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## Chasanow Opens New Office After 6 Years as Realtors

By RUSS GREENBAUM

To Greenbelt Realty's Abe and Helen Chasanow, real estate is not just a matter of selling houses but a profession demanding the highest standards of proficiency and ethics. Moreover, more often than not they are selling Greenbelt as a community in which to live and not merely a house that happens to be in Greenbelt.

These views were expressed to the News Review last week as the Chasanows chatted in their new plush quarters at 151 Centerway. The new office will be open for inspection to all residents this Saturday and Sunday, with coffee and cookies served to encourage informality.

What was once the garage that housed the city's fire-fighting equipment has been transformed into a strikingly but tastefully furnished office complete with the latest in modern office furniture, new type fluorescent lighting, and mahogany and walnut paneling. Outside the building is a custom-designed green for (Greenbelt) clock, that is the first exterior clock to serve the shopping center. The cost of reconstructing and remodeling the old fire-house is estimated to run "well into five figures."

Abe Chasanow is president of Greenbelt Realty, and his wife Helen is sales manager of the organization. Actually, "Chaz," as he is sometimes called, is an attorney who has been practicing law for 26 years, with an office in downtown Washington as well as in Greenbelt. (The new quarters contain a separate law office for him.) He got into real estate by accident, but now finds that knowledge of real estate law and contract law is so essential in providing complete service for his clients that he believes every real estate broker should have a legal background.

Proof of the success of his formula is that Greenbelt Realty with only a relatively few salesmen regularly appears high on the weekly list of sales published by the county real estate board. Some of Greenbelt Realty's competitors have sales staffs numbering between 50 and 200.

Greenbelt Realty opened for business about six years ago when Abe found he had a real estate broker's license on his hands. At that time he was the attorney for Greenbelt Veteran Housing Corporation (GVHC), now Greenbelt Homes, Inc. (GHI). He advised GVHC that a broker's license should be obtained if resales of members' homes were to be handled legally. The board requested Abe to obtain one but he never made use of it. Ironically GHI is now Greenbelt Realty's major competitor in the community.

This was the period in Chasanow's life when he was one of the country's most famous security cases (later dramatized in a movie entitled "Three Brave Men," with Ernest Borgnine playing Chasanow). Suspended from his government job on charges that were later admitted by the government to be completely without foundation, Chasanow decided to go into business for himself. When he was cleared and returned to work, Mrs. Chasanow came into the office to help run things. She enjoyed the work so much that she settled down permanently, although

Abe retired from government service a year later.

Last year Helen served as chairman of the Women's Council of the Prince Georges County Real Estate Board. Only a few weeks ago she was elected to the board of governors of the Women's Council of the National Association of Real Estate Boards, with headquarters in Chicago. She is serving a two-year term as area governor, including the entire state of Maryland, working to improve and maintain high standards for women in real estate.

Abe himself is a director of the county real estate board, has served as co-chairman of the board's education committee, is now chairman of the board's legislative committee, and also serves on the ethics and grievance committee. Both Chasanows are concerned with promoting a high level of ethics in the real estate business. In fact, the national association is in the midst of a campaign to set up and maintain high professional standards for all realtors, and the Chasanows are taking an active part in this drive.

"A realtor is not just any real estate broker who has a license to sell homes," Helen Chasanow pointed out. "He must be accepted by the local real estate board to have that title, and acceptance is based on a searching analysis of the broker's training, knowledge of his field, and his adherence to a comprehensive code of ethics."

(Sample article of code: "The Realtor should never publicly criticize a competitor, nor volunteer an opinion of a competitor's transaction. If his opinion is sought, it should be rendered with strict professional integrity and courtesy.")

The Chasanows' devotion to the real estate profession, however, is surpassed by their intense love for Greenbelt. Throughout the security ordeal and even after it, the Chasanows never thought of leaving the community. They now reside in an attractive home on Lakeside. They are always disappointed when they cannot find a suitable home in Greenbelt for a client, even though in many cases they end up selling a house outside the city.

