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## Charlestowne Village - A History of Covenants

by Al Skolnik

On August 17, 1961, the *News Review* ran a small, three paragraph story, headlined "Webb and Knapp Sell Local Holdings." The story reported that 100 acres, including the extension of Lakeside, had been sold to Charles Bresler, who built the Greenbelt Plaza apartments.

Thus began the "Charlestowne Village" saga.

The same issue of the *News Review* reported an interview by staff reporter Virginia Beauchamp with Bresler in which he outlined his plans for the 100 acres. About 50 acres, Bresler said, would be reserved for single-family homes on an extension of Lakeside Drive arranged around courts or cul-de-sacs. Such a development was eventually built, but this article is not concerned with it.

The remaining 50 acres - the future site of Charlestowne village - were located south and east of Greenbelt Lake, adjacent to the American Legion building and to the National Guard Armory and behind the courts 6 to 14 of Ridge rd. (see map). They did not include parcel 15 - the tract preferred by the city as a site for a senior high school. At that time, this 32-acre parcel was owned by Garvin and Martin, Silver Spring developers (Bresler did not acquire parcel 15 until May 1962).

Bresler told the *News Review* reporter that these 50 acres were being considered for development of townhouses which would sell at \$18,000 to \$20,000. The townhouse type of construction - four, six, or eight houses grouped together around a center square - was favored since it offers the maximum green space, and avoids the monotony of rows of houses set along both sides of a street.

The story went on to say that provisions for park areas in the tract were also being made - probably as a buffer between the residences and the American Legion hall and Greenbelt Armory. The story continued: "The builder also plans an attractive planting of trees and shrubs, and possibly the building of a low wall, to screen the half circle on Greenbelt Road between the four houses built some years ago by Warner-Kanter, original purchasers of the property, when it was sold by GHI. Bresler also stated that he is considering the possibility of filling in the marshy area of the lake and dedicating it to the city of Greenbelt for a municipal park."

In addition, Bresler told the reporter that he was considering a road which would lead from the lower end of the lake across the dam, ending on Crescent Road.

The story concluded by stressing Bresler's statement that all plans were in a fluid stage, pending the recommendations of his planning engineers.

The same issue of the *News Review* (August 17, 1961) reported that Bresler had met with the city's Advisory Planning Board and discussed these plans with the Board. At that time, the members of the APB were chairman Lewis Bernstein, Elliott Bukzin, John Downs, Harvey Geller, Clifford Simonson, Eli Crupain, and Clayton Werner. A subsequent meeting was also held with Bresler on September 21, 1961.

### R-18 Zoning Asked

The next chapter in the saga took place four months later when the *News Review* of December 28, 1961 reported that Bresler had indicated he wanted R-18 zoning (medium-density apartments, up to 21 dwelling units per acre) for the 50 acres in order to erect town houses.

During the next month, the city council, which consisted of Mayor Francis White, David Champion, Ben Goldfaden, Thomas Canning, and William Phillips, made clear that they would not recommend R-18 zoning to the Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Commission (MNCPPC) without some restrictions on the density of the development.

What followed is reported in the January 25, 1962 *News Review* write-up of the city council meeting of January 22. "On behalf of Bresler, Abraham Chasanow presented a copy of a proposed covenant to city solicitor, Jerrold Powers. The covenant would provide that the development's average density be no higher than 7 dwelling units per acre, thus giving about 350 units on the roughly 50-acre tract. The zoning requested is R-30, which carries a maximum limit of 12½ units per acre. Some 11 acres immediately bordering the lake would be deeded to the city. Before construction is undertaken, the city would be consulted, Chasanow said. The covenant would expire after 20 years, except for the city's 11 acres which would be given in perpetuity.

"Points questioned by the council were . . . the change from the originally requested R-18 zoning to R-30, and the limitation to 20 years. The possibility that the open green areas would be built up in the future was discounted by Bresler; this point brought an explanation by Chasanow of the term "condominium" the legal expression for joint ownership of open green areas common to all residents. The change from R-18 to R-30 zoning was explained on the basis of a forthcoming general change in zoning classifications, although Bresler stated he would be willing to go back to R-18 zoning if the council so desired. Bresler also gave the reason for the 20-year limitation, as being the interest held in the development by the mortgage people involved."

The council gave tentative approval to the developer's request, but substituted R-18 zoning for the R-30 zoning.

### APB Report

In the meantime, what was the position of the city's Advisory Planning Board? On February 19, 1962 the APB presented to council Report #12 which neither accepted nor rejected the developer's proposal. The report was termed an interim one, since APB and City Manager Charles McDonald had been trying since

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## Council Votes for Inquiry Into Police Procedures

by Mary Louise Williamson

A split City Council voted for a high-level board of inquiry on functions and policies of the Police Dept. particularly concerning procedures for dealing with the public.

The action, precipitated by Councilman Richard Pilski, is the result of citizen complaints that members of council have been receiving over the past year. Mayor Edgar Smith noted that council has met 3 times since July in an effort to work out problems similar to those being considered now - the main source of concern has been the manner in which certain policemen deal with the public.

Pilski introduced his request for an inquiry with a detailed account of three incidents that occurred this week, in one of which he was personally involved; although he did make it clear to the large audience that he felt these incidents are not isolated. A past councilman, several citizens and Mayor Smith all spoke of similar cases, which they felt caused unnecessary embarrassment to citizens.

The vote on the motion was 3 to 2, with councilmen David Champion and Francis White dissenting. They felt that an open inquiry would cause "irreparable" damage to the functioning and morale of the police department.

The motion as passed called for members of the inquiry board to be appointed by the Mayor. An attempt by White and Champion to include the entire council failed. Mayor Smith said that the composition of the board has yet to be decided. "All five councilmen could still be appointed. Council should meet to discuss it first."

Several citizens suggested that the make-up of the board should include disinterested citizens and not just councilmen.

Councilman Francis White reminded council they had all voted in favor of a police "get tough policy" to counteract the problem of vandalism. White and Champion voiced strong disapproval of publicly airing the incident at this time. White asked council to reflect a moment before making a quick decision to investigate "a very fine police department."

