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"Left Turn" Ordinance Introduced; Planners Request Postponement

A request to postpone action on ordinances providing for a left turn from Centerway to the East Parking Lot was made by Lewis Bernstein, chairman of the Advisory Planning Board, at last Monday's city council meeting. Bernstein said that any changes in traffic flow should await the completion of the connecting roadway between the East-West parking lots.

The ordinances were introduced for first reading and unless postponed will be up for second and final passage at the next meeting of council on April 1. The ordinances include a provision for stop signs at the intersection of Centerway and the road to the East parking lot.

Bernstein explained that the completion of the connecting roadway may result in a greater flow of traffic exiting from the East parking lot, thus increasing the traffic hazard of a left turn. He noted that even under current conditions, a left turn has been declared hazardous by AAA traffic experts.

Mayor Francis White said that it was the intent of council to try the left turn on an experimental basis so that some experience could be accumulated before making it permanent. Harvey Geller, member of the Advisory Planning Board, wished to know what methods would be used to evaluate the merit of the left turn. He wondered whether increased business, number of accidents, or similar criteria would be used as guidelines.

Personnel Board

Al Herling and Bernard Bordenet were nominated for the vacant spot on the 5-man Personnel Board resulting from the resignation of William Rowland. Mayor White asked that the qualifications of the two candidates be submitted in writing to the council before the next meeting. White also reported on a letter received from William Hoff, chairman of the Personnel Board, asking for a meeting with council to discuss the role and functions of the board.

Fireworks

William Hopkins, president of Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad, has informed the city that it will not be able to share half the cost of the 4th of July Fireworks as it has done in previous years. However, he said his organization would be willing to participate along with other civic organizations in the financing of the fireworks.

Council suggested that city manager approach other civic groups to see if they would care to participate. Usually the total bill for fireworks runs about \$1,000, of which the city pays half.

Chief Robert Mogel asked that council give consideration in next year's budget to resurfacing rear of Fire Department Building and of eliminating drainage problem.

Municipal Building

Bids for the construction of the new municipal building will be opened at 8 p.m. on March 28. The council authorized payment of \$1,750 to the architectural firm

Toastmasters Special Dinner

Men interested in obtaining experience and training in public speaking are invited to attend a meeting of the Greenbelt Toastmasters Club on Tuesday, March 26 at 8 p.m. in the CO-OP hospitality room. Meetings are held the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month.

On Tuesday, April 2 a special dinner meeting of the Greenbelt Toastmasters Club will be held at 7:15 at Jimmy Combers Restaurant near University Lane and Riggs Road. A regular Toastmasters Meeting with speeches and evaluations will follow with ladies invited and prospective Toastmasters.

For information on Toastmasters call Andy Feeney, GR. 4-6051.

of Walton & Madden for the preparation of preliminary plans.

Sidewalks

A request was made by Lakewood representatives to provide sidewalks in the cul-de-sacs on land dedicated to the city. Manager James Giese said there was little left in this year's appropriation for this. Councilman Ben Goldfaden suggested that manager get full report on need for sidewalks in all areas of town and try to fit into next year's budget.

Twin Pines Annual Meeting to Feature Skit

The annual meeting of Twin Pines Savings and Loan Association will be held on Tuesday, March 26 at the Greenbelt Youth Center beginning at 7:30 p.m. The public is invited.

Highlight of the evening will be "The Follies of Greenbelt", a comedy skit in four scenes satirizing some of the important figures and organizations in our city. The plot concerns a current controversial issue involving a certain local newspaper.

The business part of the meeting will consist of reports by Harvey Geller, President, and John O'Reilly, Chairman of the Supervisory Committee. Discussion will follow each report. In addition a number of proposed amendments to the charter and by-laws will be voted on by the membership.

Elections will also be held to fill vacancies on the Board of Directors, Supervisory Committee and Nominating Committee. Board candidates are Harold J. Calof, Thelma Chapman, Gilbert J. Plumeh, George C. Reeves, Eleanor Ritchie and Kenneth L. Stair. Arthur Greene, Hans Jorgensen, John O'Reilly, Simon Pristoop, Edward Wuermsler and David C. Young have been nominated for the Supervisory Committee, and Rachel Algaze, Gordon Allen, Raymond J. Carriere, Dolores Downs, Toni R. Durantine, Rita Fisher, Oberlin Mason, Charles T. McDonald and Richard J. Valek for the Nominating Committee.

The Police Blotter

Two large window panes were reported broken at the Center School. Obscene language was found written on the outer walls of the schools. Police reported that two coats of white paint were necessary to cover the writing.

The pool table at the Greenbelt Bowling Alley was found slashed by what appeared to be a razor blade. The act was considered deliberate.

Police action was also necessary at the Bowling Alley when a bowler complained that her wallet had been picked up by a juvenile, who walked out with it. The youth's description was given and the boy was picked up by police. The wallet was returned to its owner and the boy was released in his parents' custody.

A fourteen month old child was rushed to the hospital last week when it was found that the child had tried to drink some liquid cleaning detergent. The boy was released after treatment.

There has been an increase in complaints of ball playing and dogs and cats running loose.

Parking is now prohibited on the driveway leading to the Youth Center building. The area will be posted this week.

