

# Greenbelt News Review

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## City May Build New Postoffice As Gilbert Negotiations Stalled

By Russell Greenbaum

After learning that negotiations between the Postoffice Department and the Gilbert Realty Co., owner of most of the compartment and the Gilbert Realty Co., owner of most of the compartment building, the city council at its regular meeting on Monday, January 6, decided to consider using city property on which to build a new postoffice for lease to the government.

Greenbelt Postmaster Edward Kaighn reported to the council that Gilbert had at first offered to erect a new postoffice building containing 4300 square feet on the site between the service station on Crescent Road and the sidewalk underpass. He offered to lease this building to the government for \$5,000 a year, which the Postoffice Department accepted. However, Gilbert subsequently discovered that he was unable to obtain the release of the site from the government (PHA) mortgage.

Gilbert then offered the vacant half of the old variety store adjacent to the Ben Franklin store, which the postoffice considers large enough for its needs. However, Kaighn said, Gilbert demanded \$6,000 a year for the lease of this property and was unwilling to put in improvements necessary to operate it as a postoffice. The Postoffice Department has indicated that it considers the new offer unreasonable and unacceptable. There has also been some discussion of the use of a site at the rear of the new parking lot at the center, but nothing has come of it.

Kaighn pointed out that working conditions in the present postoffice are very poor, and it is becoming difficult to carry on operations. Another factor, brought up by Councilman Jim Smith, is that the Postoffice Department with new quarters unavailable may decide to close the Greenbelt office and force the city to rely on the College Park postoffice.

Smith, commenting that negotiations between the Postoffice Department and Gilbert Realty have been going on for two and a half years, moved that the city explore with the Postoffice Department and PHA the possibility of using what city land might be available for a postoffice site. The city would probably prefer to retain the title to the building and lease it to the postoffice.

### Sale of Center School

In another action, the council prepared to enter into active negotiations with the county school board for the sale of the Community Building (Center School) to the county. Preliminary discussions with the school board have already been held, with the board requesting the city to submit a firm price.

The city has obtained two separate professional appraisals of the market value of the building and plans to set a firm price based on these appraisals. It is anticipated that funds from the sale of the building to the county would provide a major portion of the cost of a proposed \$375,000 municipal center for which preliminary architectural planning will soon begin.

### Center School Playground

The council also heard representatives of the Center School PTA protest the long delay in completing the paving of the new playground area behind the school. Excavation of the site has already been completed, but the hard-top surface has not yet been installed.

City Manager Charles McDonald reported that the hold up has been due entirely to the excessive wet weather this area has experienced in recent weeks. He said that both he and the contractor are in full

agreement that the ground has not yet dried out sufficiently to install the asphalt. If it is poured when the ground is still wet, he said, the surface would eventually buckle and bulge, and the entire job might have to be redone.

Councilman Ben Goldfaden challenged whether further waiting was necessary and felt that the contractor could go ahead if the weather did not suddenly turn wet again. Mayor Tom Canning, however, argued that the expenditure of \$2200 warranted some certainty that the job would be done right, and it was agreed to rely on the manager's judgment.

Other miscellaneous matters that engaged the attention of the council included the following decisions: to attempt to replace the "scrawny" McGregore Memorial Tree on Centerway with the "handsome" evergreen that stands near the sewage plant; to notify the state roads commission that the stop signs on the new Kenilworth Avenue are still not sufficient to control traffic; to request the Warner-Kanter Company to remove the unfinished houses which have been standing for a year and a half on the Crescent Road site next to Woodland Hills; and to spread the word to outside business interests that business in Greenbelt is no longer dominated by the cooperative system.

## Citizens Group Plans Petition For Referendum-Charter Admendments

A drive to place the recently passed charter amendments before the voters was launched Friday evening December 27. Spearheading the action is a group of prominent citizens who have formed themselves into an organization to be known as the Citizens Charter Referendum Committee. Former City Councilman Robert W. Hurst was elected chairman and Leslie A. Robinson secretary.

