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Council Discusses SMA Hearing; Approves Contract for Indoor Pool

by Diane Oberg

At its January 22 regular meeting, the Greenbelt City Council received a request to devote a portion of the city's property tax revenue to the fire department, approved the purchase of a structure for the indoor pool and discussed the coming County Council Sectional Map. Amendment hearing.

On February 13, the county, sitting as the district council, will hold a hearing on the proposed Sectional Map Amendment at Eleanor Roosevelt High School. If approved, the SMA will set property zonings to agree with the land use plans laid out in the approved Langley Park-College Park-Greenbelt Master Plan. Rick Meetre petitioned council to make citizens aware of the hearing.

Meetre was most concerned about the A. H. Smith property, located between Greenbelt Road and the Metro station site. He noted that according to the SMA book, the district council directed Park and Planning staff to prepare a Transit District Overlay (TDO) for the property "to enhance the development opportunities in the vicinity of the transit station."

The district council also encouraged the owners to prepare an MXT proposal for the site.

COUNTY COUNCIL HEARING ON SMA, **FEBRUARY 13**

The Prince Georges County Council, sitting as the District Council, will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, February 13, on the Sectional Map Amendment (SMA) for the Langley Park-College Park-Greenbelt planning areas. The hearing will be held in the Eleanor Roosevelt Senior High School auditorium at 7 p.m.

The SMA will implement the rezoning recommendations of the Master Plan for the three planning areas. The plan was adopted by the District Council on October 31, 1989.

Copies of the SMA are available at no cost at the Municipal Building and at the Greenbelt library. The county requests that persons wishing to speak register in advance by calling the Office of the Clerk and Council at 952-3600 (TDD-925-5167). There is a five-minute limit on testimony. Persons may also register at the hearing if time per-mits. The record will be kept open for 15 calendar days following the hearing.

Current zoning is industrial. Recently the tract has been a frequent subject of discussion in relation to the Metro rail yard. Metro has rejected the Smith property as a site for the yard because of cost and environmental considerations. Many citizens have disputed Metro's environmental arguments, saying that the sand and gravel operation has heavily damaged the Smith property wetlands. They argue that the wetland on the planned yard site are of much higher quality. Mayor Pro Tem Thomas X. White feared that land rejected by Matro because of wetlands concerns would later become developable.

Giese said that the county's adoption of the SMA will not rezone the property. Instead, it will create a TDO which City Solicitor Robert Manzi noted was designed for areas around Metro stations. Such zones limit parking to force people to use mass transit, not private cars, to reach the site. Other restrictions are also imposed on the development.

Manzi said that the TDO is probably the best the city can hope for, providing the greatest opportunity to influence development. He agreed that council

Update – Metro Yards by Elaine Skolnik

Bill Schultz of the United States Fish and Wildlife Service (F&W) said at city council's December 18, 1989 meeting that the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) had convinced the Corps of Eng-ineers, Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and F&W that the Beltsville Agricultural Research Center (BARC) land is the only practicable site for the Metro Service and Inspection Yards (News Review, Dec. 28, 1989). The property is located east of the CSXT railroad tracks between the Conital Beltway and Sunnyside Avenue.

Although WMATA had filed an application for filling wetlands on the BARC site in mid-1988, the Corps, EPA and F&W would not approve the permit. Instead the agencies pressed WMATA to conduct further studies on alternative yard locations with special emphasis on delineating wetlands and avoiding and minimizing their impacts.

WMATA complied and a report was completed in March 1989 covering 20 yard alternatives on nine sites (News Review, Dec. 14, 1989). The A. H. Smith industrial tract, located south of the Metro Station, north of Greenbelt Road and east of the CSXT tracks, was among the sites evaluated.

Schultz told the News Review last Monday that "while not disagreeing that the wetlands on should continue to oppose MXT, which would give the city little opportunity to comment on proposed development.

