

What Goes On

Mon., April 25, 8:30 p.m. City Council Meeting, Municipal Building

Wed., April 27, 8 p.m. City Council Budget Worksession with F.O.P. Board, Municipal Building

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Environmental Problems Subject of BARC Meeting

by Elaine Skolnik

Beltsville Agricultural Research Center (BARC) officials will hold a public meeting on Tuesday, April 26, to discuss "possible environmental contamination" at BARC. The meeting will be held at 10300 Baltimore Blvd., in the auditorium of Building 003, at 7:00 p.m. BARC's activities dealing with the problem over the past year will be reviewed and public input will be sought on the impact of the site and the proposed remedial action. Similar meetings were held this week for municipal and county officials and BARC employees.

Kim Kaplan, spokesperson for BARC, said, "We want to make sure the community knows the facts and has input in the process." A wide range of activities are carried out at BARC. Many types of chemicals are used for research, industrial, and agricultural purposes. In addition, as an agricultural facility, BARC necessarily uses pesticides, following standard landscape and farming practices, Kaplan noted.

BARC is currently negotiating an interagency agreement with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the Maryland Department of Environment (MDE), which will, according to MDE's information report, "define the roles of the regulatory agencies and set the guidance for future investigation of sites and clean-up activities at BARC." (The sites have not yet been publicly identified). EPA and MDE have been overseeing the investigation of environmental contamination at the center.

Background

On May 10, 1993, the EPA proposed to add 16 BARC sites to the National Priority List for Hazardous Waste (NPL). According to the Federal Register at the time, "The identification of a site for the NPL is intended primarily to guide EPA for determining which sites warrant further investigation to assess the nature and extent of public health and environmental risks" and to determine what "remedial actions, if any, may be appropriate" for financing by the EPA's superfund for chemical cleanup.

Since federal agencies cannot draw funds from the Superfund, the Department of Agriculture has been responsible for finding governmental resources to finance further sampling of the sites. This may be the case also in cleaning up contaminated sites.

Last May Kaplan stressed, "There is no imminent threat to human health or the environment on an emergency basis. The listing means a potential exists for problems and that a specialized investigation needs to be done to confirm what is there. . . ." EPA agreed that, based on existing information at the time, there appeared to be no "screaming emergency."

In his February 15, 1994 letter to State Senator Leo E. Green, Richard W. Collins, MDE's

director of Waste Management Administration, said "Investigations to date have shown that exposure to contaminated areas is limited and that the facility does not pose an immediate public health threat."

Over the years EPA regulations have become more complex and stringent. Superfund legislation was passed in 1980. To meet revised environmental regulations, BARC employed an EPA contractor in 1986 to conduct preliminary site assessments, which were then submitted to EPA.

Kaplan said, "Of the 44 sites studied, 16 had enough information to warrant further evaluation and 28 were dismissed out of hand." Any contamination of the sites would have occurred decades ago. At the time the sites were originally used no Federal or State hazardous waste

Council Appeals All 'n One, Oks Pool Deck Patching

by Diane Oberg

The city will file a legal appeal with the Prince Georges District Council over the Prince Georges Planning Board's approval of the All 'n One restaurant proposed for Greenway Center. The Greenbelt City Council approved this action at its April 11 regular meeting. Other actions at that meeting included emergency approval of repairs to the outdoor pool and a report from a foreign visitor observing city government activities.

On a 4-1 vote with council member Rodney Roberts opposed, council voted to appeal the county planning board's approval of the site plan for the All 'n One restaurant. PepsiCo wants to convert the former Kangaroo Katie's restaurant in Greenway Center into a 200 seat restaurant offering the combined fare of Pizza Hut, Taco Bell and KFC.

At its previous meeting, council had recommended that the Planning Board reject the site plan. The appeal will be heard by the County Council sitting as the District Council.

In voting nay, Roberts argued that a vote to appeal is a vote to maintain the status quo. Three similar restaurants have already failed at that location, he said, and council should not be trying to perpetuate an unprofitable use.

Guest Intern

Council was introduced to Alexandre Kiselev from Yaroslavl, Russia (located about 300

Public Meeting

Persons desiring to speak at this public meeting are requested to call 344-2446 to register their desire to be heard. Presentations will be limited to five minutes for group representatives and three minutes for individuals. Written comments may be sent to: Area Director, Beltsville Agricultural Research Center, 10300 Baltimore Avenue, Beltsville, MD 20705. May 30 is the deadline for receipt of written comments, which will be acknowledged by June 15 and entered into the public record.

The official administrative record of this environmental action will be available for public inspection and copying at the National Agricultural Library, 10301 Baltimore Avenue, Beltsville.

For further information contact Kim Kaplan, ARS Information Staff, at 344-2446.

disposal regulations were violated.

One Site Cleaned Up

Only one site has been evaluated in detail—a three to four acre site that is part of the 75.3-acre tract designated for use as a service and inspection yard at the Greenbelt terminus of the Metrorail Green Line. An investigation undertaken by BARC to support the land transfer to

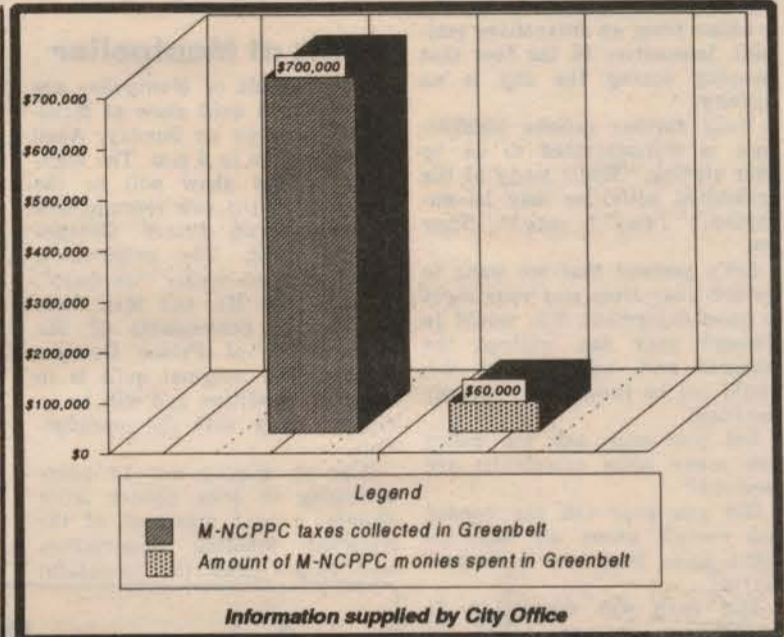
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kilometers northeast of Moscow). He is observing city government operations for a month as part of an international internship program. In Russia, his duties include overseeing the Sister Cities program with Burlington, Vermont and Exeter, England.

He made a brief presentation on the history of his city, which is more than 900 years older than Greenbelt, and on his experiences here. The number of volunteers participating in governing Greenbelt (through the advisory boards and committees and other activities such as the citizens' police academy) was a surprise to Kiselev.

Having observed these volunteers in action, he now got a chance to watch council, attending both the council meeting (which was followed by an executive session then a work session) and the Tuesday night budget work session.

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City Council to Seek More M-NCPPC Funds for Center

by Mary Lou Williamson

The Greenbelt City Council will go to the Prince Georges County Council seeking \$300,000 to help fund the operating expense of the Community Center — a multi-generational activity center. If granted, the funds would come from the county's recreational budget through the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission (M-NCPPC). According to city officials, Greenbelt taxpayers currently contribute roughly \$700,000 per year to the M-NCPPC budget and, in return, receive about \$60,000 in direct recreational assistance — a huge discrepancy that has frustrated councils and city staff for decades.

Mayor Antoinette Bram, at a council budget work session on recreation, asked all members of the city council to attend the county council public hearing on the M-NCPPC budget on Monday, April 25 at 7 p.m. along with the city manager, Daniel Hobbs, Recreation Director Hank Irving, and other staff members. The public hearing will take place in the hearing room of the County Administration Building in Upper Marlboro.

The move to obtain a better return for Greenbelt taxpayers came out of deep concern expressed by some members of council at its budget work session Monday night of the four-cent tax increase the city manager has proposed to fund the operating expense of the community center for the next fiscal year, 1994-95. For the entire year there will be a full-time manager to serve first as a project manager during renovation and then as the building and program manager when the center opens to the public. City staff expects the building to be open, thus requiring a full staff, during the last three months of the fiscal year. The operating expense for FY-95 is projected at \$231,300, less about \$20,000 to be received in program fees. This net cost to the city of \$211,200 represents a four cent tax hike. For the following year,

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with full operation for 12 months, the staff projects operating costs at \$427,500, offset partially by program fees of \$128,500. The net expense of \$299,000 is equivalent to 5.32 cents on the tax rate. Thus Hobbs projects that an additional one cent tax increase will be required next year.