According to the chairman, the committee members feel that citizens should have the right and opportunity to express themselves through a referendum on charter changes as fundamental as those introduced by Councilman Goldfaden. These amendments, he said, are intended primarily to place substantial limitations on the city manager's power to appoint and remove his subordinate department heads although other changes are involved. They were passed by a 3 to 2 vote of the council.

Hurst stated that "the first objective of the committee is to obtain the signatures of at least 20% of the registered voters by the middle of January. In accordance with the Home Rule Amendment the council must then place these changes before the voters. We are planning a door to door campaign, beginning next Friday evening, and are asking for volunteers to aid us in circulating the petitions.

"Later, after the petition is filed, we plan a campaign to develop sufficient information so that the voters will understand the issues involved." He concluded by saying that committee members recognize that changes in the charter are necessary and desirable from time to time, but they feel that those of major importance should not be passed until thoroughly studied and approved by the citizens of Greenbelt.

## WHAT GOES ON

Friday, January 10—8:15 p.m. GHI board meets, Adm. Bldg., Hamilton pl.  
2 to 6 p.m. Twin Pines Savings and Loan Assn. opens doors, 1 Parkway rd.

Monday, January 13—8:30 p.m. "Rumor Clinic," JCC Bldg., Ridge & Westway

Tuesday, January 14—4 p.m. Registration for Arts and Crafts, Social Room, Center School  
8:15 p.m. PTA meeting, Greenbelt Junior High

Wednesday, January 15—8:30 p.m. Annual meeting, Greenbelt Credit Union, city offices  
8 p.m. Recreation Co-ordinating Committee meet, city offices

## GRENADIERS HONORED IN BETHESDA PARADE

The Grenadiers, crack junior drill team of youths 13-16 years, under the sponsorship of American Legion Post No. 136, has been announced winner of second place honors in the annual Bethesda Christmas Parade. Participating in the Non-Military Marching Unit category the Grenadiers, trained by Ted Pugh, finished close behind the winning Wheaton High School Drill Team in this annual event which is exceeded in size only by the Cherry Blossom Parade.

## WARNING

Parents are urged to warn their children not to play or skate on Greenbelt Lake until proper notification is made. Signs are posted to show when the lake is safe or unsafe for skating. If in doubt at anytime call GR. 3-2011.

## NEW POLICE CARS

Two new police cars will be in operation within a few days, says police chief Williams. The new cruisers will be Chevy V-8's, with standard shift. The 2 Plymouth cruisers now in use will be taken in trade by Lustine-Nicolson, the successful bidder on the city purchase of police cars.

There will be 2 radios in each cruiser, one radio to be used for answering high-band Greenbelt broadcasts and the other to be used for answering low-band county broadcasts. The county radio hook up will be used from midnight to 8 a.m.

## Greenbelt Theater

SAT. JAN. 11  
"Stopover Tokyo"  
Robert Wagner  
"Quiet Gun"  
Forrest Tucker  
SUN. & MON. JAN. 12 & 13  
"James Dean Story"  
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Alan Ladd  
TUES. & WED. JAN. 14 & 15  
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Richard Burton  
CinemaScope

The following Public Notice of pending amendments to the city charter is being inserted in the NEWS REVIEW by the city of Greenbelt for a period of four successive weeks to comply with the home rule legislation passed by the state legislature of Maryland concerning the amendment of the charters of municipalities. During this period, voting residents of the city may prepare a petition asking for a referendum on the passage of the amendments. If 20 percent of the voters sign the petition, the referendum will be held within the following 50 days. Otherwise, the amendments automatically go into effect.

## Public Notice

Pursuant to Section 11 E of the Constitution of Maryland under Sections 11 to 18, notice is hereby given to the citizens of the City of Greenbelt that the Council of the City of Greenbelt, Maryland has passed Resolution No. 22 to amend sections 34, 36, 38, 40, 43 and 56 of the Greenbelt city charter. A brief synopsis of these amendments are as follows:

In Section 34 the addition of the words "and department heads" requires that the City Solicitor and department heads must be appointed by the manager with the consent of the Council.