Swim Structure

Council gave final approval to a resolution authorizing the negotiated purchase of an aluminum building for the indoor pool. Later, council approved the actual purchase, for \$439,000. According to Giese, this price is approximately 20% below budget. The contract will be void if the city does not accept any general contractor's bid for the remaining pool work. The manufacturer of the aluminum building, Structures Unlimited, has agreed to honor the contract price for one year, provided the city awards a pool contract by May 31. This contract could not be let competitively because the city could find only one manufacturer who can provide it.

Other Actions

The Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad asked council to allocate one cent of the city's property tax to the department, A similar request by the department in 1988 was not granted by council. This petition will be discussed in a work session on February 27.

the BARC site are more valuable than those on the A. H. Smith tract, there would be more of an overall environmental impact to the Smith property because of size of the wetlands and the floodplain that would require filling and the need for extensive channelization of Indian Creek."

According to the March 1989 WMATA report, the BARC yard site would disturb 20 acres of wetlands and 21.20 acres of 100year floodplain. It would also require 6,000 cubic yards of fill material for the floodplain and 100 linear feet of stream channelization to Indian Creek. (Design changes since the report was compiled have reduced these totals.) The report notes that the A. H. Smith yard site would disturb 62.60 acres of wetlands and 65.14 acres of 100-year floodplain. It would require 201,000 cubic yards of fill material for the floodplain and 4,750 linear feet of channelization to Indian Creek.

An issue still needing resolution, Schultz said, is the size of the Metro turn-around loop on the yards. The Corps, EPA and F&W, he noted, agree that the planned 400-foot radius is unacceptable. Reducing the radius to 350 feet or 300 feet would lessen the impact to the wetlands from 16 acres to less than 10 or 6 acres respectively.

WMATA says that a smaller track radius increases the like-lihood of train derailment. Costs of rail and wheel replacement would also be increased.

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CitizensQueryCityCouncil On Lake Park Plan Status

by Diane Oberg

The Lake Park Master Plan and the new picnic shelters were the topics of some discussion at the January 22 city council meeting. During the petitions and request period, Resa Jascourt, vice president of the Lakeside Citizens Association, asked the status of the Lake Park Master Plan. She reminded council that they had agreed to hire a consultant to develop the plan. Her request was referred to staff for comment.

Giese reported that the consultant's proposal involved a much higher cost than expected. Staff will be seeking additional direction from council at a January 29 work session.

Later in the meeting, council considered a letter from the Lakeside Citizens Association expressing concern that the city was proceeding with the "development" of the park prior to adoption of the master plan. At issue was the replacement of the wooden "ship" in the playground with "a gaudy contraption made of brightly-painted metal" and the construction of wooden shelters on the north side of the path.

In his written comments, Giese said that because of deterioration, the ship had become a safety hazard. The new equipment is in line with current styles in play equipment and should be less subject to vandalism and deterioration than wooden equip-ment. He argued that the replacement of deteriorated equipment does not constitute development of the park.

Shelters said that

Giese staff. with good intentions, installed the new shelters while replacing deteriorated structures. He said that this was done without his knowledge and, had he known, he would not have approved the new structures.

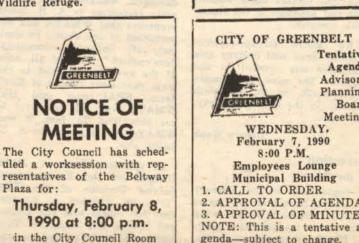
Bram saw little reason for concern: "I'm having a difficult time having a problem with the addi-tion of three shelters.' While not denying the need for a master plan, she saw no problem with such small amenities.

Need a Plan

White saw a larger problem with the master plan issue. He said that without a master plan, ad hoc projects will just happen. He cited the shelters, pathways Corps told the News Review that, in addition to tightening the loop, the agencies are "looking at other ways to use the BARC site while minimizing the im-pacts." He noted that the site is considered the "most practicable" for the yards.