City staff had hoped that M-NCPPC, at minimum, would provide some staffing for the new community center. The council members recalled that Greenbelt's efforts over the years to obtain a "fair return" for tax dollars collected by M-NCPPC have produced very little.

1994 GHI House And Garden Tour

The Greenbelt Homes, Inc. House and Garden Tour will be held on Sunday, May 1, from 12 to 5 p.m. The tour is self-guided. Maps will be distributed at the Greenbelt Museum. People can take a leisurely stroll through Greenbelt and see some of their neighbors' creativity! For more information, call Terri Rutledge at 982-3451.

Letters to the Editor

Rush Warranted

You want to know what's the rush? Then read on.

How dare you think that "many daytime activities" should include cars blowing horns in the residential areas of my city?

Your sarcastic mentioning of "the dangerous practice of singing in public" sounds to us like a whine from an insensitive resident. Insensitive to the fact that sleeping during the day is an activity.

Your further callous indifference is demonstrated to us by your stating, "While many of the prohibited activities may be annoying," "may"? may?! They are.

Let's pretend that we want to disturb your sleep and your right to quiet enjoyment. You would go through your day without the required rest, and you, as we, would not be rested for your/our workday.

Did you ever ask the police how many noise complaints are received?

Did you ever ask the condos and rentals about all day, all night noise from the basketball courts?

The rush was warranted. It acted as a pressure relief. To know that the right to quiet enjoyment will be realized, it has prevented many citizens from snapping.

Carrie M. Lativer

Pleasing Trees

I wish to join other Greenbelters who are troubled by the kind and extent of some aspects of the renovation being considered for the Roosevelt Center Mall, as described in the March 31 News Review.

Personally I consider the plantings immediately behind the mother-and-child statue adequate and pleasing. Perhaps they could be improved without introducing an entire new disruptive design. They make a suitable backdrop without leading one's gaze away from this focal point. Surely the eye should stop here and linger on this affectionate couple.

In spring the statue is seen from Centerway through a heavenly haze of flowering peartrees, and in summer through their beautiful green foliage.

The removal of the Bradford Pear trees would be shocking to many of us, and to replace them with any other trees would seem a pointless move. If it is at all possible to build in a proper watering and drainage system to rescue these trees, who wouldn't deem it preferable?

Dorothy M. Gropp

Thanks

Thank you for all the post cards I got. I wanted to say a special thanks to that person in Wisconsin who sent me lots of post cards. I really enjoyed everything.

Lindsey Marie McCollom
Rockford, Iowa

Quilts at Montpelier

The Friends of Montpelier are sponsoring a quilt show at Montpelier Mansion on Sunday, April 24, from noon to 4 p.m. The highlight of the show will be the unveiling of the new reproduction of an historic Prince Georges County quilt. The original, a 1790 white-on-white "trapunto", is owned by Mr. and Mrs. John M. Copper, descendants of the Belt family of Prince Georges County. The original quilt is in excellent condition and will be on display along with the reproduction.

Also on display are 14 quilts belonging to area quilter Alice Skarda, a past president of the National Quilting Association, who helped lead the successful

Greenbriar to Fete Its 20th Anniversary

A Greenbriar Homecoming, celebrating the 20th anniversary of the development, will be held on Sunday, May 1, from 1 to 4 p.m. Residents of Greenbriar, past and present, are invited to attend.

William E. Ayers, one of Greenbriar's first residents, will speak on the topic, "Greenbriar Memories." Photo albums, newsletters, and other memorabilia will be on display. The Greenbelt Middle School String Ensemble will perform throughout the day.

In keeping with the anniversary dates of 1974-1994, there will be a "Salute to the 70's" in Music and Fashions." At the end of the celebration, attendees will form "Hands Around Greenbriar" where all friends of Greenbriar are invited to join hands in friendship around the Terrace Room and surrounding area.

For further information, call Activities Director Linda Evans at 441-1096.

"Documentation of Maryland Quilts" project.



INVITATION TO BID

The City of Greenbelt, Maryland is accepting sealed bids for re-roofing of the Youth Center Addition. Bid documents may be obtained from the Purchasing Office, 25 Crescent Road, Greenbelt, MD from 8:30 AM - 4:00 PM Monday through Friday, (301) 474-8052.

Proposals may be mailed or delivered to the Purchasing Office at this address. Bids will be received until 2:00 PM Thursday, May 12, 1994, at which time they will be publicly opened and read.

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Tickets available at the door, at the Coop Supermarket
or call 441-8770

Five Artists Exhibit

From April 7 through May 26 the Montpelier Cultural Arts Center will exhibit works by five Baltimore based artists in a show entitled The Personal Document. Featured will be work by Katie Butler, Christine Langr, Andrea Nunes, Ann Schwab and Leslie Wies.

Each of these artists uses photography as a way of addressing and documenting issues that are pertinent to their own lives. In so doing, they universalize the

SOMEBODY GOO-JED

The Greenbriar Yard Sale on Saturday will be from 10 a.m. till 2 p.m. The hours in last week's ad were incorrect and would cause Yard Sale shoppers to miss the sale! The News Review regrets the error.

personal, commenting on that which is important to everyone.

For information call 953-1993 or TDD 490-2329.



REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL GREENBELT MUNICIPAL BUILDING MONDAY, APRIL 25, 1994 8:30 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. Presentations
 - Girl Scout Discovery Day
 - Legislative Reports from State Delegation
7. 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)
- * 8. Minutes of Meetings
9. Administrative Reports
- * 10. Committee Reports

III. LEGISLATION

11. An Ordinance to Amend Ordinance No. 1107 to Extend the Time Period During Which the City of Greenbelt, MD, May, from Time to Time, Borrow Not More than One Million Four Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (1,450,000) for the Public Purpose of Financing Certain Improvements to the Properties Known as Roosevelt Center
 - Second Reading
12. A Resolution to Authorize the City Manager to Negotiate the Purchase of Trip Hazard Removal Equipment (a/k/a a Concrete Grinding Machine) from SASE of Seattle, Washington, at a Cost of Five Thousand Seven Hundred Seventy-Nine Dollars (\$5,779)
 - Second Reading

IV. OTHER BUSINESS

13. Liquor License Transfer to All 'N One from Kangaroo Katies
14. Discussion of Sidewalk Between Crescent Road and Forestway
15. Proposal to Establish Greenbelt Education Advisory Committee
16. Park Permit Fees
- * 17. Ballot to Amend the NLC/By-Laws

V. 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. If special accommodations are required to make this meeting accessible to any disabled person, please call 474-8000 or 474-1811 (TTY) to request such accommodation before 10:00 am on the day of the meeting.

Dorothy Lauber, CMC
City Clerk

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Basketball Awards Ceremony at Legion

The Awards Ceremony for all the Greenbelt Boys and Girls Club basketball teams will be held at the Greenbelt American Legion Hall on Sunday, April 24.

Awards will be given for the Club's Intramural teams, 2-3:30 p.m., and for the Club's County teams and Basketball Cheerleaders, 4-7 p.m. There is no admission and no food or beverages will be served.

Awards and individual trophies will be given to team members. Special guest will be Mayor Bram. For further information contact the player's team coach, or Ava Ramey at (H) 220-0942. For further information on other Club activities call the Club's 24-hour Sportline: (202) 310-1066.

Call for Artists

The Gallery of the Prince Georges County Memorial Library System invites artists who live and/or work in Prince Georges County to submit slides by May 16 for month-long, solo exhibits between September, 1994, and June 1995. The Gallery is located at the Greenbelt Library, 11 Crescent Road. Send slides and SASE to Natalie Weikart, PGCMLS, 6532 Adelphi Road, Hyattsville, MD 20782 or call 301-699-3500.

Community Events

Musical Tom Sawyer At Elementary School

A musical extravaganza, "The Adventures of Tom Sawyer and Huck Finn" will be presented by students of Greenbelt Elementary School on Thursday, April 28 at 7:30 p.m. in the school's multi-purpose room. Directed by Wilma Vasquez, vocal music teacher, members of the fourth, fifth and sixth grade chorus will perform.

Explore Car Buying

In the market for a new or used car and wondering how to get the best deal? Wondering what to look for and beware of? If so, then don't miss the "Explorations Unlimited" program on Friday, April 29. Irving Siegel, who has 25 years of experience in the car business including giving numerous seminars on the subject will be the presenter. His talk will be informal and filled with helpful hints on buying a car.

"Explorations Unlimited" is a speaker series held every Friday from 1-3 p.m. at the Youth Center. Everyone is welcome to attend and questions are always encouraged. For more information call 474-6878.

Celebrate Earth Day

In celebration of Earth Day on Saturday, April 23, the National Park Service will conduct a special program at the Sweetgum Picnic Area at Greenbelt Park.

Bring a lunch and join the Greenbelt Park Rangers in the following activities: 10 a.m. tree planting; 11 a.m. nature walks; noon clean up and 1 p.m. picnic lunch.

In addition, there will be information available on recycling and other environmental related activities.

