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ISSUE IS OR ISSUE AIN'T?

The city council gave birth to an "issue" for the coming city council election in September, when they tentatively agreed to include a bond issue referendum on the election ballot. Although city manager Charles McDonald suggested that the referendum may serve to "diffuse" the issues and record of the incumbent council, several members appeared ready to stand or fall on their support of the referendum.

Majorettes Try - Outs

The Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad Majorettes will hold their annual try-outs on Thursday, July 30, at 7 p.m. in front of the Center School. All girls interested in trying out must have parents' consent, must have a good knowledge of the basic skills of marching and commands, must be able to execute a variety of twirls, and must be 13 years of age. No exceptions may be made to this rule.

The purpose of having try-outs at this time is to enable the new girls to obtain some parade experience before the close of the current parade season. All girls are reminded that this will be the ONLY try-out until next July or August, and therefore there will be no girls accepted between these times.

Girls are asked to wear shorts, to bring a baton, and to appear neat. Girls trying out will be judged on personality, skill in twirling and marching, showmanship, attractiveness, and neatness of appearance. As representatives of the town of Greenbelt candidates will be strictly judged.

Anyone having any questions may call Miss Joyce Ann Pendleton, GR. 4-6084, on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays from 5:30-6:30 or on weekends. Please leave name and phone number if unable to reach her.

CUB PACK 746 NEWS

On Saturday morning, July 18, at the weekly meeting, the Cubs discussed nature topics, then went for a hike. Pat Heizer, the new Cub Master led the group.

A family picnic is planned for Saturday, July 25, at 4 p.m. at Greenbelt Lake. Refreshments will be provided. Prizes will be awarded for winners of game contest. Parents are urged to bring their Cubs.

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Recreation Review

By Warren Leddick

Babe Ruth League: The Greenbelt Babe Ruth All-Star team, which travels to Bel Air, Md., on Thursday, July 29, to open the Maryland State Babe Ruth Tournament, played to a 5-5 tie with the Washington, D. C., All-Star last Friday evening at Braden Field. It was an uphill battle, as Greenbelt gave three runs away in the 2nd inning, and the D. C. stars collected two more in the 5th to take a 5-0 lead into the last inning. Then Greenbelt came alive and scored 5 runs in the bottom of the seventh to tie the game at 5-5. Darkness then halted the game.

Thursday evening Greenbelt will again take on the District stars, and on Friday they travel to Falls Church for a game with the Northern Virginia All-Stars under the lights. These games should give Greenbelt the experience it needs to bring the state title back to Greenbelt from Bel Air.

Girls Softball: The Greenbelt girls softball team will play the Riverdale Hill girls on Tuesday, July 28, at Riverdale. Coach Charlotte Grego will pick her team from the 30 girls who have been regularly attending practice. This will be the first game for the Greenbelt girls.

Men's Softball League: Moving in the winners column last week was the Community Church Team, which defeated the Co-op 11-10 in a tight game.

	R	H
Community Church	11	18
Co-op	10	7

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Co-op	12	15
Athletic Club	6	10

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Home runs—Harbaugh, Athletic Club		
Team Standings		
Methodist Church	2	0
Athletic Club	2	1
Co-op	2	2
St. Hugh's	1	1
Community Church	1	2
L&N Market	0	2

Swimming Team: The Greenbelt team last Saturday defeated Gateway Park by a score of 163-47 at the Greenbelt Pool. Greenbelt took all first places except the boys 8 and under, and 12 and under. The meet was a complete reverse of the score, with the same team last year.

Coach Jack Trudeau will take the team to Silver Spring on Wednesday night.

SPECIAL

CITY COUNCIL

MEETING

Monday, July 27

8 p.m.

City Administration Office
"To consider an ordinance approving the sale of the Center Elementary School to the Prince Georges County Board of Education"

and

"To consider an ordinance approving a referendum on the question of a municipal bond issue"

Register to Vote

How is registration going for the municipal election on September 15? Very slowly indeed, according to City Clerk Winfield McCamy. Perhaps some people do not realize that the residence requirement need not be fulfilled till election day, she suggested. That is, if a person will have resided in Greenbelt for six months and in the state of Maryland for a year by September 15, he will be eligible to vote in the city election this fall and may register now. Registrations are being accepted every working day from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the City Clerk's office.

Special evening registration hours will probably be set by the city council at their next regular meeting this coming Monday. Some inquiries have been made concerning a special registration day in the North End. Such a special day was set two years ago, Mrs. McCamy pointed out, but the results were very poor. Only one registrant showed up during the entire day, she recalled. For this reason, unless there is considerable demand, it is doubtful whether the council would approve a special registration for the North End again.

Incumbent Ben Goldfaden has been the first candidate to file a petition expressing his intention to run for the council. The closing date for filing is August 17.

Catholic Men's Retreat

About 30 men of St. Hugh's Catholic Church will leave Greenbelt this Friday to spend the weekend of July 24-26 at the Loyola Retreat House on the Potomac River near Bel Air, Md. A second group of men will attend the retreat on the following weekend, July 31-August 1-2.

An annual affair for the men of St. Hugh's, the retreat is a time spent away from the cares and distractions of the world and devoted entirely to earnest prayer and meditation.

