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Congressional Error Kept Jaeger Tract Out of Park

The Jaeger property, consisting of 76.57 acres and jutting into Greenbelt Regional Park like two massive horns of a bull, was intended from the start to be a part of that 1100-acre national park. Through some error, the Congressional bill allocating funds for the purchase of all the parcels comprising the park area listed the Jaeger property at 56 acres. The owner contested the acreage figure, and Congress never made a supplemental appropriation.

In April, 1963, the owner, Carl J. Jaeger, Jr., applied for rezoning the land from RR (single-family homes on quarter-acre lots) to a classification permitting both low density (R-10) and high-rise (R-H) apartments. B. Francis Saul II, the proposed developer of the tract which lies a block south of Greenbelt Rd. and east of Kenilworth Ave., had plans for a \$25 million project, consisting of a 2,500-unit apartment complex, including 38 acres of high-rise apartments and 29 acres of garden apartments and town houses.

Denial Recommended

Both the Greenbelt Advisory Planning Board and the City Council voted unanimously to recommend denial of the petition, forwarding their actions to Maryland National Capital Park & Planning Commission in May 1963. The technical staff of the latter also recommended denial on grounds that five previous master plans for this area proposed the inclusion of the property within the Greenbelt Regional Park, that the use of this land for intensive development would be incompatible with the surrounding park area and out of keeping with the low density zoning of the entire surrounding area, and that changes in the area have not been of sufficient magnitude to justify establishment of multiple-family development on the property.

The MNCP & PC, however, on July 25 overruled its technical staff in a split decision after determining that the Interior Department, which has been interested in the tract for park land, was unable to get funds from Congress to buy it. The tract reportedly projects into the proposed day-use area of the park and also into the camping area proposed for overnight and longer-term family camping use. The Planning Commission also observed that multiple family development would cause no impact in the immediate area due to the existence of a natural buffer from the single family residential zoning on the northwest side of Kenilworth Avenue.

When the matter came to the county commissioners, the latter, sitting as a District Council for the Prince Georges County portion of the Maryland-Washington Regional District, by a 2-2 vote (with Chairman Frank Lastner absent) rejected the zoning plea of the owners. This was on November 5, 1963 and an appeal was taken to the courts.

On January 7, 1964, Circuit Judge William B. Bowie overturned the County Commissioners' decision. He said that the previous vote by the Commissioners was "opposition without evidence". The Judge also noted that neither the Department of the Interior nor the State had made a commitment to buy the land or condemn it. He also said that no Greenbelters lived within three miles of the property and hence would not be affected by it.

Current Reaction

The court decision stirred up much reaction. Congressmen Richard Lankford and Carlton Sickles who jointly introduced bills last summer to purchase the property for park purposes, sent a letter to the county commissioners urging them to appeal the case. The Department of the Interior, which had been slow to schedule time to testify on the bill, now gave the bill's authors strong support. The Greenbelt City Council voted unanimously at their January 20 meeting to urge the County Commissioners to appeal the decision to the Maryland Court of Appeals (see letter in accompanying column).

The Berwyn Civic Association also went on record requesting an appeal and it is expected that the Berwyn Heights Council will follow suit. The local area delegation of Greenbelt Consumers Service has recommended to the Board of Directors of GCS that they request the County Commissioners to appeal Judge Bowie's decision. The Prince George's County Municipal Association will consider tonight a resolution on the subject.

The deadline for the appeal is February 6.

Council, Boards Review City Growth Problems

by David Lange

The city council met last Monday with two advisory boards for general orientation sessions. Mayor Smith stressed to both the Personnel Advisory Board and the Charter Review Committee the need to plan for a government that can meet the needs of a rapidly growing city. Councilman Simonson said the population of Greenbelt was expected to double in two years - from 8500 last July to 17,000 by July of 1965.

Chairman William Rowland of the Personnel Advisory Board, which met with the council at 8 p.m., expressed some doubt that the Board was qualified for such planning. He indicated that more suitable subjects for his committee were the position of administrative assistant

to the manager and changes in the present pay and personnel structure. The Board plans to meet soon to determine the scope of its activities.

