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Council Opposes Billiard Parlor, **Proceeds with Pool Bathhouse**

by Diane Oberg

Citing the number of establishments already licensed to sell alcoholic drinks in and around Beltway Plaza, and the additional burden likely to be placed upon the department, police Greenbelt City Council unanimously opposed the transfer of a beer and wine license to a 24-hour billiards parlor proposed for Beltway Plaza. The town of Berwyn Heights is already on record against the transfer citing the nearness of Greenbelt Middle School, plus the concerns raised by Greenbelt's council.

In other actions, council scheduled a public hearing on the proposed program for the planned community center and approved spending approximately \$19,000 to revise plans for renovating the old bathhouse at the outdoor pool.

The public hearing will be held as part of the January 27 regucouncil meeting and cover the proposed program and uses of the community center and the Community Center Task Force report. It will not cover issues of operating costs, for which the city does not yet have adequate information to estimate.

Champion Billiards

Champion Billiards Cafe, Inc. is seeking approval from the county Board of License Commissions to transfer a beer and wine license to a billiards parlor proposed for the upper level of Beltway Plaza. In response to council concerns, the company agreed to restrict liquor sales to 11 a.m. to 2 a.m., instead of 6 a.m.-2 a.m., the maximum hours under the law.

Champion Billiards' attorney Linda Carter pleaded with coun-

Beltway Plaza and the disagreements council has had with its owner. She reminded council that, following a visit to the company's Shirlington facility, May-or Gil Weidenfeld likened the establishment to a "nice bowling

Given council's concerns about the Plaza, Carter argued that council would have more control, due to the liquor laws, with the billiards parlor than it would over an establishment without a liquor license.

Carter also brought three people familiar with the Champions in Shirlington who vouched for the wholesomeness of that establishment. One, Stephen Cradlin of Laurel, a county police offi-cer, argued that the clients attracted by the proposed establishment would not be the type to cause problems. He felt that cost of an evening at the parlor, which he estimated at \$50-\$75, would deter large groups of vouths.

Good Neighbor?

Greenbelt Police Chief James R. Craze was originally very concerned about the potential for trouble if the billiards parlor opened in Beltway Plaza. However, after checking with police departments near the two other Champions establishments that serve liquor, he said that "by all indications" the company is "a good neighbor." However, he still had concerns about the "current crowd at Beltway Plaza" and how it would come together with the proposed establishment. Unlike Cradlin, he saw no reason to believe that "undesirable types" would stay away from the billiards parlor.

Council member Rodney Roberts pressed Carter for a commitment that the company would fund a full time police officer, including cruiser and other equipment, rather than just hiring moonlighting officers. Carter said her client was willing to "put in writing" that he will take all necessary security measures, but was not willing to agree to Roberts' proposal.

Pool House

Going from pool hall to pool house, council approved spending approximately \$19,000 to complete the design, bid and oversee construction of the remodeling of the old bath house. Given the city's budget problems, the contract also calls for modifications to reduce the renovation cost. The two major

See COUNCIL, page 9

Local Citizens Form Lobby **Groups to Support Education**

by Elaine Skolnik

Parents, Leaders and Educators Demanding Good Education - PLEDGE for short - are lobbying local and state elected officials to end further cuts in the education budget and to find new sources of revenue. The movement to form a coalition of education, parent, employee, religious, business and citizen groups was spearheaded by Prince Georges County Board of Education Chairman Suzanne Plogman and Vice Chairman Marcy Canavan.

Among PLEDGE's suggestions for raising revenues to benefit education are an increase in sales taxes, a revision of the tax structure "to ensure that everyone pays his fair share," and a raise in the potential piggyback tax rate from 50% to 60%. This, PLEDGE notes, will enable the county to raise additional revenues as needed to forestall disaster next year."

PLEDGE is in the process of forming groups in every area of the county. Residents will be asked to write letters, make phone calls and visit elected officials "to demand better education funding to support specific funding bills." Elected officials will also be invited to commun-ity-wide meetings.

The grass roots coalition, for example, supports full funding by the State of the magnet grant and full Federal funding of federal education mandates and "past commitments." PLEDGE notes, for example, that while Public Law 94-142 for Special Education would ultimately pay 40% "of the excess cost of educating Special Education stu-dents," the Federal government never paid more than 12%; currently the amount is about 7%

The next public briefing

is Monday, January 27

from 4 to 5 p.m.

Budget Troubles Force Cuts In Capital Project Plans

In a memo to city council, City Manager Daniel Hobbs outlined a variety of options for the expenditure of funds set aside for capital projects. With the completion of the swimming pool and Schrom Hills Park, only limited funds remain available for other capital projects. In addition, the termination by the state of open space funding has left the city holding the bag for some of the expenses incurred in relation to the acquisition of land for and development of the Schrom Hills Park the Schrom Hills Park.

last May projected that \$1,165,-451 would be available at the end of the fiscal year for future capital projects, the city staff now estimates that only \$468,-551 will be available. As a result, Hobbs has recommended a priority procedure for the under-taking of capital projects. Remodeling of Pool Bathhouse

The first priority is to proceed with the reconstruction of the old swimming pool bathhouse as an exercise facility to serve as an adjunct to the new indoor pool. As a first step, Hobbs has recommended that the architects, Sullivan and Almy, be authorized

Although the budget adopted to revise existing plans in order to reduce construction costs for this facility. On January 13, the city council authorized Hobbs to spend \$19,000 for the revised architectural drawings.

> The city staff hopes that construction and other related costs can be reduced from \$600,000 to \$400,000 by using wood beam construction instead of steel and by eliminating two bathrooms. Some of the strictly cosmetic features would also be elimi-

> Hobbs anticipates that the facility can be redesigned and constructed for an opening next November.

Other Projects

Hobbs further recommended that the city proceed with other capital projects with one following the other as much as possible in the following man-

1. Have an evaluation done of the Youth Center for the adaptive reuse of space rather than building an addition for women's locker/shower. Cost of the evaluation, \$7,000. It is believed that through adaptive reuse of existing space a women's shower and locker room can be established at a cost well below the estimated \$146,000 required for an addition. Adaptive re-use should also provide the opportunity to up-grade and improve the interior appearance of the heavily used 30-year-old facility.