In accordance with Corps of Engineers regulations, each acre of wetlands ultimately used will be replaced with two acres. The Corps, EPA, F&W and other appropriate agencies will review WMATA's concentual mitigation plan. Three sites have been identified-two on BARC property and the third on the Patuxent Wildlife Refuge.

Plaza for:



near the bus stops across the street and the playground equipment as examples of such unplanned development. He urged that the city not undertake any projects not directly related to safety until council adopts a master plan. He cautioned that if council is not careful, "one of these days we're going to wake up and there'll be a gazebo there."

Giese argued that the lake park has been on hold for the entire time he has been city manager. In the spirit of keeping council informed, he noted that the public works crews have installed a couple of bird houses at the park.

People Who Count Needed

The U.S. Bureau of the Census, Prince Georges County office is having difficulty finding enough temporary employees for the 1990 Census. As many as 5,000 of these important parttime positions must be filled by the end of March.

Applicants will be asked to complete a simple skills'test and a short interview. This can be done in Greenbelt, and persons accepted can work within Greenbelt. (To date, only six individuals have applied within the city.) For more information, call Troy King at 306-1461.

Puppet Musical

The Greenbelt Nursery School is sponsoring Dinosaur Rock, an educational and entertaining children's musical. The show features the giant dinosaur puppets of Ingrid Crepeau and songs written and performed by Michelle Valeri and Michael Stein. (See ad on page 4.)



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Prehistoric Site

To the Editor:

Much has been said and written about the "wetlands" condition in the BARC and Smith property areas. However, the status of the archeological aspects or the prehistoric sites in the area have not been addressed in public.

I am speaking of Prehistoric Site 18 PR 96 on the BARC property, which is evaluated in Archeological Evaluation of the Greenbelt Storage Yard" Final Report, August 1988, prepared for the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority. The report's recommendation was that 'First it is appropriate to seek an official determination of National Register eligibility for Site 18 PR 96; then if the property is determined to be significant, a plan for mitigation of adverse effects should be developed in consultation with the (Maryland) SHPO." I am not aware of the results of either.

I recorded this site in the early 1970's with the Maryland State Archeologist, and copy of the report, including field notes, was given to the Operations Officer, Mr. Almond, at the research center. All artifacts surface-collected there were donated to the State of Maryland. Photos of significant artifacts are contained in the archeological report. They were instrumental in identifying the site as the Early Archaic Period-8,000 BC. The report does not address other nearby sites, but there is a ring of prehistoric sites around the edge of the ancient lake area, and I fear that they too will be destroyed by man in years to come.

Site 18 PR 96 is priceless. Indian Creek received its name from our early settlers who recognized the significance of the area. Little effort has been made to proserve and protect these ancient lands and artifacts in the Indian Creek complex.

The Metro storage-serviceswitching area will destroy this chistoric site located in the wetlands. The need to relocate to the north, or to the south wetlands in the Smith property, is obvious.

Dennis Webb

Correction

To the Editor:

I regret that in the obituary for David Reznikoff the name of Betty Reznikoff, his surviving widow, was inadvertently omitted. Please accept my apologies. J. Parker

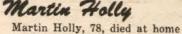
Protect Valuable Wetlands To the Editor:

I was very disappointed when I read the January 4 News Review editorial about the placement of the Metro train yard entitled "Metro: No More Delay." Having researched this issue, I found many inaccuracies in the editorial. The editorial argues that "WMATA has reviewed many alternate sites in lengthy reviews and public hearings over many years." In truth, there was only one public hearing on the Metro Green Line in the 1980's (Nov. 1985). A detailed News Review article reporting on that public hearing includes one brief comment that a train yard would be located "north of the beltway." It does not mention use of government-owned agricultural research property for a train yard. The first report of preliminary plans to use BARC property for a train yard was in 1987. The earliest article reporting that construction of the train yard would result in the loss of wetlands on BARC property was in September 1988 at which time the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) strongly protested the plan. In conclusion, recent claims by Metro officials and statements in the News Review editorial are not substantiated by the record.