WHAT GOES ON

Thursday, March 21, 7:45 p.m. Special GHI Board Meeting on By-laws

Thursday, March 21, 8 p.m. St. Hugh's Home and School Association Meeting

Friday, March 22, 8:30 p.m. Duplicate Bridge, Hospitality Room

Saturday, March 23, 2 p.m. Registration for Babe Ruth Baseball League - Youth Center

Monday, March 25, 8:30 p.m. Organization Meeting - Greenbelt Slow Pitch Softball League - Youth Center

Monday, March 25, 8 p.m. Great Decisions Discussion - 2-C Westway

Tuesday, March 26, 7:30 p.m. Twin Pines Annual Meeting. Comedy skit "The Follies of Greenbelt" - Youth Center

Tuesday, March 26, 8 p.m. Toastmaster's Club - Hospitality Room

Thursday, March 28, 7:45 p.m. GHI Board Regular meeting

Thursday, March 28, 8 p.m. Opening Bids on Municipal Building Construction - City Offices

Saturday, March 30, 10 a.m. - 12 Registration for Ballet I and II

Recreation Review

by James A. Wooldridge

The students of St. Hugh's enjoyed their two day holiday at the Youth Center. Games, skating and fun was had by all.

The Recreation Department - Little League Basketball Tournament got off to a flying start last Sunday. The action was as follows: Greenbelt 44 - Parkland 63, Belair 87 - Garden City 81, Alchemists 71 - Holland Hall 94, Garden Restaurant 71 - Temple Cleaners 69. The paper will go to press before we know the champions. Next week, we will have the full tournament scores. The Sunday spectators and participants averaged around 350 people.

The second Ballet Registration for Ballet Beginners I and II will be taken on Saturday, March 30th from 10:00 a.m. to 12 noon. Anyone interested in enrolling, come to the Youth Center at this time.

Applications are now being received from people who are interested in summer work. The following positions are open: life guards, playground instructors, tennis instructors, drama instructor, arts and crafts instructors and day camp leaders. All applications must be in by April 8, 1963 at the Youth Center.

Our Greenbelt Band and Choral group meet on Monday nights at 8:00 p.m. Newcomers are more than welcome.

There are a lot of Irish in Greenbelt according to the turnout for the St. Patrick's Day Dance. We had a full house to celebrate the wearin' o' the green.

The Teen Club would like to thank all the residents of Greenbelt for helping them get started on their "Odd Job Club". They are still many that want to help. If you need any assistance, call the Youth Center 474-6878, between 4:00 and 5:30 p.m.

County Cultural Center

A gift to Prince Georges County of one full acre of land in West Hyattsville was accepted March 12 by the County Commissioners as future site for a Cultural Center. At the same time, the Board announced it would appoint a Cultural Center Commission to develop the program.

The site, near East-West Highway and Belcrest Road, is included in the New Town Center development. The developers are also making space available for parking 100 cars adjacent to the Cultural Center.

GHI Board Questions Legality Of Membership Petition Request

The board of directors of Greenbelt Homes, Inc., has turned down the request of petitioners to hold a special membership meeting on the *News Review* occupancy of basement quarters at 15 Parkway. Instead, the board voted at last Thursday's meeting to place the item on the agenda of the annual membership meeting, scheduled for sometime in May, provided the item is "considered legal."

8 G.C.S. Greenbelt Seats Sought by 9 Candidates

With the March 25 deadline for nominations looming close, only nine candidates were known to be in the race for eight seats on the Greenbelt area delegation of the Congress of Greenbelt Consumer Services as of Tuesday night.

Seven of the eight incumbents whose two-year terms are expiring are among the candidates, according to Mat Amberg, chairman of the delegation's election committee. These seven are: George Adams, delegation chairman; Jessie W. Dean, delegation secretary; Carnie Harper, delegation vice chairman; Frank Lewis; Vaclav Majer; Ralph Noble; and Ben Rosenzweig, GCS president.

The two other known candidates are Barbara Havekost and Seymour Kaplan, a member representative on the delegation.

One incumbent whose term is expiring, Walter Bierwagen, has indicated that he may not run again this time because of pressure of other duties. Bierwagen, a former GCS president, is a vice president of the bus and street car workers' international union and has been assigned to duties that will take him out of town quite a bit.

Eight of the 13-member delegation are to be elected on April 25-27. Any GCS member who is affiliated with the Greenbelt store is eligible to run or to help nominate some other member—and that includes most *News Review* readers. It takes two members to nominate a candidate for the GCS Congress. Official nomination blanks are available in the GCS store—at the information desk (or ask the store manager). Filled-in nomination blanks should be turned into the store or sent directly to GCS Secretary Don Cooper. They must reach Cooper by March 25; candidates' biographies and platforms (keep them short) must get to Cooper by April 1.

The elections will start with the annual meeting of the Greenbelt store membership April 25, at the firehouse, where a roast beef supper will be served that evening at 7 p.m., before the meeting.

Swimming Pool Rates

The city has announced swimming pool rates for the coming summer. A season's pass for a family will cost \$20, for a single person \$12. For non-residents, the season rate will be \$35 and \$20 respectively. These rates are the same as last year.

The daily admission rates have been raised 10 cents, to 75c for adults and to 40c for children. Non-resident adults will pay \$1.25 and non-resident children 75c.

Manager James Giese hopes to have the season's passes on sale by April 15.

AGENDA

SPECIAL MEETING
GREENBELT CITY COUNCIL

March 28, 1963

1. Meeting called to order.
2. Roll call.
3. Opening of Bids on New Municipal Building.

Petitions were signed by 650 GHI members two weeks ago protesting the efforts of certain GHI directors to charge the *News Review* an amount in excess of out-of-pocket expenses for the basement space and calling for a special membership meeting on the matter.

The question of "legality" was raised when GHI Secretary Ed Burgoon announced that he was calling a special membership meeting for Wednesday, April 3. He stated that according to the by-laws he was obliged to call such a meeting within seven days after receipt of a petition signed by fifty names.

Directors Bernard Bordenet and Bill Helm challenged the authority of Burgoon to call such a meeting on the grounds that the GHI membership has no jurisdiction over a Greenbelt Development Corporation (GDC) matter. GDC is the GHI-owned subsidiary which operates the apartments where the *News Review* has its office.