A cordial welcome is extended to all non-Catholic men of Greenbelt who are interested in the same general objectives to attend the retreat as guests of St. Hugh's.

Council Approves \$8000 Partial Pay To Architects For Building Plans

by Isadore Parker

The city council approved a payment of \$8000 to the architectural firm of Satterlee and Smith for services rendered thus far, at a special meeting last Monday night. The partial fee payment will permit the architects to proceed with final plans for the Youth Center Building; final plans for the Fire Department Building have been finished. Estimated cost of the Youth building is \$142,000 plus about \$11,000 for the architect. Estimated cost of the Fire house is \$109,000 plus about \$9000 architect fee. An additional sum of \$35,000 is expected to be incurred in access roads and site improvement.

Ten Pin Lanes Offers Free Bowling Lessons

A three-week series of bowling classes, free to the public, has been announced by Donn Liston, owner of the Greenbelt Ten Pin Lanes. Starting July 30, the classes will run for three consecutive Thursday evenings. Each evening's instructional program will consist of three separate class hours—instruction for juniors from 7 to 8, for adults from 8 to 9, and a clinic from 9 to 10. During the clinic hour students will bowl under the direct supervision of the instructor. Although the classes will be offered free, Liston has asked that those interested register early since only a limited number can be accommodated.

Charles ("Robbie") Robinson of Alexandria, Va., has been secured to teach these special classes. A Certified Bowling Instructor and Junior Bowling Instructor for the state of Va., Robinson has attracted considerable attention throughout the D. C. area for his bowling prowess. Virginia State Singles the first person in this area to be Champion for 1959, Robinson was come a member of the 700 Club by actually rolling a 700 score. He was club singles champion during the 1958-59 season. A year ago he rolled a 300 game while giving bowling instruction. Well known throughout the area, Robinson has also given bowling instruction at Rockville, Md., at Alexandria and at the Shirley shopping center in Va.

"Although we can't promise to make a 300 bowler out of every student in our classes," Liston stated, "we do hope to give a good many people a first-rate start on bowling for fun." Similar classes given last year, he pointed out, drew both the youthful and adult members of several Greenbelt families, many of whom have continued to bowl as family groups throughout the past year.

Police News Review

By Russ Greenbaum

Greenbelt Chief of Police Jim Williams is now accepting applications for the additional full-time police officer that was authorized by the city council at its last meeting. The new man, who will bring the total full-time city force to a total of four officers, will be used on the six p.m. to two a.m. shift.

This will place two officers in patrol cars on duty during this entire period. At the present only one man is on duty after 11 p.m. The job has a starting salary of \$4000 but requires a one-year probationary period at \$3600. Chief Williams is hopeful of getting one more full-time officer for his force.

There has been less trouble from juveniles so far this summer than previous summers, Chief Williams has reported. However, in recent weeks there has been an increase in thefts from parked automobiles, including parts of cars stolen as well as articles left in cars, and also vandalism to cars. These thefts are presumed to be committed largely by juveniles.

The police chief told the News Review that too many youngsters are out at later hours than they should be and that he would like to see parents cooperate by requiring their teenagers to be in their homes by a reasonable hour. He indicated his personal desire for an anti-loitering ordinance requiring all those under 18 years to be off the streets by a certain hour (such as 11 p.m.) unless specifically going to or from some place.

Chief Williams was happy to report that at a special ceremony in Baltimore on July he accepted an

award from the AAA for Greenbelt's record of nine consecutive years without a pedestrian death. This record has only been equaled by Westminster, Md., in this area.

The police are increasingly enforcing the state law that out-of-state cars after remaining in the state for more than 30 days must have Maryland plates. The only exceptions are full-time students who are not employed even part-time, service personnel, and cars registered to business firms or companies. More than 200 cars were given notices in the past week that their owners must obtain Maryland registration, and the police intend to follow up on them.

The police have also been checking on cars in which the light over the rear license plate is not working. A state law requires that the license plate must be legible at night from a distance of 25 feet.

City Charter Report Received By Council

By Virginia Beauchamp

The final report from the special committee appointed last October to review the Greenbelt city charter will probably be dismissed by the city council at its regularly scheduled meeting on Monday, August 10, according to Mayor Tom Canning. Adopted unanimously by the committee at a final meeting last Thursday night, the final draft consisting of nine typewritten pages has been submitted to the council. The nature of its specific proposals has not been revealed.

The first review of the charter since 1949, this report may mark the first opportunity by the citizens of Greenbelt to consider and to take full responsibility for the form of their government since the federal government, on December 31, 1952, turned over its ownership of Greenbelt to the residents of the community. The original manager-council form of administration, which Greenbelt continues to use, was selected by officials of the Farm Credit Administration, the federal agency in charge of the community, when it was built in 1937-38, and presented in ready-made form to the occupants.

Chief Williams noted that several unlicensed solicitors have been caught by the police recently. Much of the credit goes to local residents who have been asking solicitors for their licenses and reporting to police when they are not shown.

THANKS

To the Editor:

I would like to thank the men of the Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad for their fast and efficient service on Monday, July 13.

Mark Rudy
5-B Plateau Place

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We wish to thank everyone for their kindness on the death of Anna Brungs, mother of Mrs. Charles T. McDonald, who was a city resident since 1946.

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