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Metro Comes to Greenbelt

by James Giese

A 50 foot line of elected and appointed officials slashed a green ribbon into smithereens Saturday, December 11 to mark the conclusion of ceremonies opening the Metro Green Line between Fort Totten and Greenbelt.

Centered among the ribbon cutters were County Executive Parris Glendening, U.S. Secre-tary of Transportation Federico Pena and Senator Paul Sarbanes.

Displaying his political acu-men, perpetual State Comptroller Louis Goldstein maneuvered his way from the sidelines to the center for the photo opportunity, crowding Congressman Steny Hoyer in the front ranks. It was Hoyer, though, who received the most accolades during the ceremony in recognition of his successful efforts to obtain federal funding for Metro and the early completion of the Green Line.

A capacity crowd huddled to-gether on that cold, blustery, sunny day in a large flapping tent located in the Greenbelt Station parking lot to hear a string of 15 speakers congratulate each other and extol Metro. As chill winds slipped through gaps in the tent's clear vinyl sides, the audience could see behind the speakers platform a blurred view of the new Greenbelt station and watch a steady flow of trains arriving and departing with passengers taking free rides.

Intermodel Linkup Glendening had the pole posi-

A Personal Saga



U.S. Representative Steny Hoyer addressed a capacity crowd in a breezy tent during opening ceremonies. U.S. Secretary of transportation, Frederico Pena (far right) looks on. -photo by J. Henson

led the accolades for Hoyer. "We would not be here today without his taking the ball and running with it," he asserted. Glendening took special note of the intermodal linkup of transportation systems at the Greenbelt station where the Interstate High-way System, the MARC Com-muter Rail Line and the Metro bus system connect with the rail line. He advocated cooperation of metropolitan governments, like that shown in building Metro, should be used for other purposes such as economic development and anti-crime efforts. Transportation Secretary Pena

pledged the Administration's support to the completion of this tion in the speaker's roster and mass transportation project that

Tour de Greenbelt-Biking to Metro

is largely funded by the Federal government. Senator Sarbanes declared that Metro, by any standards, is a major achievement that demonstrates to the nation a mass transportation system that works.

Waited and Waited

Congressman Hoyer, calling Metro the tie that binds our region together, said that his efforts to get Metro completed gave new meaning to the old song, "I've Been Working on the Railroad." "They say that good things come to people who have waited. Well, folks, Greenbelt has waited . . . and waited . and waited."

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Theatre Closing Possible

by Eileen Peterson

The Greenbelt Theater, a bright light in the City's center since its re-opening on Christmas Day, 1990, probably will close permanently after Christmas Week this year, says Paul Sanchez, president of P & G Theaters.

After struggling in the red the possibility of getting grants financially (the theater went to weekend-only films a year ago), Sanchez says he will lose \$15,000-\$20,000 this year, the lowest amount in the three years the theater has been open.

No Movie House/Cafe

Sanchez had hoped to renovate the theater into a theater/cafe and was set to apply for a beer and wine license when he withdrew his application to the County. A potential financial partner declined to join in the ventures, citing the theater's location in the center of the oldest part of Greenbelt. Sanchez comments that there are City of Greenbelt signs at Cherry-wood Lane at the west, Mandan Road and Hanover Parkway on the east and at Hanover Parkway and Good Luck Road to the south but there are no signs telling travelers how to reach the city's center. The City Council has instructed staff to develop a signage plan but new signs will not be ready for some time.

Still Hope "Age Sanchez had been exploring weekend.

Development Update by James Giese

Further repair work on the slopes between the school bus garage and the Beltway Plaza is taking place. Planning and Development Director Celia Wil-son advises that the contractor doing the previous repair work initiated this work. The repair work is still under a city grad-

ing permit. When asked about the work, Beltway Plaza owner/developer Sydney Brown advised that he did not believe it would be possible to ever stabilize the slope and advocated the Board of Education selling the bus garage site to him.

English Country Manor Foundation Real Estate ex-

pects to begin construction in the next month or two on English Manor, according to Wilson. This townhouse and condominium apartment project is to be located to the south of the Hunting Ridge Condominium apartments on Hanover Parkway. There will be 33 townhouses and 252 apartment units built. Foundation Real Estate acquired the property from the Resolution Trust Corporation.

New Locker Rooms

Construction is under way for new locker room facilities at the Greenbelt Youth Center. The old men's locker room and the former weight training room ...ave been gutted and the area will be used for both men's and women's rooms. The free weight lifting is now in the room formerly housing the fitness machines which are now in the new fitto enable him to restore the Greenbelt theater sign to the upper front of the building. If, at this eleventh hour, some arrangement can be made to keep the theater open for use as a movie house, the search for grants can continue. At the moment, closing seems to be the most probable option. The other P & G theaters in the county are not operating at a loss as is the Greenbelt theater. If he could find a way to at least break even, Sanchez would be happy to stay open and see if more detailed signage would help be-mused patrons find the city's center and the theater,"We have always gotten phone calls from people who couldn't figure out where we are," he explains.

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Christmas Week Movies

In the meantime, Sanchez has scheduled the movie "Malice" with Alec Baldwin and Nicole Kidder, to open on Christmas Day. A matinee, "The Nightmare Before Christmas," is tentatively set to open on Christmas Day and run all that week. "Age of Innocence" opens this

Kenilworth Lights To Be Synchronized

The State Highway Administration (SHA) announces that traffic signal work along Kenilworth Avenue from Lydell Road to Goodluck Road is now under way.

The project covers approximately 3.7 miles and involves the installation of a cable to connect 12 existing traffic signals. The work will coordinate signal timing to improve traffic flow.

Single lane closures will occur during off-peak traffic hours from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Arrow boards and traffic cones will be placed to alert motorists of lane closures.

Blumenthal-Kahn Electric of Sparrows Point Md. has been awarded the \$189,500 contract. The project is expected to be complete in spring 1994.

SHA appreciates drivers' patience and encourages motoriststo "give highway workers a brake."

ness center. The city is acting as the general contractor for t project and undertook the demolition work using its own forces. **Community** Center

Deputy City Manager Michael McLaughlin advises that eight contractors are pregualified to bid on the renovation of Center School as a community center. They will receive final bid documents this month with bid opening scheduled for mid-January. Meanwhile, ARC Asbestos Removal Co. of Joppa, Md., is proceeding with the removal of asbestos from the building.

by David Morse

Consider the bicycle, the Rodney Dangerfield of surface transportation. Bicycles don't get no respect.

A bike signifies the immature, the underripe, the slightly dotty. It's openly used as a term of opprobrium. George Wallace, the segregationist presidential candidate, used to vilify his op-ponents as "pointy-headed intellectuals who can't park their bicycles straight." And then there's the feminist bumper sticker slogan: "A woman without a man is like a fish without a bicycle."

That reputation didn't seem to slow down the Greenbelt Bicycle Coalition last Saturday, however, in their tour through Greenbelt to the new Metro station opening to campaign for commuter bikeways.

The Cyclists

It's a sparkling but frigid day. Two dozen bicyclists have gathered in the parking lot at St.

Hugh's, most of them having just ridden from Schrom Hills Park. With their helmets and their splendid, multicolored outfits, the scene resembles a me-dieval joust. Bicyclists tend to dress on the flashy side. This is not, as in the animal kingdom, to attract mates. (Well, maybe sometimes it is). It's so they won't get killed. They have to be seen.