Braden Field Tennis Courts

2. Reconstruct the Braden Field tennis courts No. 1-4. At See CAPITAL PROJECTS, pg. 8

The Board of Education expects to hold at least two briefings a month (in addition to regularly scheduled Board meetings) on the budget crisis. The next public briefing is Monday, January 27 from 4 to 5 p.m. in the Board of Education meeting

room in Upper Marlboro.

On Tuesday, February 21 at 5:30 p.m. a rally to pressure the County Executive and the County Council to increase funding for education will be held outside the County Administration Building in Upper Marlboro.

To join PLEDGE and for further information, call Plogman at 345-8397 or Canavan at 283-

PLEDGE points out that because of both county and state revenue projection shortfalls, the county school system has cut almost \$54 million from the budget in the past 13 months.

SCHOOL BOARD MEETS AT HIGH POINT HIGH

The Board of Education of the Prince Georges County Public Schools has changed the location of its Thursday, January 30 Board meeting from the Sasscer Administration Building in Upper Marlboro to the High Point High School auditorium located at 3601 Powder Mill Road in Beltsville.

The meeting is scheduled to begin at 7 p.m.

Revenues Less than Expected, But City Better Off than County

by James Giese

Both the City of Greenbelt and Prince Georges County have been faced with the loss of anticipated revenues and the withholding by the state of previously approved state aid. As a result of the greater range of services provided by the county, and, in particular, its responsibility to provide education, the county government receives a much greater amount of state assistance and has a greater variety of revenue sources than the city.

While it was necessary for the

city to cut back its spending because revenues were less than originally anticipated, the city continues to show some growth in its revenue sources. On the other hand, the county has suffered declining revenues such as with the property transfer tax.

Also, the county experienced significant cutbacks in state aid after its budget was adopted. This has resulted in the county invoking hiring freezes, withholding pay increases and furloughing employees. The city, in comparison, while holding back on filling some vacant positions, provided for employee cost-ofliving increases and for a few new positions in the current fiscal year budget.

City Revenues Down 6.3%, County 9.3%

Short of Estimates

For the last fiscal year, city revenues fell below estimates by 6.3%, but the city managed to bit more and completed the year better off than budgeted. Even so, the city's surplus was reduced by \$194,500. The remaining surplus still represents more than 5% of last year's revenues.

County revenues for the last fiscal year also fell short of the adopted budget estimates - by \$65.5 million or 9.3%. Its expenditures of \$736.9 million (including transfers to other agencies, See COUNTY vs. CITY, page 8

Letters

Sigh of Relief

To the Editor:

Friends of the Greenbelt Litrary should wake up and smell the recession. Funding for the poor, homeless and disabled is being cut back — why not Greenbelt Library?

It is an obscenity in these sad times to run a library full tilt seven days a week with reckless disregard for costs, residents of Old Greenbelt who believe Sunday is still the Lord's Day or the demands of severe budget cutbacks.

As a local resident living directly across the road from the library for the past 15 years, I am sick and tired of endless hours, illegal U-turns by patrons (there are two no U-turn signs) and dangerous traffic conditions.

I breathe a sigh of relief at the newly proposed cutback in hours open.

Richard Mahar

How to Register to Vote

Maryland will hold its presidential primary election on March 3. Registration books will close prior to the primary on Monday, February 3.

The Prince Georges County Board of Supervisors of Elections, with the cooperation of Giant Food Stores, will be conducting voter registration in all Prince Georges County Giant Food Stores from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. the following Saturdays: January 25 and February 1.

Citizens can call the Board's 24-hour registration hotline (301) 627-2814. An application will be sent within three working days. Applications must reach the Election Office in Upper Marlboro not later than 9 p.m. on Monday. February 3, in order to be processed for the March 3 presidential primary.

Registration can also be accomplished at the Board's Office (next to the County Administration Building), 14701 Gov. Oden Bowie Drive, Suite 101, Upper Marlboro, from 8 a.m. until 9. p.m. Monday through Friday, except holidays.

The only locations for in-person registration on February 3 will be the Board of Elections Office in Upper Marlboro from 8 a.m. until 9 p.m. and the Largo office of the Motor Vehicle Administration from 8:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m.

For absentee ballot and other information call (301) 952-3270, Monday through Friday, from 8 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. Hearing impaired should call TDD (301) 627-3352 for information on absentee ballots and voter registration, Monday through Friday, from 8 a.m. until 4:30 p.m.

Examines Values

To the Editor

At its meeting on January 18 at the Greenbelt Library, the Gray Panthers of Prince Georges County voted unanimously to protest the cutbacks at the library in Greenbelt. We believe these proposals are unfair and are based on faulty information concerning the number of people using the library.

Gray Panthers feel strongly about the educational needs of American children and have noticed the extent to which groups of students and their teachers leave school premises to use and learn about our library. We believe that this is unique in the county. Taking away morning hours also eliminated programs that entertain and educate preschoolers, who learn from an early age the importance of libraries in their lives.

We believe it is time to examine our values and our priorities, to find ways to contribute to a quality of life that emphasizes the peaceful pursuit of knowledge, rather than violence that deemphasizes the search for knowledge. Continuing to keep our library open for sixty hours is not only fair to all county residents, it is a way to maintain our American culture and remain civilized.

Janet J. Parker Convener

LIBRARY PETITION DRIVE CONTINUES

Volunteers will continue to gather signatures on a Friends of the Greenbelt Library (FOGL) petition this Saturday, January 25, outside both entrances to the local branch as well as inside the Coop supermarket in Roosevelt Center.

The petition asks the county library system board to modify a proposal brought to them by library budget analysts which suggests that the Greenbelt branch's hours be cut from 60 to 43 hours to save money. New Carrollton's branch would also suffer a 29 percent drop in hours. Five branches would be left open seven days a week, and most remaining branches would take a minimal drop in hours open.