The by-laws contain no restriction on the subject matter for a special membership meeting, but Bordenet argued that by implication the subject must be one concerning a GHI matter. He further implied that Burgoon would be acting illegally if he called a meeting.

Bordenet stated his belief that any decision of the GHI membership would not be binding on the GDC board, and that the GHI board could not issue directives to the GDC board. Director Joe Comproni argued that GDC was set up as an independent corporation and that its independent status might be jeopardized if the GHI membership could pass binding decisions on GDC.

Burgoon then moved that the special membership meeting be held in conjunction with the annual membership meeting. This motion was amended by the board to read "if it is considered legal," and then passed. The only dissent was that of Bordenet. He felt that if the subject was to be presented to the membership, it was preferable to consider it separate from the election of board members which usually dominates the annual meeting.

The corporation will now presumably seek a legal opinion from its counsel as to whether the GHI membership could pass binding decisions on GDC through the GHI board. The stockholders of GDC are the GHI board members.

May Raise County Tax By 56 Cents to \$3.01

Residents of Prince Georges County, including Greenbelters, may face a county real estate tax increase of 56 cents per \$100 of assessed valuation, if the spending requests of the county government for fiscal 1963-64 are approved by the County Commissioners. The present tax rate is \$2.45 per \$100.

According to the report in the *Evening Star*, a record budget of \$71.1 million has been proposed—some \$12.2 million over last year's \$58.9 million operating budget. As in the past, the school request of \$42 million accounted for almost 60 percent of the 1963-64 total budget proposal. The school budget itself was up \$8 million from that of this year.

The new budget request provides for 500 new teachers, 35 new policemen, and 145 additional county employees.

The board of commissioners will hold public hearings March 22 in Hyattsville and March 26 in Upper Marlboro on the county budget.

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Strange Business

It may come as a shock to Greenbelt Homes, Inc. members, but according to the interpretation of the by-laws by the Bordenet-Helm-Comproni bloc, the membership has no control over Greenbelt Development Corporation (GDC). GDC is the wholly-owned GHI subsidiary that operates the apartment buildings on Parkway. The GHI board is the sole stockholder of GDC and last year elected itself as the board of GDC.

Yet, this bloc contends that any directive by the GHI membership to the GHI board with respect to GDC is not binding. According to this interpretation, then, the GDC board could do such fantastic things as give away the apartments, tear them down, sell them, take the proceeds and engage in new enterprises, etc. — all without the approval of the membership.

This is indeed strange business.

BUS SERVICE?

To the Editor:

Greenbelt's express bus service problem still remains a mystery though a practical solution had been submitted to Mayor White and the Council several weeks ago for final negotiation, by the Prince Georges County Citizens Public Transit Committee.

This Committee cannot understand why the Council has failed to complete final negotiations with the D. C. Transit Company and DC Metropolitan area Transit Commission in view of the successful efforts of this Committee in obtaining a favorable offer of possible express bus service.

The Council not only ignored this offer, but the City Manager opened talks recently with the WMA Transit Company concerning bus service, utilizing Greenbelt Road and Route 1. This route has long been rejected by commuters as being too slow and expensive. For that reason, a Citizens Transit Committee was organized to bring fast express bus service into Greenbelt, utilizing the Parkway.

The Prince Georges County Public Transit Committee was initially organized over a year ago under the name of Greenbelt Citizens Public Transit Committee. Its purpose was to bring fast express bus service to NASA and Greenbelt, utilizing the Parkway. The efforts of this Committee attracted the attention of nearby communities. Citizen groups from Hollywood and Berwyn contacted this Committee requesting permission to work with us as they were dissatisfied with their Route 1 service and wanted fast express service, utilizing Greenbelt Road and the Parkway.

The Committee enlarged its efforts and changed its name from the Greenbelt Citizens Public Transit Committee to the Prince Georges County Citizens Public Transit Committee. It has received the official endorsement of the Berwyn Citizens Association and the Lake-wood Citizens Association of Greenbelt.

The Committee failing in repeated efforts to stir a spark of interest from any official source decided that a strictly private citizen effort would be necessary to bring this objective to a successful conclusion. Without any official recognition and more "damned than blest" the Committee went to work. NASA officials also were contacted and gave the Committee wholehearted support.

The Committee, NASA and Mayor White met with the DC Metropolitan Transit Commission and DC Transit Company on September 6, 1962. As a result of this meeting, the Transit Company held a cost and schedule survey of the desired

route which produced a favorable report.

At the time of this meeting, the Transit Committee requested a \$50 fare per ride with DC transfer privilege and a 45 minute schedule from Greenbelt to 19th & Constitution Avenue. The Transit Company Representative felt that the fare would have to be \$1.00 a ride to insure a profit. The route survey, however, revealed this cost to be in the vicinity of \$.60 per ride with a 42 minute schedule. This shows that the Committee had studied this problem and went to this meeting prepared.

This Transit Committee has successfully completed its job honestly and in good faith at an expense of effort, time and money all of its own. We expect no "hurrahs" or even "thank yous" for our civic effort, but we did expect to see the job finished by those in authority to conclude final negotiation. Had this Committee received the necessary negotiation authority, Greenbelt would have express bus service by now.

Martin Holly, Chairman
Prince Georges County Citizens
Public Transit Committee

Community Church Drive

Last Sunday over \$20,000 was pledged by the member families of the Greenbelt Community Church for the Church's local ministry and Christian World Mission.

Next Sunday, more than 50 men will go out in teams of two to call on members and friends of the Church in order to secure pledges for the balance of the Church's program. The Goal Budget is \$34,964. Following the Dedication Service of the callers at the Morning Service, the Women's Fellowship of the Church will serve lunch.