Rumor has it a city council member is accompanying us. That is a flatly incredible claim. Just imagine, a high city official, wobbling along on a borrowed bike in poor repair, hatless, hel-metless, parka rudely thrown over coat and tie, puffing and panting over the rises.

Police Escort

The host peals out onto Crescent Road, aided by the traffic direction of two Metro policemen accompanying them. Yes. A police escort. On bicycles! You have no idea what it means to the downtrodden biker to ride with a police escort.

When bicycles are in the roadway, drivers become agitated.

They seem to be following the maxim, "No kid's toy is going to slow me down." Many whiz by with only a foot or two of clearance. If you so much as sneeze, you're hamburger. Or if they yield space on the right, they go over the center line right in front of oncoming cars.

Beneath the mild-mannered exterior of your average bicyclist, there is a seething not un-like that of the victimized kid.

But today there is a police escort. A cop turns around and signals traffic to pass a little more sanely. Confronted with a gun-toting representative of the police powers of the sovereign, the drivers comply. Respect!

The Tour

As we cross the great divide of Kenilworth Avenue, the Alpine beauty of Crescent Road is replaced by the high-rise canyons of the office park On the Cherrywood Lane overpass, there is an awesome view of the Beltway. Below, a blur of traffic zooms toward us at warp speed. In these open spaces the See TOUR, page 9

Carriers Bring Greetings

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Around this time of year it is customary for the News Review delivery boys and girls to make personal calls on the homes they service to present holiday greetings envelopes. The News Review's financial position is such that we cannot pay our carriers very much. They are therefore dependent on generous holiday donations to supplement their nominal pay.

Most of the carriers range in age from pre-teen to the middle teens. For the younger boys and girls, delivering the News Review is their first job experience. Many of the older carriers started at a young age and continue to deliver the News Review mainly as a service to their neighborhood. It is a learning process for all these youngsters and, in some cases, the instillation of responsibility takes time and patience.

The holiday season affords us all a chance to show appreciation and to provide encouragement for the efforts of these youngsters and at the same time to show understanding for any failings that might have occurred during the year.

Again this year the carriers will leave envelopes when they find no one at home. We hope these envelopes, equipped with the carriers' name and address, will be helpful to our readers who wish to show appreciation. In case the carrier's name or address is in doubt, envelopes may be mailed to the News Review, Post Office Box 68, Greenbelt, MD 20768, for forwarding. Please include your address so we can identify your carrier.

Leave It Alone

Upon reading in a recent News Review about a Perimeter Trail through Parcels 1 and 2, I began to wonder why don't they just leave the woods alone.

When the city acquired Parcels 1 and 2 a couple of years ago, that was a great accomplishment. All the city had to do was get the land and leave it alone. The woods could take care of itself.

It now appears that the council has nothing better to do than throw money away on trails that are not needed. What next? Widening the creek? The question is, if the woods have existed for so many years without a four foot wide trail going through it, then why do we need one so bad now? We don't. What we do need is for the council to go over its list of priorities and cross Parcels 1 and 2 off that list.

The woods are there for the citizens to enjoy, but there is no need to change or renovate the trails. We don't want it to be made into a park, like Green-belt lake or Schrom Hills. We just want it left alone.

Joe Fulton

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While chairing the December 5 special meeting of the GHI membership, I made a very controversial ruling. I believe that the membership deserves an explanation. I don't expect anyone to change their minds-I ask only that everyone understand where I was coming from, that this

About the Bylaws

First, we must remember what the Bylaws are. This is not a document created by some mysterious entity. It is not a document created by the Board. It is. in fact. a document created by the membership, modified by the membership from time to time, and it is the membership's Bylaws amendment approved by a 2/3 vote during a membership meeting.

I knew in advance that this question would be raised at the meeting, and I studied the Bylaws from end to end. A key part of the Bylaws as they relate to the budget is Article VIII. Section 11. Subsection b on page 17 (included in the handouts at the meeting). Paraphrased. it says that the Board shall adopt a budget and authorize expenditures for the coming year, but if that budget would result in an increase of 10% or more in members' operating charges, the Board must first take it to the membership for approval, and the Board cannot then, on its own, adopt a budget in excess of that voted by the membership.

That, to me, is a clear and compelling statement of what the membership wants regarding the annual budget, even to the point of stating when they demand preapproval authority.

Another area I looked at carefully was Article IV, Section 9

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Letters to the Editor She's Right **Unfair Attack**

cn page 8 concerning other responsibilities of members at membership meetings, particularly the last part, "exercising final authority on all matters vitally affecting the Corpora-tion." The key words here are 'vitally affecting'. My dictionary defines vital as 'of the utmost importance, essential to continued worth or well-being'

I can easily argue that if I were to have a heart attack that would be a matter vitally affecting me. I'd be hard pressed to argue the same about a broken arm. Likewise, I could easily argue that if any GHI Board were to try to sell our woodlands, that would be a matter vitally affecting the Corporation. I cannot argue the same about a 3.98% increase in monthly fees, the lowest since at least 1986.

Probably the most compelling thing I found in this section was not words that are in the Bylaws, but rather words that are not in the Bylaws. At the 1972 Annual Meeting held on May 24 of that year the, following motion was placed on the floor:

To amend Article IV, Section 9. of the Bylaws by adding "These responsibilities and powers of the membership at a membership meeting shall include, but not be limited to, the amending of the budget of the Corporation . .

Following discussion, the motion was tabled, and to this day, 21 plus years later, no words even remotely resembling these appear in the Bylaws. In other words, the GHI membership has in fact considered a Bylaw change reserving the right to amend the budget, and has in fact not yet chosen to amend the Bylaws in this regard.

I knew that this ruling would be unpopular. but when you're chairing a meeting, you cannot do what is popular, you cannot do what you think will make you look good, you have to do what you believe is correct. I wish someone had appealed my ruling that day-I would then have been able to explain all this. As Wayne Williams said later, there were a number of people present at the meeting who knew exactly how to do this.

Perhaps it would have been better if I had gone against what I believe and simply ruled the motion in order. A number of people have since told me they only voted for the motion because I had ruled it as advisory, that if they had thought it would be binding on the Board they would have voted against it. Perhaps it would then have been defeated. Perhaps I did the petitioners a favor.

What's done is done. . . Alan Freas

President, GHI

slight correction to your otherwise fine coverage of the recent Greenbelt Homes, Inc. membership meeting: In response to Mrs. Coxon's question, I said I supported about 70% of the budget but that I did not feel that the board spent enough time on the personnel part, which is 320 of the budget. This part definitely did not get the position-justifying, zero-based budgeting analysis Mrs. Coxon was calling for. She's right. We need to do it. We will do it,

Donald Comis

Strong-Armed

Readers of the News Review may have gotten the erroneous impression that the December 5 GHI Special Membership Meeting was a Sunday picnic. However. due in large part to a parliamentary flim-flam by President Al Freas, the afternoon was overshadowed by mistrust and outrage.

Early in the meeting, President Freas antagonized those in favor of the motion to reduce member fees by summarily ruling that the motion was not binding on the board, but merely advisory. Members reacted with outrage and pointed out that the bylaws give the membership "final authority in all matters vitally affecting the Corporation unless otherwise prohibited." They vociferously insisted that he consult the parliamentarian for an expert legal opinion. Mr. Freas refused, and stood by his ruling.