For more information, call (301) 344-3944 or 344-3948.

GHI Notes

The Woodlands Committee is holding a Trail Improvement Work Party this Sunday, April 24, at noon in Parcel "Z" which is the area bounded by Hillside, Ridge Road, Laurel Hill Road and Research. Volunteers are needed.

Last week's ad Call for Candidates had a wrong date listed. Members have until May 12 to return Consent to Serve forms.

The Architecture & Environment Committee meets on Monday, April 25, in the Board Room at 8 p.m.

The next Board of Directors meeting is Thursday, April 28, at 8 p.m.

Golden Age Club

by Dolores Capotosto

Since the weather is getting nicer, we hope more of our members will get out to the meetings and outings. We will have our anniversary luncheon on April 26 at the lovely Penwick House. There is also a trip to Columbia Shopping Mall planned for May, as well as the trip to Alaska which some of us are planning to make. I've also heard some mention of the Jolly Rover in June—great fun! Jim Maher is in charge of our club trips and he can be reached at 513-5869.

At the April 27 meeting Hilda Orleans will show a film on a Caribbean Cruise. Meetings are held at the Youth Center, and all our officers do a terrific job!

Little League Parade

The Annual Little League Parade will take place on Sunday, April 24 at noon. The parade route runs from the City Office to McDonald's field. Refreshments will be sold.

Elementary School To Hold Spring Fair

The Greenbelt Elementary School PTA is having the first annual Spring Fair at its new facility located at 66 Ridge Road on Saturday, April 30, from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. in the school auditorium.

There will be games, prizes, face painting, a multicultural bake sale, and refreshments as well as a raffle for prizes donated by area merchants.

Volunteers are welcome. To volunteer call Kathy Kerdock at 345-6387.

At the Library

The P.J. Storytime for ages 4-6 will be held on Tuesday, April 26, at 7 p.m.

On Wednesday, April 27, there will be a Babysitting Workshop for ages 12-19 at 7 p.m. Registration is required. Call 345-5800.

Drop-In Storytime for ages 3-5 is scheduled on Thursday, April 28, at 10:15 a.m.

Bike Coalition Meets

The Greenbelt Bicycle Coalition meets on Monday, April 25, 7:30 p.m., at the Police Station, 550 Crescent Road.

Agenda items include: review of the city FY-95 budget; preparation for National Bike to Work Day on May 17; preparation for National Bike Week and picnic; Metro access and parking problems; and recognition for those who biked to work on Earth Day, April 22.

The coalition will celebrate May 17, Bike to Work Day with a breakfast get-together at Roosevelt Center. All bicycle commuters are welcome. Breakfast will be available from 6:30-9 a.m.

The idea is to give those who have thought about bicycling to work a little extra incentive.

National Bike to Work Day is celebrated in bicycle friendly communities across the country. In 1993, San Diego California and Boulder, Colorado served breakfast to more than 4,000 bicycle commuters each.

To place an item on the agenda or for more information, call Bill Clarke, 474-7280.

Recreation Review

Kite Flying Contest Winners
Results of the annual Kite Flying Contest held March 20 are as follows: Most unusual — Sara Bates; Youngest Flyer — Justina White; Oldest Flyer — Bill Webster; Highest Flyer — Kevin Bailey; and Prettiest Kite — Larry Johnson.

City Tennis Court Use
Spring is here and tennis players are reminded to check posted rules for the city's tennis courts. Greenbelt residents have priority use of the courts.

Facility Entrance Card
All participants, 14 years and over entering Recreation Centers are required to possess a Recreation Facility card. They may be purchased by residents only, at either the Youth Center or Springhill Lake Recreation Center.

Community First Aid & Safety Class
Community First Aid & Safety Class will be held May 17, 18, 19 from 7-10 p.m. at the Greenbelt Aquatic & Fitness Center. Please call the Recreation Department Business Office for fees and registration information.

City Athletic Field Use
First priority for practice and games on City fields will be permitted to youth and city leagues. Permits are effective March 28. All other use is on a first-come, first-served basis.

Roller Skating
Roller skating will be held on Tuesday afternoons from 3-5 p.m. at the Springhill Lake Recreation Center parking lot. Skates will be provided. For more info call 345-2770.

ARC's Ride-a-Bike

The Arc of Prince Georges County (formerly the Association for Retarded Citizens) is holding its 22nd Annual Ride-A-Bike/Take-A-Hike on Sunday, April 24, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. with routes in Greenbelt and on Andrews Air Force Base.

Bikers and hikers are eligible for prizes, including dinners, certificates to Toys R Us, and a Fling Weekend in Ocean City, Maryland.

Bikers and hikers with at least 10 pledges receive a commemorative T-shirt the day of the event.

Funds raised are used to assist men, women and children with mental retardation living in Prince Georges County.

For a registration/sponsor form, call (301) 925-7050.

Red Cross Blood Drive

SPONSORED BY GREENBELT HOMES, INC.

Monday, May 2, 1994, FROM 3:00 TO 7:00 P.M.

The Red Cross blood bank is very low due to the several catastrophes that have occurred this past year. Won't you consider a gift of life by donating blood. Please call 474-4161 to reserve a time when you can donate on May 2nd.



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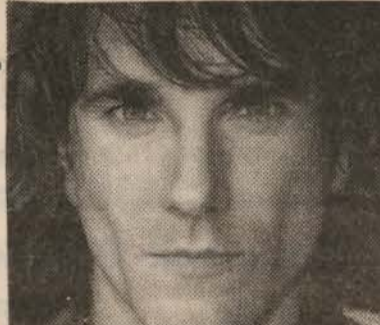
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1994 Greenbelt Homes, Inc. House & Garden Tour



Tour starts at: Greenbelt Museum, 10B Crescent Road

Time: Noon to 5 p.m.

Date: Sunday, May 1

Info: 982-3451

Charlotte Vandiver Churaman

Dr. Charlotte Vandiver Churaman, of Greenbelt, died on Thursday, April 14, after a brief illness. She was 72.

Dr. Churaman, formerly a professor of family economics and home management at the University of Maryland, authored numerous articles in professional journals. She retired several years ago at the rank of full professor.

She lent her expertise to civic concerns, testifying on economic matters before the Maryland legislature in 1976. She also served on a number of civic groups, including the Ad Hoc Advisory Committee on Vocational Education and the Maryland Citizens Consumer Council. She was a board member of the Consumer Foundation of Maryland Consumer Credit Counseling and a charter board member of Consumer Credit of Southern Maryland. She continued these activities after her retirement.

One of Dr. Churaman's research concerns was family financial planning, and she directed research projects on such topics as family communications and money management. In 1976 she conducted a survey of family financial counseling programs in colleges with home economics programs. She also ran a workshop on developing curricula for family money management counseling the previous year.

She was a member of Pi Gamma Mu, an honor society for the social sciences, and Phi Upsilon

Omicron, an honor society for home economics.

In her spare time, Dr. Churaman was an avid painter, working in oil, water, and pastels. She was an active member of the University Methodist Church. She had recently taken up Tai Chi, an oriental exercise discipline emphasizing spiritual development.

Dr. Churaman was born in Burlington, West Virginia. While still working on her doctorate from Penn State, she moved to this area from Pennsylvania in 1968 after being hired by the University of Maryland.

She met her husband, Oscar Churaman, from Guyana, while he was attending an agricultural college in the United States. They married in Guyana in 1949 and lived there until 1962. Her husband died last year.

She is survived by her son, O. Randolph, and her daughter, Judy C. Sharp.

A memorial service will be held at University Methodist Church on Friday, April 22 at 10 a.m. She will be buried later that day in Burlington by her immediate family.

Contributions in her memory may be made to the University of Maryland Foundation, FSC Fund, c/o the Department of FMST, 1204 Marie Mount, College Park, MD 20742.

In Memoriam

Friends of Helen Justman will be saddened to learn of her death in Atlantic City Hospital on April 2 after a long illness.

She is survived by her husband Simon, daughter and son-in-law Peggy and William Suttle, grandson Nicholas Suttle, and sons Paul and Seth.

Helen will be remembered for her love and pride of her family, her constant good humor and interest in people, and as a teacher of creative dramatics for children. She was an active leader and participant in cultural and community affairs in Greenbelt.

The friendships she made here were maintained when the family moved from the area. She will be missed greatly by all.

Janet Parker

Marjorie Winters

Greenbelter Marjorie D. Winters, 76, died Tuesday, April 12. She is survived by her husband, Floyd M. Winters; daughters Sheila A. Yakupkovic and Karen E. Cottingham; brothers Reggie and Geoffrey Blair and grandchildren Joey, Heather, John, Alan and Sean.

A memorial service was held at Maryland Veterans Cemetery at Cheltenham, MD on April 18.

Albert W. Ohler, Sr.

Albert W. Ohler, Sr., of Greenbelt died on Thursday, April 14.

He is survived by his wife, Frances H. Ohler, and his sons David Anthony Ohler and Albert W. Ohler, Jr., his brother Les Ohler, and five grandchildren.