In Section 34, Line 17, the addition of the words, "except that if an employee who is aggrieved by his removal by the city manager shall file with the city clerk in writing within ten days after said notice of removal a detailed statement setting forth why he should not have been removed. The said employee shall be entitled to a hearing before the Council after which the Council may rescind or modify the action of the City Manager.

In Section 36, Line 7: The City Council may, and as part of the two amendments to Section 34, take part in the appointment of department heads to the extent of giving consent, and may take part in the removal of employees presenting detailed statement of aggrievements caused by dismissal by the manager, and the City Council may take part by rescinding or modifying the action of the city manager.

Section 38 having to do with purchases, expenditures for supplies, material, equipment or contractual services involving more than \$1,000 shall be awarded after review and approval by the Council, and the powers to reject all bids and advertise again is transferred from the city manager to the City Council.

Section 40: The City Manager may, subject to appropriate adjustment in scheduled compensation and with consent of Council, permit employees to accept other employment not inconsistent with their duties to the city.

Section 43, Line 4: Provides that both the appointment and removal of the City Solicitor be with the consent of the Council.

Section 56 provides that any city improvement costing more than \$1,000 shall be executed by contract approved by Council, and the Council has the power to reject all bids and advertise again.

THOMAS J. CANNING,  
Mayor.

## ARTS AND CRAFTS

On Jan. 14, registration will be held for Arts and Crafts classes, at 4 p.m. in the social room. Classes will be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 3:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. A fee of \$1.00 must accompany the registration for materials and supplies for a 10 week period. This fee will eliminate any charges for materials during the 10 week period.

## Correction of Phone Numbers

A mistake has been made in publishing the School phone numbers in the Greenbelt City Directory.

PLEASE NOTE:

GREENBELT CENTER GR. 3-2596  
GREENBELT NORTH END GR. 3-2066



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## NOTICE

A meeting of the Greenbelt Recreation Co-ordinating Committee will be held in the Council Room of the Municipal Office, Wednesday, January 15, at 8:00 P.M. All Greenbelt organizations are requested to notify their representatives to be present.

Warren G. Leddick  
Executive Secretary

### Credit Union Annual Meeting Next Wed.

The annual membership meeting of the Greenbelt Federal Credit Union will be held in the City Office Wednesday, Jan. 15, at 8:30 p.m.

Business to be transacted by the membership includes election of four members to the seven-man Board of Directors; the election of a Supervisory Committee and a Credit Committee, each of which consists of three members; and the declaration of dividends.

Members of the Board of Directors whose terms of office expire this year are Dall Hughes, Carl Eubank, Bernard Bordenet, and Benjamin Rosenzweig. Present incumbents of the Credit Committee positions are Dall Hughes, Cyril S. Turner, and Mrs. Margaret T. Leibe. The Supervisory Committee positions are currently held by Edward C. Kaighn, Joseph C. O'Neill, and Edwin R. Link. All of the above incumbents have been nominated as candidates for reelection except Link, who has declined nomination. Board members whose term runs for another year are Joe Comproni, James Beck, and Joseph G. Brown.

Organized in December 1937, the Credit Union has just completed its twentieth full year of operation. According to Treasurer Joe Comproni, 1957 was one of the Credit Union's best years in terms of service to members, growth, and earnings. Net earnings, before setting aside statutory reserves, amounted to \$3,932.00 compared with \$3,065.00 for the previous year.

Membership in the Credit Union is open to all residents of Greenbelt and to persons who are employed in Greenbelt regardless of residence. Recently the field of membership was extended to include members of Greenbelt Consumer Services who reside in adjacent communities within Prince Georges County.

### THE FACTS IN THE CASE

Letter to the Editor:

A few weeks ago Mr. Russ Greenbaum wrote a statement in his column regarding the failure of the Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Dept. and Rescue Squad to participate in Civilian Defense activities. This article is not meant to criticize an interesting columnist. I just do not feel that he had all of the facts at hand. Here are a few things to be considered.

Regarding Surplus Property: The Greenbelt Department acquired over 150 surplus short wave radios over a year and a half ago, before Civilian Defense allowed Fire Departments to purchase surplus. These radios were shared with the other Fire Departments in Prince Georges County. Mr. Marshall Zoellner was recently appointed our Surplus Property Purchasing Agent and I feel sure he will take appropriate action to obtain anything that is definitely needed, if it is available.

