appointment
Monday, January 30, 1989

8:00 p.m.

Council Room-Municipal Building
25 Crescent Road



The City Council has scheduled a work session to interview citizens who have expressed an interest in serving on one of the city's advisory boards or committees. Presently, vacancies exist on the city's

- Advisory Planning Board
- Park and Recreation Advisory Board
- Crime Prevention Committee and
- Senior Citizen Task Force

Council recently established the following two committees for which it is seeking applications as well.

- Arts Advisory Committee and
- Greenbelt Foundation Ad Hoc Committee

Greenbelt citizens interested in being considered for appointment to any of the standing committees, who wish to be interviewed but who have not yet made their interest known, and citizens wishing to be considered for appointment to the newly established committees, are encouraged to submit a letter of interest and/or resume to the City Clerk, 25 Crescent Road, prior to the scheduled work session.

For information, please call 447-3870.

Gudrun H. Mills, CMC
City Clerk

ESTABLISHMENT OF TWO NEW CITY COMMITTEES

The Greenbelt City Council recently established two new city committees. One, the Greenbelt Arts Advisory Committee, shall be responsible for guiding the implementation of a city arts policy and shall consist of the following: One member from each of the three areas of the arts — performing, visual, and literary; one member with a background in arts education; at least two members of the business community; one member in good standing of the Park and Recreation Advisory Board; and a non-voting city staff member.

The committee shall write a proposed, formal arts policy for the city; provide advice on matters relating to the arts, including policies, programs, arts in public places, funding for private groups, and facilities for the arts; promote increased citizen participation in city and non-city arts programs and activities; assist city arts organizations in fund raising by providing information and assistance; supplement city staff as a liaison with arts-related organizations and aid in the planning and annual evaluation of the city's arts programs.

The second, Greenbelt Foundation Ad Hoc Committee, shall develop a framework for a Greenbelt Foundation and, to that end, shall recommend the purpose and goals for the foundation, its organizational framework, the makeup of the board of directors, draft articles of incorporation for the foundation to establish its tax-exempt status, define the foundation's relationship with the city, and make such other recommendations needed to establish the foundation. The ad hoc committee shall consist of two members of the Greenbelt business community, two residents of Greenbelt, and one member of the Community Relations Advisory Board.

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Museum Needs Donations

by Sandra Barnes

Donations of collectibles — household items, appliances, linens, plants, jewelry — are needed by the Friends of the Greenbelt Museum. FOGM will be participating in the Flea Market sponsored by the Recreation Department on Feb. 18 at the Youth Center. All donations are tax deductible.

Persons who have items that they would like to donate may drop them off at the museum at 10-B Crescent Rd. on Sundays, Jan. 22 through Feb. 12, noon to 4 p.m. Persons who wish items to be picked up may call Linda Warner, 464-5511 (day), 345-8361 (evenings), or Sandra Barnes, 345-1819 (evenings). Baked goods will also be appreciated and may be donated on the day of the event by bringing them to the Youth Center.



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SPECIAL MEETING

To Discuss Greenbelt Center School

Citizens for Greenbelt will hold a public meeting to discuss the future of Greenbelt Center School and to adopt a position on this issue.

A draft copy of the Survey will be available.

All interested citizens are invited.

DATE: Thursday, January 26
TIME: 8 p.m.
PLACE: City Council Room,
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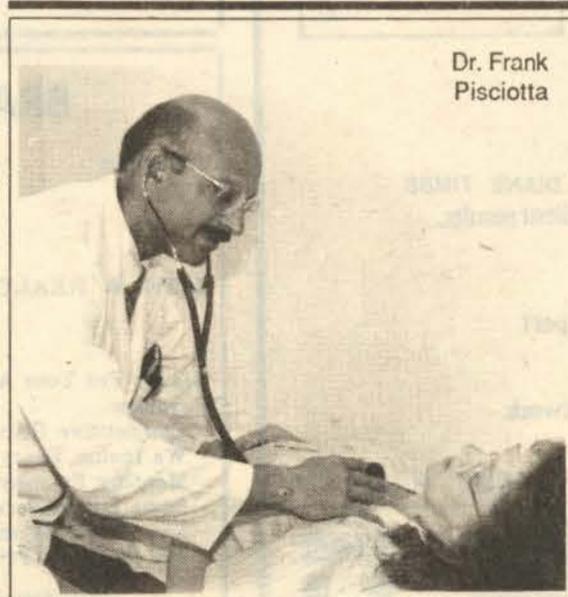
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- Is your urine bloody or dark?
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Wednesday, January 25, 1989 8 p.m.