Memorial services will be held on Sunday, April 24 at the Fort Lincoln Funeral Home, 3401 Bladensburg Road in Brentwood, Md. at 1 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to the International Fund for Animal Welfare, P.O. Box 198, Yarmouth Port, MA 02675. (Please enclose with your contribution a note with your name and address saying that it is in memory of Albert W. Ohler).

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The next volunteer orientation and training will be held at the Lighthouse, 1421 P Street, N.W. on Saturday, April 30, from 10 a.m. to noon. For more information, contact Maggie D'Antonio at (202) 462-2900, extension 3045.

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Seniors Nature Series Continues

Elderberry Afternoons, the nature series for senior citizens, continues with the program "Life in a Pond" on Wednesday, April 27 at 1-3 p.m.

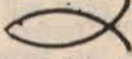
To register or for more information call 249-6202, TDD 454-1493. It is at Watkins Nature Center in Watkins Regional Park, 301 Watkins Park Drive, Largo.

Hadassah to Meet

The Judith Resnick Group of Greater Washington Hadassah will meet on Tuesday, April 26 at 8 p.m. at the home of Muriel Weidenfeld.

The evening's program will be a presentation by Dan Lowery and Ethel Harris on "Tracing Family Histories."

For more information and to R.S.V.P. call group President Jacqui Aronfy at 345-2018 or co-president Ina Shapiro at 890-4128.



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- telephone books
- white office paper
- used oil & antifreeze
- newspaper & Commingled glass, plastic and metal

New City Community Center A Focus of Budget Planning

by Diane Oberg

For the second year, the new community center, scheduled to open next spring in the old Center School building, is a major focus of the city budget calculations. City Manager Daniel Hobbs is proposing a four cent increase in the city's property tax to cover the expected operating expenses of this facility. He expects that an additional one cent increase will be needed next year.

The proposed budget calls for \$12.1 million in expenditures in the General Fund, an 8% increase over the current year. Recreation and parks, public safety and debt service/reserves account for 92 percent of the total increase. The General Fund is the city's operating budget. One budget category, general government, is actually projected to decline slightly. (See box.)

The expenditure total is slightly higher than the estimated revenues of \$12.0 million. However, the revenue estimates, made during March, will be reexamined in May before the budget is adopted. The staff is hopeful enough that the revised estimates will be higher, that they have included a list of items to add, should these hopes be fulfilled.

Tax Rate

The proposed four cent property tax increase (to 1.37) is not the only change facing city property owners. The combined city-county property tax rate is likely to increase by a total of 6.6 cents. This reflects a 1.4 cent decrease proposed by the county executive. Hobbs' proposed 4 cent increase and a 4 cent decrease in the municipal tax differential. The tax differential is the offset city property owners receive in recognition of the fact that the city provides certain services (such as police and recreation) normally provided by the county. A decrease in the differential increases residents' county property taxes.

There may be some relief in sight for city property owners, however. According to Deputy City Manager Michael McLaughlin, county assessors are currently "walking through Greenbelt" to establish new property values for tax purposes. Because housing prices are just starting to

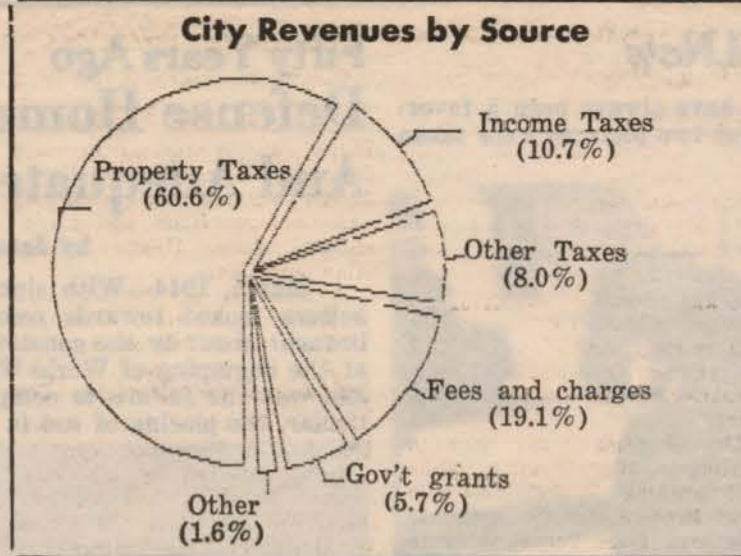
recover, assessable values are likely to be relatively low.

From the government's perspective, however, the picture is somewhat different. McLaughlin warned council that the revised assessments are likely to result in constrained budgets for the next three years.

Community Center Impact

The community center budget accounts for one quarter of the total increase in general fund expenditures over current year estimates. It is involved in two of the three categories exhibiting the largest budget increases—recreation and debt service/reserves. The community center accounts for two-thirds of the increase in the recreation budget.

Although the center will only be open for three months of FY95, the budgetary impact is significantly more than one-quarter of the expected annual cost. First, to oversee the establishment of the center, Hobbs proposes to hire a center manager for the entire year. In addition, the recreation staff proposes to use funds equivalent to two months of operating expenses to purchase additional equipment that could not be financed through the capital improvements program.



Finally, once the center opens, expenses will be at least partially offset by revenues. During the current fiscal year, the city expects to receive just \$20,100 in revenues, while spending \$231,300.

Debt Service

The debt service picture is complicated. During the current fiscal year, the city refinanced its debt. In the same transaction, it obtained the three million dollars voters had earlier approved for financing the community center renovations. In approving the refinancing, the city council agreed to dedicate 18.5 cents of the property tax revenue to debt service each year. To avoid a tax increase to finance the city's debt, Council agreed to reduce the annual set-aside for capital improvement from 12 cents of property tax revenues to seven cents.

An accounting change recom-

mended by the city's auditors clouds the issue further. For comparison purposes, the debt service and total expenditures values in this article have been adjusted, to the extent possible, for this change. In addition, the city is making a one time transfer of \$120,000 to the reserve accounts from the general fund balance. This transfer is counted as an expenditure.

In the end, set-asides for tax-supported debt service have increased by \$298,000 (44%). The contribution to the capital projects fund has increased \$253,200 (41%).

Pay and Benefits

City employees will have at least a small increase in pay and benefits if Hobbs' budget is approved. He calls for a 1.5% cost of living adjustment for all employees and notes that 96% of the city's workers will also get merit increases of 1.3% - 4%. He is also proposing a new program allowing 1.3% raises for employees at the top of their pay grades who are consistently performing above average.

Retirement costs are also increasing. More recently hired workers, who are covered by the Pension System, will get an additional one percent of their pay in deferred compensation. This is part of a several-stage effort to lessen the disparities in retirement benefits between the Pension System employees, earlier hires covered under the Retirement System, and city police.

The increased cost of providing benefits to employees covered under the Retirement System is a significant factor in higher personnel costs in some departments.

Recreation and Parks
Expenditures for the aquatic and fitness center are expected to decrease by \$20,000 while center revenues are expected to increase. In the current fiscal year, increased pass sales allowed revenues to cover 77% of operating costs, up from the 73% expected.

For next year Hobbs proposes a 3% increase in the annual pass price, allowing revenues to cover 81% of operating expenses. This would reduce the city's operating subsidy to \$119,300, down from \$152,500 this year. Daily pass rates would not change.

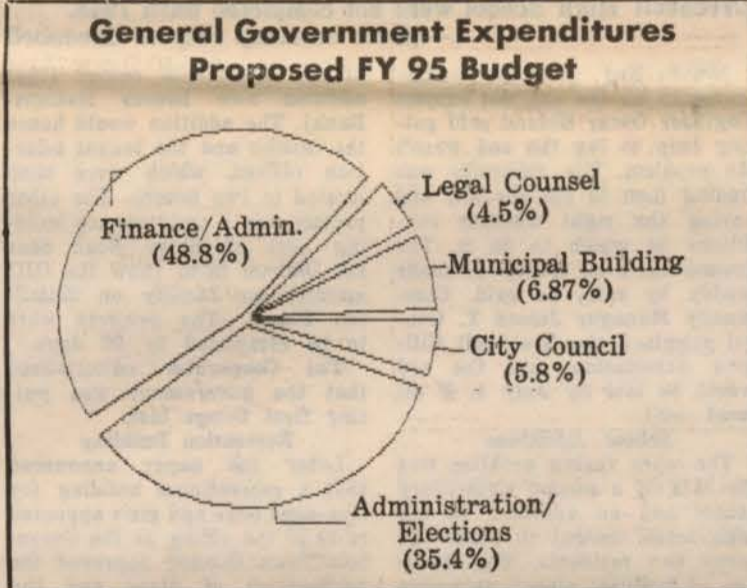
Public Safety

The second largest increase in expenditures is for public safety. Two-thirds of this increase reflects higher personnel expenses. These include night differential pay for patrol officers in the canine unit. (\$14,000); a fitness incentive program (\$3,000); full year funding of the traffic officer hired halfway through this year, and an additional officer. The cost of paying and equipping this new officer will be partially offset by the federal grant.