This week two training sessions are being held for the men on Thursday and Friday evenings. This Enlistment is being conducted by the Board of Stewardship, Henry Brautigam, Theron Tompkins, James Beck, Robert Leo, and the Rev. Robert Hull. The Visitor's Lunch Chairman is Mrs. Frank Galvin.

Zubkoff Statement Is Paid Advertisement

Appearing elsewhere on this page is a paid advertisement by Harry Zubkoff who is president of the GHI board and also a member of the Greenbelt News Review board of directors. This statement could have appeared as a letter to the editor. However, to avoid any implication that the News Review is giving him preferred treatment, Zubkoff asked that the statement be run as an advertisement. He will be billed accordingly.

PAID ADVERTISEMENT

Commentary

by Harry Zubkoff

The time is rapidly approaching when the members of GHI will have to stand up and fight for themselves and their corporation or they will surely forfeit everything they have worked to build up during the past ten years. At their meeting last Thursday, the Board of Directors displayed a fine disregard for the mood and temper of the members by refusing to schedule a special membership meeting called for by a petition. They decided, instead to discuss the problem involved in the petition at the annual meeting in May, but only "if it is legal." In taking this action they challenged the concept that the GHI members may direct the GHI Board to instruct the GDC Board to reverse its recent decision to charge the News Review "rent" for its basement office space.

Now all this may sound complicated and mysterious to some GHI members, so let me explain that the GDC Board members are themselves GHI Board members. GDC is the Greenbelt Development Corporation, a subsidiary of GHI, which was set up to administer the apartment houses. Thus, the same people who were elected to their positions by the members of GHI to direct the various affairs of our corporation also direct the affairs of our subsidiary corporation. Theoretically this insures that the policies and principles adopted by the members of GHI to govern the conduct of the GHI Board also prevail generally with respect to the conduct of the GDC Board.

This very important concept of membership control is now, in effect, being scuttled by some members of the GDC Board who have arrogantly decided, in effect, that they have no responsibility to the GHI members, but that they are responsible only to themselves for the conduct of GDC affairs. It seems to me that this is a direct contradiction of the principles upon which our corporation was founded, and an insult to our members which should not be tolerated if we wish to preserve the integrity of our organization.

Members of GHI may well ask how this state of affairs has come about, and what they can do about it. The answers are not easy. It is obvious that a four-man bloc, consisting of Comproni, Helm, Morrison and Cherry, have split with the rest of the Board of GDC (and GHI). They are pursuing a course of action which in my opinion is, at the very least, questionable, and possibly seriously detrimental to the welfare of GHI. I further believe that the consequences of some of the proposals they have expounded would have far-reaching effects upon the stability of our corporation, even to the extent of gravely undermining our financial integrity and endangering the very structure of our organization. The results could be disastrous, I think, particularly to those of us who have our life-savings wrapped up in our homes. In the circumstances, the members of GHI have an obligation to themselves and to the corporation. They must jealously guard and protect their right to exercise control over the Board, for if the wall of "membership control" is ever breached, then it is the beginning of the end.

Paid Advertisement
By authority of Harry Zubkoff

Babe Ruth Baseball League

All boys between the ages of 13 and 15 who are interested in playing in the Babe Ruth Baseball League are asked to be at the Youth Center at 2 p.m. Saturday, March 23. A short meeting will be held and contracts distributed.

Gilbert-Cheek



Mrs. Lorraine M. Gilbert, 18-B Crescent Road, announces the engagement of her daughter, Harriett Lorraine Mills, to Airman 2/C Michael Paul Cheek, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Cheek, 18-D Crescent Road.

THANKS

To the Editor:

On Friday, March 15 our son John, age seven, fell and cut his arm seriously. Through the prompt and effective assistance of the Greenbelt Rescue Squad he was rushed to a doctor, and a situation which could otherwise have been more serious was averted.

We wish to express our sincere thanks to the Greenbelt Rescue Squad for their prompt assistance in aiding our boy, and to call to the attention of our neighbors in Greenbelt the wonderful work which they accomplish.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert B. Murray

Planning Commission Offers Free Bus Tours

With the coming of spring, The Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission again is offering free bus tours of Montgomery and Prince Georges Counties to help acquaint the taxpayers with the Commission's activities and programs.

The tours extend from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. on week days and cover parks, existing and proposed highways, subdivision layout, zoning and other aspects of the Commission's functions.

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New 12-Man Recreation Board To Include Teen Responsibilities

By Al Skolnik

A resolution and ordinance establishing a new Recreation Advisory Board to take over the duties and responsibilities of the present Recreation Advisory Committee and the Teen Club Advisory Board were introduced for first reading at the Monday, March 18, meeting of city council.

The proposed ordinance calls for a board of 12 members who shall be responsible through its chairman, along with the Recreation Department, for supervising all receipts and disbursements of the Teen Club and for assisting in the maintenance of financial records. The chairman is given the authority to countersign all checks issued by the Teen Club Treasurer.

These proposals follow closely the recommendations made to the city council by the Recreation Advisory Committee. The latter was asked, in the wake of the mass resignation of the Teen Club Advisory Board, to submit a report on the relationship of the various advisory groups to each other and to the recreation program.

The report was discussed at an executive session with council on Wednesday, March 13. Agreement was reached at that time to repeal Ordinances 407 and 477 which established a Teen Club Advisory Board and to assign its advisory duties to a newly constituted Recreation Advisory Board which would have its membership expanded from 10 to 12 members.

Passage Delayed

A motion by Councilman Ben Goldfaden to suspend the rules and pass both the resolution and ordinance on Monday night was defeated by the negative votes of councilmen Tom Canning and Dave Champion. The latter two felt that this move to abolish the Teen Club Advisory Board had not been given sufficient publicity and that the matter should lay over for two weeks to give the public a chance to express its views.