Regarding Civilian Defense Participation: The Director of Civilian Defense in the City of Greenbelt is the Vice-President of our Department. The Organizer of the First Aid Collection Station at Center School is a Lieutenant on our Rescue Squad. Nine men completed the one-week Civil Defense Rescue School at Olney, and we had three men complete the two-week Heavy Rescue Course. Our Ambulance and men participated in a Nation-wide Telecast from Olney on June 10, 1956 and our men have journeyed there to take part in Graduation Exercises on at least four occasions. Our Ladies Auxiliaries of the County in serving sandwiches and coffee to the men working at all Civil Defense Drills that have been held. Our Fire Trucks and Ambulances have participated in all the County-wide Civil Defense Drills and we furnished the Civilian Defense Siren that is to be set up in the North End of Greenbelt and have helped with the installation.

Along with being on call twenty-four hours a day to serve the people of Greenbelt in time of fire or illness in their home, I feel the Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad is doing their share to help with as many Civilian Defense activities as is possible. I think that it is a known fact that as an organized unit trained in fire and rescue operations, we would be the first to be called in case of National Emergency.

Walter V. Dutton,  
Chief of Fire

### COHEN BAR-MITZVAH

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Cohen of Greenbelt, announce the Bar Mitzvah of their son Victor. The services are to be held on Saturday, Jan. 11, at 9 a.m. in the Jewish Community Center, Ridge and Westway. All members of the Jewish Community Center and friends are invited to attend.

### Women's Slim-Nastics

Every Tuesday evening in Center School at 8 p.m. a period of slim-nastic exercises will be given to all interested women in Greenbelt. This night has in the past been Women's Gym night. It will be carried on with games after the exercising period. The program will be led by Mary M. Ruppert, a physical education major at Maryland University and former dance instructor at the Frazer School of Dance. If you're interested in slimming your waist or your hip come on down and get some tips.

### Junior High PTA Meets

The Junior High PTA membership meets Tuesday, January 14. A short business meeting will include a brief report by Lowell Hatfield, Special Projects Chairman, who will summarize the results of panel discussions on problems of discipline and behavior. Visitations with teachers will then be held and the balance of the evening will be devoted to the Core Concept and the grading of students. Vernon Hauts will discuss Core and answer questions. Faculty members will discuss factors used in arriving at student grades.

Parents of Greenbelt Junior High students will soon receive a copy of a code of dress which was developed cooperatively by parents, teachers and children. On January 6 the PTA executive committee approved the code and its distribution to parents.

### Discussion Group

What does it mean to you when you read that just one of our modern missiles has the explosive power of all the bombs exploded in World War II? How does this fact affect you as a resident of Greenbelt, Md., the United States, and the world? You have an opportunity to develop your own critical thinking about this issue of our age by participating in the American Heritage Group at the Greenbelt Public Library. The group will meet every two weeks for six sessions beginning Thursday, Feb. 6, at 8 p.m. The leader will be Mrs. Horace Hinson, a trained discussion leader and a resident of Greenbelt. The meetings are open to all adults free of charge.

This is the second year that the Prince George's County Public Library has sponsored an American Heritage Discussion Group in Greenbelt. Those who attended last year felt that one of the main advantages of the discussion group was the opportunity to talk with their neighbors about the significant events of our time. Register at the Greenbelt Library, GR. 3-2721, or call the Administrative Office, WA. 7-4916.

### Summer Employment

Applications are now being accepted by the Greenbelt Recreation Department for part-time employment. Immediate vacancies are: Instructor for Arts and Crafts, Leader for Womens Gym Night, and Supervisor for the Golden Age Club.

Positions available for summer employment are Pool Manager, Life Guards, male and female, Attendants, Cashier and Instructors.

Also the Recreation Department is interested in forming an Umpires Association here in Greenbelt. One group would be for boys 15-18 to umpire Little League and Babe Ruth League games, and men 21 over to umpire softball games. The Recreation department is planning a clinic for those who are interested. If interested in any of the positions listed contact the Recreation office on GR. 3-2011 and make arrangements to pick up an application or drop in on Saturday morning between 9 and 12.