The editorial argues, as do Metro officials, that completion of the Metro station will reduce air pollution. However, developing hundreds of acres from green space into parking lots, shopping centers, office buildings, hotels and train storage yards is going to add to our pollution, not reduce it. In addition, fossil fuels are burned to create the electricity needed to power the Metro trains. Therefore, the air pollution argument should not be used as a reason to sacrifice wetlands and green space on BARC property.

The editorial states that "The damaged wetlands and flood-plain (referring to A. H. Smith property) that WMATA was not permitted to use should be similarly off limits to commercial development." First of all, none of the agencies involved in the train yard issue (Corps of Engineers, EPA) ever said that WMATA was not nermitted to use this land. In fact, it was WMATA that rejected the A. H. Smith site.

In addition, Green A. Jones, Director of the Environmental Service Division of the EPA "proposed studying an alternative that places both the station and Service and Inspection Yard between Greenbelt Road and the Beltway" (News Review, Sept.



on Wednesday, January 31, from congestive heart failure. He had been a resident of Greenbelt since 1957.

Holly was born in Racine, Wiscousin; served as pharmacist's mate in the U.S. Navy during World War II. In 1942 he and Florence were married. Holly worked for the Disabled American Veterans (DAV) as a claims representative for 30 years.

He belonged to the Holy Cross Lutheran Church, American Legion, DAV and the Birmingham Chapter 188 of the Masons.

In addition to his wife, Holly is survived by a daughter, Patri-Routt; a step-daughter, cia Mary Harmon; two sisters, Christine Fugina and Ann Fitzgerald; two granddaughters, Dawn Marie Delio and Laura Lynn Buckley; and a step-great-grandson. Visitation will be at the Holy Cross Lutheran Church on Saturday from 3 to 5 p.m. and Sunday from 6 to 7 p.m. A Memorial Service will be at 7:30 p.m. at the church. Burial will be Monday at Cheltenham.

In lieu of flowers the family suggests donations be made to the Building Fund of Holy Cross Lutheran Church.

GHI NOTES

The A & E Committee will meet at 7:15 p.m. Tuesday, February 6 at 9-A Hillside Road.

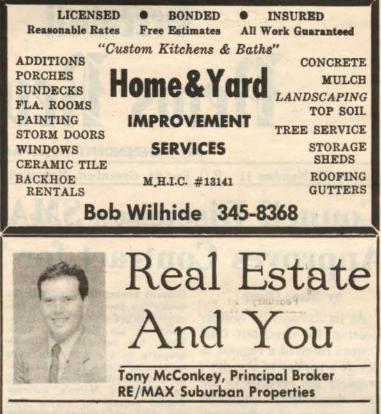
Blood pressure testing will be held on Wednesday, February 7, from 2 to 4 p.m. in the Board Room.

22, 1988). In his 1988 letter to the Corps of Engineers, Green states that, "This unstudied alternative could have a direct link to the Beltway and minimize impacts into wetlands by utilizing highly disturbed land that is currently occupied by auto salvage operations, a sand and gravel operation and vacant land." Also according to experts in this field. development is not necessarily prohibited in a floodplain, rather the developer only needs to make provisions to prevent worsening a potential flood by his development. It should also be noted that most of the "wetlands" on the Smith property are in reality a gravel pit having no ecological value.

Although I am a strong supporter of Metro and mass transit in general. I am left to wonder why WMATA would choose to place the train yard on an ecologically valueble wetlands when even the "EPA contends that practicable alternatives exist for this project that would reduce the impact to wetlands." I believe that reopening this issue for public input is in the best interest of Greenbelt and will in no way delay construction of the Metro Station.