Three hours later, after several amendments and much discussion, Mr. Alan Turnbull again asked Mr. Freas to consult the parliamentarian on whether the motion would be binding. He finally did, and the parliamentarian's response was that Freas' original ruling stood, because at the time it was made, no one "appealed" it. This compounded the insult, because many members had earlier strenuously opposed his ruling and sought to challenge it, even though the magic word "appeal" had not been explicitly spoken.

The honorable thing for Mr. Freas to do at that point would have been to acknowledge that the earlier protests constituted an "appeal," and that a legal opinion should be sought. Instead, he chose to hide behind a technicality, and let his ruling stand.

Such strong-arm tactics have no place in a cooperative of neighbors such as ours. Mr. Freas should step down as president and turn the gavel over to someone who will place fairness above his own personal preferences.

Charles P. Hagelgans

In the past several months the Cooperative of Greenbelt Homes, its Board of Directors and staff have been attacked unfairly and unjustly. We 39 employees be-lieve the integrity of the Co-operative, the Board of Directors and the entire staff is in question. These attacks have disrupt-ed the business of running a

successful Cooperative. During the past year, 1021 work order surveys were received and 95% of those surveys were favorable responses to Maintenance's efforts. In past issues of other publications, there were articles stating problems with the new style porch roof for our frame homes, and about the quality of work during our trim paint program. To our knowledge we have received no complaints with our porch roofs. As for our trim paint program we know of 2 such complaints, and we returned to correct the problems upon notification. We stand by our work. We cannot correct a problem that we do not know exists. If you have problems, questions or concerns, we urge you to call administration 474-4161 or maintenance 474-6011. If it's within our power we will help.

During the special membership meeting of December 5, there was talk of cutting the staff to reduce costs. Some of the staff, willingly and regularly, work over the amount of hours that they are compensated. Reductions in staff would severely limit services provided by that same staff.

The Board of Directors and the staff have the community's best interest at heart. We ask for your support in our efforts to protect your investment in your community and your employees. We urge you to respond with your support. Only with all membership heard can the Cooperative truly be a Cooperative.

39 Employees of GHI

Commends Board

On Sunday, December 5, GHI members met ostensibly to discuss their feelings about the budget of the housing co-op. During the, at times, very spirited discussion, Chairman Alan Freas, in spite of difficulties, was able to keep the meeting moving along in an orderly, responsible manner. Whether or not one agreed with the final vote, whether or not some of us understood and resented the spending of \$8,000 in meeting costs to support a vendetta against our housing co-op, the chairman and the members of the board acted responsibly and are to be congratulated.

It is my ardent hope that those who might feel the need to telephone me with a disagreement will not hide behind the veil of anonymity.

Janet J. Parker

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was not a sudden thing off the top of my head.

statement of how they want things done in GHI. This membership statement can only be changed by a properly submitted

Thursday, December 16, 1993

Recreation Review

The 1994 Recreation Department Winter/Spring Class Brochure will be available after December 27 at the Recreation Department Business Office.

Registration for winter classes is scheduled at the Youth Center and Springhill Lake Recreation Center during the week of January 3, 1994. Please check it out.

22nd Annual **Festival of Lights**

DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION

GREENBELT, MARYLAND

301-474-6878

Saturday, December 18, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. CHILDREN'S HOLIDAY WORKSHOP

Greenbelt Youth Center

Children, 6-12 years old, will be busy making cookies, Christmas ornaments and gifts at our holiday workshop. Registration Fee: \$10. Call 474-6878 for registration information.

Saturday, December 18, 10 a.m. **29TH ANNUAL HOLIDAY RACE**

Braden Field Tennis Courts/Youth Center Sponsored by the D.C. Road Runners/Greenbelt Running Club, 10 or 20 mile runs and 1.75 mile around the Lake at 10:10 a.m. Sign-up one hour before. Contact Joe Broderick 441-9247 or D.C. Road Runners, 703-241-0395. Fee: \$5 Non-Member of D.C. Road Runner; \$3 Members: \$1 for 1.75 Mile Fun Run.

Wednesday, December 29, 11:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. **ICE SKATING TRIP**

Herbert Wells Ice Rink College Park

Children 12 and under are invited to meet at the Youth Center and travel to the Wells Ice Rink for an enjoyable afternoon on the ice. Cost of the trip is \$5/person which covers transportation, admission and skate rental. Please register in advance. Call 474-6878 for additional information.

Friday, December 31, 7:30 p.m. -Saturday, January 1, 10 a.m. NEW YEAR'S EVE SLEEPOVER

Greenbelt Youth Center

Need a babysitter? We have an evening of fun planned for your child. Program includes a New Year's Eve Party with games, movies, munchies and a light breakfast. Registration is \$25/child; \$15/each additional child in same family. A \$5 late fee will be assessed for every 15 minutes after the 10 a.m. pickup time. Age limit 6-12 years old. Call the Recrea-tion Department, 474-6878, for registration form.

HOLIDAY HOURS FOR **GREENBELT RECREATION DEPARTMENT FACILITIES**

GREENBELT AQUA	TIC .	& FITNESS CENTER
Christmas Eve	-	6:00a.m6:00p.m.
Christmas Day	-	12:00noon-8:00p.m.
New Year's Eve	-	6:00a.m6:00p.m.
New Year's Day	-	12:00noon-8:00p.m.
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Christmas Day	-	12:00noon-5:00p.m.
New Year's Eve	-	12:00noon-5:00p.m.
New Year's Day	-	12:00noon-10.00p.m.
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Model Rocket Launch

Almost every type of rocket made, from scientific to military, can be found in local hobby shops. Model rocket makers have been reproducing accurately all types of rockets as do-ityourself kits for decades. To learn more about this exciting hobby, come to the Goddard Visitor Center on December 19 and watch the next model rocket launch. People of all ages will bring rockets of all shapes and sizes for a supervised launch, weather permitting. The Center is located on Soil Conservation Road. For more information, call 301-286-8981.

Bus Info

For SHL

Bus to Greenbelt Metro for

Springhill Lake residents,

will travel through Springhill

Lake following its former route. Then it will go to Belt-

way Plaza, the Greenbelt Met-

ro station and then through the rest of Greenbelt.

during rush hour and once an

hour during mid-day. It will

take approximately 12 minutes

from the intersection of

Springhill Drive and Edmon-

ston Road to the Greenbelt

Metro station. This is the far-

thest point on the route in

Springhill Lake from the

metro station. For times see

the box in last week's News

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rolton or look for schedules

at the metro station

6:00pm

6:30pm

7:30pm

The R12 runs twice an hour

The newly modified R12 bus

MUNITY EVE Democratic Club

Meets Friday

GREENBELT NEWS REVIEW

The Eleanor and Franklin Roosevelt Democratic Club will meet on Friday, December 17 at 8 p.m. in the Greenbriar Terrace Room. A holiday reception will follow the installation of officers.

Greenbelt Post Office Adds Holiday Hours

For the convenience of customers, hours at the post office have been extended as follows through December 23:

Monday-Wednesday 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Thursday, 8 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.; Friday, 8 a.m. to 6 pm.; Saturday, 8:30 a.m. to 5 pm-; and Sunday, 12-4 p.m.