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at 8:30 p.m.

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**FOUND**—Blue Parakeet, banded. Call GR. 4-9482.

**GARAGE FOR RENT**—\$3 monthly. Call Greenbelt Realty Co., 151 Centerway. GR. 3-4571.

**LOST**—about December 23, brown change purse, containing a silver dollar and B & O ticket to Pittsburgh, Pa. Reward. Call Granite 3-2616 after 6 p.m.

**FOR SALE**—Baby carriage, Baby Tenda, highchair, car bed, all at low prices. Call GR. 3-4822.

**FOR SALE**—9-F Ridge Road. 3-bedroom brick end with storage attic. Contains tiled bath, new refrigerator, wiring for dryer, and plumbing connections for washer. Wooded lot next to large commons area. Monthly payments \$101. Down payment of \$2100 can be partly financed. Leon Kahn, GR. 4-9474.

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## New Fire Engine

A new fire engine has been delivered to the Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department. The new engine will deliver 750 gallons of water per minute and is rated class A by fire insurance underwriters. The new engine was a necessary replacement of the 1941 International pumper, a former bread truck, which no longer met fire insurance underwriter's or county requirements for Greenbelt, according to fire chief Dutton.

The new pumper carries a 500 gallon tank of water, which is enough water to put out most suburban house fires, states a recent University of Maryland report. Other features of the new pumper are its air brakes and 5 forward speeds. It burns regular gas.

Much of the equipment on the new truck will be taken from old International. Some of the new equipment such as the portable flood-lights and chemical fire extinguishers was purchased from the LaFrance company from whom the fire truck was bought. The new smoke ejector was donated by the Ladies Auxiliary of the Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad.

The cost of the truck is about \$22,000. The down payment is about \$5,000 with the remainder to be paid in yearly amounts of about

## Savings and Loan Co. Opens Office Friday

The Board of Directors of Twin Pines Savings and Loan Association has announced it will open its office Friday Jan. 10 in the basement at 1 Parkway rd. Office hours will be 2 to 6 and 7 to 9 weekdays, and 10 to 4 on Saturdays.

This organization of Greenbelters has been established to pool the people's savings to be used in turn to make loans to people to buy housing. It has already agreed to lend a family \$1500 on an original Greenbelt home.

At its December meeting the Board set the interest rate on co-op housing down payment loans and home improvement loans at 6 per cent per year on the amount of the loan. On first mortgage loans the rate will be 6 per cent per year on the unpaid balance of the loan, plus a 1 per cent loan charge, plus legal, title, recording and life insurance costs. Loans secured by shares in the Association will cost 6 per cent per year on the unpaid balance of the loan.

The lives of all borrowers from the Association will be insured so that in case of death the loan will automatically be paid off. Cost of this is included in the general interest rate on all loans except first mortgage loans, where a separate charge of 60 cents per month per \$1000 of loans balance is made.

The Parents-Teachers Guild of St. Hugh's School has agreed to allow a branch of the Association to be set up in the school, to be operated by the students. Twin Pines Savings Stamps in ten cent denominations will make it easy for the students to save, and simple and inexpensive to operate the program. Myrna Burchick will be adult advisor to the St. Hugh's School branch. Plans are to expand the school savings program to other schools in the area also.

The Board of Directors is made up of Bruce Bowman, President; Anthony Madden, Vice-President; George Reeves, Secretary; Earl Ogburn, Treasurer; Eleanor Ritchie, Charles McDonald, Harry Weidberg, and Robert Garin, Alternate. Roy Breashers is Chairman of the Loan Committee, Cyrilla O'Connor Chairman of the Supervisory Committee, and James Casels, Manager.

## The Long View

By Al Long  
January is a pleasant month—not weather-wise, of course, except for the kids or people who like to get off early when it snows. What I mean is its a time when the holidays spirit still lingers on and the Xmas bills haven't come in yet. We had a nice Christmas. Stuart won a prize for outdoor decorations and is watching the mail daily for a \$7.50 check from someone. It had better come soon. He's borrowed about \$10.00 against it in dribs and drabs and I can't afford this long delay. For the sake of fathers, prizes should be paid promptly.