"A sharing of the burden is all we ask," comments a FOGL spokesperson. The evaluation of the local branch was based on circulation; FOGL maintains that this does not take into account the non-circulation services such as computer rooms, the art gallery and used book store; the availability of non-circulating materials for business and academic research; and the citycenter location (next to a school) which prompts many people to visit the library regularly while not necessarily checking materials out.

Anyone needing more information may call Eileen Peterson (345-2454).



NOTICE

The following meetings have been scheduled by the Greenbelt City Council:

Monday, January 27 8:00 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARING on Proposed Program and Uses for Greenbelt Community Center and Regular Council Meeting Council Room

Tuesday, January 28

8:00 p.m. 8:30 p.m. Interviews with Advisory Board and Committee Applicants - Youth Advisory Board Other Applicants -Council Room

Thursday, January 30 pm thru Saturday am, February 1

interest in

Goals Work Session

Tuesday, February 4 8:00 p.m.

Joint Session of Council and PRAB - Aquatics Center

Tuesday, February 11 8:00 p.m.

Regular Council Meeting Council Room

Monday, February 24 8:00 p.m. Regular Council Meeting Council Room

City Youth Charged In ERHS Shooting

Based upon information provided by the Greenbelt Police Department

Ait 9 p.m. on January 14 there was a fight in the parking lot of Eleanor Roosevelt Senior High School between two Senior High juveniles after a basketball game; a verbal barrage had escalated to fisticuffs. When the fight was over, some of the involved youths ran to a parked vehicle and got inside.

One of that group then produc-

ed a handgun and fired it out the window towards the other group. A youth's jacket was hit, but he was not injured. Then the group in the vehicle drove away.

Investigation of this incident led to the arrest on January 16 of 17-year-old Scott Papo Christian of 9006 Breezewood Terr., #103. Charged as an adult, the youth appeared before a District Court Commissioner and was held on \$25,000 bond pending trial.

THE CITY OF GREEN BELT

AGENDA

Regular Meeting of City Council

JANUARY 27, 1992
8:00 p.m.

I. ORGANIZATION

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

II. COMMUNICATIONS

- 6. PUBLIC HEARING
 Proposed program and Uses for Greenbelt Community
 Center
- 7. Presentation
- 8. Petitions and Requests

 (Petitions received at the meeting will not be acted upon
 by the City Council at this meeting unless the standing
 rules are waived by the Council)
- 9. Minutes of Meetings
 - 10. Administrative Reports
- * 11. Committee Reports -

III. LEGISLATION

12. An Ordinance to Make a Supplemental Appropriation in the Replacement Fund for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1992 in the Amount of Thirteen Thousand Two Hundred Dollars (\$13,200) for the Purchase of New Equipment - Second Reading

IV. OTHER BUSINESS

- 13. Next Steps in Community Center Project
- 14. Award of Purchase Motor Analyzer
- 15. Proposal to Reduce Hours and Services of Greenbelt and Other Prince George's County Libraries
- 16. Proposed Use of Bicycles for Police Patrol
- 17. Request for Approval for a Negotiated Purchase of PCs
- * 18. Request for Extension of Annual Leave

V. SCHEDULING OF FUTURE MEETINGS

NOTE: This is a preliminary agenda, subject to change.

Regular Council meetings are open to the public and all interested citizens are invited to attend. For information, please call 474-3870.

Dorothy Lauber, CMC City Clerk

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Evergreen Plant Hike

Join a Park Ranger for a one mile hike in Greenbelt Park to view the many evergreen plants. shrubs and trees. Meet at the Dogwood nature trail parking area at 1 p.m. on Saturday, Jan.

For more information call 344-3948 or 344-3944.

Wetlands Hike

Join a Park Ranger for a two mile hike to view a wetland area. Learn about the vital ecological role that wetlands serve while discovering the plant and animal communities in a forested swamp. Meet at the entrance to the campground at Greenbelt Park, at 1 p.m. on Sunday, Jan. 26.

Greens Group Meets

Greenbelt Greens meets to vote on by-laws, form committees and elect officers at a public meeting in the Greenbelt library, this Monday, January 27 from 7-9 p.m.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Learn About Bird Feeding Behavior

Come learn about the different types of birds that feed in Greenbelt Park. Bird behavior and different bird feeders will be discussed while observing birds at working bird feeder station. Meet at the entrance to the campground at 11 a.m. on Saturday, Jan. 25. For more information call 344-3948 or 344-3944.

Volunteers Needed

There is an urgent need for volunteers to help with Meals on Wheels in Greenbelt. Anyone who can spare a few hours once a week, please call 474-1002 between 9 - 11 a.m.

Visit Russia Jan. 31 With Explorations

On Friday, January 31, Helen Svenson, from Greenbelt Travel Service, will be taking "Explorations Unlimited" participants on a "personal tour" of Russia. She will be bringing mementos from her trip to Russia and will discuss what it was like to be a visitor during the recent tur-

"Explorations Unlimited" is a speaker series held every Friday from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Greenbelt Youth Center, Everyone is welcome. For more information please call the Greenbelt Recreation Department at

Skin Care Business Seminar Offered

Professional skin care consultant, Leta Mach, of Greenbelt will present a free seminar, "How to Beat the Recession by Starting your own Independent Skin Care Business" on Saturday, February 1 from noon-2 p.m. in Greenbelt. Mach will show how individuals can have exceptional earning potential in the current economy by becoming a Jafra Cosmetics, Inc. skin care consultant. Reservations for the seminar, which will include a light lunch, can be made by calling 345-8105.

Mach has been with Jafra Cosmetics since 1987. She has responsibility for overseeing all sales activities of her sales branch

Fun at Goddard

municates with the division operates.

4 p.m.

The Committee to Save the Green Belt is sponsoring tours of the "Green Belt" each Saturday at noon. They meet at the playground at the end of Gardenway. Refreshments are prowided. Call 474-4863 for information.

On Arthritis Offered

conduct a free training workshop for persons interested in becoming volunteer leaders for Arthritis Self Help (ASH) Courses on January 24, 25 and 26 at the health agency's Metropolitan Washington Chapter office, 1901 Fort Myer Drive, Suite 500 in Arlington, Virginia from 6 to 9 p.m., January 24; 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. January 25 and 26.

