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Citizens Debate Costs and Educational Factors In Long Meeting on Bond Issue Referendum

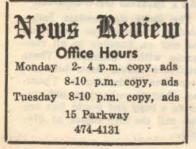
by Betsy Likowski It was a six-hour marathon session at the public meeting on the community center and Schrom Hills Park bond issue referendum on Tuesday, June 6, at the municipal building. Long before it was over, even some of the die-hards, who staved 'till 1:50 a.m., were wilting in their seats as speaker after speaker questioned or commented at length about the costs, financial impact on the city and various other aspects of having a community center in the North End School or Center School buildings. (See senarate story about Schrom Hills Park on page 9.)

First up Tuesday night were the city staff and consultants. who explained the basic facts about the community center. Then city council members and many of the 37 citizens in attendance were free to question and comment during the rest of the meeting.

If the voters approve the bond referendum, a community center will be created in the North End School or Center School building. Center School consists of 28 classrooms, five levels, and is 57,504 square feet in size. It is 38% larger than North End School, which is 41,747 square feet with 21 classrooms on two levels. Center School sits on six acres of land and North End School on 13 acres, seven of which are covered with trees.

According to consultant Bill Stratton, of Grimm & Parker, both have similar requirements to bring them up to code, since both were built using the same method. City Manager James Giese explained that there are costs and constraints on renovating Center School because it is a county historic site, as a fine example of Art Deco architecture. North End School will generate costs to repair water damage to the building when the pipes burst. Rory Coakley, of city-hired consultants Coakley & Williams, pointed out that the two areas of uncertainty in the costs are historic preservation and asbestos removal. Asbestos removal costs will be higher for North End because of water damage to the tiles which must be removed.

In their written report re-



ceived earlier by the council, a community center. Coakley & Williams give two alternatives for the use of Center School and five for North End. Proposed uses are: senior citizen activity center, adult day care, recreation department programming and/or offices, chi'i day care center/Montessori school, nursery school, artist studios and classrooms, performing arts center, storage, museum display room and storage workshop, public access cable television studio, professional offices, visitors center (Center only), meeting rooms, lounge/multipurpose room, teen center, city offices or other government offices.

The city staff expects that neither school used as a community center would have a significant impact on traffic and that the level of service at nearby intersections will remain satisfactory. The city staff believes Center School is located at a better site for a community senter than North End School.

The estimated cost for renovating Center School as a conimunity center ranges from a minimum of \$3,071,000 to \$4,-210,000 as a maximum. Costs for renovating North End School to be used as a community cente. are a minimum of \$1,913,131 if the two-story wing is demolished and the rest restored, to \$2,699, 026 as a minimum to restore the whole building and \$3,716,031 as the maximum.

Giese explained the basics of what a bond issue is and what it entails. He said that the issuance of bonds must be approved by a majority of the voters. Costs

Several people asked questions about the costs and it was apparent that different people perceived the costs differently. The most startling discussion was Rick Meetre's revision of the cost estimates for Center School as

Hazardous Waste

The following items are considered hazardous wastes and should not be placed in or with regular refuse: poisons, acids, caustics, insecticides, explosives, paints and other dangerous materials. Anyone having such hazardous wastes for disposal should contact the County Environmental Health Agency at 794-6800. The collection, removal and disposal of such wastes is subject to the instructions and approval of this agency.

In addition, residents may dispose of such items on "Household Hazardous Waste Day", held twice a year in the spring and fall. The next scheduled date is October 15. County residents may take hazardous wastes to the Sandy Hill landfill, located in Bowie, for disposal. There is no charge for this service. Watch Channel B-10 for additional information.

Meetre asked the consultants if he was correct in adding the costs of inflation and design fees and so arriving at an estimate of \$5 million for Center School. Coakley agreed that inflation and de sign fees should be included in a final figure, but that they were on-. ly asked to give hard costs (construction costs, Giese later added that using the same factors would give a figure of \$4,361,000 for the full cost of North End.

Councilman Thomas White asked if the burden of the costs of renovating and preserving the Center School building should be on Greenbelters or the county. He took Meetre's figure of \$5 million for Center School renovation, saying that if the bond issue fails, then there would be a \$2 million shortfall for a community center at North End, and if it passes then there would be a \$2 million shortfall for Center School as a community center. But Mayor Gil Weidenfeld

See REFERENDUM, page 9

MONDAY, JUNE 19 IS DEADLINE TO REGISTER FOR REFERENDUM

by Elaine Skolnik

The last day to register for the June 27 referendum on two bond issues is Monday, June 19. City Clerk Gudrun Mills reminds residents that they must be "properly" registered with the city. She cautions that registration with the county for federal, state and county elections "does not qualify Greenbelt residents to vote in city elections." (See ad for city registration information.)

To date, registration activity has been slow, particularly in the new residential develop-ments in Greenbelt East. Only a total of 121 residents have registered since May 15. At that time there were 908 eligible voters in the Center precinct, 999 in North End, 130 at Springhill Lake and 675 in Greenbelt East. Currently, Mills notes, there are 2,833 eligible voters in the city. In the 1987 city council election. there were 3,106 registered voters. Since that time records have been purged for persons who have moved out of town or for those not voting in the last two eiections.

Greenbelters still have an opportunity to register at various locations throughout the city for the upcoming special election On Saturday, June 17, registration will be held in the Finance Office of the Municipal Building from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday registration will also take place at the Glen Oaks Apartments rental office from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Hunting Ridge Club House from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Springhill Lake Fountain Lodge from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Windsor Green Community Center from On Sunday, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. residents may register at the Hunting Ridge Club House from noon to 5 p.m. Registration on Monday will take place at the Municipal Building, Glen Oaks Apartments rental office, Greenbelt Homes, Inc., Greenbriar Community Building, Green Ridge House, Hunting Ridge Clubhouse and Springhill Lake Fountain Lodge. (See ad.)

Applications for absentee ballots will be accepted through noon on Monday, June 26. The completed ballot must be returned to the City Clerk's office in the Municipal Building no later than 6 p.m. on the day of the election, June 27. (See ad for more information.)

In casting their ballots on June 27, voters will make decisions on two bond ordinances and an advisory question.

One ordinance would authorize the issuance of up to one million dollars worth of general obligation bonds to finance improvements to Schrom Hills Park, located north and east of Hanover Parkway, south of Greenbrook.

The second ordinance would authorize borrowing up to three million dollars to convert a former elementary school to a community center. An advisory question, whether Center or North North End School should be renovated if the ordinance is approved, is also asked

Council Votes to Support Bond Issue, Leaves School Site Choice to Voters

by Pat Scully

The city council at their June 12 meeting endorsed by a vote of 4-1 the two bond issues that will appear before the voters in the June 27 referendum. Councilmember Thomas X. White made it clear that he would have supported the \$1 million bond issue for Schrom Hills Park if the issues had been voted on separately. However. since the council chose to consider the bond issues as one question and he is opposed to the \$3 million community center bond, he opposed the motion.

Mayor Gil Weidenfeld, as well as council members Antoinette Bram, Edward Putens, and Joseph Isaacs, strongly stated their belief that the bond issue is necessary for any community center. The majority will rule, said Weidenfeld. If the voters vote for the bond issue, thercenter will be a community Without the \$3 million bond the community center plans will be only a memory of what might have been. He also said that the location for the community center chosen in the advisory question will be the actual site.

White reiterated his opposition to what he termed a confusingly worded referendum that will not provide adequate funds for a community center in Center School. He fears that the city will be left with an aging his

toric building that it can neither renovate nor maintain.

Bob Zugby, president of the Greenbelt East Advisory Committee, expressed the support of that coalition and its member organizations for both bond issues. He told council that Greenbelt East is looking forward to carrying on the marathon public meeting begun June 6 at the June 15 public meeting at Windsor Green.

Rick Meetre asked that the city make available information on the actual dollar cost of the renovation options to the individual taxpayer. His calculations yielded a figure of approximately \$75 per year for a home with an assessed value of \$150,000. But given the number of variables in the equation, he was not confident of that figure. He also asked that figures considering inflation over time, architects costs, and real-time costs of deferred options (such as the roof of Center School) be madavailable. Considering two-year escalation and fees, he figured the cost of Center School renovation was closer to \$5.1 thau \$3 million. City manager Jim Giese stated that the information in the broshure is relatively final but that costs per taxpayer would be included in an ad in the News Review. (See page 7.)

Task Force on Trash

Council also decided to appoint a citizens task force to consider the issue of refuse collection and recycling. The original ninemember task force proposed by staff would have been composed of four members appointed by the GHI board; one each selected by the civic associations of Lakeside, Lakewood, Boxwood and Woodland Hills; and a chair appointed by the council. Since the single-family home areas and GHI have differing collection patterns, different approaches to collecting for recycling would be needed; thus the four-four split of the task force.

Council modified that make-up, however, by adding two at-large members from the non-refusecustomers within Greenbelt. Their insights into problems with city trash collection and approaches to recycling were considered a valuable resource. Two Greenbe's East citizens, Sheldon Goldberg and Roy Dahl, spoke of their homeowners associations' experiences with city trash and expressed eagerness to see representation on the task force.

Special Assessment Deferred The public hearing portion of the meeting to discuss a Special See COUNCIL, page 10

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Concerned for Education

I wish to again address the two bond issue referendum questions and the advisory question that are facing our communi.J on June 27.

As a concerned community, the education of our children is of the utmost importance. We must work together to meet their needs. In order to achieve this goal, it is imperative that we provide them with the most sound educational facility possible. Therefore, when considering this one issue we know that we cannot shortchange the children

On June 27 a vote for Center School as a community center is a vote for a new school at North End. It is vital that we vote for the \$3 million bond referendum to establish a community center at the Center School. The Prince Georges County school administration, including Dr. Murphy, has publicly stated that the educational needs of our children will be served best with a new elementary facility at the North End with the most modern educational features.

While construction is underway the children will continue to be taught in the Center School building instead of being bused to Bladensburg for two years. Busing will happen if the decision were to renovate Center School as a school. When the new school at North End is completed, the city will convert the Center School building into a community center for everyone.

The citizens face the necessity balancing the recreational of needs of children and adults throughout Greenbelt with a completed Schrom Hills Park on Hanover Parkway. Vote for the \$1 million bond issue rerorendum to complete Schrom Hills.

Please vote FOR both bond issues and FOR a community center at the Center School in order to insure our future as a wnole community.

Antoinette M. Bram

Council Member of Greenbelt "Backward Approach"

The drive to preserve the history of Greenbelt Center School as a school seems to have taken a backward approach by Greenbelt museum advocates. As I recall the museum committee went all out to acquire a museum building. Hardly a week went by without an article appearing in the News Review seeking public support for a Greenbelt museum building. Where is their enthusiasm to further preserve the living history of Greenbelt's lifestyle?