Rodney M. Roberts Editor's Note: "Wetlands" as applied to inland, non-tidal areas is a relatively new term and concept in environmental policy. Prior to about 1988, the term "floodplain" was commonly used, loosely encompassing swamps and other damp areas as well as lowlying land which remained dry during per ods floor xcept ing. A News Review article in November 1987 referred to impact of the Metrorail yard on "floodplain areas."

Mr. Roberts is ri-ht that our statement that WMATA was "not permitted to use" the A. H. Smith property was misleading. After reviewing the WMATA study, the Corns of Engineers, EPA and the Fish and Wildlife Service agreed that use of the BARC site would cause less environmental damage than the Smith site.



GETTING READY FOR THE "OPEN HOUSE"

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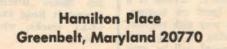
If there's a move in your future, let my years of expertise serve you. Call my RE/Max Suburban Properties office at 441-1111 or drop by anytime. I'm located in The Maryland Trade Center Three, 7501 Greenway Center Drive, Suite 140 (behind the Greenway Shopping Center) in Greenbelt.

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Tuesday, February 27, 1990	7:15	p.m.

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



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Evanses Celebrate Golden Anniversary

Milton R. and Dot Evans will celebrate their Golden wedding anniversary on February 14. They were married in 1940 in Wilkes-Barre, Pa. and came to Greenbelt in 1942 and have lived in 16 Court since then.

Dot Evans retired from Suburban Bank, Greenbelt office, now Sovran Bank, after 23 years. Milton retired from the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company after 20 years.

The couple have a son, Roger M. of Houston and a daughter, Donna Jean Ramer of Bowie. They also have seven grandchildren and four greatgrandchildren. The family will be assembling on February 10 and 11 for an observance of the occasion.

International Night At SHL Elementary

On Tuesday, February 6 at 7:30 p.m., the Home-School Relations Committee of Springhill Lake Elementary School will present International Night, The community is invited.

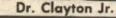
This program will feature presentations by each class, displaying the international diversity of the students who will show their native customs, such as songs, dances, and costumes. There will be national flags made by the students and a musical presentation by the Springhill Lake Chorus.

Refreshments will be served.

Swing from flaming chandeliers. Duel with dashing buccaneers. Save me from a burning moat— Or win my heart with a love note.









Dr. Jay



Genealogical Society The Prince Georges County Genealogical Society will meet Wednesday, February 7 at 7 p.m. in the Greenbelt Library. The meeting is open to the public. Visitors are welcome.

Visitors are welcome. James C. Neagles of Waldorf, a genealogical researcher, teacher and author, will speak on two subjects: Confederate Research Sources and The Library of Congress—An Historical and Genealogical Guide.

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SHL will Host Film On Crime Prevention

Crime prevention orientation will be held at the Springhill Lake Fountain Lodge on Thursday, February 8, 7 p.m. Officer David Buerger, Greenbelt Police Department, will present a film on recognizing suspicious situations/behavior and protection of self, property and family. All Greenbelt residents are eligible to attend

to attend.

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ary 15. The course will be held Thursdays from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. at ERHS. Participants must register by February 9. There is

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Ralph Noble, Outstanding Citizen, 1979, Died Sunday

Long-time resident, Ralph E. Noble, 86, died Sunday, January 28. Selected as Greenbelt's Outstanding Citizen in 1979, Noble was a pillar of the Mowatt Memorial United Methodist Church and the city's scouting program. Beatrice, his wife of 64 years, preceded him in death last May. Their son, Elton Brookhart Noble, died last month.

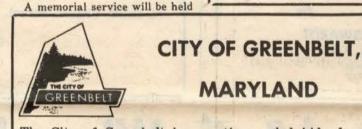
edited the newsletter and was lay representative to the Baltimore Methodist Conference.

Noble became involved with scouting in 1930 in Kansas. When he came to Greenbelt he helped found Cub Scout Troop 746, Boy Scout Troop 746, Explorer Post 746 and Boy Scout Troops 1746. He was for many years the assistant district commissioner in charge of Greenbelt's six scout troops. In recognition of his long years of outstanding leadership, he was awarded the Silver Beaver, scouting's most prestigious honor.