## Bach Festival

High Point High School will be the scene of the school's second annual Bach Festival on Thursday, February 16 at 8 p.m. The performance will feature the Summit Singers, assisted by the High Point String Ensemble and the High Point Brass Ensemble. The program is intended to acquaint the students and public with the music of Johann Sebastian Bach.

Admission is free but reservations must be made by calling Mr. Ray Ulmer at Webster 5-6400.

## Youth Center Post Filled by O'Loughlin

Joe O'Loughlin, North End schoolteacher, has been named Youth Center Director, it was announced by Superintendent of Recreation Warren G. Leedick this week. In taking this position, O'Loughlin will no longer be associated with the Greenbelt Police Department.

O'Loughlin, who has been serving as Teen Club Director for two years, will continue to perform the functions of that position. In addition, he will share with Leedick supervisory responsibilities for adult activities. His main duties will be supervising youth activities in the building on four afternoons and three nights a week.

O'Loughlin, a graduate of Temple University, has had varied experience in recreational work. He was assistant recreation director of Somerville, Mass., youth councilor for YMCA in Philadelphia, recreational specialist in U.S. Navy, playground director with Prince Georges County for 2 summers, and manager of the Greenbelt pool.

## Credit Union Meets, Votes 5% Dividend

The annual membership meeting of the Greenbelt Federal Credit Union was held in the Co-op Hospitality Room on January 31, 1961. President Benjamin Rosenzweig announced that the Board of Directors had voted a 2-1/2% dividend for the half-year July 1 through December 31, 1960, bringing dividends for the year to 5%. Commenting upon the growth of the Credit Union, Rosenzweig reported that the Credit Union, Rosenzweig reported that the Credit Union planned to move to its new offices at 153 Centerway in order to better serve the membership.

Treasurer Joseph D. Comproni's financial report showed a \$46,000.00 (33%) increase in savings of members, bringing the total to \$185,900.00; a \$77,000.00 (51%) increase in loans brought total loans to \$230,700.00. Comproni reported that income amounted to \$21,477.00 and consisted almost exclusively of interest which had been earned and received during the year. Expenses amounted to \$11,709.00, leaving a net gain of \$9,688.00. The report showed a consistent growth pattern over the past five years, with an increase in members' savings from \$67,800.00 in 1956 to \$185,900.00 in 1960; loans increased during the period from \$94,000.00 to \$23,000.00.

Reelected to the Board of Directors for 2-year terms were James S. Beck and Joseph D. Comproni. James F. Duffy was elected to a 1-year term, completing the term vacated by former Board member Murray Ryss, and David Morrison, son of Allen D. Morrison was elected to a 2-year term. Heinz Leibe, James F. Duffy, and Joseph D. Comproni were nominated to fill the three Credit Committee vacancies.

## Junior High PTA

The next meeting of the Greenbelt Junior High PTA will be held on Tuesday, February 14, at 8 p.m. After a short business meeting, the parents will visit and consult with the teachers.

## Youth Board Raises Questions On Council Policy But Accepts

By ISODORE PARKER

Despite objections voiced by some members of the Youth Advisory Board to city council policy on the new recreation building, the resolution establishing this policy was approved by a 4-1 vote of the council at its meeting last Monday night.

The resolution called for (1) retention of the name Greenbelt Youth Center; (2) exclusive operation of the building by the city under the supervision of the recreation department; (3) priority for youth activities and programs; (4) collection of all revenues by the city (with the exception of club dues and the proceeds of special programs); (5) establishment of a replacement fund of \$2000 to replace or provide furniture and equipment; and (6) resignation of the Youth Center Advisory board as Teen Club Advisory Board. Advisory Board spokesman Bev Fonda declared that the resolution was not what the board had recommended but they were

prepared to accept it. He also stated that the resolution gives the board no assurance of continuity, but mayor pro-tem Tom Canning assured him that their fine work in the past qualified them for future responsibility in that capacity. Janet Parker, Youth Center advisory board member, asserted that the resolution left the board with no authority, and no funds with which to operate.