The Center School is a living part of Greenbelt's heritage and should rightfully remain as a school. I urge the museum committee to back the further use of

Center School to remain a s hool. Tony Pisano Contradictory "Facts"

Thursday, June 15, 1989

On June 6, there was a city council meeting to discuss the issuance of bonds for the development of Schrom Hills Park and the Greenbelt Comm inity Center. Let me say that I support wholeheartedly the Schrom Hills Park bond issue. The time is long overdue for Greenbelt East to be the site of some of the city's recreational largesse.

The other bond issue is more controversial. Throughout the council meeting, emotion was high and rhetoric charged. Contradictory "facts" were colliding virtually without notice. One resident of Research Road voiced concern that a school at North End would entail removal of trees that occupy five of the 13 acres. Mayor Weidenfeld assured her that the city would use its considerable leverage to prevent the taking of trees unnecessarily. Later it came out that the city had offered the School Board ten acres but that the Board had insisted upon the entire 13 acres. Does the mayor that the school board think needs those other three acres so that they can have some trees?

More than once citizens and council members referred to the desire of Superintendent Murphy to have a "brand new building" with "state of the arts facilities." I went to a grimy old school in New York. Everyone learned to read and write and even square dance. What Murrhy wants is a building where it's easy to keep an eye on lots of kids. That may be important but please don't confuse it with pedagogical excellence.

Robert Rashkin

Foresight, not Shortsight

Greenbelt was born out of a vision for the future. A visio: that ordinary people could have a better quality of life and develop a deep sense of community. A vision that must be carried forward if Greenbelt is to remain great.

There have been times in Greenbelt's history when the community has been shortsighted and has paid dearly for it in later years. Today, we will pay five times the cost of an indoor pool that the voters rejected 15 years ago.

Today, we will pay millions of dollars to reacquire sections of our green belt (Parcels 1 and 2) that were sold off to developers in 1955.

By contrast, in 1969, with a vision for the future, the voters approved a \$950,000 bond issue to meet the City's needs. That bond issue could have increased the tax rate by 20 cents. How-

Letters to the ever, due to growth in the City.

no tax increase was necessary. Today, with a vision for the future to meet the City's needs, citizens are being asked to vote on a \$3 million bond issue for a lion bond issue for Schrom Hills Park development. The two bond issues could increase our tax rate by a maximum of 9 cents total. Growth in the City, growth in other city revenues, state and county grants, could reduce this amount significantly.

If the bond issues fail, we will not have funds for a community center at either of the school sites. We will have to tell our seniors, our children and other citizens that the activities, space and park development that they need to provide a better quality of life and to build a stronger sense of community for Greenbelters and to unify our city have been rejected.

Fifteen years after the \$500,-000 Indoor Pool Bond Referen. dum was rejected, we little note nor long remember what the opposition said. We only know that we haven't had an indoor pool these 15 years and we are now paying \$2.5 million for that

If these bond issues are voted on favorably by the citizens and the North End site is selected for a community center, the North End building would be renovated for community use and Center School would be renovated to remain an elemencary

If Center School is selected for a community center, the City could once again own this historic building to serve as it did initially for community use. A new elementary school and ball fields would be built at the North End site. Also, Greenbelt children would not have to be bused to Bladensburg for two years.

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and pay for it in the future!

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I urge you to vote FOR the \$1 million bond referendum to develop Schrom Hills Park.

Greenbelt's future is in your hands.

> Mayor Gil Weidenfeld City of Greenbelt

Pepper's Spirit Needed Thanks, Claude Pepper!

American citizens of all ages lost a friend and a man of vision when Congressman Claude Pepper died recently at 88. As a U.S. Senator for 14 years and later a Congressman for 26 years, he championed the rights and potential of people young and old.

Claude Pepper has a special place in my family, because one of his actions as a young Senator in 1937 was to write a letter of recommendation for my parents, Bill and Nona Shields to become residents of a brand new experiment in community living, a federal town called Greenbelt. My brother Stape was just over a year old, and I was on the way or just born when Claude Pepper wrote his letter to the Resettlement Administration and changed our lives.

With his support, we were accepted in Greenbelt-and in November 1937 took our worldiv goods down a narrow, tree-lined road from Route 1 and became one of the new town's first 25 families. I don't remember that first trip, I was just three months old-but we all agreed later that Greenbelt was a great place to raise a family. We stayed 15 years, until the Federal government sold Greenbelt.

In June 1989, my wife Bonnie and I are celebrating our 30th year in Greenbelt as adults and parents; so we have been here twice as long as adults as I had been as a child. Obviously we agreed with my parents' choice of Greenbelt!

Reflecting on this personal history and some issues facing Greenbelt today, I feel strongly that we all need to be people of vision-again. We need to display a certain quiet aggressiveness, in the spirit of Claude Pepper, so that Greenbelt can remain one of the finest places to live and raise a family

We must act to provide a firstrate elementary school for the future. We must act to develop a community center that can help meet the needs of citizens of many ages and interests. We must act to protect and enhance the remaining historic elements and open space of the city.

I urge every Greenbelter to vote yes to both bond issues 'n the special election on June 27 I also urge you to vote for establishing a community center at Center School. My brother, who has taught there for 25 years, and his principal both feel that education is better served by a new school facility at North End Stape and I remember that Center School served many purposes in the early years. Let it serve many again, while meeting or taking advantage of the historicsite consideration. Let the educational mission be served firstrate at North End, where I was on the Safety Patrol.

Dont be fooled into thinking that all this can be accomplished without the extra money it can't! Don't be lulled into thinking that we can't afford it just now-with the subway completion edging ever closer, we can't afford not to be bold in ensuring our future.

Please vote yes, vote Center, and vote for the Schrom Hills Park development.

Lee B. Shields

Endorses Bond Issues

The Coalition of Greenbelt East Communities, comprised of all the Greenbelt community associations east of the Baltimore-Washington Parkway, has unan'mously endorsed both of the bond issue questions to be decided in the referendum on June 27. We strongly urge all Greenbelt voters to join with our residents in voting for the \$1,000,000 bond issue for the development of Schrom Hills Park and the \$3,-000,000 bond issue for the development of a community activity center.

The development of Schrom Hills Park is an issue involving geographic equity as well as parkland in the Greenbelt community. The approval of this bong issue and timely development of the park will be a major step forward in our drive to ensure equal access to municipal facilities for all Greenbelt neighborhoods.

For too long, we in Greenbelt East, along with all our Greenbelt neighbors, have been waiting for some progress to be made toward the establishment of a community activities center. Whatever the citizens decide about the location of the school, approval of this bond issue will end the delay and hasten development of the community center at the alternate location. Any further delay will be much more costly in terms of continuing inflation and further decay of available structures.

Robert C. Zugby, Chair, Greenbelt East Advisory Committee

MANY THANKS

The Greenbelt Boys and Girls Club MDA Soccer Committee would like to thank several people and organizations who were extremely helpful in the success of our recent tournament. Without them, it would not have beer possible. Their enthusiasm and cooperation were an integral part of the event.

The City of Greenbelt heiped with the donation of Labor Day booths, picnic tables, trash barrels (and trash pick up) and Public Works did an incredible job of lining all three fields at Greenbelt Middle School, two of which had not been lined in many years. The Rec Dept with Hank Irving, Harry James and Cathy Corona coordinated the field maintenance. The place was clean, the grounds were mowed and lined; very professional looking. Thank you!!

All the other towns represented in the tournament were impressed with Greenbelt! Very special thanks to our "concessionrunner," Craig Wade, who kept us well supplied all weekend.

We also would like to thank the many parents who donated time to our concession stand, as well as brought treats for our bake sale. You really came through for us!!

Special thanks must go to the 16 and Under Greenbelt team, who was there for the entire weekend, working concessions, taking down fields, setting up nets and corner flags, and running errands.

Thanks, guys, you're the best!! Sue Cornelius

Gray Panthers Picnic

The Gray Panthers will hold their annual picnic Saturday, June 17, at Buddy Attick Park, section A, from 12 noon to 4 p.m. Members and guests are --quested to bring a covered dish of salad or dessert. Hot dogs, hamburgers and drinks will be provided by the Panthers.

The next meeting will be Sept. 19, so come on out and join in the fun, food, and good fellowship. If transportation is required, call 474-7841.

CITY MAILS BROCHURE

The Bond Referendum Information brochure was mailed by the city on Tuesday to all residences within Greenbelt. These brochures should have been delivered on Wednesday or Thursday. Anyone who has not received a copy and would like one may call the city offices at 474-8000.

indoor pool.

school.

Finally, Schrom Hills Park cost than present funding plans allow.

Let's not be shortsighted now

I urge you to vote FOR the \$3 million bond referendum to a community center.

It's the right thing to do!

community center and a \$1 mil-

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Editor

GREENPELT NEWS REVIEW

Factors Favor North End

After reading information provided by the School Board and the city staff concerning the choice of North End or Center School as a community center and having attended several meetings and hearings on the matter, I have come to the conclusion that most of the factors the School Board has listed as reasons to build a new school at North End are the very same that would favor building a community center there. These factors include:

Better control of cost of construction at North End. A minimum renovation at North End could reach \$3 million (full 2 stories) while a full upgrade may reach \$4 million. At Center a minimum renovation could actually be almost \$5 million.

-Better control of cost of construction at North End. A minimum renovation at North End could reach \$3 million (full 2 stories) while a full upgrade may reach \$4 million. At Center a minimum renovation could actually be almost \$5 million.

-At North End no need to apply for waivers from historical preservation requirementswith uncertain outcome, increased time and planning.

-More space for parking. -Construction beginning as

soon as funds are available, these avoiding a 2-3 year wait with increased costs of an estimated 5% a year.

-More flexibility to insure energy-efficient construction and better control of energy costs. -7 acres more land.

-Less density of development. room for expansion at a later date. if needed.

-Larger playing field.

-Fewer levels, making this building superior for large groups of seniors and the handicapped.

-No need to negotiate concessions with uncertain outcomes from the School Board.

-Major cost uncertainties and probable overruns of renovating Center can better be absorbed by the state and county.

-Capability, if full amount of the bond issue is not used, to sell future bonds for other projects.

The negatives, as far as selecting this site as a community center, include: -Seven fewer classrooms.

-Full size but smaller gym than in Center.

-Poorer pedestrian access. -Two years of busing about 300 students.

-No new school (In balance, I don't think this is as much a negative as do some others).

I believe that a Community Center at North End is a much more affordable and flexible option than one at Center School. As a parent of children pres-

ently and previously enrolled at Center School, I prefer the central location for an elementary school.

As a teacher, I believe Center School can certainly be beautifully renovated to meet the educational as well as the social and cultural needs of many generations to come.

As a tax-paying citizen, I believe the utilization of North End as a community center will help maintain the quality of life in Greenbelt by exemplifying four criteria of excellence:

-Cost (value).