On Thurs., Jan. 30 Drop-In Storytime 11 a.m. for ages 3-5.

On Sun., Jan. 26 at 1 p.m. there will be a talk on NASA's communications division entitled "NASCOM - How Goddard Com-municates with the World." Charles Duignan will talk about spacecraft missions and how the

This event is at the Goddard Space Flight Center Visitor Center. The Visitor Center is open to the public Wednesday through Sunday from 10 a.m. to

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Self Help Courses

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Celebrate Schubert Jan. 31 at Tawes

On Friday, January 31 at 8 p.m. tenor James McDonald, professor of voice at the University of Maryland, will perform Schubert's song cycle Die Winterreise accompanied by Ruth Ann Mc-Donald. This performance, in celebration of Schubert's 195th birthday, will be held in the Tawes Recital Hall on the College Park campus.

Prior to the concert there will be a symposium: "Wilhelm Mueller. The Poet of Die Winterreise" at 7 p.m., also in the Tawes Recital Hall, by Dr. Peter Beicken, professor of German at the University of Maryland.

This concert is free and open to the public. For any additional information please call the concert office at 405-5548.

Roses are reddish 000E Violets are bluish A heartfelt love wish Is quite News Reviewish

Work of 2 Artists Displayed at Hospital

Doctor's Community Hospital is displaying the work of two local artists' workk on the second floor of the hospital, open to the public from 11 a.m. until 8 p.m. daily. As part of an on-going exhibit of work of Prince Georges County artists, this month's exhibit features a variety of paintings by Win Warren and Arnold Hurley.

Mr. Warren grew up in Georgia and now resides in University Park. He took up art as a second career after working as a lawyer and as an FBI agent. He was recently elected to the Town Council of University Park.

Mr. Hurley was born in Boston, Mass and taught art at the high school and college level there. He was voted one of the Outstanding Young Men of America in 1981. Hurley currently teaches art in Prince Georges County at Crossland High School.

Tanglewood Tryouts

Auditions will be held in Washington, D.C. for musicians interested in attending the 1992 summer season of the Boston University Tanglewood Institute and School of Music on Saturday, February 1 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the University of Washington, District of Columbia, 4200 Connecticut Avenue.

To make an audition appointment, please phone the Boston University Tanglewood Institute office at 617-353-3386. For further information, including application and scholarship material, write to Boston University Tanglewood Institute, 855 Commonwealth Avenue, Boston, MA 02215, or telephone 617-353-3386. Students unable to audition in person may send audition tapes. Deadline for taped auditions is March 16.

Recreation Review

Facility Entrance Card All participants, 14 years and over, entering the Recreation Center are required to possess a Recreation Facility Card. They may be purchased by residents only at either recreation center. Volleyball

Drop-in co-recreational competitive volleyball is played at the Center school gym on Monday evenings 6:30-10:30 p.m. Drop-in is cancelled only in the event of school closings due to snow, ice or holidays. Everyone 16 years and over is welcome.

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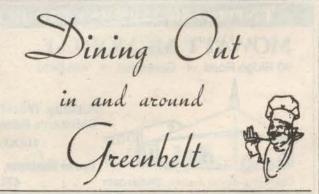
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To place your ad here, call Linda Savaryn, 474-5285 or Mary Lou Williamson, 441-2662.

Dorothy Merryman Stephanie Cornett

Pioneer Dorothy Louise (Dot) Merryman, 75. of 21 Ridge Rd., died Monday, January 13 at Doctors Community Hospital, Lan-

Born in Washington, D.C. she and her husband were one of the first families to live in Greenbelt. She worked in the banking business and was a teller in the Suburban Trust (now Nations Bank) bank in Greenbelt

She was an officer of the Woman's Club of Greenbelt for many years and also served as an election judge in the 3rd precinct at Center School. In the early days of Greenbelt, Mrs. Merryman and her husband were regular attendees at the community dances held in Center School.

Mrs. Merryman is survived by her husband, Harry G. Merryman, Sr.; daughters Betty Jean Merryman and Dixie Merryman Baker; son. Harry G. Merryman. Jr.; sister Vetura Parrott; eight grandchildren and ten greatgrandchildren.

A memorial service was held Monday, January 20 at the Borgwardt Funeral Home. Beltsville. The Reverend Richard Karpal of Emmanuel United Methodist Church officiated.

The family suggests that memorial contributions be made to the charity of one's choice.

Marian Staugh

Marian Slaugh, 84, a resident of Greenbelt since 1939 died on January 16.

For many years Mrs. Slaugh worked at the Old Greenbelt Library in Center School when it was part of the city. She con-tinued working for the library from 1956-1970 after it became associated with the Prince Georges County library.

She was a member of the D.A.R.

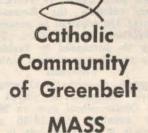
Mrs. Slaugh is survived by sons Charles Slaugh of Adelphi and Frederick Slaugh. Washington, D.C., six grandchildren and two great-granddaughters. Some of her grandchildren now reside in 9 Court Ridge where she had lived.

Funeral services were held on Monday, January 20 at the Lutheran Church of the Reformation in Washington, D.C. Interment was in Lancaster, PA.

The family requests that in lieu of flowers memorial contributions be made to the Church of the Reformation, 212 E. Capitol St., Washington, D.C. 20003.

PAINT BRANCH UNITARIAN CHURCH

3215 Powder Mill Road (near Cherry Hill Road) Sun., Jan. 26, 10:30 a.m. "Community Ministry in Action" Gary L. McMichael Church School 10:30 a.m. Dr. Virginia Knowles 937-3666



Municipal Building, Sundays, 10:00 A.M.

Stephanie Falcon Cornett, 69, died Thursday, January 9. of complications stemming from hospitalization for pneumonia. A resident of Greenbelt for the past 42 years, she was the widow of Sanford H. Cornett.

Born and raised in West Virginia, she moved to Washington during World War II to work for the Labor Department. She married Sanford Cornett in 1948, and they moved to Greenbelt in 1950, residing at 46-B Ridge until moving to the Lakewood subdivision in 1960.