At Beltway Plaza next to GNC (General Nutrition Center) a Christmas Post Office will operate as follows:

Thursday to Saturday, December 16-December 18, 3:30 to 7:30 p.m.; Sunday, December 19, 12 to 4 p.m.; and Monday, December 20-Thursday, December 23, 5

On Christmas Eve, December 24, the post office at Roosevelt Center will operate normal hours, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. There will be no hours at Beltway Plaza

p.m. to 7 p.m.

Greenbelt CARES

Greenbelt CARES will begin the next GED program on Thursday, January 6. GED I is for students who need review

of basic math (addition, subtraction, multiplication, division, fractions, decimals, percentages and word problems) and English grammar skills. GED II is for students who have successfully completed GED I and/or are ready to learn algebra and geometry, English literature and writing skills, and prepare to take the GED test.

Both courses are run every Tuesday and Thursday, for 10 weeks, in the Municipal Building Conference Room. Both courses will begin on Thursday, January 6 and run through Thursday, March 10. GED I is held from 1-2:30 p.m. GED II is held from 2:45-4:15 p.m.

There is no charge for either course, but students are required to purchase a copy of the textbook (purchased from Greenbelt CARES).

Students do not have to be 16 years of age in order to take the GED course. Anyone is eligible to take a GED pre-test given at Greenbelt CARES, at no cost. The actual GED test is given by the State of Maryland, not Greenbelt CARES. However, students who are ready to take the test can obtain the application forms from Greenbelt CARES.

Questions and enrollment information regarding either GED I or GED II should be directed to Judye Hering, course instructor, at Greenbelt CARES, 301-345-6660.

Chanukah Concert At Mishkan Torah by David Morse

It was semi-chaos at the Chanukah children's concert on December 12 at Mishkan Torah synagogue. Which was apparently just what they had in mind.

Sally Heckelman held about two dozen kids spellbound for an hour, an achievement which is to be respected even without the fine singing and guitar work that she employed to bring it off. Heckelman, who now plays with New Fiddlers Associates, knew the characteristics of her instrument-the soul of the child -well.

A squirming, bouncing, chattering audience fazed her not at all, not even those of its members streaking comet-like around the room in eccentric orbits. In fact, she harnessed this raw energy with the skill of a nuclear engineer working a critical mass, drawing her young charged particles into semi-neat lines for musical games and cajoling them into semi-quiet interludes. One especially rambunctious three-year-old boy with a reputation for stomping on the bema (the elevated platform from which the rabbi conducts the service) during Shabbat services was charmed into a semicivilized demeanor. Amazed, parents looked on with envy, relief, and nachus (pride, sort of).

Still, as Three-Mile-Island attests, one can't think of everything. After the concert, while Heckelman was chatting with an acquaintance, a 17-month-old boy broke out of the audience and charged the stage, obviously aiming for her guitar, which was propped on a stand there. He was thwarted at the last instant by his semi-attentive dad.



Greenbriar hosted the traditional Greenbelt East Tree Lighting on Sunday, December 5, at 7 p.m. Highlights of the evening included popular songs of the season by mem-

bers of the Eleanor Roosevelt High School Choir, the tree

lighting by Christine Patsas, 1993 Miss Greenbelt, and re-

freshments for the surrounding community. Featured L-R:

Mayor Toni Bram; Miss Greenbelt, Christine Patsas; Tim

Sechrist, president GEAC; Miss Greenbriar Tanya Condillac;

Channel B-10 Schedule

Tuesday & Thursday, December 21 & 23

Happy Holidays to all from Channel B-10

"Santa Comes to Town"

"Greenbelt Concert Band"

"Metro Green-Line Opening"

-photo by John P. Evans III, Pro Shots Photography

Greenbelt's 1993 Outstanding Citizen, Dorothy Pyles.



Holiday, Friday, December 24,

1993 the city's dial-a-ride ser-

vice, the Greenbelt Connec-

tion, will not operate that day.

The service will be resumed

on Sunday, December 26, 1993.

Charlotte Craig

Charlotte Craig, 77, stepmother of Richard Craig of Maplewood Court, died at the Greenbelt Nursing Center of a stroke on December 6.

After teaching first grade for 42 years, Mrs. Craig retired from the staff of the University Park Elementary School in 1982. She and her late husband Eddie, who died in 1964, moved to College Park from her native Ohio in 1949. She met him, a widower, with young children, when his son was in her class her first year of teaching.

She received a bachelor's degree in education from the University of Maryland. Earlier, she had obtained a teacher's certificate from a normal school in Ohio

A life member of the National Education Association, Mrs. Craig was a charter member of the Delta chapter in this county of Alpha Delta Kappa (an international teachers association). She was also a member of the Maryland State Teachers Association and the Prince Georges County Educators Association.

A longtime member of Ber-wyn Baptist Church in College Park, she had lived at the Greenbelt Nursing Center since 1987.

Besides her stepson Richard, she is survived by stepsons Ronald of Zephyr Hills. Fla., and William of College Park, step-daughter Wilma LaCause, Scottsdale. AZ, and sister Joann Ferris, Kent, Ohio. Brothers Bill and John and a stepdaughter Elvadean as well as her grandson. David of Greenbelt, predeceased her.

Contributions in her memory can be made to the David Craig Scholarship Fund, P.O. Box 761. Greenbelt, Md. 20768.

Bahai Faith

"True reliance is for the servant to pursue his profes-sion and calling in this world to hold fast unto the Lord, to seek naught but His grace, inasmuch as in His Hands is the destiny of all His servants."

- Baha'i Sacred Writings Greenbelt Baha'i Community P.O. Box 245 Greenbelt, MD 20770

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Saint John's **Episcopal Church** Route 1 & Powder Mill Road Beltsville, Maryland (301)937-4292

Christmas Services

CHRISTMAS EVE December 24 Children's Service 4:30 p.m. Holy Eucharist 10:00 p.m. Festival Prelude at 9:30 p.m. CHRISTMAS DAY December 25 Holy Eucharist 10.00 a.m. FIRST SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS December 26 Holy Eucharist 8:15 a.m. Lessons and Carols 10:45 a.m. Please come and join us at St. John's as we celebrate the joyous Christmas season!

Curtiss Barker

Greenbelt pioneer Curtiss Franklin Barker, age 79, died on December 4 in St. Joseph's Hospital, Phoenix, Arizona. He had moved a year ago from Dunedin, Florida to Scottsdale.

Mr. Barker, who had lived on Parkway, was a former City Council member, serving from 1941-1943. He was active in the Greenbelt Community Church and the Boy Scouts-

Born in Honor, Michigan, Barker was a graduate of Michigan State University with a B.A. degree and Georgetown University with a J.D. degree. He was an administrator with the U.S. Government Bureau of Public Roads of the Department of Commerce and the Highway Safety Bureau of the Department of Transportation. During World War II he was a lieutenant commander in the U.S. Naval Reserves.

He is survived by sons Brent G. of Palo Alto, CA and Curtiss F. II of Scottscale; brother Lauren James Barker of Lansing, MI and five grandchildren.

A memorial service was held on Sunday. December 12 at the Vallev Presbyterian Church, Paradise Valley, AZ.

The family requests that memorial contributions be sent to Valley Big Brothers-Big Sisters, 2701 N. 16th St., Phoenix, AZ 85006.