Mayor Smith countered "this action tonight is not a hasty decision, but a decision made after we had three meetings (over the past year) and they were to no avail. Our citizens are going to be treated with proper respect."

City Manager Jm Giese stated "the matters referred to me by Councilman Pilski are being investigated and the appropriate actions

will be taken." He welcomed any citizen information. He defended the department saying "our police department is young, only 4 men have more than two years experience. The department is improving day by day. Only a small portion of contact with the public is involved here."

Several citizens spoke up in favor of the inquiry, though hastening to point out the fine over-all job the police department is doing. Many felt that such an inquiry could have constructive results in improving police department handling of the public.

## Partial Solution Proposed For Springhill Traffic

by Mary Smith

City Manager James Giese reported to City Council last Monday that he has studied the possibility of adding a third lane to the exit from Edmonston Rd. southbound to Greenbelt Rd. and has concluded that he does not recommend its construction. This extra lane had been suggested in an attempt to speed up the exit of traffic from Springhill Lake during the morning rush hour.

Giese stated that an examination of the present road discloses that a considerable amount of construction would be required to add a third lane: a new catch basin, replacement of an existing drainage swale and the regrading of a hillside which would involve obtaining easements from the Board of Education. The cost could be as much as \$5000 or more. Meanwhile, it is expected that the old cut-through between Kenilworth Avenue and Edmonston Rd. will be re-opened soon, thus relieving some of the traffic congestion. Also, it is hoped that a road can be built through the present Junior High School parking lot with an exit to Greenbelt Rd. at Beltway Plaza. The opening of these two roads would obviate the need for the third exit lane.

### Cut-Through Road

Mr. Kramer representing Springhill Lake Apartments, was present at the council meeting. He stated that engineering plans for reopening the cut-through have been completed by his engineers and have been forwarded to the State Roads Commission for a permit to proceed. The cut-through would be one-way, moving traffic from Edmonston Rd. onto Kenilworth Ave. southbound. The Springhill Lake developers are also negotiating with the county Board of Education for a road through the Junior High parking lot.

### Access to Beltway

There remains the problem of Springhill Lake traffic getting onto the Capital Beltway. Cars have to make a U-turn with two left turns in order to get from Edmonston Rd. to Kenilworth Ave. northbound, and so to the Beltway. Many residents of the development were at the meeting and they suggested some ingenious plans for speeding up this U-turn flow. All these plans would entail re-cycling of the two traffic lights involved. Efforts are being made to set up a meeting between the City Council and the State Roads Commission to discuss traffic light cycling at the two intersections; however, it is known that the commission will not create traffic jams on State highways in order to improve traffic on Edmonston Rd.

## ART GUILD CRITIQUE

Another of the popular critiques conducted by Jim Forbes will be held by the Art Guild on Wednesday, April 27. Artists are invited to bring a painting to the Youth Center at 7:30 p.m. for inclusion in the array of material analyzed and discussed.

## City Notes

The city office building is graced with a new sign; mounted aluminum letters a foot high state "City of Greenbelt," while underneath are 6 in. letters "25 Crescent Road, Offices and Police." The sign, ordered long ago, finally arrived and was attached to the planter wall this week.

The public works crew has been sprucing up the swimming pool bath house for the coming season. Crews are also painting bleachers at ball fields. Some of the newly constructed picnic tables are already set up at the Lake park.

A number of residents called to complain about rusty water, lack of cold water or of any water at all during last weekend. GHI units in the vicinity of Ridge and Research Rd. were without cold water from late Friday afternoon until Saturday evening. The cause of this water shortage was the relocation of major water mains in the vicinity of the water tower on Ridge Road, in connection with the development of the Boxwood subdivision. Temporary connections were made as part of the relocation work and these connections failed to provide sufficient pressure for the high parts of Ridge Road. Hot water was available, however, because GHI repressures the hot water system at the heating plants. The change in water pressure caused disturbances in the main water line, loosening rust and causing the rusty color of the water.

## City Council Reviews Status of Charlestowne Covenant Violation

by Al Skolnik

The status of the bill of complaint filed by city solicitor Thomas R. Brooks against the developer Charles Bresler was reviewed by council at last Monday's meeting. The bill was filed on March 23, but the serving of the subpoena on Bresler was delayed until March 30 because of Bresler's service in the State legislature. Bresler has 15 days after the first Monday in April to reply.

The city took this action as the result of a building permit issued to Bresler for construction of an 8-story apartment on parcel B of Charlestowne Village. The city claims that this permit violates 1962 covenants and agreements signed by Bresler. Bresler is now engaged in clearing the land behind the Charlestowne swimming pool.

City manager James K. Giese told council that he is keeping close tabs on the contractual work that is going on at Charlestowne Village. If the work continues with respect to the apartment site, Giese said, the city solicitor may be asked to seek a temporary injunction.

Councilman Dick Pilski asked why the city was cooperating with Bresler's subcontractor in moving dirt from the tract to the city-owned dam site. Giese said that the city would benefit since the dam site needs land fill.

Mrs. Priscilla Rosetti wanted to know why legal action wasn't taken earlier. The permits were issued on December 30 but legal action wasn't instituted until March 23.

Harold Siegel, chairman of the

steering committee of the Citizens For a Planned Greenbelt, asked about the effect of the 30-day notification clause in the covenants. (This clause provided for the enforcement of the covenant by injunctive proceedings in equity, provided such proceedings were commenced within 30 days after the owner notified the Greenbelt city manager that he has obtained building permits.) Giese stated that the city has not been notified by the developer of the issuance of any building permits.

Siegel also asked, on behalf of CFPB, a series of questions on the legal aspects of the issue. For example, he wanted to know whether Suburban Trust Company, the mortgage holder for the Bresler properties, had actual knowledge of the covenants when it granted the mortgage on April 3, 1962. Bresler had repudiated the covenants on the grounds that the mortgage holder had failed to assent to the imposition of the covenants. Siegel also asked whether the foreclosure sale by Suburban Trust on parcels D, E, and F of Charlestowne Village was bonafide, or merely an attempt to destroy the covenant.