Mrs. Cornett actively supported many political candidates, and spoke out for preserving the character of Greenbelt and the greenspace around it. In the 1960's she was a leader in the organization that raised funds for the legal defense of the Greenbelt News Review when it was being sued for libel by a local developer. Both Mrs. Cornett and her husband were active in the Greenbelt Lions Club, and she served as president of the Greenbelt Lion Belles. She bowled in several local leagues, and was an avid bingo player.

Mrs. Cornett's survivors include three sons: Joseph, of Annapolis; William, of Greenbelt; and Tod, of Beltsville; and a daughter, Adrianne Proctor, of Midland, Michigan. Five brothers and sisters also survive her.

Anyone wishing to donate a gift in her memory is urged to consider the Greenbelt Lions Club, for their charity work against blindness.

Widowed Offered Support Group

A six week support and discussion group for men and women of all ages widowed 18 months or less will be held January 23-Feb. 25 from 7-9:30 p.m. in Riverdale by the Patuxent Widowed Persons Service.

Call 735-0838 for information about registering. There is no charge.

Baha'i Faith

"This is worship: to serve mankind and to minister to the needs of the people. Service is prayer."

- Baha'i Sacred Writings Greenbelt Baha'i Community P.O. Box 245

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Legion Auxiliary Offers **Triple Crown Events**

Greenbelt Unit No. 136, American Legion Auxiliary is sponsoring its own version of triple crown events - three different pageants between now and mid-April. The first , for the title of "Ms. Cherry Pie," will be held on Monday, February 17, at Beltway Plaza Mall with the net proceeds to be donated to the American Cancer Society. It is open to all interested females, regardless of age or marital status. Registration deadline is Febru-

The second, taking place on March 1 at the Greenbelt American Legion Post Hall on Greenbelt Road, is the fourteenth annual "Queen of Hearts" children's pageant. This pageant is open to girls ages 2 through 17 and will benefit the Unit's Girls State program. Registration deadline will be February 24.

The third, to be held in early April, is the 10th annual "Miss Greenbelt America" scholarship pageant. Eligibility requirements for young women competing in this "Miss America" preliminary pageant include that they must: have lived or worked (full-time) in Maryland within a 30 mile radius of Greenbelt or in the District of Columbia for at least six months prior to pageant date or be a registered full time student in a college or university within that geographical area have graduated from high school or received a GED by July 30; be 17 years old on the pageant date and no older than 26 on September 30. Requests for registration materials must be received by March 1.

Information on all of these pageants can be received by contacting Rusty Beeg at 577-3025. after 6 p.m. or by writing to her attention to: ALA Unit 136, c/o American Legion Post 136, 6900 Greenbelt Road, Greenbelt, MD

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Crescent & Greenhill Roads

Jaycee Week

January 19 to 26 is National Jaycee Week. Hundreds of thousands of Jaycees across the nation will celebrate individual and collective accomplishments through special projects and programs for their communities.

Jaycees work together to combat the problems of the homeless, and drug and alcohol abuse. Volunteers raise money for research of children's diseases like cystic fibrosis; plan community wide annual events, such as the National Cherry Blossom Parade; and devote their time to support educational programs for the young and assist the elderly. Maryland Jaycees have in their 52 year history built parks and Senior Citizen Day Care centers; have provided Christmas gifts for thousands of children; and have raised millions of dollars all of which have been put back into their communities.

To join the Jaycee chapter in this area, contact the Maryland Jaycee Service Center at 301-876-1244.

Hospital Needs Folks Who Go in the Snow

Doctors Community Hospital in Lanham urgently needs volunteers with four-wheel-drive vehicles to help during snow emergencies to transport necessary medical personnel to and from the hospital.

Anyone who might be interested in helping in this way, please call the Volunteer Office at the hospital on 552-8001 to request an application.

City Seeks Advice On Handicap Access

The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) was passed in July 1990 "to promote civil rights for disabled Americans." Citizens must have equal access to public services, commercial facilities, activities and programs.

In order to comply with ADA, the City is compiling a list to ensure that all residents of Greenbelt have access to all of its services. Reasonable accommodations and alterations wi'll be made as soon as possible. Examples of these include: curbs needing "curb-cuts", inaccessible door entries, inaccessible rest rooms, being excluded from participating in a program or service due to a disability, etc.

Anyone having suggestions for making any City facility, service or program more accessible for disabled individuals, should call Barbara Havekost, at 301-345-7203 by January 31.

Every reasonable effort will be made to ensure that all citizens have full access to City facilities, services and programs.

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

Edward H. Birner, Pastor

POLICE BLOTTER

Based on Information Released by the Greenbelt Police Department

As a man was getting out of his vehicle in the 7900 block of Mandan Rd. around 9:45 p.m. on Jan. 15, two men came up behind him and started to beat him on the head with some sort of weapon. One took the victim's wallet. The men beat the victim on the head several more times and then fled. They are described as (1) black, about 20 years old, 5'5", wearing dark clothing; (2) black, about 20 years old, 5'8", wearing a white jacket.

As a pizza deliverer was leaving a building after having delivered a pizza, a man pointed a handgun at him, took his cash and then ran away. The thief is

described as black, 25 years old, 5'9", 160 lbs., wearing a blue kneelength jeans jacket, blue jeans, a yellow T-shirt and black tennis shoes. The incident took place around 6:30 p.m. on Jan. 11 in the 6900 block of Hanover Pkwy.

A burglary was reported at a residence in the 7800 block of Mandan Rd. on January 9; entry was gained by breaking the third floor balcony sliding glass door. Money was stolen.

Arson and Violence

Arson was reported in the 12 Court of Hillside Rd. on January 14: someone had tried to set fire to a pickup truck. Investigation is continuing.

A 42-year-old male resident of the 6200 block of Springhill Ct. was arrested and charged with battery and resisting arrest on January 16 after an incident of domestic violence involving a knife.

Vehicles

On January 11 a 1989 Chevrolet Cavalier was reported stolen from the 7400 block of Morrison Dr.; it was later recovered. On January 14,a white, two-door, 1980 Datsun 210, MD tags TXW 629, was reported stolen from the 5900 block of Cherrywood Lane.