The Charter Review Committee, chaired by Howard Chasanow, received a wide variety of suggestions from Mayor Smith at their 9:15 p.m. meeting. The three major areas were election laws, the manager's position, and the council's responsibilities. Suggested were longer terms, possibly staggered, for councilmen, area representation instead of at-large election, a separately-elected mayor, and elected advisory boards. Also, charter revisions to increase the manager's responsibilities were mentioned such as greater latitude in purchase of materials and in contracting out work projects. Possible changes to aid the council included the subjects of bonds and assessed valuation of property.

Civic Association Slates Zoning Protest Meeting

The Greenbelt Civic Association, Inc. will sponsor a protest meeting at the Center School at 8 p.m. on Monday, Feb. 3. The meeting will be moderated by former mayor, Francis White. All residents of Greenbelt are invited to attend this meeting.

The purpose of the meeting is to protest the erection of high-rise apartments in Greenbelt Regional Park. It is necessary that the county commissioners act to prevent this construction before February 6. All the county commis-

County Board Meets Tues.

The Board of County Commissioners will hold its next regular meeting on Tuesday, February 4, at 10 a.m. at Upper Marlboro, Md. Mayor Edgar Smith has announced that he will attend the meeting to present the city council's plea for appealing the Jaeger tract decision. The meeting is open to the public.

According to the Washington Post reporter attending last Tuesday's county commissioners meeting, the question of appealing may "be left to die a natural death," since Chairman Frank J. Lastner is declining to break the 2-2 deadlock on the issue because he was absent on the day of the hearing.

Commissioners have been invited to the meeting as have representatives from the Lakewood Citizens Association, Berwyn Heights Citizens' Association, Riverdale Citizens' Association, Lakeside Homeowner's Association and Springhill Lake Civic Association.

Commissioner Gladys Spellman has accepted and will speak on

Mayor Urges Lastner to Appeal

Mr. Frank J. Lastner, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners
Prince George's County
Upper Marlboro, Maryland
Dear Mr. Lastner:

At its meeting of January 20, 1963, the City Council of Greenbelt unanimously and strongly recommended that the Board of County Commissioners take action to appeal to the Maryland Court of Appeals the decision of the Circuit Court in the matter of zoning the Carl J. Jaeger, Jr. property on Kenilworth Avenue. In making this recommendation I feel the Council represented the views of the vast majority of the citizens of Greenbelt—all of whom live less than three miles from this property.

The City of Greenbelt has strongly and consistently urged the acquisition of this property as part of the regional park. In doing so, however, this city has never contended that the property owner should be denied the right to develop his property because the Federal Government may decide to purchase it some day. We do not feel, however, that anyone has justified as good planning or proper land use the placing of high density urbanized skyscraper apartments between a natural wilderness park and single-family homes.

The zoning of this property should be compatible with surrounding land use. The placing of the property in the Rural Residential Zone was proper zoning. We do not agree with those who state that single-family development "obviously" would have the same effect on the park use as high-rise apartments. Certainly a low density home development would be less harmful to a country park than the high density skyscraper apartments.

I should like to call your attention once again to a letter this city received from Mr. Robert M. Mangan, Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Interior, which was made a part of the record of the public hearing:

"This regional 'country park' is a rather extensive natural wooded area and will provide the present and future generations of city dwellers with relief from city conditions and the same sense of freedom which the unspoiled country provides. Because its greatest resources is its natural scenery, this park has for many years been used for camping and is presently being developed to provide picnicking, hiking, camping, nature study and similar types of recreation which can best be provided for the community in such a natural, forested area. The Jaeger tract is in a flattened 'V' shape, projecting into the proposed day-use area of the park, and into the camping area which is proposed for overnight and longer term family camping use. "Such a development as would be likely under the R-H zone, especially apartment buildings rising above the forest, would be serious intrusion into these significant functions of the park. . . . Any form of high-density, high-rise residential development would be completely out of place in this location and would be to the detriment of the public good."

The Greenbelt Regional Park will be the second largest recreational facility in the county. It is centrally located for most of the citizens in the county. The placing of skyscrapers in the midst of campgrounds may well be considered the greatest planning failure to take place in the county. We hope you will take every action possible to see that it doesn't happen.

Polaschik Elected to GHI Board; Fees, Heating Problems Debated

by Bob Philleo

The board of directors of Greenbelt Homes, Inc., at its regular meeting Thursday, Jan. 23, elected Stephen Polaschik, 12-D Ridge, to fill the board vacancy left by Harry Zubkoff's resignation. Polaschik was elected on the first ballot. Marjorie Bergemann and Gerald Boisvert also received votes.