An attempt to discuss a letter from Janet Parker to members of the council regarding the qualification of Joe O'Loughlin as Teen Club Director was stymied by Canning, who declared that the council is forbidden by the charter to inquire into the administrative duties of hiring and firing. Councilman Bruce Bowman and Edgar Smith asserted that their decision on the resolution depended on information regarding personnel, and both felt this inquiry was within their rights. However, Canning forbid any discussion of the matter. Smith complained that he had asked to see the applications for the job, and was not given that opportunity. Only Smith voted against passage of the resolution.

In a later colloquy between the advisory board members, discussion was cut off after Canning moved the previous question. The motion was defeated by Mayor Alan Kistler's tie-breaking vote, but he ordered that only council members could continue consideration of the resolution.

In earlier business, an ordinance was passed which prohibited the parking of boats, trailers and vendors trucks on public streets, courts, driveways or within the building restriction line in front of the house, overnight. Councilman Smith protested that it would work a hardship on citizens parking trucks near their homes that they use in the pursuit of employment, and held that the legality of such a measure is, in doubt. Boats and other vehicles cited by the ordinance are permitted in back of the house, or if enclosed in front of the house.

Emergency authority of post parking restrictions on Greenbelt highways was given by city manager Charles McDonald. The measure was inspired by the city's inability to clear the shoulders of the roads of snow which resulted in near one-way traffic on some streets. The city will post one side of the street on alternate days, and will tow away cars in violation of the ordinance, it was decided.

Another ordinance to impose a special assessment on owners of center business district property for cleaning purposes was approved by the council. A public hearing on the measure will take place after the owners are officially notified of the city's action.

In other actions, the city manager was given a part-time secretary; the personnel classification section of the recreation department was revised to permit part-time employees; the manager was authorized to permit the Maryland Municipal League technical staff to codify the city ordinances which will be published by the city at a later date; and the city will be host to the Prince Georges chapter of the Maryland Municipal League meeting of February 16 in the all-purpose room of the new Youth Center building. The meeting was adjourned at 1:30 a.m. Tuesday morning.

## Police News

A report on the theft of gasoline from a mail truck was received from the local Post Office on Monday morning.

Two automobile accidents were logged by police last week. A car had stopped on Greenbelt Road in order to turn into Cunningham Road. The car following stopped, but the third car in the line didn't. Total damage in the three-car collision was \$350. No injuries were reported. One driver was charged with driving without a license. Another driver was charged with driving with a learner's permit without a licensed driver in the car.

Another accident occurred on Ridge Road when a driver veered slightly to the right on the road because of an oncoming car. In doing so, the car hits some parked cars and the damage was estimated at \$225.

Restless youngsters waiting for their rides on school buses have caused a number of complaints to be received by police. Damage has been inflicted to the garages at 17 Court of Ridge. Children who were throwing snowballs while waiting for the school bus at Ridge and Plateau broke a window in a house. There have been other complaints of general abuse to cars in the areas where the stops are located. If this continues, the stops will have to be changed, advises Chief Williams.

## Troop 746 To Get Two Eagle Awards

Bill Aleshire 11-H Laurel, and Richard Wertz 13-V Hillside will receive the Eagle award on Saturday February 11, at 7:30 at Mowatt Methodist Church. Other awards to be made at this court of honor are two Life scouts awards, three Star, six First class, seven Second, and six Tenderfoot investitures. This is an advancement for 90% of the troop members by at least one rank.

At the recent Prince Georges County First Aid Derby, Troop 746 entered two teams and won two first place awards. One of the teams scored the second highest point total for the meet.

Troop 746 will have a window display at the Benjamin Franklin Store this week, celebrating Scout week. Boys of scouting age and Exploring age are invited to contact troop members or call GR. 4-8226 for information on membership.