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**An Honest Man**

To the Editor:

There is one person throughout this land who is extremely honest. This person resides in Greenbelt, Maryland. In March Inland Empire Goodwill Industries in Spokane, Washington received a letter with a dollar enclosed from an anonymous person in Greenbelt.

Last October this person made a purchase from the Goodwill Store in Spokane. The dollar, used to pay for the purchase, was accidentally mixed in with the merchandise and placed in the customer's bag. Four months and 3000 miles later this person discovered the dollar bill in the bag and sent the money and a short unsigned letter to Goodwill explaining the error.

Inland Empire Goodwill Industries would like to thank this person for honesty and kindness.

John D. Anspaugh  
Goodwill Industries

**Thanks**

To the Editor:

The family of Arthur Picard wish to express their most sincere appreciation to Officer Paul Reamy of the Greenbelt Police force for his valiant services; and also to the Greenbelt Rescue Squad for their ever-present dedication to the community. We also thank our friends and neighbors for their concern and support.

Marie Picard  
Helene Mayoek

**Where To Go**

**THE SANTA MARIA**  
by David Stern

Down on Maine Avenue, just across from the Arena stage, one comes upon Christopher Columbus' flagship, the Santa Maria. Or anyway, a fair copy, built in Spain out of rough-hewn timbers just the way her namesake was. Previously one of the exhibits at New York's World Fair (from which, presumably, her garish green-and-brown color dates), the Santa Maria has now shifted her berth to the Washington channel, to serve as one of the Capital's tourist attractions. That will be 75 cents for adults, 50 cents for children 6 to 12, and no large bills, please.

A smallish ship - Columbus was the only one aboard who had a cabin and a bed to sleep in - the Santa Maria is nevertheless worth a visit, especially for the younger set, who will probably peer from behind the ancient cannon at Haines point across the channel and pretend to be sighting Treasure Island. There is a view of Columbus' cabin, with life-sized puppets enacting a typical scene and a recorded commentary from hidden speakers. Just below, one passes the all-purpose deck with its galley, wooden tiller protruding from a hole and presumably, the crew's quarters. Finally, for those brave enough to negotiate a steep staircase, there is the main hold. This part of the ship is crowded with a mishmash of dioramas, statues and antique furniture, reflecting hardly at all the contents of the hold in the original Santa Maria. Indeed, the most impressive sight below decks is provided by the massive ribs and beams, demonstrating the rough sturdiness which enabled the original Santa Maria to undertake her famous journey.

One learns a great deal during the brief visit: that Columbus never owned the Santa Maria, that Queen Isabella did not, after all, pawn her jewels to finance his trip and that Columbus had travelled as far as Iceland prior to crossing the Atlantic. Did he go there for the road map to Vinland maybe?

**Firemen Drive Safely!**

To the Editor:

I have lived in Greenbelt almost two years and appreciate the fine Fire Department this city has; however, in that time I have twice nearly been involved in an accident with a fireman. I realize it is necessary that a fireman get to the firehouse as quickly as possible, but not at the cost of the safety of others. Being a fireman does not give an individual the right to endanger the lives of others with reckless driving.

It would seem that the City of Greenbelt should equip its firemen's vehicles with a warning device. This would allow firemen to get to the firehouse as quickly as possible and allow others to remove themselves to safety.

With the great number of children in Greenbelt and the lack of sidewalks, it is vital that every safety device be used and that every driver, including firemen, drive as safely as possible. It would be a terrible misfortune if a fireman on his way to a fire to save a life, took a life.

Jerry L. Smith

**Community Church News**

"Inevitably, Even for the New Man," is the title of the sermon this Sunday at Greenbelt Community Church by The Rev. Francis X. Pirazzini, guest minister who has been Conference Minister of the Central Atlantic Conference since April, 1965. Before his appointment as Conference Minister, Mr. Pirazzini was pastor of the Bethany U.C.C., Ephrata, Pa. He is married and the father of two children. The Rev. Mr. Kenneth B. Wyatt will be visiting Bates College in Lewiston, Maine, where he will be officiating at his son's graduation.

**YOUTH CHOIR CANTATA**

The Youth Choir of Greenbelt Baptist Church will present "From Darkness to Light," a cantata for mixed voices, from the music of Peter I. Tschalkowsky with text compiled by Ellen J. Lorenz at the Sunday Evening Worship Hour - 8 p.m. Mrs. S. Jasper Morris, Jr., is Director - Accompanist of this group. Soloists are Marti Stombaugh and Pene Webster, sopranos; Carol Beck, alto; Sam Hahn, tenor; and Dan Swinson, bass. Members of the Greenbelt Baptist Congregation and interested friends are cordially invited to share in this evening of worship through music.

**Baptist Church Youth Week**

Greenbelt Baptist Church will observe YOUTH WEEK, April 24-May 1. Older intermediates and young people of the church will assume many places of responsibility throughout the church. Some major events of the week include the following: the Youth Choir's presentation of the cantata, "From Darkness to Light" by Tschalkowsky-Lorenz, at the Sunday Evening Worship Service (8 p.m.); Prayer Meeting conducted by the youth on Wednesday evening; the showing of the full length film, "The Tony Fontaine Story," on Friday at 7:30 p.m.

**Klein's Issued Injunction**

Injunctions, charging that a dangerous condition exists on the clay embankment near Klein's store, have now been served by the County Building Inspector's office on First National Realty and the 16 other concessionaires that make up the Klein's complex. They have until 15 days from May 1 to reply.

The embankment has an average 50 degree slope, and is even steeper in places where erosion has occurred. In a previous attempt to stop erosion, sodding has been placed on the slope and a 3-foot high retaining wall built, but the sodding washes away following heavy rainfalls.

A fifty degree slope is as high as it is wide; to make a slope safe the ratio width-to-height should be at least 2½-1. This could be accomplished in various ways, according to the inspector's office. If a strip of land from the adjacent school bus depot could be purchased from the County Board of Education, the slope could be cut back and made less steep; or a much higher and stronger retaining wall could be built behind which earth could be filled in to the required angle of slope; or the Klein's Garden Center could be relocated elsewhere, the present retaining wall moved out and the embankment behind it lowered.