Every Xmas I find out that I'm a hard person to shop for. "I just didn't know what to buy for father" is all I hear. So I get a tie and a shirt. If it wasn't for the tree and the turkey dinner, I wouldn't know about Xmas until the February 1st bills came in. The youngsters are funny about presents. Richard, almost 4, is still enjoying the box a gift was wrapped in more than the gift. When the box wears out we'll have to buy another gift to get a new box. Next year I'll start a campaign for stronger gift boxes for children.

So much for last year. As for the new year, I hope 1958 is a good year for Greenbelt. It seems to be starting out with a bang. I understand we may have a referendum \$4,000 to \$5,000. The source of this money is largely from Greenbelt's share of fire taxes (part of your property tax) and to some extent from money received by the Greenbelt fire department from the county.

The new pumper is 25' 9" long. The present fire house is 25' 1" long. Negotiations are under way with Mr. Gilbert, the fire department landlord, to knock out the back wall so that the new pumper may be properly housed.

## VOLUNTEER NOTES

By Don Pratt

With 31 ambulance calls logged for December, the total for 1957 was 340. The man hours on these calls was 1,233 hours and 33 minutes. Mileage was 5,162. Ambulance were used for a total of 427 hours and 11 minutes.

February had only nineteen calls and June had a total of 39 calls.

The Annual Burning of the Greens took place at Braden Field on the evening of Jan. 3. Special theatre tickets were given for each tree taken to collection points. These trees were placed in the form of a star. Chemicals and flares were added to the pile to give extra color to the burning. After an address by Mayor Thomas J. Canning the torches were applied. The Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad stood by with all equipment. The Ladies Auxiliary of the Company dispensed 10 gallons of coffee and 5 gallons of hot chocolate. Before the burning there were selections by the Greenbelt Band, and routines by the Greenbelt Majorettes.

If every child attends the theatre that collected a ticket for his or her tree—there will be 1,300 children there at the special matinee. Thanks are due to several organizations for their participation in this annual event: City of Greenbelt, Recreation Department, Greenbelt News Review, McCambridge, Explorer Scouts, North End, Center and St. Hugh's Schools, Greenbelt Band, Greenbelt Majorettes, Greenbelt Consumer Services and Greenbelt Theatre.

Our new American LaFrance fire truck, rated at a capacity of 750 gallons per minute, on Monday passed the Underwriter's Tests with flying colors by pumping over 1,000 gallons per minute. Congratulations to the Committee that drew up the specifications and selected this piece of equipment. We all feel that we are now in the fire-fighting business with a pumper that has been admired by firemen from several neighboring companies.

on the charter changes proposed by Council. That ought to stir up a little interest, probably very little. Relations between the City Council and the GHI Board should improve—if they change at all. The new trees and flowering shrubs should be in full bloom this fall. Taxes should be a trifle lower and GHI monthly charges a mite higher, this contributes to what the economists call a stable economic balance. Which means you can't win.

The News Review will continue to be published and sorry to say Russ Greenbaum will soon break his New Year resolutions and become just as mean and ornery as before.

Worldwide, great changes will take place. Russia will develop special smaller men to fit in the Sputniks. They won't like it and will defect to the moon, thus creating an intersolar situation which will take our minds off less important international situations.

Joe Loftus will continue to like weather, any kind, as long as Tip-py Stringer forecasts it.

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Jenny and Bill Klein made it two in a row when they captured first place in the North-South competition in last Friday's 6-table duplicate bridge game. Dale Frese and George Kaufman, who trailed the Kleins in last month's session, learned their lesson and switched to the East-West competition where they emerged victorious with an almost 700 game. In second place North-South were Joy and Jim Anderson; East-West, Lee and Larry Fink.

It's a boy for Mr. and Mrs. William Anderson, 9-B Research. John Robert was born Dec. 18, and weighed in at 6 lbs. 4 oz. He joins a brother William Michael, 17 months.