**Classified Ads**

Classified rates are five cents per word, fifty cents minimum. Ads should be submitted in writing, accompanied by cash payment, to the News Review office at 15 Parkway not later than 10 p.m. of the Tuesday preceding publication. If accompanied by cash payment, ads may be deposited in the News Review box at the Twin Pines Savings and Loan Association.

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*Our Neighbors*

By Elaine Skolnick GRanite 4-6060

A nip-and-tuck race between the teams of Cliff-Eve Simonson and Tina Pristoop-Jim Powell was a feature of last Thursday's duplicate bridge game at the Co-op Hospitality Room. The issue was not settled until the last board, when the Simonsons racked up a top by setting the opponents at a 3-club contract. As one wag put it, "it was a real cliff-hanger." Next game: Thursday, March 2.

It's a girl for Mr. and Mrs. William Anderson, 9-B Research. Lori Ellen made her debut on January 15, weighing 5 lbs. 4 oz. She joins Michael, Johnnie, and Elaine.

Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Cochran, 50-D Crescent, announce the arrival of a daughter. January 19 was the important date.

A speedy recovery to Mr. Tracy Burk, 4-H Plateau, who is in Prince Georges Hospital with a back injury. Also pleased to hear that Mrs. Burk is feeling better--her stay at Prince Georges was brief.

Greenbelters were saddened to learn of the death of Judy Sinkov, 14-year-old daughter of Dr. and Mrs. A. Sinkov, 3 Lakeview. We extend them our deepest sympathy.

Glad to hear that John Beauchamp, 16-month-old son of Virginia and George Beauchamp, 8-A Crescent, is recuperating fast after emergency surgery.

A get-well-quick to little Tommy Geiger, 4-D Crescent, who was recently hospitalized.

Best wishes to David Lentz, 5 Orange, who celebrated his ninth birthday. For his excellent academic standing and leadership abilities, Peter Hoffman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jake Hoffman, 2-B Southway, has been promoted from Cadet to Distinguished

Cadet. He is a ninth grade student at the Carson Long Institute in New Bloomfield, Pennsylvania.

The James R. Hainers are now residing at 57-P Ridge.

The Francis Johnsons have a new address--8-U Laurel.

The new address of the Taylor family is 11-L Ridge.

The best of luck to congenial Oscar Potash of Co-op Pharmacy Co-op Piney Branch Pharmacy. We wish to welcome Al Gnaitis, the new manager. Gnaitis served as assistant manager to Potash for several months.

It's a pink bundle for Mr. and Mrs. Roger Frady, 4-C Laurel. Deborah Jean was born January 23, weighing 7 lbs. 6 oz. She has a sister, Helen Mae, and her grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Merle Frady, 35-L Ridge.

Our condolences to Mrs. James Brown, 11-G Southway, who recently lost her father, Mansfield Brown, of Madison, Virginia. He was 84 years old.

Greenbelt mourns the death of Shirley Levine, 37-G Ridge. A resident for over 18 years, Shirley's contributions to the community she loved and supported were many. Active over the years in Girl Scouting, PTA, the Jewish Community Center, and civic organizations, she always was deeply interested in the welfare of others. To her husband, Seymour, and children Allen and Ellen, we offer our condolences.



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By DEBI WYATT

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Every 10 weeks the Junior High Cheerleaders hold a "report card" meeting to see if their sister cheerleaders are living up to the standards set for this organization. They are

proud to report ten girls on the student's honor roll and two on the Principal's honor roll. Girls on the Principal's honor roll which is straight A's are Jane Barnette, Greenbelt and Judie Attick. Girls on the Student's Honor roll are Becky Huber, captain; Jane Beale, co-captain, Greenbelt; Margie Feller, Greenbelt; Janet Shinderman, Greenbelt; Bonnie Boykoff, Greenbelt; Carol Farmer, Patsy Brown, Bonnie Boyd, Sheri Lucas and Carolyn Finley, Greenbelt.

A Tri-Hi-Y basketball interest group has been organized by the ninth grade members of The Tri-Hi-Y. This group plays The Hyattsville Methodist League and The Hyattsville Jr. Tri-Hi-Y. Captain is Bonnie Boykoff, Greenbelt.