It is reported that the developers are negotiating with the Board of Education for the purchase of a strip of their land, though this has not been confirmed.

**Baptist Service Time Change**

As our city changes to Daylight Saving Time on Sunday, so does the evening program at Greenbelt Baptist Church move up one hour! Training Union will begin at 7 p.m. and the Evening Worship Service, at 8 p.m. Morning Services remain the same: Sunday School, 9:45 a.m., Morning Worship Service, 11 a.m.

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- 6:30 p.m. - Senior High Fellowship.
- 8:00 p.m. - Social Concerns Interest Group.

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**Point of View . . . . . by Dorothy Sucher**

A plot to sabotage the free world has been uncovered by Mrs. Gladys Merger, who meditated too long upon a Carpathian mountain vista, lost her tour group, and found an underground laboratory instead. She reported overhearing the following conversation.

"Always remember old capitalist proverb," chuckled Dr. Bunsen, the director of the laboratory, who learned English in the United States but not very well. "The hand that rocks the cradle calls the tune." To demoralize the housewife is to enfeeble the race. A progress report, if you please.

"Our agents in America report complete failure to buy a glass oven baster with rubber bulb, except in small towns."

"You surprise me," said Dr. Bunsen. "I didn't expect that project to work."

"Plastics Division refused to give up, and finally created an all-plastic oven baster. The deformable bulb remains collapsed when squeezed, the shaft with high-porosity interior resists cleaning, and the tip seals shut upon exposure to hot gravy."

"My compliments to Plastics Division."

"They have found a new use for their low-impact plastic, in addition to the manufacture of combs, and have virtually monopolized the field of American dishmop handles. Low-Imp handles demonstrate 97% breakage under normal conditions."

"Make a note," said Dr. Bunsen. "Toothbrushes. S n o w Shovels. Teething rings."

"The theorists held a Teflon seminar yesterday. A proposal to adulterate Teflon spatulas with diamond dust brought objections based on cost."

"Ground pumice," barked the doctor. "Iron filings. What's new in Metallics Division?"

"Well, they have their steady sellers like the Fray-n-Stik pinking shears. The E-Z line is doing nicely, too, especially E-Z-Break sew-

ing machine handles and the lightweight E-Z-Off hammerhead."

"Tell them not to rest on their laurels. Glue Division come up with anything?"

"Plenty. They claim Phaseout-Bonded kitchen chairs are absolutely indistinguishable from ordinary, well-made chairs. The glue phases out a few days after the warranty expires."

"I'd like to see an expansion of Phaseout."

"I'll tell them, sir. Now, here's a breakthrough. Surely you remember the old price-tag on kitchenware, which used to slide off the cups and spoons after you soaked them in hot water."

"Get to the point!" snapped the doctor.

"They're obsolete, sir. Our peel-offs have captured the market. Half the label peels off easily while the rest remains affixed with Eternal Adhesive."

"Most ingenious!" exclaimed the doctor. "How do the women react?"

"When they find that steel wool doesn't work, they claw at the labels more and more frantically, their nails weakened by prolonged immersion. Eventually, they collapse. We've noticed a rise in the suicide rate, but the correlation isn't definitive."

At this point Mrs. Merger sprang from her place of concealment, pressing the trigger of a tear-gas pen. As two men fell back she struck them several blows about the head with her pocketbook and made her escape.

Officers at the American Legation in Carpathia examined the bag, which contained a first-aid kit, several guidebooks, a jar of instant coffee, a bottle of Pream, two dozen clothespins, and a can of Woolite in addition to the usual articles, and concluded that Dr. Bunsen and his assistant probably did not survive the attack.

**MOWATT MEMORIAL METHODIST CHURCH**

Perry F. Miller, Pastor

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11:00 a.m. \_\_\_\_\_ Morning Worship 8:00 p.m. \_\_\_\_\_ Evangelistic Hour  
8:00 p.m. \_\_\_\_\_ Prayer Meeting

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## Lions Club Sponsors Bloodmobile May 9

Blood Donations Chairman Henry Fisher of the Greenbelt Lions Club announces that the organization will co-sponsor a Bloodmobile on Monday, May 9, from 2 to 7:30 p.m., at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 9300 Baltimore Boulevard in College Park.

Any person from twenty-one through fifty-nine years of age and in good health may donate blood; young people between eighteen and twenty-one must have the permission of parent or guardian.

Each donor will receive a card from the Lions Club which will entitle him or any member of his immediate family to any amount of blood, should such a need arise. The card is good for one year. Several Greenbelt residents have been aided in this manner by the Lions Club Blood Bank during recent months.

One Greenbelt Lion will be completing the donation of his fourth gallon of blood on May 9. Other club members and all those interested may join him in making this extremely important gift by dropping by the Knights of Columbus Hall between 2 and 7:30 p.m. on that date.

## Reuben Art on Display

A one-man show of the work of Greenbelt artist Isidore Reuben is currently on display at the Prince Georges Regional Library. Forty paintings have been hung throughout the various areas, and provide a lively and interesting exhibit. Reuben's friends in the Art Guild are very fond of the unusually refreshing but perhaps difficult-to-describe, half-sophisticated, half-childlike images that the painter creates, and Greenbelters should take this opportunity to judge their effectiveness. The show will continue until the end of April.

## Kindergarten Registration

Registration for kindergarten for the 1966-1967 school year will be held on Friday, April 22, from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. in North End, Center, and Berwyn Heights Schools. See ad elsewhere in paper.

If parents are in doubt as to the school, telephone 627-4800, extension 295, for this information.

Parents who are registering their child in kindergarten should bring the child's birth certificate as proof of age. Children entering the kindergarten must be five years old by January 1, 1967. Verification of the child's smallpox vaccination and diptheria immunization must be presented to the school on or before the opening of school on Tuesday, September 6.

## The Police Blotter

One breaking and entering was reported this week in the old section of town. A dollar's worth of pennies was stolen. Police believe this was the work of a neighborhood prankster.

A 2-year old boy drank 1½ oz. of contact lens wetting solution which he found on the back of the bathroom sink. He was taken to P.G. Hospital where an antidote was administered, and released.