Vandalisms to, thefts from and attempted thefts of autos were reported in the following areas: Beltway Plaza, the 8400 block of Canning Terr., Edmonston Terr. and Breezewood Ct., the 7700 block of Hanover Pkwy., the 8100 block of Lakecrest Dr., the 400 block of Ridge Rd., the 9100 block of Sprnghill Lane, and the 7800 block of Walker Dr.

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CITY OF GREENBELT, MARYLAND

ON THE PROPOSED PROGRAM FOR THE COMMUNITY CENTER

A Public Hearing has been scheduled for the first part of the regularly scheduled meeting of the Greenbelt City Council on January 27, 1992. The purpose of the public hearing is to invite public participation and receive public input on the proposed program of uses for the planned community center.

The program has been developed by the city's project architect, Keyes Condon Florance, with the input of the Community Center Task Force. The program is based on expressions of interest for usage of space in a multi-use intergenerational facility. The program is an extensive report on the proposed uses including the amount of space needed, the requirements for the space, a proposed location for the use and a construction cost estimate for the project.

The proposed uses and square footage suggested for each use are as follows:

* Performing Arts
(includes theater, rehearsal and dressing rooms, costume shop, properties shop, scene shop and dance room)

8,193 sf

* Visual Arts 6,874 sf (includes artist studio space, classrooms, photography development, and ceramics/glazing/kiln rooms)

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* Preschool Age Child Care	3,399 sf
* Adult Day Care	2,390 sf
* Senior Citizens Programs (includes drop-in lounge, game room and classrooms)	2,576 sf
* Greenbelt CARES office space	1,328 sf
* Cable Television Public Access Studio	711 sf
* Greenbelt News Review	985 sf
* Greenbelt Museum	994 sf
* Warming Kitchen and Dining Area	902 sf
* Gymnasium	6,290 sf
* Community Meeting Rooms	2,665 sf
* Visitor Center	292 sf
* Literary Arts/Multi-Media	178 sf
* Additional classrooms, offices and storage	2,874 sf
Total Net Square Footage for Programs	40,651 sf

Copies of the program are available for review at the City Manager's Office in the Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road and at the Greenbelt Library, 11 Crescent Road during operating hours.

A preliminary cost estimate for the renovation of the 55,500 square foot building based on the proposed uses is \$4.9 million. Budgeted funds for construction work are estimated at \$3.6 million. Operational costs for the building including management, janitorial and control staff, and utilities are projected to range between \$7.00 to \$10.00 per square foot.



There's a new date for "An Evening with Friends," the third annual variety show sponsored by the Greenbelt Arts Center. The show is now scheduled for Feb. 22, 7:30 p.m. at the Springhill Lake Fountain Lodge. That's one week later than originally planned. Season ticket holders please note date change.

"Friends" producer Konrad Herling promises another funfilled evening, featuring a variety of talented Greenbelt performers. The list includes some popular performers who will reprise last year's entertainment and new performances and acts. As usual there will be a variety of instrumental and vocal music, of all styles, and other types of entertainment.

From its earliest history, Greenbelters entertained their neighbors and friends, drawing from the many talented artists in their midst. Herling is completing the program but calls on others who would like to participate to contact him at 345-9369

Next Dramatic Production

Arthur Miller's "The Creation of the World and Other Business" is the winter drama production of the Greenbelt Arts Center. It will be performed February 28 and 29; March 6, 7, 13 and 14 at 8 p.m. There will be a Sunday matinee at 2 p.m. March 8. This clever play features Adam. Eve, Lucifer, angels and others who deal with the basic facts of life, with witty dialogue and observations.

This production is directed by Mary Lou Fisher, responsible for many of the Arts Center's major productions. Gene Duarte is producer, David Wilson technical director, Ginny Zanner lighting designer and Trix Whitehall stage manager.

The play will be performed in the Gudelsky Auditorium at near-by Capitol College. Just off the Baltimore-Washington Parkway only minutes from Greenbelt. Capitol College provides a comfortable, convenient location for the audience attending the Arts Center's plays. Watch the News Review for information on the upcoming musical and dramatic productions.

One-Act Play Tournament

"Dust of the Road," a one-act Christmas play presented by the Greenbelt Arts Center in Greenbelt earlier this year, will be the Arts Center's entry in the Maryland One-Act Tournament Association's competition on the weekend of January 31-February 2.

The competition will be held at the Montgomery College Center for Performing Arts on the Montgomery College Campus in Rockville. There will be 17 plays presented by 15 groups, during the weekend play festival. Two winners will be selected to go on to the regional championships; winners there compete at the national level.

Greenbelt's entry is performed at 7:45 p.m. on Saturday, February 1

Call the Arts Center information line, 441-8770, for more information on the one-act play competition and the upcoming Greenbelt productions or to be added to the Arts Center's mailing list to receive advance notice of arts activities.

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such as the Board of Education) exceeded revenues by 14.7% and resulted in a deficit that wiped out a small amount of county surplus and necessitated the county borrowing \$79 million on a short term basis with the funds being paid back over the next three years.

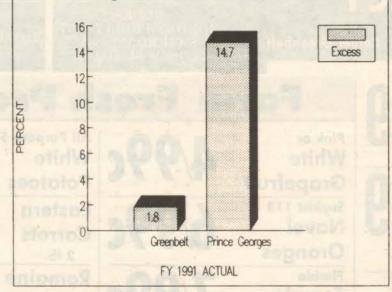
County's Revenue Loss Four Times As Much

For the current fiscal year, the almost \$200,000 of state aid canceled represents a loss of 1% of the city's budgeted funds. Other city revenues appear to be meeting original estimates. The current estimates for the county's revenue shortfall, part of which is the result of declining revenues, is over \$30 million or 4.4% of the total budget. The county is concerned that additional state cutbacks will increase this shortfall.

In spite of these financial difficulties and the need for the county to borrow funds to finance its deficit, county officials are pleased that the bond ratings have not been reduced and continue to be excellent.