Polaschik has served on the Audit Committee and has been acting chairman of the Rules and Regulations Committee. The election of Polaschik was the third replacement voted since the general election of May, 1963.

Membership fee reviewed

The board voted to accept Manager Roy Breashear's recommendation that the present \$100 processing fee and the present \$25 membership fee be combined into one fee of \$125, to be known as a membership fee. The registration fee would remain at \$5.

Legal counsel Albert Ginsberg had advised that the by-laws permitted this, with the proviso, in his opinion, that the application fee and membership fee was restricted to the minimum amount necessary to cover the average costs of sales and processing sales. The maximum amount, Ginsberg said, is not restricted, but any changes in these fees are subject to the approval of the board.

The board requested management to present cost information on sales and processing so that it might determine if the intent of the by-laws is being met. The board also requested that the transfer fee of

Improved Bus Service

The WMA bus schedule has been revised as of January 27. The new schedule can be obtained from the bus driver or by calling. 582-3300.

this zoning topic. Commissioner M. Bayne Brooke has given a tentative acceptance. Association officials stated that they did not know whether Commissioner Frank Lastner would attend.

The Greenbelt Civic Association is collecting signatures on a petition requesting the commissioners not to permit high-rise apartments in the Greenbelt area.

\$50 and a suggested appraisal fee be investigated.

Hot Water Trouble

GHI's replacement program on hot water and heating lines is being subjected to much stress and strain. The frame units, particularly the 200 units in the vicinity of Research and Ridge, are experiencing the principle difficulties in maintaining satisfactory heat and hot water.

Residents from the 73 Court of Ridge patiently outlined their present tribulations and asked when the repairs would be made. Breashears and Maintenance Superintendent Dave Kane outlined the status of their current replacement program. They explained that the poor condition of the entire hot water system made further investigation necessary.

Director Bill Helm suggested that a progress report be presented at the Feb. 20 meeting, and that a letter of explanation be sent to the 200 affected residents.

WHAT GOES ON

Thursday, January 30, 7:30 p.m.
Basketball League, Youth Center.

8 p.m. Home and School Association Meeting, St. Hughes
8 p.m. Adult Ballroom Dancing, Youth Center

Friday, January 31, 8 p.m.
Treble Choir Concert, Community Church

Saturday, February 1, 8:30 p.m.
Card-Game Party, Jewish Community Center

5-7 p.m. Annual Spaghetti Dinner, Community Church

Monday, February 3, 8 p.m. City Council Meeting

8 p.m. Greenbelt Civic Association meeting - "Jaeger Tract", Center School

Tuesday, February 4, 8 p.m. Center School PTA

8 p.m. North End PTA
8 p.m. Ladies' Sports 'n Shorts, Youth Center

AGENDA

REGULAR MEETING
COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF GREENBELT
MARYLAND

February 3, 1964

I ORGANIZATION

1. Meeting called to order.
2. Roll call.
3. Bid Opening-Sale of City Buses.

II COMMUNICATIONS

5. Petitions and Requests.
6. Additions to agenda by Councilmen and Manager.
7. Written Communications.
8. Manager's Progress Report.
9. Committee Reports.
- Personnel Advisory Board.

III OLD BUSINESS

10. ORDINANCE - Borrowing Funds (Second Reading).
11. RESOLUTION - Transfer of Funds (Second Reading).
12. Condemnation of City Warehouse Property.
13. Use of City Building by the Izaak Walton League.
14. Amendment to 7/1/63 Position Classification Plan.

IV NEW BUSINESS

15. ORDINANCE - Appropriating Funds - Special Public Building Construction Fund.
16. Standing Rules.
17. Edmonston Road Improvements.
18. Equipment - Municipal Building.

Sincerely,
Edgar L. Smith
Mayor

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An Appeal for an Appeal

The News-Review would like to add its voice to the concert of protest against the proposed high-rise apartments adjacent to the Greenbelt Regional Park. We join the City Council and our Congressmen in urging the county commissioners to appeal Circuit Judge William B. Bowie's ruling.