One quarter of the increase is accounted for by the purchase of 10 new police cruisers and other capital equipment. Hobbs said that the decision in past years to hold vehicle purchases to a minimum had "finally caught up with" the city.

Planning and Development

The only other department showing a sizeable percentage increase in expenditures is Planning and Community Development. The bulk of this increase (86%) is for professional services including temporary secretarial help, legal counsel and engineering services for the community development program. Despite this increase, license and permit fee revenues are expected to increase sufficiently for the program to continue to be completely self-supporting, requiring no general city tax revenues.



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- Tuesday & Thursday, April 26 & 28**
6:00pm "The City"
6:45pm "Greenbelt: The Ideal Community"
7:00pm "What is Municipal Government—the Untold Story"
7:30pm Video Annual Report FY 1993
8:00pm "FY 1995 Budget Address"
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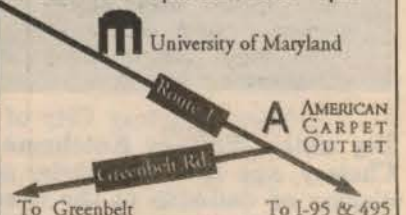
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Big sister Judy Holland (r) and little sister Maureen stand beside their defense home. It was not until the spring of 1944 that the federal government got around to sodding the grounds around the new wartime homes in the North End and on a rainy day, the ground beneath the girls would have been a sea of mud.



—photo courtesy City of Greenbelt and Judy Holland Big sister Whitney Kutchman (l), age 4, and little sister Chelsey, age 2, of Greenbriar admire this spring's bountiful display of daffodils at the Greenbriar Community Center.

—photo courtesy of Linda Evans

Fifty Years Ago Defense Homes Lack Grass And Adequate School Rooms

by James Giese

March, 1944—With signs of spring occurring, Greenbelters looked towards resolving some of the problems brought about by the construction of 1,000 Defense Homes at the beginning of World War II. The most vexing problem was the failure to complete landscaping and, in particular, the placing of sod in the North End.



The construction of 1,000 defense homes drastically changed the appearance of Greenbelt. By 1944, the homes were completed and occupied but finish items such as sod remained incomplete. The most critical problem was lack of expanded school facilities to house the increased student population. The North End Elementary School and the addition to Greenbelt High School were not completed until 1945.

—photo courtesy City of Greenbelt

North End residents volunteered to lay the sod, but Project Engineer Oscar Eklund said getting help to lay the sod wasn't the problem. The difficulty was finding men to cut the sod and having the right weather conditions in which to do it. The ground can't be frozen or made muddy by rain, he said. Community Manager James T. Gobel promised the Greenbelt Citizens Association that the sod would be laid by July 1, if all went well.

School Additions

The other vexing problem was the lack of a second elementary school and an addition to the high school needed to serve the many new residents. The shortage of facilities placed an undue burden on existing school facilities, and the temporary use of homes in the North End as classrooms was an inadequate measure. Funds for the school projects had to come from the Federal Works Administration, and the appropriation of funds was still lacking. Gobel expected action soon on this issue.

Other facilities needed, according to a Greenbelt Cooperator editorial, was another store building (the use of Defense Home units on Laurel Hill for a store not being satisfactory), a recreational facility for the town's youths, and "churches like other normal communities have."

Two Projects

Instead, work began on two projects to give the town administration more space. This could be done, Gobel said, because the construction expenses would be borne by the Federal Public Housing Administration, which had the necessary appropriation.

One project was a one-story addition in the administration building next to the post office

at the commercial center (that addition now houses Nations-Bank). The addition would house the cashier and the tenant selection offices, which were then located in two houses. The other project was a maintenance building east of Ridge Road near the Oldham farm (now the GHI maintenance facility on Hamilton Place). The projects were to be completed in 90 days.

The Cooperator editorialized that the government was putting first things last.

Recreation Building

Later the paper announced that a recreational building for teen-aged boys and girls appeared to be in the offing as the Greenbelt Town Council approved the preparation of plans and the search for funds to erect a combination recreation building and field house. Details were not yet decided, but suggestions ranged from shower rooms to a soda bar. Greenbelt Consumer Services had proposed putting a roof garden soda bar over the beauty shop and barber shop but construction engineers had determined that the walls of the drug store building were not of sufficient strength to support the proposed teen-age recreation center.

An unnamed Town Councilman was quoted by the newspaper as guessing that the town would have the recreation building by autumn. The paper, however, had been disappointed too many times by the Federal Government to place much faith in any dates predicted. However, the fact that the Town Council and the Town Manager are at work on plans and funds "gives us encouragement which will keep our spirits high for several months."

New Schools

At the end of the month, the paper announced that Federal

Works Administrator Maj. Gen. Philip B. Fleming had approved \$297,000 for the erection of a new elementary school (North End School) and an addition to the high school (now Greenbelt Middle School). The new school was to have 12 regular classrooms and several auxiliary rooms, but no auditorium. The high school addition would consist of four classrooms, a science room and a small assembly room. An auditorium was to be built at a later date. The additions were to be completed by fall.

The enrollment at Center School was 881 students for the 12-classroom building. This necessitated double shifts and use of the library, cafeteria, basement and other auxiliary rooms as classrooms.

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Lake Denial Upsets GEAC

by Karen Yoho

The design of Greenbrook Lake. The Greenbelt trails plan. The noise control ordinance recently adopted by the city. These are but a few of the topics discussed at the April meeting of the Greenbelt East Advisory Committee (GEAC) held at Hunting Ridge.

The major topic of discussion at the meeting was the dispute between the county and the city over the submitted design of Greenbrook Lake. The wetland construction permit for the Greenbrook Lake was denied by the Maryland Department of the Environment even though the parties, along with the county Department of Natural Resources (DNR) had been through an exhaustive preapplication review of the design, according to City Manager Dan Hobbs.

The city council is now seeking reconsideration of the pending negative action on the application. City staff and DNR staff are expected to meet again to resolve the issue. It is hoped

GEAC supports the city design of Greenbrook Lake and hopes the outcome of the meetings between the city and DNR will be favorable for construction to begin.

Trails Plan

GEAC next discussed the Greenbelt Trails Plan. Goldberg noted that some of the internal walkways in Greenbelt East developments do not appear on the plan. Putens suggested that the site plan be compared to the trails plan at the next work session on this topic, to ensure that all trails utilized by residents are included.

Miscellaneous

Next on the agenda were several discussion items from the recent city council meeting. GEAC urged all associations to inform their residents of the new noise control ordinance that went into effect on March 28.

There was also some discussion about the proposed "All n' One" fast food restaurant in Greenway Center. GEAC notes that traffic congestion is a present concern and the addition of such a facility would further impact the problems. It was announced that improvements to the center such as resurfacing the parking lot and landscaping are expected to begin soon.

Association board members from throughout Greenbelt were recently invited to attend a breakfast program sponsored by the Police Department. GEAC member Margaret Powell attended the breakfast and announced that the city needs help from private citizens with drug enforcement. Chief James Craze hoped that the associations would urge their residents to report suspicious activities and publish the city's drug enforcement hotline, 507-6524, in association newsletters.

Prior to adjournment, Wyatt Miller, a resident of Hunting Ridge, expressed concern over the increasing number of cars in his development that are registered out of state. GEAC members noted that the problem exists through-

out the area. Since city police are unable to enforce proper vehicle registration when vehicles are on private property (such as the parking lot), associations are attempting to deal with the problem. Vehicle registrations may be checked when the vehicles are on the road. Councilman White will check on the report of a vehicle with two different license plates on one car. "I would imagine that's a clear violation of

state law wherever the vehicle is located," said White. Further discussion of this topic is expected at future GEAC meetings.

GEAC members in attendance included Tim Sechrist, Jim Hartman, Patti Morris, Margaret Powell and Sheldon Goldberg. The next GEAC meeting is scheduled for Thursday, May 5, at 7:30 p.m. at Windsor Green. Greenbelt residents are encouraged to attend these meetings.

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Lake Update

On Monday, April 12, city staff met with state and county staff concerning the city's efforts to obtain approval for its plan for Greenbrook Lake. City Manager Dan Hobbs reported that each agency reported its position and that the state still seeks the redesign of the lake in order to disturb less wetlands. At a council work session that evening, the issue was discussed. Council agreed to seek the assistance of state elected officials. A request of the council to meet with County Executive Parris Glendening is still pending.

that following this meeting and after providing data requested by the state, construction will begin on the lake.

Frustration and concern were expressed by GEAC members as well as city council members Ed Putens and Tom White. "We just don't have a logical, sensible and reasonable answer to this (controversy) and I don't think anyone does," said Putens.