Municipal Building Conference Room

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

NOTE: This is a tentative agenda subject to change.

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Boiled Ham	\$1.99
Hatfield All Meat LB.	
Bologna	\$1.29
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Salami	\$1.49
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Cheese	\$2.19
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Indian River Grapefruit	5/99c
DOLE 3 lbs. Premium Bananas	\$1.00
FLORIDA Temple Oranges	8/99c
California 88 Size Navel Oranges	5/99c
Imported Red lb. Seedless Grapes	99c
DOLE lb. PEACHES	89c
LARGE lb. ANJOU PEARS	69c
California Kiwi Fruit	3/\$1.00
All Purpose 10 lb. White Potatoes	1.59
Large Eastern CELERY ea.	49c
Extra Large lb. Florida Tomatoes	59c
Large Green Peppers lb.	59c
Red 6 oz. bag Radishes ea.	19c

Beer/Wine Dept.

Budweiser 12 pk-12 oz. cans	
Light Beer	\$6.19
Iron City 6 pk-12 oz. cans	
Beer	\$1.79
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Carlo Rossi 3 liter	
Wines	\$4.99

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Viva Jumbo	
Paper Towels	69c
Liquid All Laundry 1/2 gal.	
Detergent	\$2.19
B. Crocker Super Moist 18 1/4 oz.	
Cake Mix	69c
Hunts 6 oz.	
Tomato Paste	3/\$1
Waldorf 4 pk.	
Toilet Tissue	99c
Folgers A.D.C. 13 oz. can	
Decaffeinated COFFEE	\$2.49
Bounce Stainguard 36's	
Fabric Softener	1.49
Wylers Beef or Chicken 25's	
BOUILLION CUBES	89c

Dairy Dept.

Kraft Parkay 1 lb. 1/4's	
Margarine	59c
Red & White American 12 oz.	
Singles	\$1.39
Land-O-Lakes BUTTER Reg. or Unsalted 1 lb. 1/4's	\$1.99
Breakstone 16 oz.	
Sour Cream	99c
Kraft Shredded 4 oz.	
Cheddar Cheese	79c

Muellers 1 lb.	
SPAGHETTI or ELBOW MACARONI	2/99c
Libbey 15 1/2 oz.	
CORN-Cut or French GREEN BEANS	2/99c
Clorox gal.	
Liquid Bleach	99c
Libbey Juice Pack 20 oz.	
Pineapple	59c
Max. House Master 11 1/2 oz.	
Blend Coffee	\$2.09
Pillsbury Hungry Jack 2 lb.	
Pancake Mix	\$1.19
White 100's	
Paper Plates	99c
Cannon 1st Quality DISH CLOTH or POT HOLDER	99c
Classic/Reg. Diet 6pk-12oz cns	
Coca-Cola	\$1.59
Muellers medium 1 lb.	
Egg Noodles	89c
Primwood Kindling 4 lb. box	
Wood	\$1.79
Duraflame 5 1/2 oz.	
Fire Log	\$1.79
Fireside 11 oz.	
Vanilla Wafers or Animal Crackers	89c

Francesca Rinaldi Spag. QT.	
Sauce	\$1.29
Our Value 15 oz.	
PORK & BEANS or KIDNEY BEANS	3/\$1
Hunts 8 oz.	
Tomato Sauce	4/99c
Camp. Chunky Soup 19 oz.	
BEEF, VEG. BEEF SIRLOIN BURGER	\$1.19
White House 48 oz.	
Apple Juice	99c
Golden Griddle Pancake 24 oz.	
Syrup	\$1.99
Hersh. Real Semi-Sweet 24 oz.	
Choc. Chips	\$2.19
Red & White 100 ft.	
Plastic Wrap	79c

Frozen Dept.

Barricini Premium 1/2 gal.	
Ice Cream	\$1.99
Banq. Boneless Micro. 3 1/2 oz.	
Chicken	89c
Tropicana 12 oz.	
Orange Juice	\$1.09
Van de Camps light 7 oz.	
FISH STICKS or FISH FILLETS	\$1.39
Bacardi 6 oz.	
Drink Mixes	79c