Champion stated that he was ready to expand the Advisory Committee to 12 members and to give the chairman the power to countersign Teen Club checks, but he was not yet convinced that the Teen Club Board should be abolished.

Goldfaden stated that he could not understand Champion's position, since it was his impression

that all the councilmen attending the executive session, including Champion, had approved the new arrangement. Walter Dean, chairman of the Recreation Advisory Committee, stated that he hesitated to take on the responsibility of countersigning checks until an ordinance was passed giving him such powers.

Detailed Provisions

The proposed change provides that the members of the present Recreation Advisory Committee will continue to serve as members of the new Recreation Advisory Board until May 1963 when the council makes its regular annual appointments. A member

of the Advisory Board will sit in on the Youth Center Replacement Fund special committee in place of the Teen Club Advisory Board member.

The new proposed ordinance clearly specifies that the supervision, operation, and direction of the Greenbelt Youth Center and the programs conducted therein will be a function of the Greenbelt Recreation Department. The Advisory Board will provide guidance and advice to the city council, city manager, and recreation director on ways of developing and improving the overall recreation program in the city of Greenbelt.

In its report, the Recreation Advisory Committee stressed its conviction that the purpose of its group is solely advisory, especially since the city has a salaried recreation staff. It recommended that the Recreation Director should review with the city manager the current operation of the Teen Club program and make any necessary adjustments with respect to such things as line of authority, program responsibilities,

plans for adult supervision and financial set-up.

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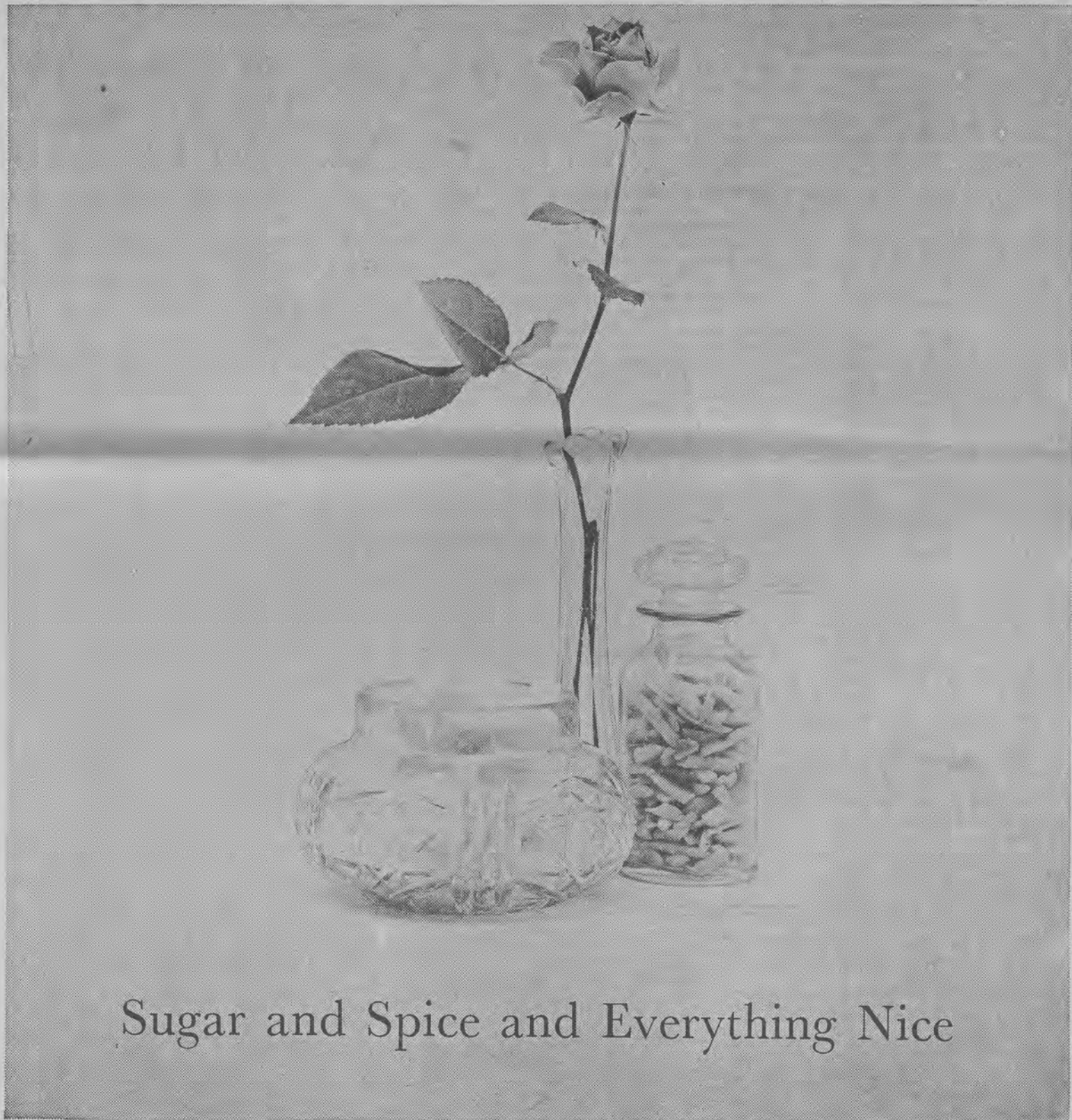
High Point High Points

by Naomi Baron

"Regal" best describes High Point's eighth annual Blue and Gold Court Night, held Friday, March 15. A hush came over the packed gymnasium as Pam Winters opened the evening by presenting the history of Blue and Gold. Master and Mistress of Ceremonies Vernon Swint and Naomi Baron proceeded to present the former kings and queens. The royal court took its place on the lavishly decorated stage and the entertainment began. Greenbelters performing were Betty Beale, Mary Dobbins, and Tom Blair. The climax of the evening was reached when Stan Lipshultz and Kathy Foster were crowned King and Queen of High Point for 1963-1964. Others receiving royal acclaim were Bill Becker and Pat Holton, Duke and Duchess; and James Caruso and Ina Nathanson, Lord and Lady. Not to be overlooked were Master Leo Boisvert and Miss Maureen Gough, pages for the evening. Both are children of Greenbelt faculty members.