"It's unfortunate that public money and private citizens' time have been spent on a project that was supposed to work. Now we're told we can't do it... the rules have changed," President Sheldon Goldberg observed.

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Glendening's Final Budget Proposes Tax Reduction

by James Giese

Prince Georges County Executive Parris Glendening has submitted his twelfth and final budget to the Prince Georges County Council. The budget calls for significantly increased expenditures only for education and public safety and some reductions in taxes. Glendening, whose term of office ends this year and who will formally announce his candidacy for Governor shortly, cannot run for County Executive again because of the new term limit law.

Tax Cuts

If approved by the council, the cap on property tax reassessment increases will be dropped to 3 percent from 5 percent and the local piggyback income tax rate will drop from 60 percent to 58 percent of the state tax in January 1995. Glendening also proposes dropping the piggyback tax to 55 percent in 1996, but the next county council and county executive will have to make that decision. A majority of the council is also prohibited from running for reelection this year by the term limitation law. A reduction of the county piggyback tax will automatically reduce income tax revenues to the City of Greenbelt which shares in the tax by a formula set by state law.

Glendening proposes cutting the hotel/motel tax collected by the county from 9 percent to 6.5 percent and the property transfer tax from 1.5 percent to 1.4 percent. Legislation enact-

A significant budgetary item will be a cost-of-living pay adjustment averaging 4 percent for county employees. This is the first adjustment in two years.

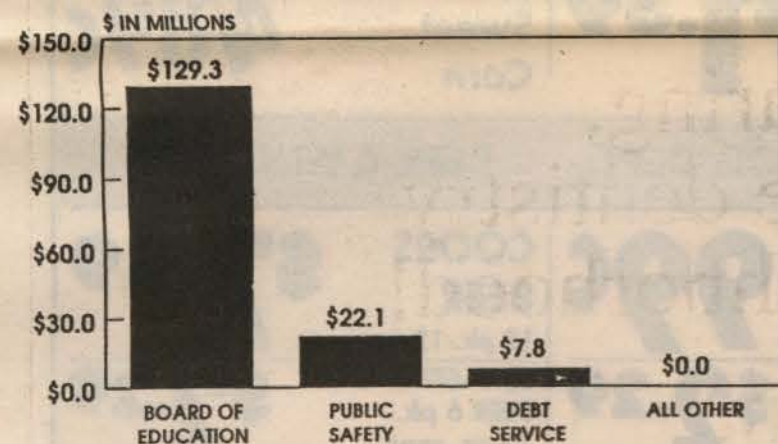
Capital Improvements

Supplementing the operating budget is the budget for the Capital Improvement Program totaling \$246 million for 298 projects. Included are expenditures for a new six-year, \$24 million school revitalization program, the renovation of two former private schools, Regina and LaReine High Schools, as public schools, construction of a new science building and renovations to Lanham and Bladen Halls at Prince Georges Community College, the start of the first boot camp for juvenile offenders, and various road improvements including continued construction of Calvert Road for access to the College Park Metro Station.

The capital budget for the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission also

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ed this year will enable municipalities such as Greenbelt to share in the hotel tax, with 25 percent of the revenues collected in Greenbelt going to the city next fiscal year and 50 percent each year after that.

Education

Although falling short of the budget levels sought by the Prince Georges Board of Education, the county budget proposes a 6.4 percent increase in education expenditures, a more than \$41 million increase. Glendening contends that expenditures for education are increasing more rapidly on a per pupil basis than the Consumer Price Index, with projected costs to be \$6,102 per pupil.

The budget allocates \$4 million more to public safety which will fund 120 additional police officers and 13 new firefighters and paramedics. The courts will get a twentieth circuit court judge and a new 'Family Court' program to help resolve disputes early. Of the new police officers, 45 will be assigned to the community policing program to help the county achieve its goal of 101 community police officers in 51 neighborhoods.

contains several large initiatives that will benefit inner beltway areas. The Bladensburg waterfront is to undergo a \$6 million dollar renovation, a museum is to be built at the College Park Airport, the Largo-Lottsford area is to get a sports complex and a contribution will be made to the University of Maryland Performing Arts Center.

Glendening calls his budget a model for the Metropolitan area, "a budget without new taxes, a budget that makes education and public safety priorities. . . . a budget that adds progress to Prince Georges County."

Car Seats Needed

The Prince Georges County Department of Social Services is accepting donations such as: (1) infant car seat, and (2) toddler car seats for the Family Emergency Shelter in Adelphi. The shelter needs these items in order to transport the children to and from various necessary activities. Anyone who has any of these items to donate, please contact Robin Coleman at 301-422-5021 on Mondays and Tuesdays from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Legislature Enacts Bills Benefiting City Coeffers

by James Giese

On Tuesday, April 12, Mayor Antoinette Bram attended a bill signing ceremony for legislation requiring Prince Georges County to share its proceeds from the levy of a hotel/motel tax with municipalities in which these establishments are located. Greenbelt has three hotels. "This legislation will bring the city an added \$150,000 to \$160,000 in revenue," Bram advised, beginning with the fiscal year that starts on July first.

Attending the ceremony at which Governor William Donald Schaefer signed this and other legislation were Senator Leo Green and Delegate James Hubbard as well as representatives from other municipalities and the Prince Georges Municipal Association (PGMA). Before the signing, the Governor held a news conference at which he criticized legislators for not passing some of his key legislative proposals at this year's session and the last session before the Governor leaves office. The session ended at midnight the night before.

The hotel/motel tax sharing bill, supported by all of Greenbelt's legislative delegation, has been a proposal of the city for many years. "We really worked hard for it this year," Bram said, particularly commending the efforts of City Manager Daniel G. Hobbs and Deputy City Manager/City Treasurer Michael P. Mc-

Laughlin. She also noted the work done by the PGMA and the other municipalities.

The legislation provides that for fiscal year 1995, cities will get 25 percent of the tax revenues from hotels and motels and in fiscal year 1996 and after, the cities will get 50 percent. Bram said that while the added revenue will be important to the

benefiting municipalities, the loss to the county will be only four hundredths of a percent of its revenues.

Community Center

The legislature enacted two other bills that will mean more money to the city if signed into law. Fifty thousand dollars has been allocated to the city for the renovation of Center School to become a community center. City officials had hoped the final amount would be greater, but are pleased to have received something. These funds will come from the annual state bond bill.

Police Aid

More significant funding for the city will be the result of Schaefer's proposal to increase police aid. Each jurisdiction in the state will receive an extra \$1,500 for each police officer, according to Bram. The proposed budget for the new fiscal year provides for 46 officers.

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For more information call (202) 475-4815.

P.G. County Schools Plan Kennedy Center Concert

The Music Department of the Prince Georges County Public Schools will present the 19th Annual Kennedy Center Concert featuring the All-County Senior Youth Orchestra, the High School Honors Chorus, the Middle School Honors Chorus, and the Combined Elementary Honors Choruses.

The concert will be held at the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts on Sunday, April 24, at 2 p.m. Tickets can be purchased directly from the Kennedy Center Box Office, or by calling 202-467-4600.

Handicapped seating is available in specific orchestra and box-seat sections.

Agriculture Day At U. of Maryland

Saturday, April 30 is Agriculture Day at the University of Maryland. The public is invited to the 69th annual "Ag Day" from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the barn area at the College Park campus. Attractions include a country band, livestock shows, expositions, and educational displays. At 11 a.m. the new Agricultural Engineering Wing will be dedicated at a ceremony.

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BARC

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the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) was completed in December 1990

According to Kaplan, cleanup work on the site has been completed except for surface water work. The official transfer of the property to WMATA is still in process.

The affected site was used from the 1940s to about 1975 to dispose of biodegradable wastes such as tree limbs and grass clippings, construction debris, glassware and general refuse. Several small empty containers that may have been used to store waste chemicals were also found.

EPA said that tests of surface water revealed contamination with solvents, PCBs, pesticides and a number of metals, including cadmium, lead and mercury.

According to MDE, "approximately 1,200 of the 67,000 cubic yards of soil removed from the biodegradable site was found to have lead levels requiring that the segregated soils be disposed of as a hazardous waste. Containers removed from the landfill include laboratory vials and bottles, gas cylinders and drums. A small number of containers were found to contain hazardous waste."

MDE reports also that BARC's environmental contractor is also currently investigating the Low-Level Radiation Burial Site. Eight monitoring wells have been constructed and sampled. Analytical results are pending."

COUNCIL

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Pool Repairs

Council suspended its rules to approve a resolution authorizing repairs to the deck of the outdoor pool using the negotiated purchase procedures. The area of the deck immediately surrounding the pool has deteriorated, creating a health and safety hazard, according to city staff. Calls to other area pools found similar problems to be fairly widespread.

Concrete repairs would cost an estimated \$39,000. Instead, the city staff recommended using a cement coating product to make the repairs. The product will have a two-year warranty and cost approximately \$17,000.

Council unanimously approved the expenditure after some grumbling about the need to repair a deck that had been completely replaced during the 1988 renovations.