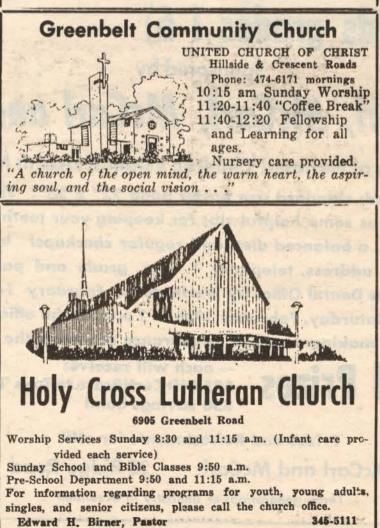
He served six years on the Greenbelt delegation to the Co-op Congress.

Noble's reputation for helping others led to his early selection as one of Greenbelt's Outstanding Citizens.

Noble's survivors include his son, Wilbur Brookhart of California, daughter-in-law Rhoda Lucas Noble, and three grandchildren.



The City of Greenbelt is accepting sealed bids for the purchase and installation of custom blinds for the new Police Facility. Bid information may be obtained from the Purchasing Office, 25 Crescent Road, Greenbelt, Maryland 20770. (301) 474-8052. Bids must be received no later than Wednesday, February 21, 1990, at 2:00 PM.



UNITED METHODIST CHURCH MOWATT MEMORIAL 40 Ridge Road • Greenbelt • 474-9410 Sunday Morning School Worship 9:30 A.M. 11:00 A.M. 000 (Nurserv Provided) **Daniel Montague**, Pastor GOD BELIEVES IN YOU, YOU CAN TOO. **GREENBELT BAPTIST CHURCH** Bible Study For All Ages (Sun.) 9:45 A.M. Worship Services (Sun.) 11 A.M. & 7:00 P.M. Saturday, February 3 at 5 p.m. Midweek Prayer Service (Wed.) 8:00 P.M. at the Mowatt Memorial United For transportation questions, call 474-4212 Methodist Church, 40 Ridge Road. 8:30 A.M. - 12:30 P.M. A memorial fund will be created **Crescent & Greenhill Roads Greenbelt Arts Center** LEAPIN' LIZARDS! **THE DINOSAURS ARE BACK! City Council Chambers** 441-8770 **DINOSAUR ROCK** Come "Swing with the Sauropods" and "Dig the Smooth Talkin' Hackensack Hadrosaur"! Entertaining and Educational, a Musical Production for Children of All Ages. FEBRUARY 11, 1990 AT 1 P.M. For Tickets / Info Call 982-2558 Tickets \$4.50 / Group Rate Available ELEANOR ROOSEVELT HIGH SCHOOL Sponsored by the Greenbelt Nursery School **VALENTINE'S COUPLES RACE** Sunday, February 11 WHEN: 13/1 mile race begins at 10:30 a.m. TIME: 41/4 mile race begins at 11:00 a.m. Race begins at Braden Field, adjacent to WHERE: the Youth Center and goes around Greenbelt Lake. **REGIS-**Pre-registration is at the Greenbelt Youth Center during office hours - Mon-**TRATION:** day thru Friday, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. prior to February 8. **Registration will also be taken the day of the race between 9:30 a.m. - 10:15. FEE: \$8 per couple, prior to February 9 \$10 per couple on race day. AWARDS: Local merchants will supply awards DISTANCES: 13/1 miles and 41/4 miles. Couples run together in their choice of **DETAILS:** distance category. Entrants may win the race in either of two categories. Entrants may state the amount of time they feel it will take to complete the race. Their stated time and their actual time will be compared and the closest estimate wins the race. OR, the actual order of finish will determine the winner. Must be male/female combination. Couples may enter one distance category only. **NO WATCHES ARE ALLOWED** **Walkers are welcome in the 13/1 mile race.