Hats off to Brent Moffet for placing first in the Maryland Federation of Women's Clubs art contest. He recently captured the number one rating at the county level.

Shouts of joy were emitted from all members of the High Point Band last Saturday afternoon when they learned they had received a perfect record of "superior" for their performances at the Prince Georges County Music Festival. Three soloists and two ensembles played for judges during the day. The grand finale came near the close of the festival, however, when the band as a whole performed "Pageant" by Persichetti and "Symphony No. 5" by Shostakovich. Only two other bands received top ratings out of the thirteen entered.



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acclaim that is rightfully theirs, we add our sincere gratitude and good wishes.

At the same time, we salute those PEPCONians, men and women, who devote many spare hours of "Matchless Service" to young people through the Girl Scouts, Camp Fire Girls, Boy Scouts and other organizations. In so doing, they reflect the same dedication to serving the community off the job... as they do on the job. PEPCO people are citizens first.



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Commissioner F. Lastner Refutes Grand Jury Report

A reply to criticism that "there appears to be an inherent weakness in the administration of the County Government," (made on Tuesday in the report of the October term of the County Grand Jury) was issued on Wednesday by County Commissioner Chairman Frank J. Lastner.

In his statement, the head of the County's governing administrative board said he was "somewhat disappointed in that this Grand Jury saw fit to criticize areas where correction has already been made.

"Many of their criticisms had merit," Mr. Lastner said, conceding that "periodic appraisals of this County government by Grand Juries is a regular and constructive practice in Prince Georges County. But," he continued, "in virtually every instance the Board of County Commissioners and its department heads had recognized these weaknesses and already acted publicly to correct them."

The Grand Jury, in its conclusion of a lengthy report on all departments of County government, gained from questioning almost 300 witnesses over a three-week period, had said, "From the observation and testimony presented to the Grand Jury there appears to be an inherent weakness in the administration of the County government. There is an obvious lack of coordination between the various departments. Duties and responsibilities are either not known or not understood. Reports are not made or apparently not required. This is a problem for which the County Commissioners must bear the ultimate responsibility."

Mr. Lastner struck back at this by saying, "Particularly in the area of 'an obvious lack of coordination between the various departments' has the Board been working, and earlier this month announced that a qualified administrative assistant to the Board of Commissioners would be reporting for work very soon. I expect that Mr. Walter Bogley will be able to begin his very important duties the week of the 25th of this month. I feel that Mr. Bogley will do much to improve coordination between our various departments, and be an administrative asset to the County in many areas."

The Grand Jury report had said that the County Service Building at Hyattsville is "very much overcrowded and cramped for space... General conditions were poor."

In reply to this, Mr. Lastner said, "We recognize conditions in the County Service Building in Hyattsville are overcrowded... The Board has already announced that groundbreaking is planned the latter part of April, weather permitting, for an \$800,000 expansion of the facility which will not only relieve the present unsatisfactory condition but will provide facilities for some time in that populous northern end of our County."

AAUN Discussion Series Opens With Common Market

A series of discussions entitled "Great Decisions . . . 1963" is scheduled to be held by the local unit of the American Association for the United Nations. The first discussion on "The Common Market—Blueprint for a New Europe" will open the series on Monday, March 25, 8 p.m., at 2-C Westway.

Seven more discussion meetings will follow, to be held on the second and fourth Mondays of the month. Other topics to be heard will be on Red China and the USSR, Algeria, Spain, India, Laos and Vietnam, Alliance for Progress, and the Problems and Prospects for Peace. The discussion program is sponsored nationally by the Foreign Policy Association, a nonpartisan education agency.

All those interested in joining the group should contact either Jim Cassels 474-6900 or Mary Lou Williamson 474-4906 as early as possible. The library has a special bibliography for each session and copies of the books will be made available on request.

George Adams Considered For Co-op Board Position

George Adams, of 46-D Ridge, was one of five names considered for the Board of Directors of Greenbelt Consumer Services at the Co-op Congress meeting March 15. An official slate of four will be named April 5 for final election in May by all members. Other names under consideration were Bob Dressel, Aileen Newman, Jim Fahl and Sol Hoke. Besides the slate, candidacies by petition are now in order, requiring ten member signatures.

Principal discussion was on a proposal by management, still undecided by the Board, to cut costs about \$12,000 a year by skipping the Co-op Newsletter every other week. It was questioned how this cash "saving", and any values lost, would compare with management's other proposal included in the same budget, to hire a new "member relations" employee at \$12,000 to \$15,000 salary and associated costs.

Further questioning groped for the relationship of other facts and other costs to improve co-op business, whether 1) by measures to develop member initiatives, including a better Newsletter, or 2) by measures for more appealing quality and price, or 3) by revision of conventional advertising, with special emphasis on what evidence there is of return upon high cost for the "Post" and "Star" ads.

Softball Club Organization

There will be an organization meeting of the Greenbelt Slow Pitch Softball League on Monday evening, March 25, at 8:30 p.m. at the Youth Center. Representatives of prospective teams and men not already on teams are asked to attend. The meeting will be short.

City Notes

The developers of the Lakecrest sub-division have requested three sidewalks on the dead end streets, in return for which the developers would construct a sidewalk on the upper side of Lakeside Drive where sidewalks are not required by ordinance. Council referred this matter to the City Manager for investigation and report which was prepared for this meeting. Manager Geise's conclusion was that the ordinance does not provide for a method of waiver and that it would be necessary, therefore, for Council to amend it. The decision of Council was to wait for a Solicitor's ruling on the possibility of a waiver before acting any further on this request.