Two boys, ages 10 - 11, were caught striking wooden matches on the zipper of a small girl near the Youth Center, "as a joke." The boys received reprimands from the police and their parents.

Another stolen vehicle. This one is a 1956 Chevrolet blue-green, 4-door sedan. Police have a look-out for this car.

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October 1961 to get a copy of Bresler's plans for the area, but to no avail.

The APB recommended that before council take final action it assure adequate safeguards through appropriate covenants or agreements, covering such items as dedication of park area by developer, controls over density, and employment by the city of architectural controls. The APB also suggested that school sites in the area be investigated and that consideration be given to requiring the developer to contribute to the expense of a road from the point where the developer terminates Lakecrest Road to Crescent Road.

### Agreement Reached

During the next two months a series of meetings was held by the city council and Bresler to hammer out an agreement on the 50-acre tract.

The *News Review* of April 5, 1962 reported that the MNCPPC had recommended denial of Bresler's application for rezoning. The MNCPPC noted that Bresler's desire to construct town houses under a "condominium" arrangement (which would permit individual title to each unit) was not possible under the zoning code then in existence. It recommended R-55 (single-family home) or rural residential zoning.

On April 9, 1962, the city council and Bresler worked out the terms of the covenants, just 9 days before the county commissioners were scheduled to act on the request of Bresler for R-18 zoning. (The county commissioners subsequently on April 18 postponed action and requested a restudy by MNCPPC in light of the covenants.)

The official "Declaration of Covenants" was signed by Bresler and his wife, Fleur, on April 16, 1962. The covenants provided that dwelling units would be limited to an average of 7 units per acre for the entire 50 acres. In addition, it was provided that con-

struction would conform with the R-30 zoning (including building height limits) as soon as adopted by the county commissioners. (The R-30 zoning as subsequently adopted precludes building heights of more than 38 feet and would require 70 percent of total acreage to be devoted to open spaces).

The covenants further stated that they would run with the said land until December 31, 1982, and could not be waived or modified by the owners, their heirs, successors, or assignees without the consent of the Greenbelt mayor and council. The covenants further provided for their enforcement by injunctive proceedings in equity provided such proceedings were commenced within 30 days after the owners notified the Greenbelt city manager that they have obtained building permits.

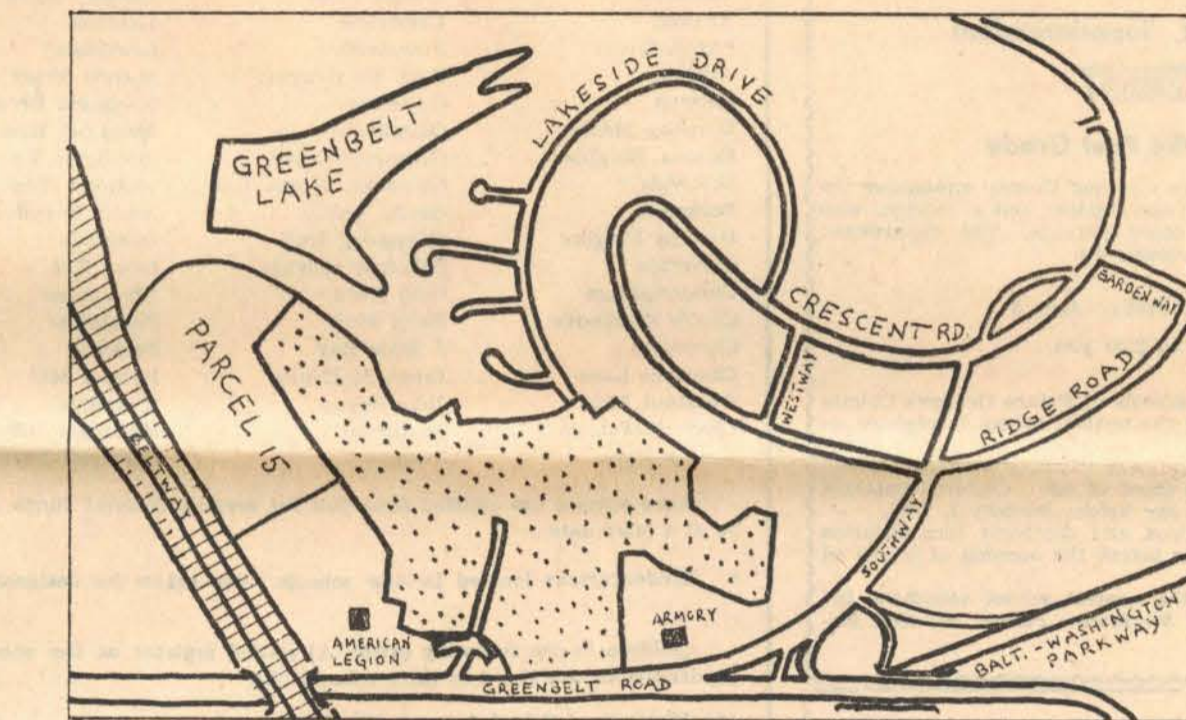
Without the covenants the R-18 zoning would have permitted the construction of 21 units per acre or three times the number permitted by the covenants.

Upon the signing of the covenants, the city council recommended approval of Bresler's R-18 zoning application to the county commissioners, with an accompanying statement that the proposed development conforms to the planned community concept on which Greenbelt is based. The *News Review* of April 19, 1962 reported that "Bresler expressed his thanks to the council for its cooperative attitude, and both parties indicated their satisfaction with the pact."

At the same time, Bresler agreed in another document to dedicate within two years 3.3 acres at the bay of the lake to the city for parkland.

Final Action

On June 29, 1962, the county commissioners, sitting as the district council, approved the R-18 application. In the July 12, 1962 *News Review*, the following open letter to the Mayor, City Council, and Citizens of Greenbelt from Fleur S. and Charles S. Bresler was published:



The dotted area represents the 50-acre Charlestowne Village tract to which the covenants signed by Bresler pertain.