-Convenience (location).

-Community (services) and -Competence (citizen and government).

Margaret Sclater

And More Letters

Pushing for a Vision

two years!

novate?

none was provided.

I am still amazed that a few

people with misleading informa-

tion can spread such confusion.

What a tragic error if their ef-

forts lost us a new elementary

school for our children, lost us

a much-needed community cen-

ter in our historic Center School

building, and caused our children

to be bused to Bladensburg for

They did it again at the public

hearing on June 6. Does anyone

really believe that Greenbelt will

have a community center if the

\$3 million bond issue fails? I

asked twice for an explanation of

their alternative proposal, and

Does anyone believe that we

can raise the missing \$1 million

for a tiny North End community

center, an expensive facility esti-

mated to cost \$1.9 million to re-

How many people and activi-

ties could use an isolated North

End building that is reduced

39%? Compare that with the

proposal for a centrally located

community center that is twice

as large and costs 40% less per

square foot to renovate. A com-

munity center in the Center

School building would be large

enough to attract a broad range

of people and activities to make

it the vital hub of our commun-

ity life. It will be a community

center that we all can enjoy,

along with the other activities

vision of Greenbelt's future,

while a few are spreading fear

and mistrust. We have one op-

portunity in our generation to achieve the facilities our com-munity needs. Where do YOU

As the bond referendum date

nears, I have tried to obtain as

much clear information as pos-

sible. Easier said than done. One

thing I culled from the public

meeting is a clearer understand-

ing of what a bond referendum

is. Simply, the council is asking

permission to take out a \$3 million loan and a \$1 million loan

to be paid back by increasing

After listening to information

at the public meeting on how

many pennies per \$100 of as-

sessed value it would cost for

these loans, I have figured out,

based on my home's assessed val-

ue, that council wants me to pay

\$150 additional taxes a year for

nearly 20 years to create a com-

to pay back the \$6 million loan

we took out a couple years back

and we don't yet know what the

overruns may be for the indoor

swimming pool or Parcel 1 ac-

quisition, I have to vote "no" on

the \$3 million. I'm willing to go

for \$1 million for Schrom Hills

because there is a clearly de-

fined plan for the expenditure

and Greenbelt East is due some

Everyone has "wants," but we

have to settle for "needs" if we

aren't going to raise taxes until

(Editor's Note: The writer

resides on Research Road in the

new development known as

Don Holder

we can't afford to live here.

services for their taxes.

Farmgate.)

Since we've only just begun

David Lange

Many of us are pushing for a

in our center.

Needs vs Wants

stand?

taxes.

munity center.

"Don't Mortgage Future"

During the June 6 public hearing on the proposed 2 bond issues, several citizens posed the question: "What will this mean to us in tax dollars?" We hereby answer their questions, using the predicted tax rate increases outlined in the 'Informational brochure on the Bond Issue Referendum" prepared by the City and the continuing increase in assessed property value. This was necessary, since the amount of dollars paid in taxes is the product of the tax rate and the assessed property value. Our calculations showed us that 5 years from now:

-The amount of tax dollars will have increased by 45.5% over its current level.

-The amount of tax dollars will have increased by another 16.5% over its current level if the proposed \$4 million bond issue is approved. This leads to a total increase in tax dollars of 62% over the current level. In our calculations we did not

include: The costs of a \$1 million mortgage.

-The costs of financing the \$1 million annual deficits predicted in the budget.

-The \$2 million cost increase due to inflation and architectural fees, in changing Center School into a community center. conservative. Anyone who wants

Actually, we have been very to discuss the details of our ca'.culations, please call 441-8943.

Our question to the voters is: as we are already stuck with an additional 45.5% tax increase, do we really want to increase our taxes even more with additional bond issues?

What are we getting for this additional sacrifice? As Rick Meetre pointed out in his excellent letter to the editor last week: extra space we do not need. Space that will be partly rented out, according to the City Manger, in order to keep the operating costs down. More and more cars and traffic in an already overburdened City Center, which has not yet started to feel impact of the indoor pool. More and more parking spaces, asphalt, more pollution.

Some people say: but we will need all this space in the future: we have to be farsighted, plan ahead. We ask: which future? The city nears completion of its development and the great jump in population has already taken place: between 1960 and 1970. We are now in the process of stabilization, of reaching a plateau. Do we want to become a center for the whole surrounding area? Do we want to mortgage ours, and our children's future? We must not.

We hope that every registered voter will vote on June 27, and join us in voting NO on the \$3 million bond referendum. Let us not repeat what happened in 1985, when only 35% of the voters cast their vote on the \$6 million bond referendum.

Leonie Penney Betty Maffay

Member of City Council 1969-1973

Music in the Park

The Mainstream Band will perform on Sunday, June 18 at 7 p.m. at the Buddy Attick Lake Park. All residents and guests are welcome.

Labor Day Notes

The Labor Day Committee is already at work planning this year's Labor Day Festival. The public is invited to attend any of the planning meetings and offer suggestions or get an update on current plans. The committee is reminded that meetings are now on Thursday and that the following meeting dates have been scheduled: June 22, July 6, and August 3, 10, 17, 24, and 31. The meetings are held at 7:30 p.m. in the Greenbelt Library meeting room.

There are many opportunities for Greenbelters to participate in the Labor Day Festival. Right now volunteers are needed to help with the art show, talent show, fund raising donations, and the parade. Call Rena Hull, 474-2852, to volunteer.

Multi-Ethnic Celebration And Fireworks Saturday

On Saturday, June 17 Prince Georges County will celebrate its First Annual Worldfest Celebration. This multi-ethnic celebration of Prince Georges County will be held at the Prince Georges Community College in Lar go. Festivities begin at 11 a.m. - 6:30 p.m., with a fireworks display to follow at dusk.

The Worldfest is being cosponsored by the County Executive and his Office of Community & Ethnic Affairs, Community & Ethnic Affairs Advisory Council, the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission, and the Prince George Community College.

OFFICIAL NOTICE SPECIAL ELECTION - BOND ISSUE REFERENDUM JUNE 27, 1989

VOTER REGISTRATION

Residents of Greenbelt are urged to assure that they are properly registered with the City of Greenbelt, so that they will be eligible to vote in the June 27, 1989 Special Election. Registration with Prince Georges County for Federal, State and County Election DOES NOT qualify Greenbelt residents to vote in City Elections. Any person in doubt as to his or her eligibility to vote in City Elections may check with the City Clerk, 474-8000 or 474-3870.

Persons wishing to register may do so at the following locations:

City Offices, Municipal Bldg.	Mon-Fri 8am-4:30pm
25 Crescent	Sat 10am-4pm
Glen Oaks Apts. Rental Office	Mon-Fri 8:30am-5pm
7509 Mandan Road #104	-Sat 10am-3pm
Greenbelt Homes, Inc. Hamilton Place	Mon-Fri 8:30am-5:30pm
Greenbriar Community Building	Mon-Fri 8:30am-5pm
7600 Hanover Parkway	Wed & Thurs 5-8pm
Green Ridge House	During office hours
22 Ridge Road	- as posted
Hunting Ridge Condominium As	soc. Mon-Fri 8am-4:30pm
6914 Hanover Parkway (Clubho	use) Tue-Thur 6pm-10pm
Sat 10ar	n-5pm; Sun 12 noon-5pm

Springhill Lake Fountain Lodge Mon-Thurs 9am-9pm Fri&Sat 9am-5pm 6220 Springhill Drive

Windsor Green Community Center Tue-Fri 9am-3pm Sat 10am-3pm 7474 Frankfort Drive

REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS: 18 years of age as of the date of the June 27, 1989 special election; domiciled within the City of Greenbelt as of May 28, 1989; citizen of the United States; and of sound mind.

LAST DAY TO REGISTER

will be

MONDAY, JUNE 19, 1989

VOTER REGISTRATION BY MAIL may be requested by calling 474-8000 or 474-3870. This does not constitute registration, however. The actual voter registration card must be returned and received in the City Offices no later than June 19, 1989. It is, therefore, suggested that citizens register in person at any of the above places and times.

> Gudrun H. Mills, CMC City Clerk

Realter Abraham Chasanow Dies by Virginia Beauchamp

Longtime Greenbelt resident and civic activist Abraham Chasanow, 78, died on June 11 at Atlantic City, NJ, where he was vacationing. Since his retirement in the late 1970s, he and his late wife, Helen, had divided their time between homes in Wheaton and Aventura, FL. According to an obituary in the Washington Post, he died of an aneurvsm.

Chasanow came to the Washington area from his native Philadelphia in the early 1930s and attended law school at American University. For 23 years he was employed by the Navy Hydrographic Office and also served as attorney for the Greenbelt Veterans Housing Corporation, the cooperative formed to buy the original Greenbelt town from the federal government. (The cooperative is now known as Greenbelt Homes, Inc., or GHI).

In 1953 Chasanow was one of five Greenbelt men, all of them Jewish, who were labeled as "security risks" during the Mc-Carthy era and fired after a long series of hearings. Chasanow decided to contest the decision. After a drawn out legal case that drew national attention in such periodicals as Time and Look, the Navy Assistant Secretary James H. Smith, Jr., reversed the decision and Chasanow was reinstated. Washington Daily News reporter Anthony Lewis won a Pulitzer Prize in 1955 for a series of articles on the case. In 1955 Twentieth Century-Fox brought out a film dealing with the story, called "Three Brave Men," that starred Ray Milland and Ernest Borg nine.

Resigning from the Navy, Chasanow and his wife then

Golden Age Club

by Mary Gardner

On Monday, June 19, the Club is sponsoring a trip to Dandee's Restaurant in Frederick, MD. The bus will leave from Sovran Bank at 9:30 am. For information and/ or reservations, telephone Florence Holly at 474-6646

On Wednesday, June 21, the speaker will be Marijean Berry from "Senior House". Berry is the Senior Housing Program Manager for the Center for Community Development of Prince Georges County.

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

Catholic

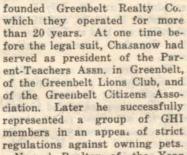
Community

of Greenbelt

MASS

Municipal Building

Sunday, 10 A.M.



Named Realtor of the Year for 1965 in Prince Georges Coun ty, he also served as president of the Maryland Association of Real Estate Boards and chairman of the subcommittee on ethics and arbitration of the National Association of Real Estate Boards. Chasanow also represented developer Charles Bresler as an attorney for the latter's various corporate developments in Greenbelt, such as the Lakecrest development, Charlestowne Village and Boxwood Village.

In his capacity as attorney for Bresler, Chasanow handled the libel suit filed against the Greenbelt News Review and its president Alfred M. Skolnik in 1966, a case which went all the way to the U.S. Supreme Court. There decisions by the Circuit Court and the Maryland Court of Appeals against the paper were unanimously reversed.