FY 1991 EXCESS EXPENDITURES

Percent Expenditures Exceeded Revenues



FY 1991 Excess Expenditures

Last year Greenbelt spent \$172,131 more than it took in as revenues. However, the city had budgeted a deficit of \$179,300. Prince Georges County experienced a more serious imbalance with spending exceeding income by 14.7%.

Capital Projects Plans Cut by Budget Troubles

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this time Hobbs is not recommending beginning this project even though there are openings in the surface over an inch wide. A test boring has been taken and staff is assessing the information provided by the boring. The estimated cost for reconstructing these courts is between \$90.000 and \$100.000, but the amount budgeted was only \$65,000.

3. Delay replacement of the gym floor at the Springhill Lake Recreation Center. While the floor lacks resiliency and is hard on knee joints and shins, the floor is structurally sound. The cost for this work is estimated to be \$30.000.

4. Delay resurfacing the roof at the Youth Center. Hobbs considers patching of bad areas an acceptable measure instead of the \$16,800 project.

Improvement to Public Works Facility

5. Revise the undertaking of public works projects. This includes four projects: construction of a salt storage shed, \$50,000; construction of a storage building, \$70,000; master planning for an addition to the public works building, \$50,000; and resurfacing of the roof of the existing garage, \$35,000. Hobbs recommends moving ahead with the first two projects, which are badly needed. He proposes that the \$50,000 budgeted for planning an addition be used instead for upgrading the existing facility.

"Improvements will include the structures; the arrangements of the equipment to enhance the efficiency of the operation and use of equipment; and improvement in worker morale," Hobbs' memo reads. Using these planning funds at this time to provide improvements to the facility now will improve the work environment, Hobbs contends. He proposes to undertake master planning with funds budgeted for the next fiscal year. As to the roof work, Hobbs advocates patching "for a temporary fix."

Effect of Recommendations

Hobbs estimates that these recommendations will result in a capital funds balance at the end of the year of \$692,351 instead of the \$468,551 currently estimated. Also, a projected deficit of \$202,500 in the Capital Improvements Fund II, the fund that accounted for the proceeds of the \$6 million bond issue approved in 1985 and other supplemental monies, will be reduced to a deficit of \$60,500. This deficit can be eliminated by using city funds allocated to the Schrom Hills Park development project, where it is expected that there will be a surplus of funds of \$69,780. Those funds not expended will be set aside for the renovation of Greenbelt Center School as a community center (\$426,764) and for future year capital projects.

Donations for D.A.V.

The Disabled American Veterans is pleased to announce that, in cooperation with International Mall (Langley Park) special clothing drives will be held every Saturday of the month through 1992 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Disabled American Veterans will be located on the front parking lot at the International Mall next to the marquee on University Blvd. East to collect tax deductible donations of clothing furniture and other household items.

The D.A.V. particularly asks citizen support in January and February. Please make plans to stop by with tax deductible donations; they are desperately needed.

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FY 1992 REVENUE SHORTFALL Percent Under Revenue Estimate Below Greenbett Prince Georges

FY 1992 Revenue Shortfall

CURRENT ESTIMATE

At this time the city expects to lose less than 1% of its revenues due to cutbacks in state aid. The county expects to be short 4.4% of its budget as a result of declining revenues and state aid cutbacks.



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Council Proceeds with Bathhouse

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changes are using wooden trusses instead of steel and eliminating the bathrooms from the plan. Because wooden trusses cannot span as wide an area as steel, the interior columns will be retained. Users of the exercise facility to be placed in the bathhouse will be able to use the rest rooms in the adjacent main pool structure.

Roberts sought to save money by having the city hire "a couple of carpenters to do the work." However, he found no support among his colleagues who pointed out the need to have an experienced architect guarantee structural integrity, share legal responsibility for meeting county code and maintain architectural and historical integrity. FOP Petition

Chris Field, president of the Greenbelt Lodge of the Fraternal Order of Police (FOP) petitioned council to extend additional administrative leave to an officer who had been injured on duty. Former FOP president Patrick McAndrew pointed out that this is the first such FOP petition under the city's new disability policy which reduces an injured officer's pay after 60 days.

The FOP sent the petition to City Manager Daniel Hobbs in December. According to Field, Hobbs did not forward the petition to council, saying that that body does not have the authority to grant the requested leave. Hobbs did not recall the details of this case. Council referred the issue to staff for comment.

Municipal Waste?

At the request of the Public Works Department, Hobbs was seeking approval at this meeting of a supplemental appropriation for a \$13,146 motor analyzer scope. The department currently has a similar piece of equipment, but the old unit cannot work with new computer chips now in use in various automotive systems. Roberts called the proposed purchase a "perfect example of municipal waste." He argued that all the department needed was a \$1,000 hand-held monitor. Council deferred final approval of the or-dinance until the next meeting while Roberts' suggestion is investigated.

Remax Sign

After extended and heated debate, council finally unanimously directed the city solicitor to take action to force the removal of the sign for the Remax Realty office installed in the Maryland Trade Center park without city approval. Covenants on the property give the city the right to approve all exterior signage in the office park. The issue first appeared on council's agenda in April, 1991. The council members expressed some regret at the effect their actions would

have on the business owner, but voted to have the sign removed to make clear that the city will enforce its covenants.

Other Actions

By yet another unanimous vote, council approved the establishment of a Hall of Fame and a Memorial Grove to commemorate and honor Greenbelt citizens for extensive volunteer service.

Under the consent agenda, in the face of continuing budget problems, council ended the city's experiment with a two-year budget process, returning to the previous practice of annual budget reviews.

Council reappointed the following citizens to city boards and committees: Roberta Mc-Carthy - Advisory Planning Board; Judith Ott and Jule Churchill — Board of Elections; Sharon Alfaro, John Mongelli and Mary Helen Spear - Community Relations Advisory Board; Hugh Jascourt and James O'Reilly - Employee Relations Board; Nancy DePlatchett, Quenton White and Virginia Zanner - Arts Advisory Committee; David Jastrab and Shawn Orange-Crime Prevention Committee; Brian Almquist and Alan Turnbull - Recycling Advisory Board and Booker Hughes and Betty Timer - Senior Citizens Advisory Committee.