We believe that enough evidence can be placed into the record to show the deleterious effects that development of multiple-family buildings on this property would have on the regional park concept and on the future zoning of adjacent land. The Interior Department's latest commitment to support the purchase of the land makes it all the more imperative that before any irrevocable zoning decision be made, full opportunity be given to the federal government for adding this land to the Greenbelt Regional Park. If there is need for evidence that local opinion is opposed to high-rise apartments, we are certain that the citizens of Greenbelt will be glad to oblige by signing petitions and attending protest meetings.

Although the Jaeger tract is not within the city limits of Greenbelt, we feel that the matter is critical for our community. A major high-rise apartment development so close to our city could well be the entering wedge that will change Greenbelt into a Langley Park-type apartment complex. We cannot believe that the county commissioners, especially those who have helped us ward off this danger before, will let us down this time.

City Notes

The Public Works crews spent most of their time this week patching chuck holes along streets and in parking lots and service courts. A total of 38½ tons of cold mix asphalt patching material was used. Also this week a blocked culvert under Ridge Road near Edmonston Road was opened and some broken windows at the pool were repaired. Burned out lights in the shopping center were replaced.

This week one of our refuse trucks was out of service for several days while its transmission was completely overhauled. City Manager, James K. Giese, reports he is investigating a new type of "garbage grinder".

Giese also reports that he has released the High Point Band members from further obligations toward earning their \$100, as there are no suitable current projects utilizing a large number of boys. The Band members are attempting to raise about \$2000 to give each member \$20 toward expenses on their proposed trip to the Mardi Gras. The Band will represent the state of Maryland.

Police Zero In On Lame, Halt, and Unlicensed Autos

Now that the snow is gone (at least temporarily), the Police department is concentrating on disabled vehicles which are illegally parked, and unlicensed autos. Both are in violation of City Ordinance 471.

Says Chief O'Brien: "We all are concerned with the beauty of our city. Cluttering up the streets and parking areas with inoperable autos not only is unsightly, but does not allow us to make maximum use of available parking facilities."

GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH PLANNED FOR MARYLAND

The St. Sophia Greek Orthodox Cathedral of Washington hopes to establish a branch church in the Maryland suburbs in the very near future. A comprehensive questionnaire is now being mailed to all known Greek Orthodox families in these suburbs, in order to determine the best location. Greek Orthodox families who are interested and who have not received a questionnaire, are asked to contact the St. Sophia Cathedral office by telephone.

"POCKET VETO"

To the Editor,

Greenbelt Park is as much an asset to Greenbelt as any commercial development yielding much sought-after services and taxes. And not only is this park an asset to Greenbelt but also to many of the surrounding communities, especially in the immediate future. We in Greenbelt are at the epicenter of what will eventually be a heavy concentration of commercial buildings, roads, and housing. Recreational areas such as Greenbelt Park will be a welcome oasis to turn to after prolonged exposure to jerry-made concrete, gaudy neon, and noxious carbon monoxide.

Yet today a considerable portion (76 acres) of this parkland, being developed by The National Parks Service, will be lost to high-rise apartments. The Prince Georges County Commissioners voted not to rezone this property for high-rise apartments. Judge William P. Bowie of the P. G. County Circuit Court overruled the Commissioners. Reps. Carlton Sickles and Richard Lankford have urged the Commissioners to appeal this decision. It now appears that the majority of the Commissioners are against such an appeal and are in fact exercising a "pocket veto" on the matter. The final day for filing an appeal is February 6.

Nearly every piece of parkland we possess in the United States has been wrested from commercialism by concerted public effort and considerable "blood and tears". The recent recovery of the Merrywood estate, along the Palisades bordering the Potomac, River, from commercial development is a case in point. It took an aroused citizenry to arouse our Government.

What was accomplished on the Potomac Palisades can also be duplicated here. Attendance of interested citizens at future meetings on this subject, drawing up of petitions, and plenty of hell-raising letters could do it.

Parkland retained now will be used by us, our children, and our grandchildren. It is our parkland, our County Commissioners, and our choice. Let's do something about it.

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Vance Promoted to V. P.

L. Gilbert Vance, manager of the Greenbelt branch of the Suburban Trust Co., has been promoted to Assistant Vice President of the central office. Mr. Vance joined the company in 1952 and was elected assistant treasurer in 1959. He is past president of the Washington Chapter of the American Institute of Banking.