Chasanow, who was a member of the Mishkan Torah synagogue, is survived by a son, Circuit Court Judge Howard Chasanow, and three daughters - Phyllis Richman, Myrna Chasanow, and Ruth Heitin, all of the Washington area - and seven grandchildren. Mrs. Chasanow died in 1988.

Races at Lake Saturday

by Larry Noel The D.C. Road Runners will hold their annual 20 mile distance medley relay running race on Saturday, June 17 at 8:30 a.m. at Braden Field. This is a team race in which 4 runners run 2.5, 5.5 and 7.5 miles in any order on a 2.5 mile course around part of the lake and the streets of Greenbelt. Awards will go to the winning men, women and mix-



by Dorrie Bates 345-5961 Our condolences to the family of former Greenbelter Abraham Chasanow.

Connie Davis of Northway is one of three educators from ER-HS selected to participate in the American Statistical Associa-tion's Quantitative Literacy workshop. This national project selects only 40 teachers for each of the workshops which are designed to provide both content and instructional techniques. Joining Connie for the five-day confab will be fellow ER-HS teachers Carol Hodges and Alice Petrillo, (Sounds like an exciting challenge)

School's out - summer can begin now. And we begin as always with our newest neighbors. Andre' and Doris Smith are pleased to announce the arrival of Simonne Ashley Hall. Young Ashley weighed 5 lbs 15 ozs upon arrival at Holy Cross on May 25. Joining her at home on Hanover Parkway is a sister, Shannon Renee, 22 months.

Jesse Ryan Jewell was born at Holy Cross on May 31. He weighed 7 lbs. 15 ozs. Proud parents are Ny Sin and Ronald Jewell of 44 Court Ridge.

Arthur Parker and Barbara TuckerParker are celebrating the birth of their daughter, Alyson Tucker Parker. Young Alyson arrived at Holy Cross on May 25, weghing 5 lbs 11 ozs. The new family lives on Jacobs Drive. It's another boy for Lynn and Daniel Moore of Greenbelt Road. Sean Jacob Moore was born at Holy Cross on May 31. He weigh-

ed (2 men and 2 women) 4-person teams. Teams can be joined at the race. There will be a race walk at the same time. A small fee is required of all participants. For information call Larry Noel at 474-9362.

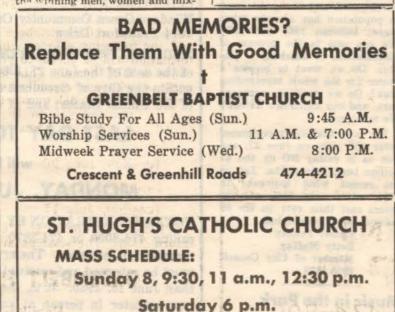
Baha'i Faith

O Children of Men! Know ye not why We created you all from the same dust! That no one should exalt himself over the other.

- Baha'i Sacred Writings

Greenbelt Baha'i Community P.O. Box 245

Greenbelt, MD 20770 474-4090 345-2918



Daily Mass: 7:30 a.m. Monday - Friday, 9 a.m. Monday - Saturday Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 4-5 p.m.

> Rev. John P. Stack, Pastor Rev. M. Valentine Keveny, Associate Pastor

ed 6 lbs 15 ozs. Big brother, Martin Daniel Moore, 3, is sure to be a big help with the newest member of the family.

Stephen Michael Vannoy was also a member of the nursery at Holy Cross, checking in on May 28. The second son of Kristina and Phillip Vannoy. Stephen weighed 8 lbs 3 ozs. He joins a brother, Zachary, 16 months. at home on Springhill Terrace. And last but not least, Zaka-

ria Suhaib al-Barzinji was born at Holy Cross on May 21. He weighed 7 lbs. 8 ozs. Proud parents are Afeefa Syeed and Su-haib J. al-Barzinji of Mandan Road. Welcome all!

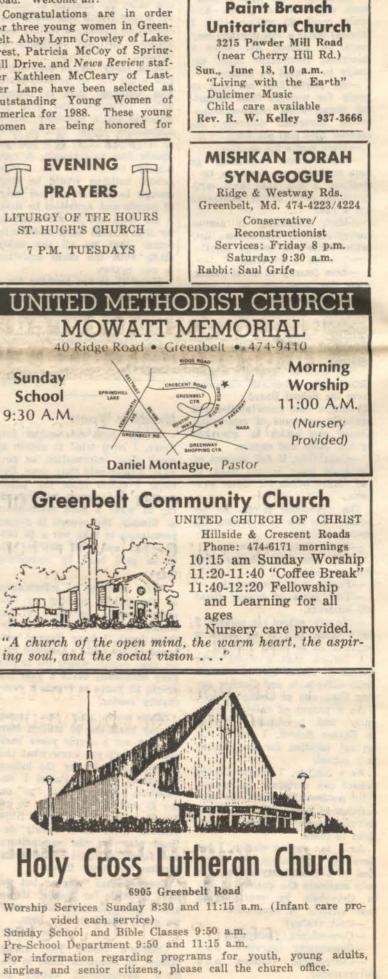
for three young women in Greenbelt. Abby Lynn Crowley of Lakecrest, Patricia McCoy of Springhill Drive. and News Review staffer Kathleen McCleary of Lastner Lane have been selected as Outstanding Young Women of America for 1988. These young women are being honored for

their outstanding civic and prefessional contribution to their communities. Well done!

Congratulations also to Howard Jobe Jr. who recently graduated with a BA in speech communication from Lynchburg College. He is the son of Howard Jobe Sr. of Greenbelt.

Two former Greenbelters have been appointed by County Executive Parris N. Glendening to the Advisory Committee on Aging for PG County. Doris Pizzi and Sylvia Reisher will join 16 others in reveiwing programs and services for the senior population in the County. We wish them well in their service to others.

And finally, our best wishes to Keith Chernikoff and his new bride, Coleen. What a lovely day for a wedding!



Edward H. Birner, Pastor

345-5111

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Tennis Clinic at SHL

Springhill Lake is sponsoring a free tennis clinic at the Fountain Lodge June 21 from 7 until 8 p.m. SHL residents 18 and older are invited to improve their tennis game at this Wednesday Workshop given by Ron Goodall of WTS Internationa¹

Refreshments and door prizes will be provided. To register for this clinic, please call 474-4555. There is no charge.

Check Seeds for Weeds

Considered one of the world's ten worst weeds, serrated tussock seed has been detected in Kentucky 31 tall fescue grass seed at a farm supply store in Maryland.

On February 22 of this year, Maryland Secretary of Agriculture Wayne A. Cawley, Jr. issued a quarantine designed to prevent this potential weed threat from being spread into Maryland. Serrated tussock (Nassella trichotoma) was up until this past fall not known to exist in the United States.

Since that time, it has been detected in tall fescue seed imported from Argentine. Despite intensive sampling efforts by Maryland Department of Agriculture (MDA) personnel, this is the first lot of seed found to be contaminated in Maryland,

The infested seed lot was identified as Kentucky 31 tall fescue, lot 80026VA, shipped into Maryland by Pennington Seed, Inc. of Virginia, Petersburg, Virginia. Anyone having seed from this lot, which is packed in 50 lb. bags is urged to contact the Turf and Seed Section of MDA at 301-841-5960.



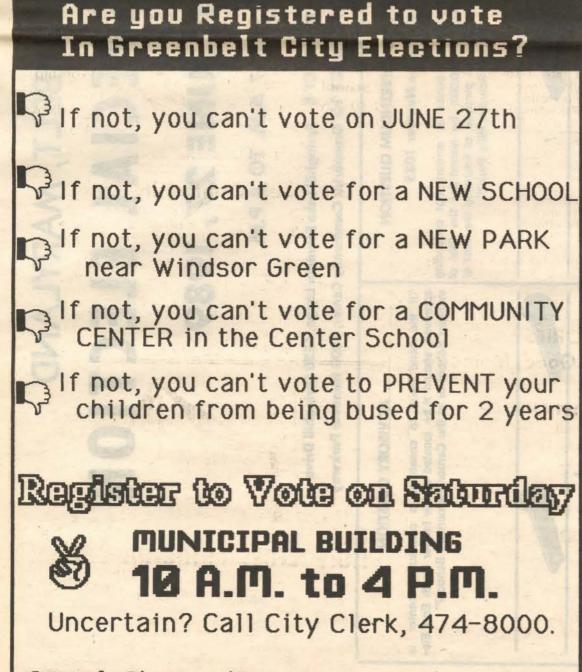
Members interested in learning how to sell their GHI homes are invited to a For Sale By Owner seminar on June 28th at 7:30 p.m. in the GHI Board Room. Please call 474-4161 to sign up as seating is limited.

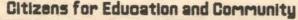
JOE'S TIPS OF THE WEEK

Hello Again,

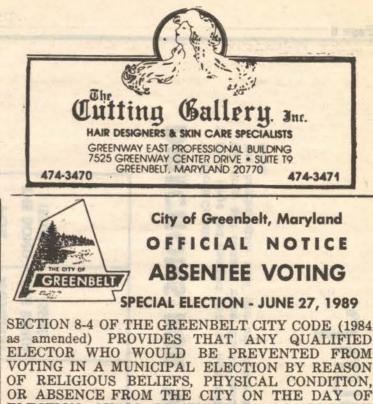
From time to time we run across different vehicle starting problems, some of which are easy to diagnose and repair, others are not. A simple inspection of battery cables and terminal ends is very important. If these areas are routinely checked, you could head off any problems before they occur. The old style of fixing corroded battery connections was pouring bicarbonate of sode solution on top of the battery terminals and washing it off. This process did not penetrate inside the terminals. The proper way is to remove the terminal and wire brush and scrape the terminal and battery post. This assures a good clean connection.







David Lange, Chairman



OR ABSENCE FROM THE CITY ON THE DAY OF ELECTION, SHALL BE ENTITLED TO VOTE BY ABSENTEE BALLOT. APPPLICATIONS FOR ABSEN-TEE BALLOTS SHALL BE IN WRITING TO THE CITY CLERK, AND THE SIGNATURE OF EACH PERSON WISHING TO VOTE BY ABSENTEE BALLOT SHALL BE AFFIXED TO THE APPLICATION.

APPLICATION TO VOTE BY ABSENTEE BALLOT WILL BE ACCEPTED THRU NOON MONDAY, JUNE 26, 1989. THE COMPLETED ABSENTEE BALLOT MUST BE RETURNED TO THE CITY CLERK NO LA-TER THAN 6 P.M. THE DAY OF THE SPECIAL ELEC-TION, TUESDAY, JUNE 27, 1989.