"Please accept our thanks for the courtesies, consideration, and aid that you have extended to us in presenting our zoning amendment. The culmination of over one year's work in the granting of zoning today signifies a new era in builder-developer, planner and city cooperation. We pledge to you, the citizens of Greenbelt, that we will not take this mandate lightly. We will endeavor to give to the city an area that will be economically sound, physically attractive, and mutually beneficial. Thank you for joining with us in attempting to bring a new concept of living to the city of Greenbelt."

en was that the mortgage holder had failed to assent to the imposition of the covenants. The release was countersigned by officers of Suburban Trust Company as holders of the mortgage under a \$300,000 deed of trust recorded on April 4, 1962.

This declaration by Bresler apparently preceded a transfer of ownership of 25 acres of parcels D, E, and F. These three parcels were foreclosed by Suburban Trust Company and then sold to Lunar Development Co., Inc. Subsequently, the land was sold to Twentieth Century Investments, Inc., whose sole owner is reported to be Theodore Lerner, a partner of Bresler's in other land transactions.

High-Rise Apartments

On July 1, 1965, the *Evening Star* reported that Aetna Life Insurance Company had agreed to a mortgage loan of \$1,725,000 on a proposed 8-story apartment building on 8.85 acres at Lakecrest Drive and Prince James Way on parcel B. Bresler told the *News Review*, however, that such plans were only tentative and preliminary and had been submitted to Aetna solely as the basis for securing a future commitment for financing the balance of the 179 units scheduled for Charlestowne Village.

On December 30, 1965, a building permit for an 8-story apartment building was issued to Bresler. At the January 17, 1966 council meeting, city manager James K. Giese stated that with the construction of the high-rise apartment, it would not be possible for Bresler to donate the 3.3 acres to the city without having the number of units on the remaining land in excess of those allowed by the zoning ordinance. Giese also noted that the new development would prevent the dedication of land for the extension of Lakecrest Drive.

Giese concluded by terming the action "a complete and utter disregard on the part of the developer for commitments and agreements he made with the City Council of Greenbelt."

He did not know, of course, of Bresler's earlier unilateral repudiation of the covenants.

The city council responded by unanimously instructing city solicitor Thomas R. Brooks to begin legal action. On March 23, 1966, the attorney filed a bill of complaint with the Circuit Court against Bresler. This action followed reports that Bresler was engaged in clearing the land behind the Charlestowne swimming pool. The subpoena was not served until March 30 because of Bresler's service in the State Legislature.

It was at this point that the city learned of Bresler's unilateral declaration abrogating and nullifying the original covenants.

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#### ANNOUNCEMENT

##### Registration for the First Grade

The Board of Education of Prince Georges' County announces the dates for the enrollment of pre-school age children and of children who have moved into the county from other districts. The registration dates approved by the Board of Education are

Friday, May 6, and Friday, June 3  
from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

All children entering the public schools of Prince George's County for the first time are urged to go to the nearest school to register on the above dates.

Parents who are registering their child in the first grade should bring the child's birth certificate as proof of age. Children entering the first grade must be six years of age before January 1, 1967.

Verification of the child's smallpox and diphtheria immunization must be presented to the school on or before the opening of school on Tuesday, September 6.

If parents are in doubt as to the nearest school, telephone the Board of Education office in Upper Marlboro. Phone: 627-4800, Extension 213.

## BOARD OF EDUCATION OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY

William S. Schmidt, Superintendent

### ANNOUNCEMENT

## Registration for Kindergarten

The Board of Education announces that registration for kindergarten for the 1966-1967 school year will be held on Friday, April 22, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. in designated elementary schools.

Registration for kindergarten will be held on April 22 only. Parents are urged to register their children only at the elementary schools in their areas. If parents are in doubt as to the school, telephone 627-4800, extension 295, for this information.

Parents who are registering their child in kindergarten should bring the child's birth certificate as proof of age. Children entering the kindergarten must be five years old by January 1, 1967. Verification of the child's smallpox vaccination and diphtheria immunization must be presented to the school on or before the opening of school on Tuesday, September 6.

The tuition cost per child is \$75 per year, payable in five installments of \$15 each. The first installment of \$15 is payable at the time of registration on April 22. The remaining four installments are payable on October 1, November 1, February 1, and March 1. The initial payment of \$15 which must be made at the time of registration on April 22 will be refunded if any parent wishes to withdraw the child during the summer. Enrollment is limited to 25 children in each class.

#### KINDERGARTENS LOCATED IN ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

Accokeek	Cooper Lane	Langley Park	Samuel Chase
Adelphi	Crestview	Lanham	*Sandsbury Road
*Apple Grove	Forestville	Lewisdale	Seabrook
Avalon	Fort Washington	*Lewis Tract	Shadyside
Berwyn	Gaywood	Margaret Brent	Silver Hill
Barnaby Manor	Glassmanor	Margaret Edmonston	*Skyline
Beacon Heights	Greenbelt Center	Middleton Valley	*Springhill Lake
Beltsville	Greenbelt North End	Mullikin Kdg. Center	Surrattsville
Berkshire	Green Valley	North Forestville	Tanglewood
Berwyn Heights	*Harmony Hall	Oaklands	Tayac
Calverton	Hillcrest Heights	Oxon Hill	Thomas Addison
Camp Springs	*Hill Road	*Panorama	Thomas Stone
Carole Highlands	Holly Park	Parklawn	University Park
Carrollton	J. Enos Ray	Parkway	West Lanham Hills
Cherokee Lane	James McHenry	Powder Mill	Woodley Knoll
Chestnut Hills	John Bayne	Riverdale	Woodridge
Cheverly-Tuxedo	*Kenmoor	Riverdale Hills	
College Park	Lamont	Rosecroft Park	

Some schools are omitted from this list because Federal funds may be available. Registration will be at a later date.

\* Kindergartens located in new schools. See below for designated school to register.

Children in the following areas (A) should register at the schools indicated (B). The locations of kindergartens are listed in third column (C).