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"Sunday Symphony"

by Christina O'Boyle I am relatively new to the world of sports. This is an embarrassing confession to make on the eve of the Superbowlbut there it is. Hollering "Flag! Flag!" at referees during TV football games comes in sharp contrast to my more stuffy upbringing. Neither sports nor politics nor hunting nor fishing but music was the main event of my parents' life. Instead of sitting in front of Sunday football games like most folks, they trotted us off to an organ concert or a piano recital. Married life and children has changed all of that. Judging from what goes on in this house, it looks like mergers between opposite upbringings-like sports and music make for unique Sunday after-

What we've got is bedlam. In the living room the beloved Redskins game is on full blast so that my husband can hear it above the din of two children. The children are tearing up the room with toys, tickles, squabbles and chasing games. Our big retriever gets jumped on and barks like crazy. Meanwhile, John is shouting at the Skins, coaches and referees. In the kitchen, making dinner while listening to Mozart, I feign normalcy.

The cacophony is deafening. In an attempt to cope with the madness, I try to hear our noise as music: I pretend the game announcers, the stadium crowd and the commercials are the brass section; the children supply percussion with great emphasis on drums and cymbals; the dog solos like a doomed mezzo-soprano; and John conducts the living room orchestra with discipline. Chopping onions and humming Mozart off-key, I tell myself that this must be the allegro movement of our Sunday symphony.

Sunday symphony.

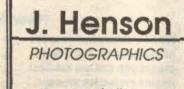
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GHI Board Vetoes Sublease, "Not a Rental Community"

by Leslie Robinson

The practice of allowing members to sublease their Greenbelt Homes, Inc. (GHI) townhomes has apparently come to a halt as a result of board actions at the regular Thursday evening meeting on January 9. In other board action, the renegotiation of over \$8 million in loans from the National Cooperative Bank (NCB) proceeded one step farther.

Subleasing

The owner of a two-bedroom. frame, middle unit requested permission to sublease the unit for one year. The owner has moved out of town. He recently reduced the asking price of \$59,990 down to \$54,900, according to General Manager Ronald Colton, The board carefully considered the facts but took no action. Board president Wayne Williams wished the member luck in selling the unit at the lower price. Williams said that maybe other members seeking permission to sublease will get the message now that the board has turned down three subleasing requests in a row. Betty Deitch, secretary of the board, said that "We have a policy. We are not a rental community. We do not rent."

During the discussion on this sublease request, the board voted to schedule an executive session workshop on resale and subleasing procedures.

Loans and Easements

Lower interest rates continue to encourage the board to refinance two of the three loans that it owes. The largest loan is \$8,580.817 owed to the NCB, according to the 1992 budget document of GHI. It is a fiveyear adjustable rate mortgage with an interest rate of 9.16 percent. The next adjustment is on July 1, 1996. This loan covers 1.571 homes, forest, and other property. The second loan is at a fixed rate of 11.31 percent owed also to NCB. The payback balance now is about \$270,000 and it covers GHI's 25 larger homes. The third loan of \$3,466,-429 is owed to the federal gov-ernment and is subject to an interest rate of only three (3) percent. Because of the low interest rate, this loan is not being considered for refinancing.

In previous meetings the board instructed the general manager to look into renegotiating the two loans held by NCB. At this meeting the board introduced a motion (first reading) to pay NCB \$12,000 for an appraisal of the entire GHI community. The cost of the appraisal will be debited against the Rehab Stabilization Fund. The next step after the second reading and approval is to order an environmental review, and an engineering study. Proposals from qualified firms for the review and study are due in time for the January 23 board meeting.

Colton warned there was no way now to tell the effect on the renegotiation of the proposed subordination of ownership via an environmental easement of the 82.5 acres of forest owned by GHI and included as collateral in the mortgages. On the one hand Colton said, GHI has no development rights on the forest because of restrictions in the County Master Plan which would prevent development. In the eyes of the lender, according to Colton, this may enhance approval of the new loan.

On the other hand, Colton said, that lenders are notorious for negotiating the highest yield they can get. Colton said it was not uncommon for lenders to up

interest rates by one-quarter of a percent if the lender detects a weakness in the borrower's position. Figuring on a total loan of \$8,850,817 (\$8,580,817 plus/\$270,000), the annual cost of a one-quarter percent increase at simple interest is approximately \$22.000 per year.

Manager's Contract

The Audit Committee, led by Chair Virginia Moryadis, recommended in a statement of Dec. 19 that the general managr should have a contract of employment with GHI. The committee report stated that a contract "would ensure reasonable stability of management and strengthen corporate loyalty." The statement went on to say that wihout a contract the manager could resign with only the standard two week notice. The committee felt that two weeks would be inadequate to select and train a successor. Stephen Wright, the former assistant general manager, one of the GHI employees that might be considered for the post of manager, resigned in 1991.

At this meeting the board voted to request Ronald Colton, the present manager, to select a standard contract form in use by other corporations for coops, and to submit the form to the board for its review. Other

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In other action the board voted to request the Architecture and Environment (A&E) Committee, led by James Maher, to report on the "feasibility, pro and con, of setting up rules for an addition to a one-bedroom unit." The idea behind the motion, according to Maher, is to provide guidance to the GHI staff, which could give approval for such additions rather than seeking board approval each time.

The board voted to establish a five-member ad hoc committee to judge entries of students at Eleanor Roosevelt High School in the Judy A. Murphy Scholarship Essay Contest sponsored by NCB. At the December 19 meeting the board approved the expenditure of \$1,350 for the

Ray McCauley, vice president of the board, provided a written progress report on the selection of committee members for nonelected positions. The report recommends that applicants be sent a letter informing them of the next committee meeting and other information. If the person still wants to serve the president of the board will phone the chair of the committee. At this point a decision will be made about the appopintment.

Other items discussed but postponed for action at later meetings were-a report by the By-Laws Committee, the location of the annual membership meeting in May, fee-for-service, proposed maintenance questionnaire, and the members' contribution to the GHI Newsletter.

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