ELECTORS MAY PRESENT AN APPLICATION AT THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE AND MAY COMPLETE THEIR ABSENTEE BALLOT AT THE SAME TIME. APPLICATION FORMS ARE AVAILABLE IN THE CITY OFFICES, MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 25 CRES-CENT ROAD, OR APPLICATIONS MAY BE MADE IN THE FORM OF A LETTER TO THE CITY CLERK. FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL 474-8000 OR 474-3870.

> GUDRUN H. MILLS, CMC CITY CLERK

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, June 20	7:15 p.m.
Saturday, July 1	11:00 a.m.
Tuesday, July 11	7:15 p.m.

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

> GREENBELT HOMES, INC. Hamilton Place Greenbelt, Maryland 20770

CITY OF GREENBELT, MARYLAND NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION

TUESDAY, JUNE 27, 1989

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

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

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DIRECTIONS FOR VOTING

To Close Curtains

- Move large red handled lever to right until bell rings and curtains close. Do not touch this handle again until you are ready to leave.
- 2. Corrections: If you wish to change a vote after you have turned a lever down, simply move the lever back to its original position and turn down over your new selection.
- Record Vote: Upon making your selection, move the large handled lever to left as far as it will go. Your vote will be registered, all levers will return to their original position, and the curtains will open.

 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.

June 19 Is the Last Day to Register

Bond Referendum Information

The Costs of Selling the Bonds

If bonds are authorized and sold, the City will have to pay back the funds received over a period of time—probably 20 years—plus the cost of interest. This cost will impact upon tutur City budgets. Another impact upon future City budgets will be increased costs to operate the facilities authorized by the bond issues.

The increased expenditures to pay back the monies received from the sale of bonds and the cost of operating new facilities could be greater than the growth of the city revenues and could necessitate increasing the property tax rate. In this section, the City staff estimates the maximum tax levy rate increase needed to fund these costs. These estimates are worst case scenarios. As in the past, the City Council and staff will do everything possible to minimize the impact of these bond issues on property taxes. As an example, in 1969 voters were advised that the \$950,000 Capital Improvement Bond Issue could increase the tax rate by as much as 20 cents. Actually, no increase was necessary.

\$6 Million Bond Issue

In 1985, voters were advised that the \$6 million bond issue could have a maximum impact of 23 cents on the property tax levy. Since the sale of bonds in 1987, the City's tax rate has increased 4 cents. City staff now estimates that maximum debt payment, which occurs in 1991, will be not more than an additional 9 cents for a total impact of 13 cents.

In addition, it is proposed to obtain a mortgage loan for \$1,000,000 to help finance the acquisition of 100 acres of land, known as Parcel 1, although the exact amount needed is still unknown. The payments on this proposed debt will have an estimated impact on the city's tax levy of 2 cents.

Operating costs for most of the facilities funded by the \$6 million bond issue are already included in the city budget. The exception is the indoor pool which will not open until Fiscal Year 1991. Staff does not believe that this facility will be fully fee-supported and that city funds equal to the yield of a 3 cent tax levy might be required to help pay the cost of operating the pool.

Therefore, combined addit ona' tax impact of debt service for the \$6,000,000 bond issue and the \$1,000,000 mortgage loan for Parcel 1 plus the cost of operating the indoor pool is estimated to be 14 cents on the property tax rate or less.

\$3 Million Community Center Bond Issue

For the Community Certer bond issue, the maximum tax rate impact for debt service is estimated to be less than 7 cents Operating costs are more difficult to determine as some of the space will be allocated to organizations who will be expected to pay for the costs of their por tion of the building and other activities conducted by the Recreation Department will be fee supported. The tax levy impact for operating the North End School as a community center could be between 2 cents and 4 cents, for Center School between 3 cents and 5 cents. Thus approval of the proposed \$3 million bond issue for a community center might increase the property tax rate by 10 to 12 cents in future years.

Annual Cost for Individual Homes

Below are two tables to show the maximum dollar amount of taxes that will have to be paid by houses of different value. If you are a home owner, the County Assessor's Office will have provided you with the assessed value for your home for the next three years. You can take those figures, move the decimal point to the left four places and multiply it by the number of cents impact stated above to calculate the dollar cost. Or you can use the tables below as a guide. In general, the assessed values for condominiums and GHI homes range from \$20,000 to \$30,000. Townhouses range from \$30,000 to \$50,000. Detached single family homes range from \$40,000 to \$70,000.

Community Center Bond Proposal

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Assessed	ed value)	North	End	Ce	nter
Value	Debt	Operating	Total	Operating	Total
\$20,000	\$14	\$ 4-8	\$18-22	\$ 6-10	\$20-24
\$30,000	21	6-12	27-33	9-15	30-36
\$40,000	28	8-16	34-44	12-20	40-48
\$50,000	35	10-20	45-55	15-25	50-60
\$70,000	49	14-28	63-77	21-35	70-84
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Schrom Hills Park Bond Proposal

Tax Impact	Debt Cost \$.02	Operating \$.01	Total \$.03
(Rate per \$100	4.02	2	4.00
assessed value)			
Assessed Value	Debt	Operating	Total
\$20,000	\$ 4	\$ 2	\$ 6
\$30,000	6	3	9
\$40,000	8	4	12
\$50,000	10	5	15
\$70,000	14	7	21

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\$1 Million Schrom Hills Park Bond Issue

The cost of debt service for the \$1 million bond issue for Schrom Hills Park could impact upon the tax rate by slightly more than 2 cents. The cost of maintaining the park could add another penny to the tax rate for a total estimated tax rate increase of 3 cents or less.

At its regular meeting on May 22, 1989, City Council adopted Resolution 689 which states the Council's intentions to take the following actions based on the results of the June 27 referendum:

a) If the bond issue referendum is approved, and if a majority of those voting on the advisory question indicate preference for a community center at the North End School, the City Council will advise the Board of Education that the North End School site will not be available for transfer to the Board or 'ne construction of a new elementary school; and will undertake planning for the reconstruction and renovation of the North End School as a community retue: with construction to be undértaken as soon as design plans are complete.

Effect on City's Credit Rating

Alex Brown and Sons, Inc., has

reviewed these debt proposals

and has advised the City that

if there is no change in the basic

management philosophy of the

City, Greenbelt should suffer no

adverse impact on its bond ra-

The Citys financial advisor,

b) If the bond issue referendum is approved and if a majority of those voting on the advisory question indicate preferencefor a community center at the Center School, the City Counci¹ This is the third of a series of articles prepared by the Greenbelt City Staff to provide information about the special referendum election to be held on June 27, 1989, at which voters will decide whether or not to authorize the City to issue \$3,000,000 in bonds to finance the cost of renovating an elementary school to become a community center and/or \$1,000,000 in bonds to finance the development of Schrom Hills Park.

This article presents information concerning the costs of selling the bonds and a statement of the City Council as to what actions it will take, depending upon the outcome of the referendum. Next week, the final article will summarize information provided in the first three articles.

This information also was printed as an information booklet and mailed to all city households. Extra copies of the booklet may be obtained at the City Manager's office (474-8000).

Status of \$6 Million Bond Issue

In 1985 Greenbelt voters authorized the issuance of \$6,000, 000 in bonds for the purpose of undertaking a variety of public improvement projects. To date, the city has sold \$5,000,000 in bonds. It is expected that the other \$1,000,000 authorized will be sold later this year.

Because project costs turned out to be higher than anticipated at the time the bond referendum was authorized, it was necessary for the Council to pare down the number of projects to be undertaken. The following i a brief summary of the projects being financed by the bond issue: • Police Station—The new police facility, located at Crescent and Ridge Roads near Kenilworth Avenue, will be completed this summer. Estimated cost: \$2,225, 000.

• Outdoor Swimming Pool—This project was completed last spring. Cost: \$478,856.

• Indoor Swimming Pool—The architect is preparing design plans. It is hoped that construction will begin in the spring of 1990 and the project will be completed by the next year. Estimated cost; \$2,620,000.

• Greenbelt Lake—Reconstrution of the spillway at the dam was completed in 1986. Construction of an enlarged forebay and underwater stoneweir to rap sediment and improve water quality is expected to be done this summer or fall. Estimated cost: \$152,395.

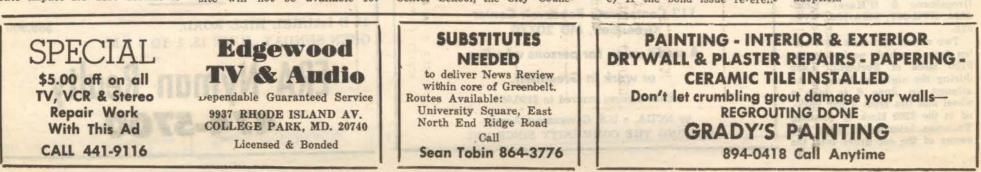
· Acquisition of Parcels 1 and 2 -The almost 10-acre Parcel 2 was purchased in 1988 for \$360. 000. The city has filed a condemnation suit to acquire Parcel 1. This suit is expected to go to trial within six to nine months. The price the city will have to pay for the property will be determined by a jury, unless the city negotiates an agreement prior to the trial. At present, there is considerable difference in the value of the property as determined by appraisers hired by the city and the asking price of the property's owners/contract purchaser. The city also expects to receive grant funds from the state to assist in the purchase. The exact amount of this grant is still not determined. The city has budgetcd \$1,500,000 as its cost for this acquisition.

• Schrom Hills Park—A master plan for this park has been doveloped. Estimated cost: \$38,000.

The total cost for all tress projects is estimated to exc: 2.1 \$7,500,000. In order to mail p the difference between the \$6,000, 000 bond issue and this cost, some funds from other sources have been allocated, and it is proposed to place a mortgage loan on Parcel 1 for approximately \$1,000,000.

City Council Actions

will enter into negotiations with Prince George's County and the Board of Education to exchange the North End School property, for the Center School property and then will undertake plana " for the reconstruction and renovation of the Center School property as a community center, with construction to be undercaken upon Center School being vacated by the Board of Education after the completion of a new elementary school at the North End School property. c) If the bond issue retere..- dum is not approved, the Cicy Council will advise the Board of Education that the city will not agree to transfer the North End School property to the Board of Education for construction of a new elementary school; and the City Council will, taking into consideration that bond funds have not been authorized for the renovation of the building as a community center, develop a plan for the utilization of the property, such plan to be considered at public hearing prior to its adoption.



Police Blotter

A woman, as she attempted to deliver pizza in the 5900 block of Cherrywood Terrace. was held-up at gunpoint on June 3. She was ordered to drop the pizzas and put money on top of the boxes. She complied and was allowed to leave. As she walked away, she saw three other persons pick up the pizzas and run toward Breezewood Drive. The armed suspect is described as a black male, 16-18, 5 ft. 10 in., and wearing a dark hat, dark green T-shirt and light- colored pants. The other three were also young black men.