Petitions and Requests

David Greggo of Ridge Road petitioned council to investigate what actions could be taken to restore citizen access to sidewalks on Forestway that were blocked by gates last year. The paths are on private property, but have long been open to the public. Greggo said he believed the public has a legal right to continued access. The issue was referred to staff for research.

Doug Love raised a second right-of-way issue regarding access to what he called the "perimeter trail" between the private single family homes on upper Ridge Road and the Beltsville Agricultural Research Center.

Other Actions

The council:

—Saw Mayor Bram present a proclamation to Cynthia Johnson of the Prince Georges County Chapter of ARC recognizing April 24 as ride-a-bike/take-a-hike day in Greenbelt. The event, held in Greenbelt since 1971, raises funds for the organization's work in assisting the mentally handicapped and their families.

—Awarded a contract for tree planting in Buddy Attick Park to Expert Landscaping for a cost not to exceed \$10,780. The trees will be planted along the stream from Braden Field and near the forebay at the bay end of the lake. Trees may also be planted on Parcel 15 (near the spillway and the WSSC right of way).

Scholarship Offered

Applications are being accepted for the 1994-1995 Shirley M. Vallance Scholarship. This scholarship, sponsored by Citizens Concerned for a Cleaner County will be awarded to a high school senior or graduate who has demonstrated an interest in environmental causes and intends to enter an environmental education program in a post secondary school. This year's scholarship will be in the amount of \$500.

The deadline for submission of applications is April 29.

Application forms and a detailed description of the scholarship are available from all high school guidance counselors or by calling the Citizens Concerned for a Cleaner County office at (301) 925-5843.

A Joyous Celtic Evening

by Barbara Likowski

The Greenbelt Arts Center (GAC) is to be commended for its offering of "A Celtic Evening" on Saturday night. It was a joyous occasion from beginning to end. The three small groups (four really) that performed were excellent and blended together so well that they seemed to be one group. They played to a full house.

"Harp Attack" performs mostly Celtic music arranged for harp, fiddle, tin whistle, voice and bodhran (Celtic drum). The sound of the Celtic harp is hard to describe. One must hear the clear, sweet, full tones for oneself. The feelings it evokes are tranquility and relaxation and much more. These players gave us all that.

Mac Talla, a group who sings Scottish Gaelic music, had a missionary like approach to their presentations. There was no doubt about the authenticity of their works. They sang entirely in the Gaelic language and never once lost the audience's attention. We learned while we listened about how music was all inclusive in the lives of the ancient Gaels.

Balancing these two groups was The Homespun Ceilidh Band which is really a combination of two groups, the Potomac Valley Scottish Fiddle Club and Thrir Venstri Foetr, a group organized to recreate and explore medieval and Renaissance music and dance. It was this Ceilidh band that provided toe tapping, albeit authentic music. From the sound of the first fiddling, three wedding tunes, the audience was captured. There was never any restlessness displayed, very little talking. Far from it: the audi-

ence seemed to hang on every tune. During some of the reels, the audience actively participated with rhythmic clapping, ending with an occasional yell.

Although the program started late because of the unexpected crowd, almost three hours later no one seemed to want to leave including the performers. The fiddlers and harpers played a few more tunes and the Mac Talla actually taught the audience to sing a Gaelic folk song in Gaelic.

Finally, after an announcement that this would be the last song, the players played the theme song from television's recent Civil War series and it was over. Too soon.

Greenbelt Arts Center members John Ward and Trix Whitehall belong to several of these groups. John acted as master of ceremonies, explaining what the music was about. He also fiddled from beginning to end. We were impressed with his expertise and, of course, his stamina. Trix sang beautifully and played the bodhran.

After such an enjoyable evening, we are looking forward to the next presentation of the GAC this Saturday at 8 pm. when Magpie, a nationally acclaimed folk duo, will perform.

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POLICE BLOTTER

Based on Information Released by the Greenbelt Police Department

Around 10:15 p.m. on Monday, April 11, two youths entered Momma's Pizza (9200 block of Springhill Lane) and demanded money at the cash register. When the cashier did not immediately open the cash register, one of the youths produced a black handgun and threatened to shoot someone. After getting the money, the youths ran away. They are described thus: (1) male, black, 17-18 years old, 5'5", average build, black hair, wearing a gray sweatshirt with a hood; (2) male, black, 17-18 years old, 6', thin build, black hair, wearing a black shirt and a black ski mask.

While patrolling the 5800 block of Cherrywood Terrace around 12:15 a.m. on Friday, April 9, an officer stopped a vehicle for an equipment violation and found that a man in the vehicle had drug paraphernalia. Consequently, the man, a 20-year-old non-resident, was arrested and charged with possession of drug paraphernalia. He was released on citation pending trial.

While patrolling the area of Greenbelt Road and Kenilworth Avenue around 4:45 a.m. on Saturday, April 10 an officer stopped a vehicle for a traffic violation and found that a man in the vehicle had marijuana, cocaine, and drug paraphernalia. Consequently, the man, a 24-year-old nonresident, was arrested and charged with possession of marijuana, possession of cocaine, and two counts of possession of drug paraphernalia. He appeared before a District Court Commissioner and was released pending trial.

A 28-year-old nonresident woman was arrested and charged with forgery and uttering, and theft after she had attempted to pass a stolen check at Maryland National Bank around 4:45 p.m. on Wednesday, April 13. She appeared before a District Court Commissioner and was held on \$5,000 bond pending trial.

On Monday, April 11, a breaking and entering of a residence on Westway was reported. The method of entry was not determined, and nothing appeared to be stolen.

Also on Monday, a breaking and entering of a residence in 46 Court Ridge Road was reported. There, entry was effected by cutting out a window screen and climbing in an un-

locked window. A replica 45 caliber handgun, several knives, and a collection of music CDs were stolen.

On Tuesday, April 12, two VCRs were stolen from a conference room at an office building in the 6400 block of Ivy Lane.

While patrolling the area of Greenbelt Road and Walker Lane around 2:30 a.m. on Tuesday, April 12, an officer stopped a vehicle for an equipment violation and found that the registration plate on the vehicle had been reported stolen. Consequently, a 29-year-old resident woman was arrested and charged with theft. She was released on a criminal citation pending trial.

While patrolling the 6900 block of Hanover Pkwy. around 4 a.m. on Wednesday, April 13, an officer stopped a car for a traffic violation and found that it had been reported stolen. Consequently, the officer arrested the driver and passengers, that is, three youths aged 15, 16, and 17, and charged them with theft. The 17-year-old was taken to Boys' Village and the other two were released to their parents pending trial.

A 1985 Nissan Sentra station wagon that had been stolen during a carjacking was recovered in the 7500 block of Greenway Center Drive on Friday, April 8. No arrests were made.

On Friday, April 8, a black, 1988 Chevrolet Blazer, MD tags AAV95L, was reported stolen from the 8000 block of Mandan Road.

On Monday, April 11, a black, four-door 1990 Honda Accord, MD tags YHX458, was reported stolen from the 7800 block of Mandan Road.

On Tuesday, April 12: a white, four-door 1988 Honda Prelude, MD tags 882AJW, and a blue, two-door 1990 Honda Accord LX, MD tags 241ACP, were reported stolen from the 7700 block of Hanover Pkwy.; a red, four-door, 1991 Honda Accord, MD tags ZAS835, was reported stolen from the 7300 block of Morrison Drive; and a blue, two-door 1986 Oldsmobile Cutless Salon, MD tags ZMR593, was reported stolen from the 8000 block of Mandan Road.

Vandalism to, thefts from, and attempted thefts of vehicles were reported in the following areas: the 6000 block of Greenbelt Road, the area of Hamilton Place, the 7700 and 7800 blocks of Hanover Pkwy., the 7900 and 8000 blocks of Mandan Road.

Goddard to Host Community Day

It's finally Spring! That means warm weather, picnics, flowers in bloom, and Goddard's "Community Day." Why not bring the whole family to the NASA Goddard Space Flight Center on Sunday, April 24, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. All activities begin at the Visitor Center located off of Soil Conservation Road.

Community Day at Goddard is designed to give the public an opportunity to learn how the NASA center explores the Earth and its universe. Special guided bus tours will be conducted, including stops at the Hubble Space Telescope Operations Control Center and one of the world's largest cleanrooms, (a dust-free facility).

A full day of family activities is planned. In addition to the special tours of the center and a presentation on the Hubble Space Telescope Servicing Mission at 1 p.m., activities include space suit demonstrations at 11 a.m. and 2 p.m.; musical entertainment at noon; and model rocket launches at 3 p.m. There are plenty of picnic tables, so people can bring a picnic lunch. Barbecue food and drinks will also be available for purchase.

All events are free of charge and appropriate for all ages.

For more information, call (301) 286-8955 (voice and TDD) during business hours.