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INVITATION TO BID — Custodial Services. Sealed bids to provide custodial services for the Greenbelt Youth Center and/or the Greenbelt Municipal Building, Greenbelt, Maryland, will be received until 8:00 P.M., Monday, February 17, 1964, at the City Offices, Greenbelt, Maryland. Specifications and bid forms may be obtained at the City Offices. M. Spitz, City Clerk.

Recreation Review

by Richard Stevenson
MEN'S BASKETBALL LEAGUE
League standings:

	W	L
Marylanders	5	0
Tobacco Shop	3	2
BUSHIPS	2	3
Springhill	0	5

The Marylanders moved strongly into first place with a solid 60-37 victory over winless Springhill. Sandy Young, with 26 points, and Ted Camden, with 12 points, led the charge for the Marylanders. Charlie Sheridan led the Springhill team with 12 points.

In the fight for second place, the Tobacco Shop edged past BUSHIPS 51-42. Dick Hammond, with 13 points, and Tony Baker, with 12 points, paced the Shoppers. John Kriewall ripped the cords for 14 points against BUSHIPS.

Tonight finds Springhill against Tobacco Shop at 7:30 and the Marylanders against BUSHIPS at 8:30. Admission is free, so come on down.

ADULT BALLROOM DANCING

Tonight is the night for all Fred Astaires and Ginger Rogers. Registration for Adult Dance Class is being held at the Youth Center at 8 p.m. The classes are limited, but the fun isn't. Ten glorious weeks of enjoyment and instruction. See you there?

LADIES SPORTS 'N SHORTS

There are still openings in the Ladies' Sports 'n Shorts program for under-active, but interested ladies. Each Tuesday evening at 8 p.m. at the Youth Center, the "Stay Slim and Trim" set meets for exercises, volleyball, ping pong and active games. There is no fee, so come on down. Bring energy, enthusiasm and a friend.

Recreation Interest Survey

Friday evening, Jan. 31, various civic organizations will distribute Interest Survey Sheets, on behalf of the Recreation Department. These survey sheets will afford the residents of Greenbelt the opportunity to state what their recreational interests are. After filling out the survey, please be ready to return it to the representative who will call on Sunday afternoon. If you cannot meet the representative, simply leave the survey in your mailbox. For those of you who live in apartments, please leave the survey in front of your door.

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Our Neighbors

by Elaine Skolnik - 474-6060

It's a girl for Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Hall, Jr., 22-D Parkway. Joanne Elizabeth was born January 16 weighing 5 lbs. 12 oz. She is not only the Hall's first child but is the first grandchild for Mr. and Mrs. Harold Domchick, 11-A Ridge and Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Hall Sr., 3-B Research, and the first great-grandchild for Mr. and Mrs. George Domchick, 45-C Ridge.

Mr. and Mrs. Randall Mitchell, 20-C Crescent, proudly announce the arrival of a daughter, Toni Ann made her debut January 15 weighing 6 lbs. 6 oz.

Best wishes for a happy birthday to Mark Crowder, 41-A Ridge, who celebrates his thirteenth birthday tomorrow.

Happy-happy birthday to Kerry Moser, 13-B Hillside, who was seven years old.

Best wishes for a speedy recovery to Pat Jones, 4-N Gardenway, who underwent surgery last week. Pat took leave of the hospital for a couple of hours last Saturday night to be installed as president of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad. That's called dedication!

Our deepest sympathy to George Wilson and family, 4-T Laurel, on the loss of his son George, Jr.

Mayor and Mrs. Edgar Smith are now residing at 118 Greenhill. Jack Sanders and Sid Barnet made it two in a row when they won last Friday's duplicate bridge game, two points ahead of the George Kaufman-Marchal Fuller combine. Third place went to Lou and Lucille Lushine. Next game: Friday, February 14.

Kevin J. Hildreth, airman apprentice, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence R. Hildreth of 11-D Southway rd., Greenbelt, Md., was graduated from the Aviation Structural Mechanic School Jan. 15 at the Naval Air Technical Training Center, Memphis, Tenn.