Criminal investigation by the police dept. led to a search and seizure warrant for 6994 Hanover Parkway, on June 4. Police. after finding a quantity of PCP inside the apartment, arrested the resident, John Michael Vammino, 40, and charged him with possession of a controlled dangerous substance, PCP, with intent to distribute. He was incarcerated in lieu of \$3,000 bond, pending trial.

A possible attempt to abduct a 12 year old boy was reported on June 6. The youth was walking home from school through the wooded area between Greenbelt Middle School and the 6200 block of Breezewood Drive. A man yelled at the student and chased him. The boy got away. The suspect is described as a white man, 20-30, 5 ft. 8 in., 160 lbs., with blonde hair.

As a result of investigation by Officer Thomas Moreland into the theft of monies from Coakley & Williams, of Maryland Trade Center Park, a Waldorf woman was indicted on June 3 on theft charges after she allegedly stole a large sum of money while employed by C & W. As a result of plea negotiations, the woman faces up to five years incarceration and three years probation and will pay restitution to C & W.

Vehicles - Thefts, etc.

Two stolen vehicles were recovered last week. A 1988 Jeep Cherokee, taken on May 30 was recovered hv Prince Georges police in Landover on June 2. The steering column had been damaged.

Pfc. Maria Arthur recovered a stolen vehicle in the 5800 block of Cherrywood Lane on June 4 about 6 p.m. The vehicle had been stolen on May 30 in Landover. The steering column was damaged.

A resident reported the attempted theft of his vehicle parked in the 7800 block of Hanover Parkway during the night of June 1.

Two motorcycles were stolen this week, including a 1982 red and white Yamaha, Md. tags 83307D that was taken from the ε 100 block of Breezewood Court during the night of June 5. The second motorcyle, taken on June 2 from the 8000 block of Mandan Rd., was recovered later that evening by the Metropolitan police in Southeast Washington in driveable condition. There were no arrests.

Maryland license plates from four vehicles were stolen this week from cars parked in the municipal lot, Beltway Plaza and Greenhorne & O'Mara: EEE-5524, NFK-587; SMA-104; VVR-016.

Two wheels and tires were stolen from a vehicle parked in the 9100 block of Springhill Lane during the night of June 4. An attempt on June 6 to take a wheel and tire from a car parked in the 8200 block of Canning Tr., was interrupted when the owner of the car drove into the

Greenbelt Companies Building in Bowie

Greenbelt's Coakley & Williams Construction Company has broken ground on the Omni Professional Center in Bowie, Maryland. The 98,696 square foot medical office condominium building is the first project to start in the International Renaissance Center located within the boundaries of Routes 50, 197, and 301

The developer of the project is The Baxley Companies and the architect is Grimm & Parker. both of Greenbelt. Consolidated Commercial Realty, Inc. of Greenbelt is handling the condominium sales and reports that the project is already 40 percent pre-sold.

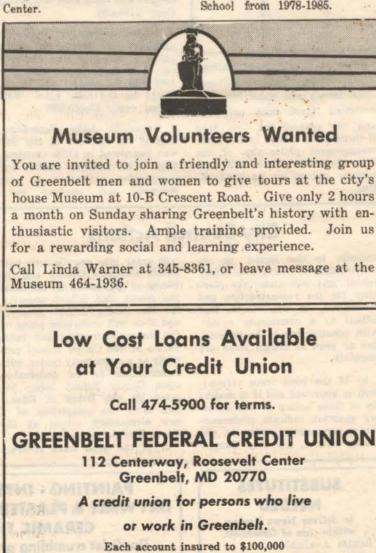
parking lot. The suspects are described as young black men. They drove away in a dark colored, hatch-back style car.

A resident reported that someone attempted to break into his car which was parked in the 9100 block of Springhill Lane during the night of June 3. The driver's door received minor damage.

Other Thefts On June 6, the store manager at Best Products at Beltway Plaza saw a male juvenile conceal Tshirts inside his pants and then leave the store without paying for them. The youth, who fled on foot, was picked up by Sgt. John Lann at Greenbelt Road and Kenilworth Avenue. He was charged with theft by Pfc. Steven Keller and released to his parents pending juvenile action.

A breaking and entering was reported in the 7700 block of Greenbrook Dr. during the day of June 7. Entry was gained by prying open a lock on the door. Jewelry, a microwave and a television were among the items reported stolen.

A purse, left unattended, was taken on June 3 about 1 a.m. while the owner was dancing at Kangaroo Katies in Greenway Center



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GREENBELT NEWS REVIEW

ERHS Principal Goes to Japan

Eleanor Roosevelt High School Principal Milton Steinbaum will lead a team of Prince Georges educators who will participate in an 18-day educational leadership tour of Japan beginning on June 15.

The seminar is arranged by the University of Maryland's Mid-Atlantic Region Janan-inthe-Schools Program (MARJIS) and selection of teams is compepetitive. Other team participants are David Lemmond, coordinator, Humanities and International Studies, Central High School; Pathicia Barr-Harrison, supervi sor, Foreign Language; and Christine Johns, classroom teacher, Oakorest Elementary School.

Eleanor Roosevelt High School is one of three county schools where the Japanese language is taught. Steinbaum expects to create a "sister" relationship with Suiran High School in Yo-⁹H "USIA SIQ JO 1228 SE SUEQOO also will present Maryland State seals from Gov. William Schaefer and personal greetings from Prince Georges County Superintendent of Schools John Murphy to local dignitaries and educators.

"The study of Japan is a relatively new component to the school system's international program, but it is expanding rapidly," said Steinbaum. "This seminar will provide us with the kind of first-hand experience that is needed to help our Japanese program keep growing."

program keep growing." According to MARJIS, participants in the summer program will "acquire personal understanding of contemporary Japanese society, family, life and education." The team members will live in the homes of Japanese educators, attend classes and observe teaching methods.

Steinbaum has served as a principal of Oxon Hill Middle School from 1978-1985.

"Designer Diaper" Contest Marks Health Unit Opening

Come join friends and neighbors on June 24 and 25 for two exciting days of fun at Greater Laurel Beltsville Hospital at the grand opening of the brand new Maternal and Child Health Unit. The celebration, called "The Baltimore/Washington Corridor's Big-Time Baby Bash and Block Party Extravaganza," kicks off on Saturday, June 24, from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., with a down-home street festival." Feature d throughout the day will be live entertainment, pony rides, bingo. baby animal petting zoo, hot air balloon rides, delectable foods and beverages, zany games starring local celebrities, The Ed Sullivan-is-Envious" variety show, clowns, jugglers and other carnival games and activities.

Members of the community are encouraged to join in the "spirit" of the event by participating in the one and only "Designer Diaper" contest. Use creativity and imagination to vie for fabulous prizes by making and bringing a "designer diaper" creation. A panel of celebrity judges will award prizes for the most original, funniest, best handcrafted and prettiest. Deadline for contest registration is 4 p.m., Thursday, June 22. To register or for more information call 497-7914.

On Sunday, June 25, from noon to 5 p.m., bring the entire family out to the GLBH for an old-fashioned ice cream social featuring delicious mountains of ice cream and wonderful toppings, live en-

Thursday, June 15, 1989

Art Gallery to Open In Greenbelt Library

Artists in Prince Georges County will have a new place to exhibit works when a gallery opens at the Greenbelt Branch of the Prince Georges County Memoria' Library in mid-July.

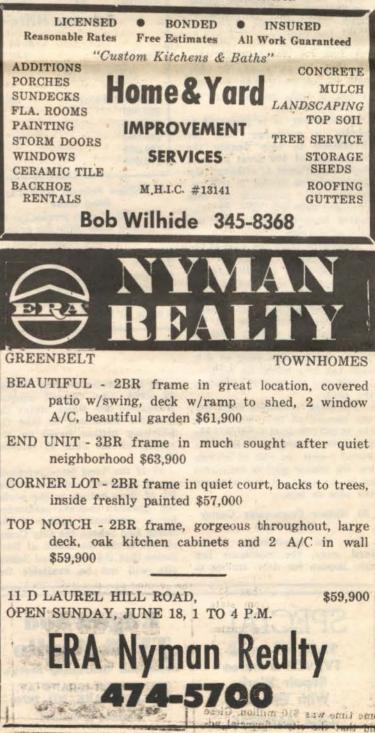
"Libraries have played a cultural, as well as educational, role in our society, and this project is an extension of that; it will also serve an obvious community pur pose," said library Director William R. Gordon. He plans to fill the gallery throughout the year with fine works of art in a variety of media.

The gallery will be on the lower level of the library in space that became available after the branch was renovated last winter.

Branch manager Nancy Johanson, a trained artist, will be the onsite manager of the gallery, and volunteers will staff it six days a week, six hours a day.

For further details contact Joseph Tylor in the library's Development Office at 699-3500.

tertainment including Dixie Land jazz, barbershop quartets and plain good fun. Of special interest to the community on both days will be tours of the sparkling new Maternal and Child Health Unit, featuring the latest in state-of-the-art obstetrical care. Everyone taking the tour will be eligible for the grand prize drawing of a \$500 gift certificate, courtesty of Marlo Furniture. Admission is free.



REFERENDUM

(Continued from page one) said he thought there are sufficient funds in the city budget to cover inflation costs.

Ben Abramowitz, in a novel way, contested the overall cost of a community center at North End. The arts people can rebuil! with their own work and skills, he maintained. "Open the doors of North End and give them six months" to set the place to the needs of the arts people, he said. Giese explained that \$2.7 million must be spent to bring the building up to code and make it occupiable by people. Volunteer labor could not be used as it was in the early days of Greenbelt to build some of the places of worship, Giese maintained.

David Lange asked the consultants why renovating North End was 22% higher per square foot than renovating Center, when comparing the minimum with the minimum options and the maximum of each. Coakley replied that the condition of North End is in such disrepair that it would cost more to repair and there are economies of scale which save costs for Center.

Financial Impact

Giese explained that the city staff estimated the maximum impact on the property tax rate to be less than 7 cents. The tax increase to support operating costs could be between 2-4 cents for North End and 3-5 cents for Center.

Several people expressed concern that the bond issue is spending too much of the city's money. White stated that the current property tax rate is \$1.20 and could go up by 30 cents. Mayor Fro Tem Joe Isaacs remonstrated that 14 cents of the 30 cents was from the \$6 million bond issue and will be spent on the indoor pool.

Joe Wilkinson explained that the \$6 million bond issue ran over and that the same hurry, with not all the facts available, is happening this time around. He said the city is getting itself into \$11 million worth of debt-\$6 million for the 1985 bond issue, \$4 million for the current bond issues and a \$1 million shortf.¹¹ next year.

Betty Maffay worried about the dangers of overspending and cautioned, "the time has come to curb our fiscal spending."

Leonie Penney worried that the assessment rate of houses has rapidly increased and the tax rate has also gone up rapidly.