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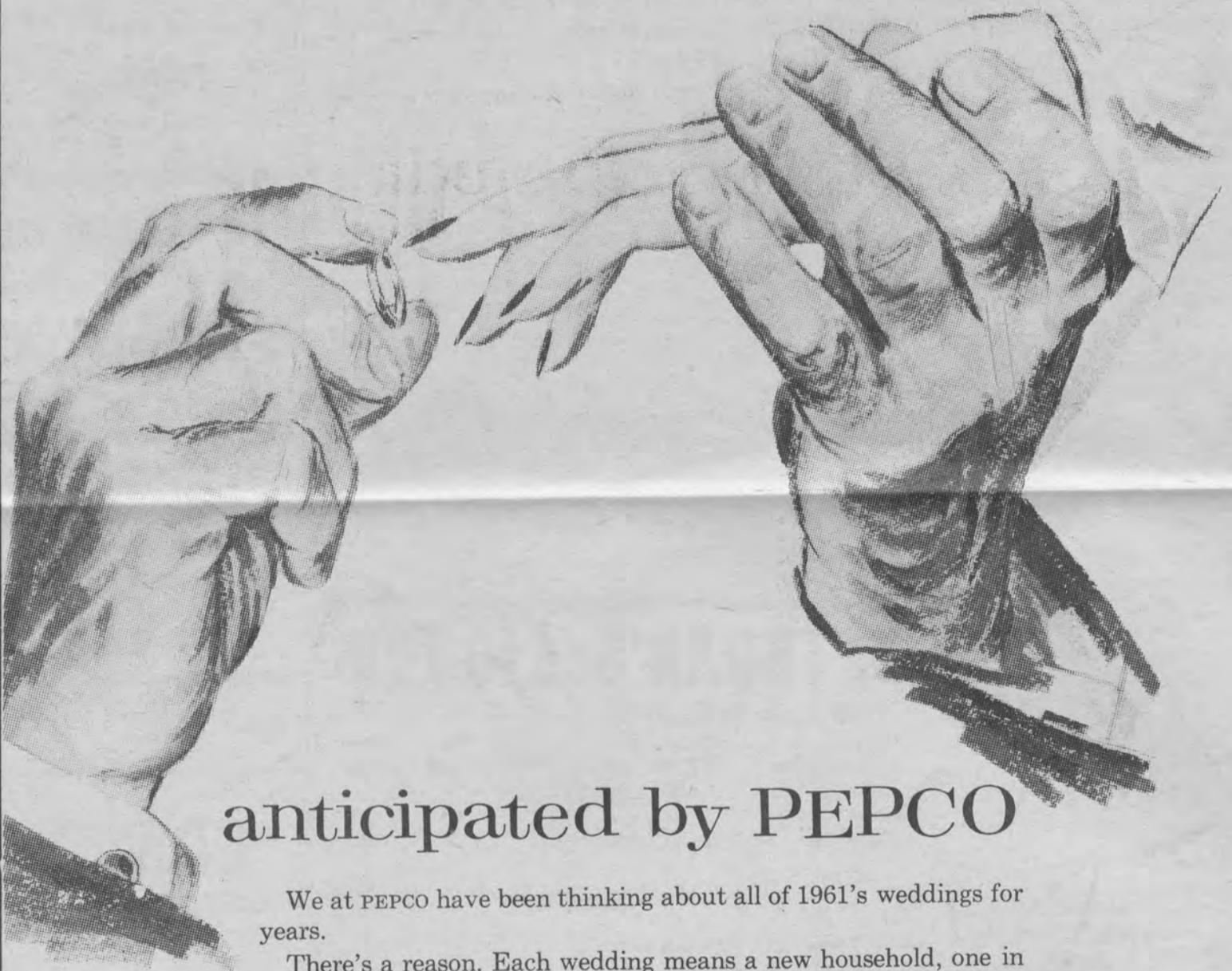
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