Gray Panthers Hold Community Pot Luck

On December 11 the Gray Panthers, as part of the Festival of Lights celebration, sponsored a community potluck supper at the Youth Center. In the true meaning of the season strangers and friends of all ages came together to share food, fun. and good-will. Joining those who came to

share the experience were council member Rodney Roberts and his wife Yoni, and Doug Love, who provided the entertainment with songs of the holiday played on his zither.

As the evening ended. and everyone shared the cleanup. all agreed that coming together in this way reflected the Greenbelt spirit.

Sunday Worship 11 a.m. Children's Education

10 a.m. Wednesday Prayer Service

Arthur D. Shotts, Pastor

7 p.m.

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Serving Glenn Dale,

Sunday Services

9 am and 11 am

Greenbelt and Lanham

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Council No. 10885 in Greenbelt has earned the distinction of Star Council, the international organization's top award for the 1992-93 fraternal year. The announcement was made by the Knights of Columbus international headquarters in New Haven, Conn. The award recognizes overall excellence in the areas of membership recruitment and retention, promotion of the fraternal insurance program and sponsorship of service oriented activities. The award was presented to the membership by Marcellus La-Fleur, District Deputy for the

St. Hugh's Knights of Columbus

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Knights of Columbus Win Major Award

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attaining this prestigious award.

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and aims of the Order shown

by your officers and members

is exemplified by the high standard of excellence you have achieved."

Accepting the award was

Grand Knight Joseph Griffith.

"The Star Council Award is

quite an honor for us. We're

very pleased with this accom-

plishment," proclaimed GK Grif-

The Knights of Columbus is a

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vice organization with 1.5 mil-lion dues paying members in more than 10,000 councils world

wide. In 1992 they gave more

than 41 million hours of volun-

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For information call Joe Grif-

Sunday School

Rev. Sidney Conger

Worship Service

Berwyn Presbyterian Church

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(301) 345-0166.

In recognizing the local winner of the Star Council Award, Supreme Knight Virgil C. Dechant, president of the international organization, said "Please accept my sincere congratulations upon

11th District of Maryland at a

special ceremony held on No-

vember 23.

Supplies Needed **By Red Cross**

The Prince Georges County Chapter, American Red Cross, is seeking donations of new firstaid supplies in any quantity. The Chapter is in dire need of gauze pads, rolled stretch gauze, large cloth or triangular bandages and adhesive tape. These items will be used to help provide hands-on training for first-aid course participants.

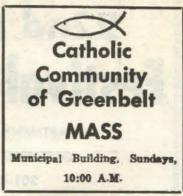
To donate these supplies, please contact the Public Affairs Office of the Red Cross at (301) 559-8500.



Thursday, December 16, 1993

Donations Needed

The Family Emergency Shelter is seeking assistance for food during the holiday season. Donations can be made by way of purchasing small groceries, or gift-certificates at local stores. Turkeys or hams would be great for the holiday! In addition, they are seeking contributions for household items such as twin/ full sheets; lamps: pots; pans; towels; etc. For information on how to make donations, call Barbara Shaw at 431-4570.



9:30 a.m.

11:00 a.m.

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Fifty Years Ago

Flu Grounds Santa

by James Giese

December, 1943-A flu epidemic caused the town to cancel having a community Santa Claus. Acting Public Health Director Dr. William Eisner advised town officials that Santa Claus would attract crowds of youngsters and

thus add to the danger of spreading flu germs.

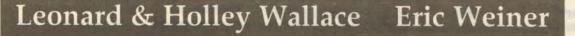
Eisner reported that over 1200 persons in Greenbelt had been hit with the flu. That constituted about 15% of the town's population of 8,000. A number of events were postponed or cancelled including the Parent-Teacher Association Christmas party, the high school class ball, the high school basketball game

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and the annual Girl Scout and Brownie caroling party.

One event not postponed was the American Legion Post's "foster father" party for almost 100 boys and girls who would be celebrating Christmas without their fathers who were away in the armed forces. Councilman Fred DeJager, in the guise of Santa Claus, passed out gifts to the youngsters.

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END UNIT IN A WOODED LOCATION \$54,900 Modern kitchen with dishwasher. Tile bath. Pretty wallpaper. 3 Built-in A/C's \$2500 closing help.			
WIDE UNIT \$51,000 Desirable layout. Close to the Center. Fenced yard, lots of storage & updated bath w/oak fixtures.			
BRICK HOME \$68,900 Sunny location with fenced yard. \$3000 closing help. New paint, new carpet & separate dining room. Large MBR is 11X17. Modern bath and roomy kitchen with washer & dryer & new flooring.			
"I WILL CONSIDER HOLDING FINANCING & ALL OFFERS" \$54,900 Perfect kitchen has new counters, cabinets, W/D, carpet, A/C, fan & fenced yd. <u>\$1500 closing help.</u>			
END UNIT \$54,900 & \$2000 closing help Wonderful location backs to acres & acres of woods. Yard is fenced with shed & patio. Enlarged dining area, gorgeous hardwood floors, heat pump, breakfast bar, 2 A/C's and stacking W/D.			
TERRIFIC DEAL! \$49,900 Lovely home with modern bath, updated kitchen and W/D. Great location and backs to woods.			
"MAKE ME AN OFFER" \$53,400 Top condition END unit. Updated kitchen, separate W/D, beautiful bath, wall to wall carpeting, perfect new walls and fresh paint. Fenced yard, shed and close parking. \$2000 closing help.			
3 BEDROOMS			
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A GREAT DEAL JUST GOT BETTER NOW \$52,900 plus \$2000 in CLOSING HELP! Freshly painted, separate laundry, 3 A/C's, disposal & modern bath. Fenced yard w/storage shed.			
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4 BEDROOM BLOCK \$69,900 1st floor addition provides the 4th bedroom and the 2ND FULL BATH! Large eat-in kitchen has stacking W/D, built-in A/C & new tile flooring. Freshly painted interior. Really close to the Center.			



Eager contestants with their handlers line up for the Pet Show judging. -photo by Joe Polanin

Pet Show Results

On Saturday, September 4, the Greenbelt Cadette Girl Scout Troop 3030 held the Annual Greenbelt Labor Day Pet Show on the lawn of the Greenbelt Library. Despite the rain and the cold, quite a few people showed up. The awards are as follows.

In the Dog category, judged by Erika Folk and Heather Norden, Shortest Fur went to Chris Lotsford's dog Sam; Lauren Schreiber's Burns got Curliest Fur; CocoPuff, Missy Troeshel's dog, was awarded Smallest; Sam-my Marionnis' beautiful Stepper was awarded Liveliest; Erica Thomas' Rey got Cutest; Peanut, Nancy Tilton's dog, was awarded, Most Colorful! Bear, Brigette Lippert's dog, got Silliest. Girl Scout Chrissy Wilson's dog Poochie was given Most Unusual Bark; Shana, Jesse Goldberg-Strassler's dog, got Friendliest; Leigh Brawn's dog, Shasta, was awarded Best Personality; Melanie Gilkenson's Jasper got Best Trick: and Ginger, Sarah Fend-

lay's pooch, got best bark. In the Cat Category, we only had three entrants, Logs-don's cat, Fuzzy, gct Cutest. Heather Holland's Socks was

awarded Liveliest, And Brian Fa-

herty's feline, Shadow, got Fan-

ciest. This category was judged by Lynn Hull. The "Others" category was judged by Heather Holland and Amanda Baldauf. Erin Best's fish, Dorothy Jane, got Best Swimmer. Tony Fendlay"s hermit crab, Duke, was awarded Biggest Hermit Crab. Michael Faherty's hermit crab, Herman, got smallest Hermit Crab. Lauren Parker's turtle, Baby, was awarded Cut-est. Stealth, Billy Davis' bird, got Brightest Colors, Julia and Cara Snyder's gerbils, Holly and Cinnamon, got Most Playful and Liveliest, respectively. Michelle Bosen's rabbit, Teddy, was awarded Friendliest. John Norden's snake Ralph got Prettiest Design. Froggy, Ari Goldberg-Strassler's frog, was given Whitest. And Dina Goldberg-Strassler's turtle, Kelly, got Prettiest Shell.



by Linda Savaryn, 474-5285

Condolences to Richard Craig of Maplewood Court on the recent death of his stepmother Charlotte Craig.