But Marie Tousignant chided that those saying let's hold the line are those with grown children. She said she wants the facilities for today's children that hers had. And Hal Silvers maintained that in the long run Center as a community center will pay for itself. "We are at the vanguard of cities one can . . . admire," be said.

Bill Barron worried that if the jury asks a high price for Parcel 1, will the city have enough to pay for it with the added expense of this bond issue.

Weidenfeld explained that the city has earmarked \$1.5 million of the \$6 million for Parcel 1 and recently learned that \$1.4 million is available from state funds, so that about \$3 million is available. The staff estimates the contract purchaser will ask \$4 million, but the city's appraisers revalued it considerably below that price.

White said that the upper limit the city could borrow for quite some time was \$10 million. Giese said that the city's financial ad-

visors said the city is in good financial shape. He sa'd that the limit imposed by the city charter is 10% of assessed valuation and that the city is far below that limit.

Seven Acres of Trees Liane Holder, who lives near North End School, expressed concern that if a new school is built at that site, the trees covering seven of the 13 acres would be cut down. All the courcil members said they were for saving trees, with Councilmember Antoinette Bram and Isaace wanting to save all the trees White said he would work to save as many trees as possible, and council would try to have sufficient buffer to neighboring property, Weidenfeld assured Holder. Councilmember Ed Putens asked Giese if the city could give only the cleared six acres to the school board. but Giese said six acres would not be enough. for the school board's needs. He added that the tree loss could be reduced if there was one instead of two ball fields.

Educational Aspect

Because the community center and school issues are intertwined concerns about what ' best for the school children continues to influence people's opinions on the community center issue. Bram stated that the superintendent of schools, Dr. Murphy, said a new school is where the children would get the best education. Bram said she believed the real issue of educating children had been confused and diffused and that it had been held up by worrying about children walking three feet, four feet, and nine feet and by those who are posturing to run for council.

Lee Shields said he had been to Center School that very day to the celebration of his brother's retirement. He said both his brother, the physical education teacher, and the principal, Dr. Van Schoonhoven, said they preferred to see a new elementary school at North End.

If Center School is renovated, the children would be bused to another school during the renovation. Sheldon Goldberg and Barron, who had been bused to schools as a child, expressed concerns for the dislocation the children would experience by being bused to school.

Parking Several people expressed concerns about parking at Center School if it was a community center. Peggy Sclater said she was concerned that the blacktop, flag pole area, and some green space would be paved over for parking spaces. And when the indoor pool opens parking will be tight, she insisted. Richard Bates also felt there would not be enough parking space.

In response to the reporter's query, Giese said that to make enough parking spaces- at a North End community center. the blacktop and playground area behind the building would have to be paved.

Just Say No A number of times throughout the evening people questioned the



motivations of others. What set off most of this was the ad campaign by the group The Citizens to Save Center School. The ads have appeared in the News Review and in flyers advocating voting "NO" on the community center bond referendum question.

The most heated exchange took place when David Lange said that White had talked of his real plans in private conversations and chided that it was a shame he did not share his plans with the public. At this soint White demanded that the Mayor call Lange out of order. Weidenfeld refused for, as he expla: d later, he has never gagged a citizen; he said he feels members of council are mature enough to defend themselves.

Lange continued by saying that someone is spreading the idea that the city can get the North End as a community center without a bond issue, eithcr now or later. He asked whether there is a plan for a bond issue later. As things calmed down White stated his position that to preserve Center School it is best to vote no. North End sits there and can be dealt with later, he added.

Putens later said that if the community center bond issue referendum is defeated then he, for one, would not work again to get one.

Sclater was of the opinion that \$3 million was not needed for a community center at North End. We already have

Schrom Hills Bond Favorably Discussed

by Betsy Likowski

Although advertised as a public meeting to discuss both bond referendum questions there was almost no discussion on Tuesday. June 6 on Schrom Hills. On Tuesday, June 27, Greenbelters will decide whether they would like to issue \$1 million in bonds to finnance development of Schrom Hills Park.

Those who spoke about Schrom Hills Park, were in favor of the bond referendum for the park.

Ed Shilling, president of the Windsor Green Howeowner's Association said that the board supports the Schrom Hills Park referendum. And Roy Dahl, president of the Greenwood Village Townhomes Association, reported that his board also supports it. Betty Maffay, despite cautioning fiiscal conservatism in regard to the other bond question, said she could see a need for the Schrom Hills Park.

Located north and east of Hanover Parkway and south of Greenbrook, the park is 47 acres in size with wetlands in the northern end of the park. Ballfields are planned for the southern end

\$800,000 she said. but Tousignant answered-how will we pay for the community center. To vote no means a vote to demolish North End, she maintained.

Council members Weidenfeld, Isaacs, Putens, and Bram said they favored a community center.

of the park and the central area will remain natural.

Celia Wilson, the city's Planning and Development Coordinator. explained that the current master plan of the park was produced by city consultants Greenman & Pedersen, Inc. and included input from several meetings held to plan the park. She said it was not yet known whether there will be a pond or whether the northern area of the park will remain as wetlands.

Recreation facilities and amenities planned include: a softball field; a soccer/football field, multipurpose court that can be used for basketball and volleyball, and as a tennis rebound; trails; sledding hill; piente areas; playgrounds; informal play area; parking for 90 cars; wild flower garden, concession building with restrooms: and an alle (a formal, landscaped walk between the hall fields) leading north into the park.

It is estimated that implementing the plan will cost \$1,151,124. If the \$1 million bond referendum does not pass. the city will use other funds to develop the park. Since the city only has \$566,000

allocated in the 5-year Capital Improvement Program for develonment of Schrom Hills Park, this could result in the development of the park being spread out over time.

The controversial issue of whether the ball fields will be lighted will be decided in the future as a separate issue.

WHY VOTE NO IF YOU WANT A COMMUNITY CENTER?

Citizens for North End Center wants a community center, but in this Greenbelt bond referendum we are asking Greenbelters to vote NO. Why?

A NO vote will preserve Center School. The school administration has promised to renovate Center School as a first-class school.

A NO vote will allow the City to offer voters an affordable \$2 million bond issue in the fall for a community center at North End. The present bond request for \$3 million is more than we need to renovate North End School but too little to renovate Center School. The real cost of renovating Center School would be close to \$5 million. Don't saddle Greenbelt taxpayers with this bill!

A NO vote will allow the City to mage a commitment to specific programs for a center. So far only one program is guaranteed at any center the City might build a senior daycare center. The City has never committed itself to programs for art or drama, child daycare and recreation, or a senior center. If you vote yes on this bond issue, you have no assurance the programs you want will be included.

Please, vote NO on this bond question and join us in planning realistically for the future. DON'T FALL FOR THE THREAT THAT A VOTE AGAINST THIS BOND MEANS WE WILL NEVER GET A COMMUNITY CENTER!

Citizens for North End Center has worked for three years to build a community center at North End. Stand with us now!

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Citizens for North End Center Keith Chernikoff 345-1398 Anne and Tony Pisano 474-7841 Barbara Simon 474-2192 Betty Timer 474-6775

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COUNCIL

(Continued from page one) Assessment Ordinance for sidewalk repair around Roosevelt Center was deferred, since the owners of the center, George and Lisa Christacos, were not present.

Giese explained the current plans and the necessity of obtaining consent from the owners, since reconstruction of the sidewalks must proceed as a whole, including both city-owned and privately-owned walks. The situation had been discussed with the Christacos and Giese anticipated their consent to the plans. However, in their absence action was deferred

School Lot Swap

Council discussed a number of aspects concerning the pr -posed swap of the school bus parking lot to Beltway Plaza for land on Rt. 193 in College Fark

Bram had discussed the issue with the mayor of College Park, who was concerned about the safety of the proposed new site. Council also queried the zoning implications of the swap. What is the underlying zoning? Is the land currently zoned residential, since it is School Board property? Will any proposed deve. opment require county and city approval? Can provisions addressing the gross erosion problem be attached to the swap agreement? Council agreed to refer the

item to the Advisory Planing Board for review of these and other issues. They also agreed to send a letter to the school board expressing the city's concern on the swap, with a copy to College Park.

Council enthusiastically and unanimously approved a letter commending Officer David Buerger of the Greenbelt Police Department for his work with the Drug Abuse Resistance Education (DARE) Program.

members to three boards or committees: to PRAB, Ann Manheimer for a term to expire May 1990, and Edward Crowley for a term to expire May 1992; to CRAB, Larry Hilliard, in a term that expires February 1991 and that increases CRAB's size from seven to eight members; to the Crime Prevention Committee, Lester Whitmer, in a term that expires January 1991.

Glenn Butler requested that the council defer action indefinitely on his petition regarding the closure of the Spellman overpass. He said that so mny misunderstandings had arisen concerning the petitions' intentions that they felt it would be unwise to pursue the petition at this time. Council agreed to defer consideration until such time as the petition is reintroduced.

PRECINCT 8 - SPRINGHILL

Commendation and Appointments

Council also appointed new

Petitions

Thursday, June 15, 1989

Business Women's Lunch

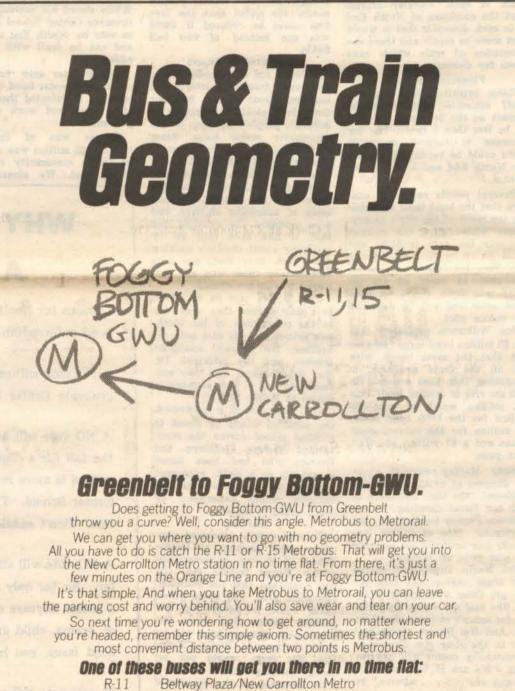
The Women Business Owners of Prince Georges County will hold its next monthly meeting Tuesday, June 20 at the Fire-side Beef House on Greenbelt Road. The guest speaker will be Lillian Lincoln, founder and owner of Centennial One, Inc. Lincoln has received numerous awards for her leadership and accomplishments as an entrepieneur, including the 1988 National Minority Entrepreneur of the Year Award from the Department of Commarce. Her collpany was recently listed by Washington Business Journal among the area's Top 26 Women-Owned Businesses for the sec. d year in a row.