The possibility of hiring teenagers for certain city policing tasks was discussed by Council and referred to the Manager for investigation. Also discussed was the possibility of charging a parking fee at the lake. This money could be used to pay the youth for policing (cleaning) the lake area. This

was also referred to the Manager.

The possibility of placing County hired lady policemen at certain school crossings, such as Southway and Crescent, was referred to the Manager for discussion with Center School. Principal Fred Cardano. He will then report back to Council, which will then determine what action to take.

A report was received that one

property owner in Greenbelt owes taxes and is considered delinquent in accordance with City Ordinance requirements. This problem was turned over to the City Solicitor for proper action.

Sgt. Austin Green presented to city council, on behalf of the Disabled Veterans Chapter #23, a staff and stand for the original Greenbelt city flag.

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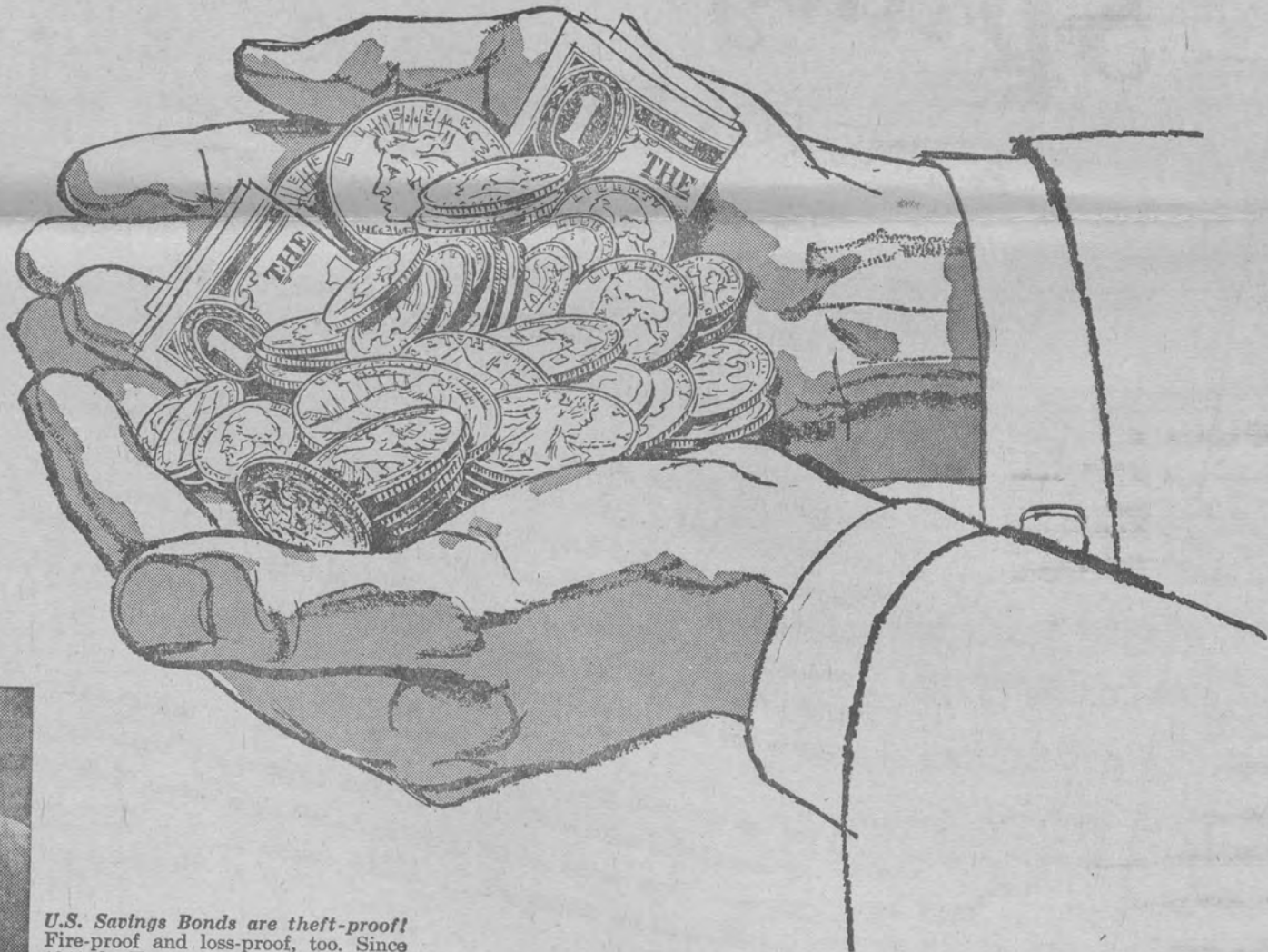
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You taste the blossom-scented wind upon your lips and suddenly it is the year you were engaged . . . the soft spring evening strolling home together from the movie . . . faint and lacy elm shadows spotting your steps in the moonlight and far ahead some college students are singing a fraternity song. And other springs forever framed in recollection: walks in the park at dusk with Father . . . the time your mother visited at school . . . you pinned the violets you had gathered to her shoulder . . . and passing years.

The sun is thin in March. But soon the honeysuckle will be high and ivy mask the kitchen wall. In April, apple blossoms stir, scattering like snow; then maples are full green again and lilacs bloom. Your dog will stalk his rabbits still . . . a little older now.

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County Library Budget Request for \$1.2 Million

Prince George County Memorial Library has requested \$1,218,728 for the year ending July 1, 1964, Miss Elizabeth B. Hage, director, announced.