(A) Elementary School Area	(B) Register at	(C) Kindergarten Located In
Ager Road	Parkway	Parkway Elementary
Andrews AFB	Camp Springs	Camp Springs Elementary
Apple Grove	Rosecroft Park	Apple Grove Elementary
Brooks Road	John H. Bayne	John H. Bayne Elementary
Buckingham	Buckingham	Mullikin Kindergarten Center
Chillum	Parkway	Parkway Elementary
District Heights Parkway	John H. Bayne	John H. Bayne Elementary
/Flintstone	Flintstone	Oxon Hill Methodist Church
Forest Heights	Glassmanor	Glassmanor Elementary
Fort Foote	Thomas Addison	Thomas Addison Elementary
Fox Hill	Fox Hill	Mullikin Kindergarten Center
Glenn Dale	Seabrook	Seabrook Elementary
Happy Acres	Cheverly-Tuxedo	Cheverly-Tuxedo Elementary
*Harmony Hall	Fort Washington	Harmony Hall Elementary
*Heather Hills	Tulip Grove	Mullikin Kindergarten Center
*Hill Road	Carmody Hills	Hill Road Elementary
/Hollywood	Hollywood	N. College Park Pilgrim Church
/Hyattsville	Hyattsville	First Methodist Church
James Ryder Randall	Surrattsville	Surrattsville Elementary
Kenilworth	Kenilworth	Mullikin Kindergarten Center
*Kenmoor	Dodge Park	Kenmoor Elementary
Laurel	O. W. Phair	Laurel Kindergarten Center
*Lewis Tract	Gaywood	Lewis Tract Elementary
Lyndon Hill	Greendale	Greendale Elementary
Meadowbrook	Meadowbrook	Mullikin Kindergarten Center
O. W. Phair	O. W. Phair	Laurel Kindergarten Center
*Panorama	Shugart Junior (Elem. Sec.)	Panorama Elementary
Princeton	Camp Springs	Camp Springs Elementary
Ridgecrest	J. Enos Ray	J. Enos Ray Elementary
Rogers Heights	Bladensburg	Bladensburg Elementary
Sandymount	Silver Hill	Silver Hill Elementary
*Sandsbury Road	Forestville	Sandsbury Road Elementary
*Skyline	Morningside	Skyline Elementary
Somerset	Somerset	Mullikin Kindergarten Center
*Springhill Lake	Berwyn Heights	Springhill Lake Elementary
Suitland	Shadyside	Shadyside Elementary
Temple Hills	Samuel Chase	Samuel Chase Elementary
Tulip Grove	Tulip Grove	Mullikin Kindergarten Center
*Whitehall	Fox Hill	Mullikin Kindergarten Center

\* For the new elementary schools that are opening in September, the registration for kindergarten will be held at the nearby school as indicated in column (B).

/ In these kindergartens, parents are required to participate approximately one-half day per month, according to a pre-arranged schedule.

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## Our Neighbors

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Best wishes for a speedy recovery to Carolyn Foxwell, 19-G Ridge, who recently underwent surgery.

Glad to hear that former Greenbelter, Isadore Parker is home from the hospital and doing very well.

Robert Pergola would welcome receiving letters from all his good friends at the firehouse. Robert is now in Viet-Nam.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Slaugh, 9-D Ridge, entertained at a recent holiday dinner party at Water Gate Inn in honor of Mrs. Slaugh's mother, Mrs. Bertha Hersey, who is now living in Greenbelt.

Happy birthday to Keney Eastep, 45-L Ridge, who celebrated his tenth birthday.

Happy-happy birthday to Holly Geller, 117 Northway, who was eleven years old today.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Gerson, 45-D Ridge, are proud grandparents for the first time. Deborah Lynn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sanford Gerson, arrived April 14. Great-grandparents, are Mr. and Mrs. Morris Finkelstein, 16-A Crescent.

Seaman Apprentice Michael R. Kerr, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. Emory R. Kerr, 3 Forest Way, and husband of the former Miss Toby W. Gramins of 4 Ridge Road, has returned to the United States from Vietnam while serving aboard the destroyer USS Harold J. Ellison.

Second Lt. Ronald A. Charles, son of Mr. and Mrs. Norman B. Charles 2-D Gardenway, has just graduated from Armor School, Ft. Knox, Kentucky. Charles departed from New York on Monday aboard the USS Rose bound for Aschaffenburg, Germany, where he expects to be stationed for two years.

### DUPLICATE BRIDGE

The Greenbelt Bridge Club holds duplicate bridge games the second and fourth Friday of each month at the Co-op Hospitality Room (above supermarket in Greenbelt Center). Game is open to public and refreshments are served. Next game: Tomorrow, April 22, at 8:30 p.m.

### Golden Age Club

The Club has engaged the services of two 45 seat buses for June 21st, the date scheduled for trips to Harrisburg, capital of Pennsylvania, Hershey and the chocolate company located there, Lancaster through the rich Amish farmlands, and York. Registration is still open for this trip, incidentally, at the time the roses are in full bloom in Pennsylvania. The trip to Williamsburg, May 19 and 20, will be made in a 49-seat bus which is now completely reserved by members.

The Club membership is still rapidly increasing.

### TEEN CLUB HOLDS DANCES

On Saturday, April 23, the Senior Teen Club will have a battle of the bands featuring "The Group" vs. "Donnie and the Diablos." The dance will be from 8 to 11 p.m. Again on Saturday, April 30, Donnie and the Diablos will play from 8 to 11 p.m. The Senior Teen King and Queen will be crowned at the dance.

Admission tickets to both dances will be available at the door. School dress is required.

### Teaching for Tomorrow

Principal Fred S. Cardano and Mr. James Mitchell of Greenbelt Center School participated in the 14th Annual Convention of the National Science Teachers Association, April 1-5, in New York City.

One of the highlights of the convention was the premiere showing of the film "Teaching for Tomorrow" which was produced by NASA, and much of which was filmed at Greenbelt Center School.

### Children's Films at Library

A special treat is in store for youngsters ages 6 to 12 on Saturday morning at 10 a.m., April 23, at the Prince George's County Memorial Library, Regional Library, 6530 Adelphi Road, Hyattsville. Three delightful children's films will be shown. The program coincides with the Library's observance of National Library Week (April 17-23). The films are three long-time favorites: THE UGLY DUCKLING, THE STEADFAST TEN SOLDIER, and THE FROG WENT A COURTIN'. They will be shown in place of the usual Saturday Morning Story Hour Program. This April 23 film showing will end the current series of Saturday Story Hours for the 6 to 12 age group.