Congratulations to the fo'lowing students who are featured in the 27th Annual Edition of Who's Who Among American High School Students:

Morgen A. Ahearn, Jessica Boldt, Kathy Y. Chu, Christopher Coulter, Miatta T. Dabo, Kenji Michael V. Kawakami, Stacey M. King, Thanh Van Luu, Raegan Penn, Yasaman Shahamat, Peter J. Timer, Jodi Wilbur, Nicole M. Barnes, Kevin L. Bradley, Michael A. Cook, Sean Cullinan, Danielle L. Goddard, Amy Kerfoot, Xiaobo Li, Melissa Mays, Michael C. Schwan, Heather Sparks, Imelda E. Trimble, and Haowel Zhang.

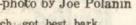
St. Vincent Pallotti High School has announced its honor roll for the first quarter, which includes 12 Greenbelt students. They are Nicole Priest, Lisa

Auld, Diana Brogan, John Fellers, Jessica Feltner, Luke Benson, Elizabeth Bukoski, Chris Horstkamp, Laurie Sisson, Karen Sullivan, Heather Watkins, and Paula Harkleroad. Paula, by the way, was selected as one of Pallotti's "Students of the Month" for her work as a classroom aide.

Navy Petty Officer 3rd Class Yvette R. Joyce, daughter of Ernest A. Rochefort of Ridge Road, recently reenlisted for two years while serving at Naval Station, Charleston, S.C. The 1987 graduate of Stafford Senior High School of Stafford, VA, joined the Navy in October 1989.

Friends and neighbors wish a warm and happy Christmas to three-year-old Vincent Daffan and his family who live in the 11 Court of Hillside Road. Vincent faces a year of chemotherapy for a tumor in his back. He is the great-grandson of Angus MacGregor who directed the landscape work of Greenbelt during its construction.

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Mayor Antoinette Bram welcomes Metro to Greenbelt at opening ceremonies for the Green Line with County Executive Parris Glendening looking on. --photo by J. Henson

METRO

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Hoyer thought the Green Line was aptly named. It begins in one of Franklin Roosevelt's historic green towns. Construction of the line resulted in added green space because of the construction of Lake Artemesia. And its use will help to keep the region green through less traffic and pollution, he contended.

Giving special recognition to the late Carmen Turner, former Metro General Manager, Hoyer presented current General Manager David Gunn with a holly tree to be planted at the Greenbelt station in her memory

Taxpayers Thanked

State Comptroller Goldstein noted that he had signed a billion dollars in checks as the state share of funding Metro. He asked all the taxpayers to stand up and thanked them for making Metro possible, an action that pleased the audience.

the Maryland Senate, gave spe-cial recognition to the late Member of Congress Gladys Spellman and former county counci! member Frank Francois. for their efforts in support of Metro. County council member Hilda Pemberton, speaking for the council, introduced and gave special recognition to county council member Richard Castaldi who had served for many years on the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority Board of Directors. Glendening had also recognized Castaldi's efforts.

Senator Green. representing

Mayor Welcomes

Greenbelt Mayor Antoinette Bram. speaking for all municipal officials present. welcomed Metro and introduced those officials present including city council members Rodney Roberts and Judith Davis and former mayor Gil Weidenfeld.

Ending the list of speakers vices you've ever had in transit."



City officials attend the grand opening of the Greenbelt Metro Station. Left to right: Councilmember Rodney Roberts, Crime Prevention Committee Chair Lester Whitmer Councilmember Judith Davis, Mayor Antoinette Bram, former Mayor Gil Weidenfeld, City Manager Daniel Hobbs. -photo by J. Giese

Scherer on Display

The Gallery of the Prince Georges County Memorial Library System presents an exhibit by Howard Scherer of pastels and oils that explore the impressionistic possibilities of light. The show will be on display through December 29.

The Gallery is in the Greenbelt Branch Library, 11 Crescent Road. Gallery hours are Monday-

Wednesday, 2-5 and 6:30-9 p.m ; Thursday-Saturday, 2-5 p.m.

Painters, sculptors and other visual artists in Prince Georges County are invited to contact Natalie Weikart at 301-262-7000 about booking a show at The Gallery.

Also volunteers are needed for gallery aides.

For information, call Phillipa Malone Volunteer Services, 301-699-3500

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WMATA to Begin **Paratransit Service**

The Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority will be accepting applications for paratransit service. This service, which makes specialized public transportation available to those persons whose physical or mental disabilities exclude them from using regular routes, will be phased in starting in the Spring of 1994 and fully operational by 1997.

People are deemed eligible for paratransit service if they are unable as the result of a physical or mental impairment, to get on, ride, or get off transit system vehicles, if they need the assistance of a wheelchair lift or other boarding device (unless such a vehicle is available on the regular route), or if they have specific impairment-related condition which prevents travel to or from a bus stop or rail station

If an individual requires assistance (other than getting on or off). he or she must be accompanied by a personal care attendant. provided by the passenger.

Fares will be higher than regular fares on comparable routes. Applications and information brochures can be obtained by contacting the WMATA Department of ADA, 600 Fifth Street, NW, Washington, D.C. 20001; or by calling (202) 962-2700 Voice or (202) 962-2033 TDD.

Fifty Years Ago Holiday Shopping

by James Giese December, 1943 — In a two-thirds page ad in the Greenbelt Cooperator, the Greenbelt Co-op advised readers to shop early for holiday food and to use care in their selections. "Do not waste what you buy," it advocated. Readers were urged to plan their Christmas dinner around Co-op coffee, only 32 cents a pound in the red bag and 22 cents a pound in the green bag. Almonds were 55 cents, mixed nuts 49 cents and walnuts 43 cents a pound. A jar of co-op cranberry sauce cost 18 cents. And best of all, you could buy your fresh Xmas tree for 50 cents and up

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Bloomington, Illinois

County MRF Opens by Tracy Vincent

The Office of Recycling opened the county's state-of-the-art MRF (materials recycling facility) in Capitol Heights on October 2 to an enthusiastic crowd. This new facility processes the glass bottles and jars, plastic milk/water jugs, soda bottles and detergent bottles, aluminum and steel cans, and newspapers from Greenbelt residents.

Commingled materials are brought to the facility and push-ed onto a conveyor belt then sorted manually or automatically. Once separated, materials are baled and ready for market. These "post-consumer" glass, aluminum, and bi-metal mater-ials are melted down to make new containers. Plastic is chipped into pellets or flakes. These materials replace virgin contents which in turn reduces the use of natural resources, conserves energy and creates less pollution.