**For more information, call Joe McNeal at 474-6878.

Court of Ridge Road. The Nobles had two sons, Elton Brookhart

and Wilbur Brookhart. Noble held just about every position at the Mowatt Methodist Church including chairman of the Board of Directors. He taught Sunday School for 20 years and was superintendant for five,

Noble was born in Yukon, In-

dian Territory, before Oklahoma

became a state. He and Beatrice

Brookhart were married in 1925.

Both were printers and mem-

bers of the International Typo-

graphical Union. They owned and

operated two newspapers before

coming to Washington. Noble

also served as Superintendant of

the Army Printing Department

at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas. In

1947 Ralph and Bea came to the Government Printing Office,

where they worked as proofread-

ers until retirement. Both were

proud to be selected as proof-

readers of the United Methodist

Church's "Baltimore Annual Con-

ference Official Journal" each

The Noble family moved to

Greenbelt in 1953 in the first

group of non-veteran buyers af-

ter the government sold the pro-

ject. They resided in the 11

year for several years.

PAINT BRANCH UNITARIAN CHURCH 3215 Powder Mill Road (near Cherry Hill Road) Sun., Feb. 4, 9:30 & 11:15 a.m. Service by Patricia Blanchard, Intern Church School 9:30 a.m. 937-3666 Rev. R.W. Kelley

Baha'i Faith

"There can be no doubt whatever that the people of the world, of whatever race or religion, derive their inspiration from one heavenly Source, and are the subjects of one God.' -Baha'i Sacred Writings

Greenbelt Baha'i Community P.O. Box 245 Greenbelt, MD 20770 345-2918 474-4090

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH Episcopal Baltimore Blvd. at Powder Mill

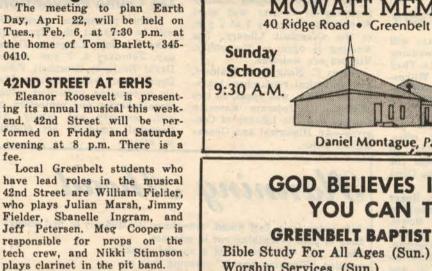
Rd., Beltsville 8:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist

10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist and Sunday School

Rev. John G. Balls. Rector

937-4292

Catholic Community of Greenbelt MASS **Municipal Building** Sunday, 10 a.m. Feb. 4. Special Collection for African Priest



Thursday, February 1, 1990

Lillian D. Parker

Lillian D. Parker, 90, died Tuesday, January 23 from pneumonia and congestive heart failure at her daughter's home in Seabrook. She was a resident of Green Ridge House.

A former District resident, Parker had lived in the Greenbelt area for 25 years.

Survivors include five children, Dorothy P. Krombholz of North Carolina; Doris P. Utz of Cali-fornia; Lewis S. Parker Jr. of Langley Park; Norma J. Norris of Seabrook; and Raymond C. Parker of Arlington, Texas; 16 grandchildren, 30 great-grand-children, and five great-great-grandchildren.

Fred J. Hahn

Fred J. Hahn of 6 Forestway died on January 28 at Doctor's Hospital. He had been a resident of Greenbelt for 48 years. His wife Mary and a son, Jim Hahn,

preceded him in death. He is survived by four children, Donald J. Hahn of Alex-andria, Carol J. Reuben of Sunderland, Md., Robert J. Hahn of Richmond, and Joanne E. Irwin of Bowie; a sister, Inez Rovers of Rockville, Ill., and 10 grandchildren.

Joseph Smith. Sr. Joseph C. Smith, Sr., a charter

resident of Green Ridge House, died on January 21 at the age of 87. Mr. Smith and his wife of 63 years, Ola, had lived in Greenbelt for 14 years. A native of Georgia, Mr.

Smith came to Washington in 1937, and spent 30 years as an accountant with the Veterans Administration. He was an avid reader, and an ardent bowler until the age of 76 - in later years with two grandchildren as his teammates. (He scored 299 several times, but never made the 300 perfect game.)