The luncheon meeting will be from noon until 2 p.m. There is a fee. Call 630-2022 or 567-3488 for reservations. For more information on Women Business Owners of Prince Georges County call membership chairperson, Rita Fordham at 937-1901.

OFFICIAL NOTICE SPECIAL VOTER REGISTRATION at GREENBELT **City Offices** MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 25 CRESCENT ROAD 10 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. **SATURDAY, JUNE 17, 1989** Registration will be held in the FINANCE OFFICE 1st floor of the Municipal Building

Please see separate ad in this issue of the NEWS **REVIEW** for other locations and times.

> Gudrun H. Mills, CMC City Clerk



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PRECINCT 3 - CENTER Municipal Building

25 Crescent Road Crescent Road #1-135 Eastway #2 Gardenway 7010 Greenbelt Road (Nursing Home) Lakecrest Circle Lakecrest Drive Lakeside Drive Lakeview Circle Maplewood Court Olivewood Court Parkway Pinecrest Court Ridge #1-42;44;46.48 Southway Westway

PRECINCT 6 - NORTH END

North End School **Ridge** and Research

Eastway #1;3;5 Empire Place Fayette Place Forest Way Greendale Place Greenhill Road Greenknolls Place Greentree Place Greenway Place Hedgewood Drive Hillside Road Ivy Lane 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 win? of snekdid

SHL Fountain Lodge 6220 Springhill Drive **Breezewood** Court Breezewood Drive Breezewood Terrace Cherrywood Court Cherrywood Lane Cherrywood Terrace Edmonston Court Edmonston Road Edmonston Terrace Springhill Court Springhill Drive Springhill Lane Springhill Terrace **PRECINCT 13 - GREENBELT** EAST Greenbriar Community Center 7600 Hanover Parkway Bird Lane Brett Place Burkhart Court Candlewood Place Canning Terrace Cloister Place Emily's Way Frankfort Court Frankfort Drive Frankfort Place Greenbrook Drive Hanover Parkway (excluding 7000-7298) Jacobs Drive Kara Court Lake Drive Mandan Court Mandan Road Mandan Terrace Mathew Street Megan Lane Morrison Drive Ora Court Ora Glen Court

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of such special election, or runoff election, if any." NOTICE IS, THEREFORE, GIVEN THAT VOTER REG-ISTRATION OF THE CITY OF GREENBELT, MARY-LAND, FOR THE JUNE 27, 1989 SPECIAL ELECTION WILL CLOSE ON

MONDAY, JUNE 19, 1989 - AT 4:30 P.M. AND PERSONS NOT REGISTERED WITH THE CITY OF GREENBELT AS OF THAT TIME WILL NOT BE ABLE TO VOTE IN THE JUNE 27, 1989 SPECIAL ELECTION. Mail registration forms must be received in the City Clerk's Office no later than JUNE 19, 1989 to be included in the list of qualified voters.

Greenbelt residents are reminded that registration with Prince George's County for federal, state, and county elections DOES NOT qualify them to vote in CITY EL-ECTIONS. Any person in doubt as to his or her eligibility to vote in city elections, should check with the City Clerk at 474-8000 or 474-3870.

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- If the \$3,000,000 Bond Issue fails, Center School remains in the Center
- If the \$3,000,000 Bond Issue fails, Greenbelt taxpayers save \$ money
- If the Bond Issue fails, a plan for North End will be prepared pursuant to Council Resolution #6-89 adopted on May 22, 1989, i.e.

"If the bond issue referendum is not approved, the City Council will advise the Board of Education that the city will not agree to transfer the North End School property to the Board of Education for construction of a new elementary school; and the City Council will, taking into consideration that bond funds have not been authorized for the renovation of the building as a community center, develop a plan for the utlization of the property, such plan to be considered at public hearing prior to its adoption."

• If the \$3,000,000 Bond issue fails, Greenbelt Wins.

If you believe that Greenbelt Center Elementary School Should Remain in the Center, Vote Against the \$3,000,000.00 Bond Issue



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GEAC SUPPORTS BOND ISSUE

by Pat Scully

The Greenbelt East Advisory Committee (GEAC), having taken a unanimous stand opposing dense residential development of the Sunrise Property, found itself with-out an opponent on the issue. Trammell Crowe, the contract purchaser of the land, who had proposed to develop mid-rise apartments on the site, has not appeared before the Advisory Planning Board. Thus, no plan for development of the site is under active consideration.

Bob Zugby, president of GEAC, announced this latest episode in the Sunrise saga at the June 1 meeting of GEAC, held at Hunt-ing Ridge. GEAS is on record with the city council as opposing residential development of the tract and favoring office/commercial. No further action is needed at this time, or until the owner presents another plan for development to the city.

(City council on June 12 scheduled worksession with the owners of the Sunrise tract Sunrise Development Limited Partnership).

Bond Issues

The member boards of GEAC had unanimously agreed to endorse the adoption of the \$1 million bond issue for completing of Schrom Hills Park and to urge its completion within two years. Since the bond issues are now up to the voters, GEAC agreed that Zugby should write a letter to the News Review urging voter support.

The question of support for the \$3 million bond issue had been viewed by member boards as an advisory proposal rather than one urging action. While the boards were in favor of such support, three of them had not taken official positions urging action. Council member Ed Pi-tens, who was present at the meeting, expressed his belief that the bond issues will pass or fail together and suggested that. GEAC should actively endorse the community center bond.

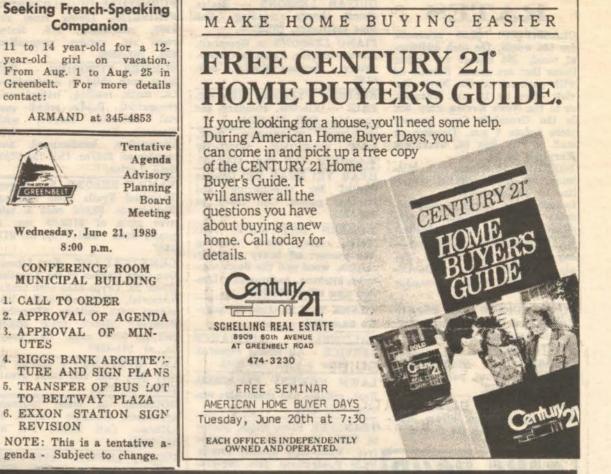
Representatives of the memoer organizations agreed to poll their boards and attempt to get approval of GEAC to take a stand endorsing the \$3 million bond issue. The sense of the meeting was that all of the boards sup ported the concept, but some had not specifically voted in favor of GEAC's issuing a public endorsement. Under the operating rules for GEAC specific approval by five of the six member boards is required for action by he coalition, (Approval for the endorsement was subsequently achieved; see the Letters on page 2).

Showing Support

A question was raised about whether to write to city council endorsing the bond issues. However, since the decision has passed out of the council's hands and into the voters', such action was deemed unnecessary. Zugby presented GEAC's support for both bond issues at the city council meeting on June 12 at which the council debated endorsing the referendum.

It was also decided to express GEAC's endorsement of the \$1 million bond issue, and possib'y both, at the public hearing on the issues to be held at Windsor Green on June 15. A large turnout from all the member boards was encouraged.

Following adjournment of the June 1 meeting, the GEAC board met in executive session. The next regular meeting of GEAC will be held Thursday, July 6, at Greenbriar.



ESTIMATED COST TO RENOVATE CENTER SCHOOL A COMMUNIT

COAKLEY WILLIAMS ESTIMATED CONSTRUCTION COST (JUNE 1989) (excludes architectural fees)

ACTUAL COST AT TIME OF CONSTRUCTION (JUNE 1991)* (includes inflation (5%) and architectural fees)

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ALTERNATE 1 minimum renovation \$3,070,078

ALTERNATE 2 complete renovation \$4,211,405

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* method of caculation confirmed as accurate by the City's consultant at the June 6 public meeting.

NOTE 1: JUNE 1991 IS THE EARLIEST POSSIBLE DATE THAT CENTER. SCHOOL WOULD BE AVAILABLE TO BEGIN RENOVATION AS A COMMUN-ITY CENTER.

NOTE 2: ALTERNATE 1 (minimum renovation) DOES NOT INCLUDE ROOF REPLACEMENT, WINDOW REPLACEMENT, EXTERIOR PAINTING NOR MUCH OF THE NEEDED INTERIOR FINISH WORK. THEREFORE, ADDI-TIONAL FUNDING WOULD BE REQUIRED IN THE FUTURE TO COMPLETE THE RENOVATION. SEE PROJECTED FUTURE COST TO COMPLETE BE-LOW.

ESTIMATED FUTURE COST TO COMPLETE DEFERRED RENOVATION. if alternate 1 (minimum renovation) is chosen

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VOTE AGAINST THE \$3,000,000 BOND ISSUE ON JUNE 27

City of Greenbelt, Maryland

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JUNE 15, 1989

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CLASSIFIED: \$2.50 minimum for ten words, 15c each additional word. No charge for listing items that are found. Submit ad with payment to the News Review office by 10 p.m. Tuesday, or to the News Review drop box in the Greenbelt Coop grocery store before 7 p.m. Tuesday, or mail to P.O. Box 68, Greenbelt, Maryland 20770.

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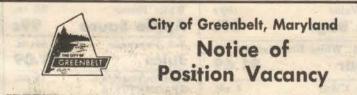
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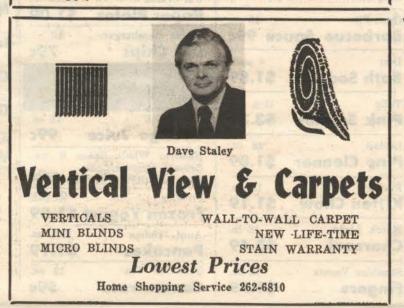
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Apply City Offices, 25 Crescent Road, Greenbelt, Maryland. 474-8052. EOE. Women and minorities encouraged to apply.



SENIORS' SOFTBALL by Jerry Conway

The Greenbelt Senior Citizens Co-ed Softball Team won its first two games of the Maryland/ Virg.ma Beltway League by defeating Camp Springs at Tucker Field on May 22 by a score of 17-18 and defeating Mt. Vernon on Braden Field on May 26 by a score of 20-19. Fit h of these nine inning games was a close challenge and display of hitting and fielding skills. The Greenbelters walked in eight runs for the Mt. Vernonites but scored two runs in the bottom of the ninth inning to win the game. In Greenbelt's first game in the

Montgomery County Senior Citizens League, the Greenbelters defeated Holiday Park Seniors by a score of 13-9 at Layhill Park.

To celebrate Greenbelt's 52d anniversary, the Greenbelt Sen iors played a nonleague game Olney Seniors, trouncing with them by a score of 23-5. The Greenbelt Recreation Department provided an official umpire

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for this game. The Greenbelt Co-op and American Legion Post #136 provided refreshments for both teams following the game.

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