Contaminants like yogurt cups and plastic bags are pulled off the belts and thrown away. Residents are asked to rinse containers and remove lids. Newspapers should be placed in brown paper bags or tied with string. Plastic bags create a huge problem with newspaper since the two materials are so incompatible. For more information, call the Office of Recycling at 925-5963.

Local Cancer Society Honors Del. Pitkin

The Board of Directors of the Prince Georges County Cancer Society recently presented Del. Joan Pitkin with its first legislative award of excellence in cancer prevention. The award was presented at the October meeting of the Maryland State Board of Directors.

During the presentation, Del. Pitkin, who represents Greenbelt, was praised for her efforts in authoring a number of health care measures which were enacted into law. Several of her bills have been used as models for congressional legislation.

Del. Pitkin also led the fight to restrict children's exposure to tobacco smoke. In addition, she has sponsored legislation to prohibit smoking in all public places.

Manual Available

Attorney General J. Joseph Curran Jr., announced that a new edition of his office's Public Information Act Manual is available to the press and the public.

The 36-page manual centers on analysis of the Public Information Act reflecting legal developments since 1987, along with the full text of the Act and other background material.

For information about cost call 1-410-576-6357.



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starts edging wind toward gale force. Even the police escort seems powerless on this alien plain. One longs to return to the comfort of hearth and home, to huddle before the baseboard heater with a cup of hot chocolate, one's family gathered around, reciting ancient sagas of all-night GHI meetings. But the mission is to be completed. We can't disappoint the cheering crowds.

The Metro Station

The Metro station turns out to be lonely as a Scottish heath. Wind gusts sweeping across the parking lot batter us. Cars dot the rolling meadow of parking spaces like grazing sheep, vastly outnumbering the few people in view. And those people are not cheering. In fact, they mostly ignore us. To add insult to injury, as we pull up to the terminal a,nother Metro cop appears and tells us to move along. The Bicyclist's Millenium has collapsed.

The station is not as deserted as it seems. It's inward-looking. Oompahs and bleats filter out of a circus-like tent over yonder, where the pols are accepting kudos from each other. There is a brass band. But not for us.

From the Beltway comes a giant sucking sound. Traffic roars by like a stampede of wild



Alan Turnbull surveying the prospects of the official opening of the new Metro Station, was one of two dozen cyclists in the Greenbelt Bicycle Coalition tour campaigning for bike--photo by J. Henson ways.

animals. High on a man-made hill looms the Metro track, the mightiest public works project conceived since the Great Wall of China. Ground between these titanic forces, what hope is there for a small band of bicyclists?

The Bicyclists Speak Not to worry. They are as chipper as Midwesterners. Perhaps it's all that fresh air and exercise. Somehow, this indwelling spirit has improbably altered the odds. Small miracles begin

Ride to the

Station

to break out.

The first miracle is that we were not in fact ordered to move along. We were being ordered into formation so that an official Metro photographer can snap our picture!

The cyclists are campaigning for bikeways through parts of the city to make the station safely accessible to them. They plead their case to me. They speak of the great benefits of encouraging bicycle commuting,

of the miniscule costs involved of ensuring those benefits: \$13,-000 to pave the shoulders of Crescent Road. A few hundred bucks to paint designated bike lanes on Ivy Lane.

Somehow, it seems like a mark of ill-breeding to speak of such piddling amounts of cash in the shadow of the brand-new Green Line, which cost \$873 million. That's right. It's even more when you spell it out. Eight hundred seventy-three million smackers. It's almost impious to link something so picayune with something so grand as to border on the sublime. It has an incongruous sound, like a concerto for harmonica and orchestra.

Someone points out that the bike rack Metro has provided for the \$128 million Greenbelt station is not up to snuff. It's a 1957-style kid's bike rack that will lock the front wheels only, allowing anyone who invests in a wrench to cart off your \$500 machine.

The bikers generously defend Metro. It's a stopgap measure, they say. Fancier facilities are planned.

I am feeling a bit giddy. Perhaps it is the cold. Perhaps it is the enthusiasm. I drift away from the wheelmen and wheelwomen and wander off into the tent, which is another world, another story.

On my way back, bicycling alone, I am nearly creamed. Twice. The drivers drive on, oblivious

Bicycles don't get no respect.

Doctor Referrals

The Prince Georges County Medical Society (PGMS) announces a community physician referral service — CARE (consumer advocate & referral service).

CARE has specially trained counselors who will provide the names of physicians in the appropriate medical specialty needed, convenient to the caller's location and special needs.

CARE is open Monday-Thursday 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m. and Friday 9 a.m. - noon. The number to call is 341-7758.

The PGMS is a nonprofit organization which has been serving the needs of the physicians and community for over 80 years.

Because of the Christmas Holiday, the CITY OFFICES

WILL BE CLOSED FRIDAY,

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December, 1943-The Greenbelt Cooperative had secured an ample supply of turkeys for Greenbelters to serve on Christmas Day. For Thanksgiving, turkeys were in short supply, and many had to do without. It was not until Monday of that week that a supplier delivered 250 birds to the co-op. However, for Christmas the Fredericksburg Farmers cooperative promised to take care of the town's needs. Also, tangerines, cranberry sauce, and apple juice were expected to be plentiful.

Performing Arts School Applications Due Soon

The Visual and Performing Arts Program at Suitland High School is part of the Prince Georges County Public Schools Magnet Program and admits students based on desegregation guidelines and audition results. All students interested in this program must complete a separate application and attend an audition.

Applications are available in the guidance office of any Prince Georges County middle and high school or from the Magnet Office.

The completed application should be mailed as early as possible and no later than the deadline of January 14 to Pupil Accounting and School Boundaries, Room 211, 14201 School Lane, Upper Marlboro, Maryland, 20722. Once the completed application

is received, an audition packet will be mailed to the student which will include the date and time of the audition, as well as audition preparation materials. Auditions will be scheduled at Suitland High School from February 7 through February 18. Applicants who have auditioned will be notified by letter of their status by the end of February.

For additional information regarding the Visual and Perform-ing Arts Program and audition process, contact Dr. Ella E. White at Suitland High School, 301-568-9315. For general Magnet information, call 301-952-6044.

WSSC Offers Big Type Bills

In response to several requests from ratepayers, and at the urging of Kathryn Smith, a local advocate for the visually impaired, the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission has announced the availability of special enlarged-print bills. The larger type makes it possible for vis-ually impaired ratepayers to more easily read their water bills.

Ratepayers who were interested in an enlarged-print bill, or who knew of someone who would benefit from it, are asked to call the Customer Services Office at 206-4001. To date, more than 60 ratepayers have called and will be receiving this special size bill.



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SURPLUS SHELVING result of the transfer of Greenbelt Center Elementary School to the City of Greenbelt, the City has come into possession of some nice quality wood shelving. This shelving was located in the school library. Persons interested in obtaining this shelving should contact Ken Gray at the Aquatic Center at 513-0390. The shelving will be available on a first come, first serve basis.

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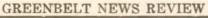
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Police Blotter

Based on Information Released by the Greenbelt Police Department

As a man was leaving Beltway Plaza around 11:15 p.m. on Monday, December 6, two men approached him, displayed a handgun, and demanded money; after getting the victim's money, the two men got into an await-ing car and drove off. The men are described as (1) black, mid-twenties, 6⁵2", 200 lbs., with brown eyes, wearing a red ski mask, a black jacket, dark pants, and having a small caliber, black semi-automatic handgun; (2) black, mid-20s, 5'7", 130 lbs., with brown eyes and a light complexion, wearing a black hat and a brown jacket. The car was a grey, two-door, 1981 Toyota, with DC tags 616409.