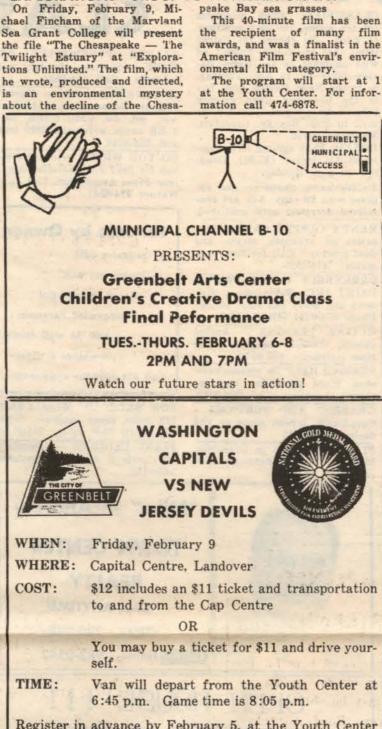
At Green Ridge House, Mr. Smith took part in many activities and was well known for his wit and sense of humor. Greenbelt particularly appealed to the Smiths because its design afforded them opportunities for their long daily walks, and they were often seen strolling hand-in-hand through the city. Mr. Smith was also a member of Mowatt United Methodist Church.

In addition to his wife, Mr. Smith is survived by four children: Dova Kreimeyer of Greenbelt, Charlotte Walters of Edgewater, Joseph C. Smith, Jr. now on government assignment in Thailand, and Sylvia Hubbard of Port Republic, Md.; and by 11 grandchildren and 20 greatgrandchildren.

Funeral services were at the Borgwardt Funeral Home on January 24, and Mr. Smith was buried in the Greenbelt City Cemetery. Memoriial contributions may be made to the Mowatt United Methodist Church, 40 Ridge Road, Greenbelt.

Boys & Girls Club Board to Meet

The Board of Directors of the Greenbelt Boys and Girls Club will meet at the Youth Center on February 6 at 7:30 pm. The attendance of all parents of club members is encouraged because the club has many crucial vacancies to be filled and is trying to decide on a new fee schedule in time for registration for spring soccer. For more information, call 310-1066



"EXPLORATIONS" GROUP TO VIEW FILM ON BAY

Register in advance by February 5, at the Youth Center Business Office, 9 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., Monday - Friday. For additional information, dial 474-6878.

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City of Greenbelt, Maryland GREEMBELT \$2,100,000

Public Improvement Bonds for 1990

Dated February 1, 1990

Sealed proposals will be received until 11:00 A.M. local Baltimore, Maryland time on Thursday, February 8, 1990 by the City Manager of the City of Greenbelt, Maryland, at the offices of Piper and Marbury, Conference Room 7SE, Charles Center South - 7th Floor, 36 South Charles Street, Baltimore, Maryland 21201 for the purpose of the above - described general obligation bonds of the City dated February 1, 1990, and ending, subject to prior redemption, on November 1, in annual amounts from 1991 to the year 2010.

An Official Notice of Sale and the Preliminary Official Statement together with the required forms of bid may be obtained from Alex Brown & Sons Incorporated, 135 East Baltimore Street, Baltimore, Maryland 21202 (301) 727-1700, Financial Advisor to the City.

James K. Giese

City Manager

Information to Citizens interested in purchasing one or more city bonds.

- The bids will be sold in \$5,000 denominations with 1. interest paid semi-annually.
- 2. It is possible that the buyer of all bids will purchase for an investment portfolio and the bids will not be re-offered to the general public on an individual basis.
- Persons interested in purchasing one or more bonds 3. should advise their investment broker.
- The City cannot sell bonds directly to interested per-4. sons or assist in the purchase.
- 5. The City Manager's office can provide the name and address of the purchaser of the bonds at sale the afternoon of the sale.

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