Their first is a boy. Mr. and Mrs. Omega Farris, 14-A Crescent, announce the arrival of Gary Alan on Dec. 20. Gary weighed 7 lbs. 8 oz.

It's a pink bundle for Mr. and Mrs. Steve Davidson, 29-B Ridge. Carol Jean made her debut on Dec. 21, weighing 7 lbs. 12 oz. She has a sister, Trudy Kay, 21 months.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Zimmerli, 42-E Crescent, announce the arrival of a daughter on Dec. 23.

A good time was had by all at the New Year's party given by Bobbie Davis, Nancy Rhodes, and Bobbie Danish at the latter's home, 16-Q Ridge.

During the Christmas holidays, Charlie Danish and son, Neil, went to New York City. Neil enjoyed his visit to the Planetarium.

Good luck to the Donald Nichols, 6-D Hillside, who have left Greenbelt. Their new address is 5501 N. 11th st., Arlington, Va.

A speedy recovery to Tommy Hoffman, 114 Northway, who is recovering from an appendectomy performed last Thursday.

Ditto, Jim Bates, 11-D Ridge who underwent surgery last week. Get well quick, Jim.

Many of our Greenbelt women attended the bi-annual installation of Job's Daughters held yesterday at the Masonic Hall in Beltsville.

A very happy birthday to the Wilkinson twins, Kevin and Beth, 15-A Laurel, who celebrated their third birthday, Jan. 1.

During the holidays, the "traveling Tubmans" 1-H Westway, had Elizabeth's daughter, Ann Gordon, and husband Louis of New York City visiting. On Christmas day, they all went to Hampton, Va. to visit relatives.

The Mintz family, 1-C Westway, have returned from a trip to N. Y. where they visited Ann's folks in New York City.

Birthday greetings to Linda White, 2-A Gardenway. Linda was nine years old on Jan. 3.

The best of luck to Bernie and Vera Krug, 13-V Ridge and their two sons, who are moving from Greenbelt to 1102 Navahoe Drive in Silver Spring. Their new telephone number is HEEmlock 4-1162.

Glad to hear that Mel Pehl, 2-B Crescent, is improving rapidly, and will soon be released from the hospital.

Isadore Parker, News Review staffer, underwent a long-planned gall bladder operation yesterday (Wednesday) at Prince Georges County Hospital. He will remain in the hospital to recuperate until the middle of next week.

## Cub Pack 746

By Smoky Stover

Our regular monthly pack meeting was held on Wednesday, Dec. 18. The opening ceremony, led by the Webelos Den, was the salute and the Pledge of Allegiance. Mr. Dalbo, The neighborhood commissioner for the Greenbelt area, presented the Pack with the new charter. Mr. Ken Robinson, the Pack Institutional Representative, accepted the charter. Mr. Dalbo also presented the Pack with a 100% Boys Life Award. Six young men were presented their Bobcat pins by Cubmaster Stover, and Asst. Cubmaster Varney. They are Steven King, Joseph Henry, Thomas Hoy, Glen Stapler, Alan Gerring, and David Weiner. Den 5 put on a very good skit about the Bill of Rights. The first of our boys who made Webelos were Brian Hunt and Richard Wertz. They were graduated from the Cub Pack 746 to the newly formed Scout Troop 746. We expect great things from these two boys. Several Carols were sung during the evening. At the close of the meeting, Santa Claus appeared and presented a gift to each Cub, and candy canes to all the children. Den Mother's Pins were presented to Mrs. Robinson, Mrs. Thiebeau, Mrs. Ford, Mrs. Nicholson, Mrs. Zubkoff and Mrs. Abramowitz for their very appreciated work during the past year. One year pins were presented to Theibeau - Rimar - Helwig - Booher - Kaplan - Canaday - Wertz - Ford - Robinson - Nicholson - Hocman - Zubkoff - Weisel - Rosen - Danish - Miller - Rothstein - Twigg - Morgan - and Levine.

Two year pins were presented to Abramowitz - Stover - and Rudy. Three year pins were presented to Hunt and Wertz.



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