While patrolling the area of Greenbelt Road and Hanover Pkwy. around 1:15 a.m. on Thursday, December 9, an officer stopped a vehicle that had a broken out vent window. and found via computer that one of its passengers had an open warrant with the Montgomery County Police Department for violation of probation. As the man stepped out of the vehicle, he dropped a baggie of "crack" cocaine onto the ground; he also had another baggie of cocaine on his person. Consequently, he was arrested and charged with possession of cocaine with intent to distribute. A 35-year-old norresident, he appeared before a District Court Commissioner and was held on \$50,000 bond pending trial. Then, the Prince Georges County Sheriff's Department took custody of him for the open warrant.

While patrolling the 100 block of Northway around 1:15 a.m. on Saturday, December 4, an officer stopped three suspicicuzlooking juveniles and found that they all had concealed knives. They were all arrested and released to their parents panding trial. Two were 15-year-old residents; the other was a 15-yearold nonresident.

Around 1:45 p.m. on Thursday, December 2, officers responded to a report of suspicious-looking juveniles in the woods on the Gardenway side of the Spellman Overpass and found the youths with a package of marijuana. One resident 15-year-old was arrested and charged with posses-sion of marijuana and then released to a parent pending trial. Two others were released pending further investigation.

While patrolling the 6100 block of Breezewood Court around 3 a.m. on Sunday, December 5, an officer stopped a vehicle with only one registration tag; a computer check showed that it had been stolen. Consequently, a 24year-old resident man was arrested and charged with theft and released on citation. As he had an open warrant with the Prince Georges County Sheriff's Department for failure to appear in court, he was then taken into custody by that department. A grey, two-door, 1985 Mazda RX-7, MD tags PCN358, was reported stolen from the 7800 block of Mandan Road on December 8.

Vandalisms to, thefts from, and attempted thefts of autos were reported in the following areas: the 6100 block of Breezewood Court, the 6200 block of Breezewood Drive, the 9100 block of Edmonston Terrace, the 7400 block of Hanover Pkwy., the 7900 block of Lakecrest Drive, the 7800 block of Mandan Road, 17 Court Ridge Road, the 6000 block of Springhill Drive, and 9100 block of Springhill Lane.

GREENBELT NEWS REVIEW

Student Hurt in Attack At Eleanor Roosevelt

by Elaine Skolnik

A ninth grade student at Eleanor Roosevelt High School was attacked by another student as he walked from a tem-porary classroom to the main building after school on December 8. Jumped from behind, the Greenbelt youth sustained a concussion, black eyes and facial cuts when his glasses shattered. Other students were in the area at the time of the attack and a teacher was on the scene within minutes

Principal Gerald Boarman said the injured student's mother was notified. Then Boarman, various faculty members and the school's security investigator / counselor immediately began tracking down students who witnessed the at-tack. By evening a positive identification was made and the next morning a 17-year-old 12th grade student from Glenarden was apprehended by Prince Georges County Police as he stepped off the school bus. Later, Boar-man said, the youth was released to his parents.

Dr. Boarman explained that he has requested that the student be expelled. In the meantime the perpetrator, who had pre-viously been suspended for less serious offenses, has been placed on suspension.

"This sends a message that this school is safe and orderly and, if something happens, we will deal with it very quickly." said Dr. Boarman, adding "I look at the students as if they were my own kids . . . All stu-dents deserve an education frec from fear and threats."

Distraught over the attack and worry caused to the student's family, Boarman stressed, "This student was totally innocent-he did nothing to provoke the incident . . . we're fully behind him and I will make sure that he and other students will be kept safe."

Dr. Boarman said he will present the case for expelling the other student before the Director of Student Appeals who, along with two school administrators, will make the decision whether or not to uphold or overturn the expulsion. Any decision could be appealed by the parents to the Prince Georges County School Board.

Board member Suzanne Plogman, who represents Greenbelt, said "It was appalling this hap-pened to this young man." She observed that administrators do everything they can to help keep the schools safe. "I intend to work with the school principals to do what we can, as a school board to help them." Unfortun-ately," she opined, "the schools have inherited the problems we see in the communities."

Plogman noted that one security investigator/counselor is assigned to each high school in the county and that the board is requesting one additional se-curity person. Because of Roosevelt's student population of 2,850 -the largest in the state-se felt that three security per-sons would be justified. She pointed out that several Montgomery County high schools have

four on staff. Additional personnel, for ex-ample, would relieve Roosevelt administrators and faculty from having to deal with "outsiders-



Holiday singers offer One More Song at the Tree Lighting on December 3 at the Municipal Building. Also on stage are Miss Greenbelt, Christine Patsas; Little Miss Greenbelt, Nina Strauss; and Junior Miss Greenbelt, Genette Don-Bullian and Mayor Toni Bram with grandchildren and

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kids" who should not be on the school grounds. There could be stricter enforcement of the ban on beepers. Penalties include confiscation on the first offense and suspension for repeated violations.

Plogman also spoke of a study by several board members dealing with the creation of alternative schools and programs for disruptive students. Hearings will be held following the report's completion.

Reunion Planned

The Reunion Planning Com-mittee of the Class of 1964 of Frederick Douglass High School of Upper Marlboro, is preparing for a dinner/dance on June 18, and a seven-day Western Caribbean cruise from September 25-October 2. The committee is searching for its classmates. For more information, contact Troy Smith (301) 599-9594.

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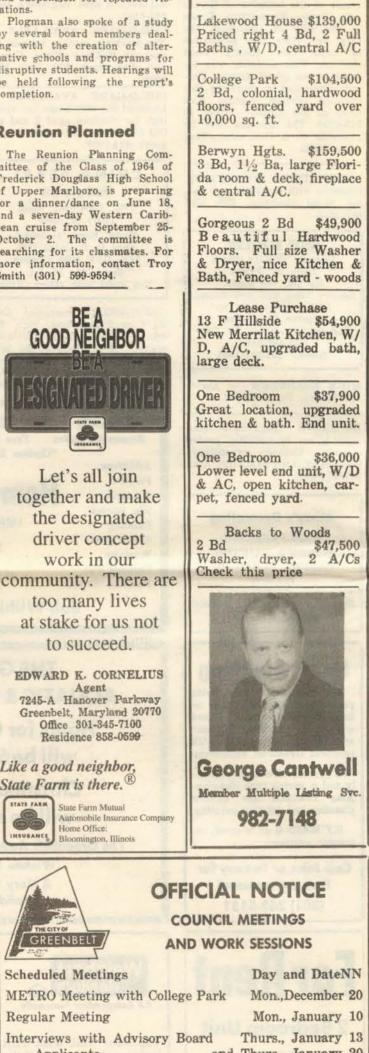
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and Thurs., January 20 Applicants Public Hearing in Greenbelt East Tues., January 18 on Trails Master Plan (Site to be determined) Mon., January 24 **Regular** Meeting

Work Session with Senior Citizens' Mon., January 31 Advisory Committee (tentative)

NOTE: Unless otherwise stated, meetings will be held at 8:00 p.m. in the Council Room.