Nearly one-third of this amount is needed to operate the county's first regional library scheduled to open next fall at Adelphi and Toledo Roads in Hyattsville.

Another \$336,000 is needed for books and related materials. The volumes, 7,775 recordings, and 214 educational films available for circulation.

At the start the regional library will contain nearly 100,000 volumes, though plans call for doubling the collection eventually.

The budget calls for a \$74,860 outlay for equipment. This includes purchase of a bookmobile to replace a 10-year-old vehicle, microfilm readers and copying machines for the regional and new book stacks and additional furniture for all 11 branches.

Salaries and wages for the library staff total \$657,112.

The amount asked from the county for operating costs is \$991,015, said Miss Hage; other sources of revenue listed in the budget request are federal aid, \$7,008; state aid, \$215,705; miscellaneous, \$5,000.

Our Neighbors

By Elaine Skolnik - 474-6060

Michael and Gabriel Sucher, 8 Lakeside, have a baby brother. Anatole David arrived on March 13, making up in weight - 10 lbs. 12 oz. - for what he lacked in promptness. His parents are Dr. and Mrs. Joseph Sucher. Mommy, of course, is Dorothy Sucher, associate editor of the News Review.

It's a girl for Mr. and Mrs. John Bryant, 20-A Ridge. Virginia Marie made her debut on March 11, weighing 7 lbs. 7 oz. She joins Kathy and John Michael. Her paternal grandmother is Mrs. Carrie Bryant, 20-P Ridge, and maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Schultz, 1-C Southway.

A speedy recovery to Tommy Kelly, 51-E Ridge, who underwent a tonsilectomy last week.

Congratulations to Morris and Nettie Steinman, 2-G Northway, who are grandparents for the second time. The Burt Steinmans named her Cindy, and she has a sister, Kathy.

Best wishes for a speedy recovery to Mrs. Charlotte Grego, 129 Northway.

Happy birthday to Rebecca Fisher, 5-D Northway, who celebrated her fifteenth birthday on Tuesday.

Marching in Baltimore's St. Patrick's Day Parade were the North End Drill Teams. It was a much pleasanter day for displaying their skills than that bitter cold February 22.

Best wishes for a speedy recovery to Mrs. Phyllis Coyle who was recently hospitalized.

Welcome new neighbors - Mr. and Mrs. Michael Rose, 2-D Northway. Natives of Baltimore, they formerly resided in Washington where Rose is working for his master's degree in Bacteriology at American University. Mrs. Rose is a registered nurse. The couple has an 8½ month old son, Michael. Cousins Norris and Adele Jenkins live at 20 Empire Place.

The other day Richy and I went for a walk to look for signs of spring. Here and there we noticed some buds. Suddenly, Richy stopped and pointed to the sidewalk exclaiming, "See, there's signs of spring." I examined the cement closely, but could not detect anything sprouting. Impatiently Richy waited for a response that was not forthcoming. So he fell to his knees and picked up a popsicle stick - "See, mommy, signs of spring!"

While we're on the subject of the ice-cream man, let me share with you an excerpt from a letter written by the News Review's former editor, Virginia Beauchamp. The Beauchamps, as you know, are living in Lagos, Nigeria. Virginia writes - "We knew that Lagos was pretty Westernized, but I must admit I wasn't prepared for the tinkle of the chimes of the Nigerian equivalent of the Good Humor man. This is a truck with perfectly safe ice cream..." Dur-

ing the Beauchamp's stay in Rome, they visited Frederick and Betty Lawton, who are former Greenbelters. Lawton is a consular officer in Naples.

A very happy birthday to Debby Maley, 10-M Plateau, who was eleven years old.

Seen in the area recently were Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Long of Fort Lauderdale, Florida. Their son Joseph has also moved to Florida.

Congratulations to Kris Skillman, 103 Northway, who was awarded first prize in the recent Science Fair at Regina High School. Her project was on polarization.

Congratulations to Larry Morris, 23-E Ridge, who was awarded second prize for his project on Genetics in the St. Mark's Science Fair.

Two Greenbelt girls have been named to the Dean's List for academic excellence at Trinity College, Washington, D. C., according to an announcement by Sister Margaret, president of Trinity. The girls are: Ellyn Vottingham, 8 Greenway Pl., and Joan Haslinger, 11-N Ridge Rd.

GHI Notes

Subject to review by its attorneys, the GHI board approved the sub-renting of the Center office sales office to Thomas McAndrew, an insurance representative, on a 5½ day week basis. The GHI sales office presently uses the office only on weekends and will continue to do so . . . The board voted to make additional space available for parking at the 4 and 6 courts of Plateau, provided the city paves and maintains the space. The board also agreed with policy of city to ticket cars parked on grass areas, except where GHI has designated such space as interim parking areas. . . .

GHI manager and maintenance committee were asked by board to come up with joint report on future plans and needs for replacement items . . . Board authorized president to appoint board committee of three to collect, revise, and edit material for GHI News Letter. . .

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City Ordinance #458 - It shall be unlawful for any person, without first obtaining a permit in writing from the City Manager, to own, keep, harbor or have custody of any animal over 3 months of age except that this ordinance shall not apply to the keeping of aquatic and amphibious animals solely as pets.

Be it further ordained that dogs, cats and other animal pets shall be confined, at all times, to the premises of their owners except when under the immediate and effective control of a responsible person.

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We do ask, however, that in case of sickness, that the doctor be called first, and if a trip to the hospital is necessary, the doctor can make all necessary arrangements.

For routine transportation, arrangements should be made at least 24 hours ahead of time, so a crew can be lined up, and the siren need not be blown for this purpose.

Any time when both of our ambulances are on calls, our mutual-aid program in Prince Georges County allows us to make arrangements with near-by companies to fill in for us by having an ambulance stationed in Greenbelt, or to have them called when necessary.