Track Team Survey To Indicate Interest

The Greenbelt Boys and Girls Club is currently taking a survey in the community concerning interest in forming a youth track and field team to compete at either the county or intramural level. The ages of the youth involved will be between six and 16. Additionally, dedicated and qualified parents/coaches are needed to volunteer their time and service in setting up this sports program.

Any recommendations and suggestions from any parent or community member would be appreciated. For further information concerning track, call or leave a message with Mr. Green at: (H) 474-3283, or Mel Scites, the Club Registrar at: (H) 441-8689.

Greenbrook Village Elects New Board

At the Greenbrook Village Homeowners Association Annual Homeowners' meeting held on April 11, elections to the Board of Directors took place. The following is a list of the Directors/Officers for the Association for the coming year:

Patricia Morris, president; Alla Lake, first vice president; Benjamin Boyd, second vice president; Richard Selleh, secretary; and Margaret Powell, treasurer.

Board meetings are held at Eleanor Roosevelt High School on the second Monday of the month. Owners and residents are encouraged to attend.

See Insect Eating Plants in Bloom

The Clearwater Nature Center is hosting monthly open houses at the Suitland Bog Natural Area. Special open house will be held in conjunction with the blooming of the pitcher plants on Saturday, May 26 from 2-4 p.m. Come and see these unique carnivorous, insect-eating plants in bloom. Hikes will be led by a naturalist starting at 10 a.m. and 11 a.m.

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Picture the scene where someone brings in a vehicle and basically says, "fix it, it doesn't run right. I don't have time to explain, I'm late for work, but see what you can do." This doesn't give the technician much to go on. Trying to set the stage for communicating with a customer by phone, only to be responded to by voice mail or an answering machine, and ultimately playing phone tag, on top of trying to diagnose the condition for the repair itself, can drive any good service tech nuts. This can virtually make for one heck of a day. Recently during one of these days, a customer expressed his frustration because no local parts store had heater hoses for his particular model vehicle. Short of ordering the parts and having them overnight expressed, there was virtually nothing I could do to solve the problem immediately to satisfy the customer.

Frustrations are bound to occur occasionally, but it seems lately they are not infrequent. However, with good communication on the part of the repair facility technicians and the customers, and with a little patience thrown in, things will improve so everyone receives a smoother ride.

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Greenbriar Development Was A Major City Controversy

(Greenbriar residents are planning a big celebration on May 1, of the 20th anniversary of that 750 unit condominium apartment project. Greenbriar was the most controversial residential development to take place in the city. The News Review wrote 198 stories about it. The opposition centered primarily around the developer's plans to build a temporary sewage treatment plant on the site in order to circumvent a seven year state moratorium on new sewer hookups. The following history of Greenbriar's development is excerpted from "Greenbelt in the 1970s and 1980s" by Richard A. Wilson which is Chapter 7 of Greenbelt, History of a New Town, 1937-1987.)

Planned in 1970

Plans were unveiled in 1970 for rental apartments on the Smith-Ewing property in Greenbelt East. On the drawing board for the tract north of Greenbelt Road was the 1,193-unit Greenbriar Apartments. For the Glen Ora property south of Greenbelt Road, 1,172 units were planned. The city was pleased later when Greenbriar converted to condominiums and Glen Ora/Windsor Green became an owner occupied townhouse development.

The Greenbriar development saga, which spanned the first half of the 1970s, was marked by an uneasy relationship between the developer, Alan I. Kay and Associates (sic), and the city council, and by a hostile relationship between a local civic organization, Save Our Community Committee (SOCC), and the developer. The issue also caused an acrimonious four-to-one split on the council. Countless meetings and hearings were held at the city, county, state, and federal levels, with the dispute dominating the front pages of the Greenbelt News Review for many years.

The conflict, starting in 1971, was whether the developer, during the sewer hookup moratorium from 1970 to 1977, could build an on-site sewage treatment plant to serve the Greenbriar and Glen Ora projects. Kay's number

one antagonist was SOCC chairwoman, Rhea Cohen, who had earlier opposed a special exception for the Greenbriar project and who was elected to the city council in September 1977. Cohen, supported by SOCC and its new chairman, Thomas X. White (elected to council in 1973), was unalterably opposed to the sewage treatment plant.

Kay Frustrated

At one point a patient but frustrated Kay, who was always accompanied by an entourage of specialists wanted to know what he could do to please Cohen. The obvious response—to wait until the moratorium was lifted—was unacceptable to Kay, who vigorously pursued getting the necessary approvals for the plant. He felt that the opposition would lose its steam but underestimated Cohen's and SOCC's perseverance.

By the end of 1972, the county council, which had replaced the board of commissioners, approved a point of discharge in the county ten-year water and sewer plan. Originally the county had opposed the private plant proposed by the developer. Then, after much evaluation, a majority of the city council advised the county council and the Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene of the requirements that the council, the developer, and the county health officer wanted incorporated to

assure that the plant would not endanger public health.

SOCC Adamant

However, Cohen and SOCC were adamant that the city's position should be outright disapproval with no conditions. They charged that there were no assurances that the plant would be built or would perform as designed or, if built, that it could be shut down in the event of a breakdown. Nor, they claimed, were there adequate effluent and virus standards. The developer's experts insisted that the plant would employ the most technologically advanced tertiary treatment process incorporating built-in safeguards that would present no risks to local residents.

Then, one by one, approvals by the various governmental agencies were given. In early 1974, the State Water Resources Administration issued a point-of-discharge permit and in October 1974 the first Greenbriar residents moved in after the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission agreed to operate the plant under the conditions laid down by the state. Regulatory agencies reported that the plant's operation during the first year was excellent.

Approval

In April 1976, with the approval of all parties, Greenbriar's sewer line was hooked up to the public system at the Western Branch treatment plant. By 1977, Phase II of the project was complete and Phase III almost ready for occupancy. After the market declined for condominium sales, Phase IV and V were planned as rental units under the name Glen Oaks.

(The sewage treatment plant was built at the northern point of Greenbriar next to Phase III. One of the conditions placed on the project by the city was that the plant be dismantled and removed upon the termination of its use, which was done.

Drinks Water

(Then Mayor Richard R. Pilski, now a Greenbriar resident, was so convinced as to the quality of the effluent water from

Our Neighbors

by Linda Savaryn, 474-5285

Condolences to Public Works Department employee Kent Rowlett on the recent death of his mother.

Our deepest sympathy to Floyd Winters on the death of his wife Marjorie.

Congratulations to Charles and Eva Havekost of Silver Spring on the arrival on April 15 of their twin sons, Grant and Lars. Grant tipped the scales at 6 lbs. 8 oz. Lars at 5 lbs. 13 oz. Proud grandmother Barbara Havekost and uncle Brian Havekost reside in Greenbelt.

Needs Friendly Voice

For those volunteers who have a friendly, but business oriented phone presence there is a place at Fish of Laurel. FISH is recruiting volunteers to answer its phones Monday through Friday from 8 a.m.-8 p.m. to offer emergency services for anyone in need. Call 779-9444 to volunteer.

the plant after treatment that he announced that he would be willing to drink it. After the plant opened, he did so. He remains in good health.

(The sewage treatment plant was replaced by a pumping station in the same area so that Greenbriar sewage could flow to the Western Branch Treatment Plant located to the east on the Patuxent River. The pumping station also was part of the controversy. Greenbriar naturally drains into a stream that flows north to the Agricultural Research Center and then to the west to Indian Creek. Sewage in this drainage area is normally piped to the Blue Plains Treatment Plant in the District of Columbia on the Potomac River. Piping Greenbriar sewage to Blue Plains would have required the developer to build several miles of pipeline. The moratorium on hookups to Blue Plains was expected to last longer than that for Western Branch at which expanded facilities were under construction).

City Notes

Two members of the horticultural crew of the Greenbelt Public Works Department received letters of recognition from Prince Georges Community College. Brian Townsend and Dan Kellaher had successfully completed a continuing education course in grounds maintenance.

Willow Oak and London Plane trees were planted at Roosevelt Center in conjunction with the parking lot renovations. Future planting sites were prepared with a mix of sand and compost. Sod was also laid. Other trees were planted at various city locations.

Repairs were made to the Cherrywood Lane street pavement and pot holes were patched throughout the city. Curbs in designated "No Parking" areas were cleaned and painted yellow in Greenbelt East. Traffic and parking control signs were inspected for serviceability and straightening or replacement. Graffiti at the Hillside Road underpass was painted over.

An earth retaining structure was constructed somewhere in Roosevelt Center. Deteriorated timbers around the Buddy Attick Park bandstand were replaced.

A new evergreen tree was planted to replace the holiday tree that was destroyed. It was planted at the Municipal Building. About 250 pine seedlings were planted on the edge of the free play area in Schrom Hills Park. Trees were planted in Roosevelt Center: nine crape myrtles and two London Plane trees.

Seasonal grass mowing has begun. Branches discarded along roadsides were collected and recycled. Fallen trees were cut and removed at Laurel Hill Road, Crescent Road, and Parkway.

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