Katherine Keene, 6-H Hillside, reports seeing a Canadian Goose on Greenbelt Lake. "As I looked through my binoculars I spotted a large graceful dark object. There was the typical black ring on the neck, and white patch under the chin, and dark gray back." According to our knowledgeable bird-watcher, Mrs. Velma Cormack, 6-B Ridge, the appearance of the Canadian goose in Greenbelt is unusual - he was probably off course. She tells us that the Department of Agriculture has predicted that we will be seeing unusual northern birds in the area this year. Hundreds of grosbeaks are in our community at this time. The yellow grosbeak is the size of a robin, and likes to eat sun-flower seeds. Mrs. Cormack reminds us to put out bird food (suet).

And while we're on the subject this is for the kiddies:

If you're hit by a stone
And it hurts you,
You can be sure
It hurts ducks and birds too.
If you're gentle and kind
And it feels very good,
That's just the way it should.
Springhill residents make a note.
Call Mrs. Rosalyn Zisman, 474-6049 if you have any news items, or call me at 474-6060.

Best wishes for a speedy recovery to Fred Birdseye, who is in room K405 at Prince Georges Hospital, and would welcome visits from his friends.

Barbershop Singer Stanley Davis, 9-B Hillside will participate in the annual Groundhog Gambol on Saturday at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Bethesda.

A get well quick to Mrs. Pat Fritz, 2-C Woodland, who was recently hospitalized.

Card-Game Night at JCC

The Jewish Community Center of Prince Georges County is having a card-game night Saturday, Feb. 1, at 8:30 p.m. A duplicate bridge game will be directed by Al Skolnik. Other games are rubber bridge, pinochle, poker, mah jong, rummy, scrabble, bingo etc. Call 474-6060 for reservations.

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Spaghetti Supper

The annual spaghetti supper for the benefit of the Youth Camp Scholarship Fund will be held at the Community Church on Saturday from 5 to 7 p.m. This event is one eagerly looked forward to by many both for the good food and the atmosphere of candlelight and gaiety. Open to the public, tickets may be purchased at the door.

Treble Choir Concert

The Treble Choir of the Greenbelt Community Church will present a concert at the church Friday at 8 p.m. The public is invited.

The selections will range from 17th Century music to that of the present day. Elaine Lewis will play the recorder in one number, and Laura and Linda Simonson will present the Ritornello for violin and cello in another. Miss Goetze is director and organist for the nine-member Treble Choir.

Classes for New Parents

MATERNA (Maternity Team for Education, Research and Nursing) announces that childbirth education classes will begin in Prince Georges County during the last week in January. Anyone interested in these classes is invited to contact the Registrar at KE 6-9429.

Little League Notes

by Dale Parrish

Spring is just around the corner (honest!), and so is the baseball season. And that means that coaches and helpers are needed for the Greenbelt Little League teams.

There now are openings for a manager, eight coaches, and a farm director. Greenbelt residents who are interested should write Greenbelt Little League, Box 174, Greenbelt; or contact either Bud Davis, president, at 474-6025, or any one of the Little League managers.

North End PTA Meeting

The North End School PTA will meet at 8 p.m. next Tuesday, Feb. 4th. After a short business meeting, there will be an explanatory talk by Mrs. Cunningham, principal, on the structure of the social studies programs in the various grades. Each classroom will have an exhibit of its current social studies project, and the teachers will be there to answer any questions.

Center School PTA to Meet

The regular Center School PTA meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 4 at 8 p.m. in the school auditorium. The "Outdoor Educational School", illustrated with slides, will be the topic of discussion.

St. Hugh's Parents Meet

The Home and School Association of St. Hugh's School will hold its bi-monthly meeting on Thursday, 30 January at 8 p.m., in the School Auditorium.

All parents of the children, friends and the general public are invited.

Apply for Festival Funds

The Greenbelt Festival Committee is still accepting applications from youth groups in Greenbelt for funds needed for their activities. The letters of application, which are due no later than February 15, 1964, should state amounts of money needed and their purpose and be mailed to:

Greenbelt Festival Committee
Box 192
Greenbelt, Maryland

GHI Meeting Tid-bits

A plaque was presented to former director Hans Jorgensen in tribute to his service rendered the board. He was cited for his leadership in landscaping and land use activities. . . . The board has approved a request by one of the members to trace plans of wiring, water mains and sewage lines serving his court.

4-H Family Fun Day

The 4-H Clubs of Greenbelt are sponsoring "Family Fun Day" at the Youth Center Sunday, Feb. 9, 3 to 6 p.m. The public is invited.

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