## Health Problems Of Adolescence

The Prince Georges County Board of Education is sponsoring a week-long conference on "Some Special Health Problems of Adolescents." The conference will be held at Northwestern Senior High School, Adelphi Road, Hyattsville, from April 18 to 22 and participants will be students and faculty members from each of the junior and senior high schools in the County.

### High Point High Points

Mr. Allan I. Chotiner, principal, announces activities that might be of interest to parents and students. They are: April 18-23, International Week; April 22, Junior Class Activity; April 23, Spring Choir Concert; April 27, Junior High Orientation; April 29, Junior High Band Concert; and April 30, Sophomore Prom. Baseball games during the month are: Suitland, April 18; BBC, April 20; Bladensburg, April 25 and Crossland, April 28.

According to Mr. James Mullins, debate coach, the High Point debate team tied, in wins and losses, for second place in the county. Debaters for this season were Dave Nadler, Dan Goldberg, Neil Aronin, and Dave Jefferson. High scorer for the season was Dave Nadler, followed closely by Dan Goldberg. The final tournament of the year will be at the University of Maryland on April 30.

### JCC RUMMAGE SALE

A one-day Rummage Sale will be held at the Jewish Community Center on Sunday, April 24 from 3 p.m. to 9 p.m. Clothing and miscellaneous items will be on sale.

### ACCESS Group Formed

ACCESS (Action Coordinating Committee to End Segregation in the Suburbs), a new civil rights group formed in January of this year, has its office in Greenbelt, Maryland. President of the direct-action, non-violent organization is Mr. Charles Jones, 3rd year law student at Howard University. Mrs. Hedy Harris, 9-A Parkway, a resident of Greenbelt for 18 months, is the office manager of the group and her husband George is one of 7 steering committee members and also functions as the executive secretary. The first goal of the group is to achieve an open-occupancy rental policy in all apartment complexes in the Washington metropolitan area.

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**WILL THIS WAR STOP AGGRESSION?**  
There are no Chinese or Russian troops fighting in Vietnam. The only foreign troops are the Americans who intervened in a Vietnamese civil war.

**WILL THIS WAR SAVE U.S. PRESTIGE?**  
The Johnson Administration has lost prestige all over the world for using our vast military might to illegally interfere in the internal affairs of a tiny nation. Our prestige suffers because we use the most brutal and inhumane methods of warfare since the Nazis - poison gas, chemicals to destroy crops, and napalm are a few examples. Do you want the U.S. to be remembered as a criminal nation?

**WILL THIS WAR HONOR OUR COMMITMENT?**  
Our commitment was to our own puppet. This war is a war of the U.S. against the majority of the Vietnamese people. The vast majority of the Vietnamese people want the U.S. to leave them alone to settle their own affairs.

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### Recreation Review

by Richard Stevenson  
Director of Recreation  
Babe Ruth League

Calling all boys ages 13, 14 and 15. Contracts are now available at the Youth Center. Games will be played Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday mornings, during the summer.

Coaches for these teams are also needed. If you are interested, please call the Recreation Department, 474-6878, for further information.

#### Girls' Softball Coaches

With the interest running high by the girls, we will need many ladies to coach or assist this summer. For further information regarding the team and league responsibilities, call 474-6878.

#### Picnic Kits

For your pleasure and enjoyment, the Recreation Department has picnic kits available which may be checked out at the Youth Center. These kits include a softball and bat, volleyball and net and horseshoes and pegs. Office is open Monday thru Friday from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

### Hints to Homeowners

You cannot make your home burglar proof, but you can make it less inviting.

1. Lock your home tightly when leaving regardless of the length of time you will be away.
2. Leave lamps burning when you are away after dark, preferably a reading light or TV lamp, never a bath or hallway light.
3. Advise neighbors that you are leaving, asking them to watch your home and to pick up anything that may be delivered.
4. If you are going on vacation notify the police how long you will be gone and where they can get a key to your home in an emergency.
5. Do not discuss your vacation plans with strangers nor have it published in the newspapers.
6. Place your valuable papers, bonds, money, jewelry, etc. in safe deposit boxes.
7. Record serial numbers of items that have serial numbers and mark valuable clothing, paintings, etc.
8. Attempt to leave your home with an appearance of being occupied at all times.
9. Be suspicious of all strangers, solicitors, phone calls, strange auto, odd situations, etc. Call the police for each suspicion.
10. If you find your home has been broken into, do not enter, call the police and wait.

### IT'S THE LAW

It's a violation of state law to leave the keys in the ignition of a vehicle. Maximum penalty is \$100 fine. Due to the large number of cars stolen in this county every year, local judges look upon this violation very severely.

### Legislature's Work Is Finished But Not Done

Many of the bills before the Maryland legislature in which Greenbelt was particularly interested died aborning as the legislative session ended—passed by one house but not by the other, or passed by both houses but with amendments by one and no time for a compromise to be worked out before the end of the session. But one bill had a happier fate—a \$2,000,000 bond issue authorizing construction for several libraries, one of which is the new one for Greenbelt.

The legislative district including Greenbelt was redefined in a reapportionment bill. Greenbelters will now vote with Bowie, Laurel, College Park, and Upper Marlboro for one senator and three delegates to the state legislature.

Another bill which made it through the legislative hopper was drawn up by Greenbelt's zoning attorney. This authorizes a 60-day (instead of a 30-day) period for municipalities to review zoning application referrals. A section of the bill, however, in which Greenbelt was particularly interested was amended out. This would have required a two-thirds vote of the County Commissioners to overrule a city's zoning recommendation. Another bill considered beneficial to the city sets up state regulations for charity solicitations. This will offer help to local officials in handling requests from out-of-city and out-of-county groups to solicit in Greenbelt.

Of uncertain effect on Greenbelt was a bill establishing a recreation department for the county. Previously the county recreational program was handled by an appointed board.

Among the bills which died for lack of action were the following in which Greenbelt was interested: one establishing procedures for the preparation of master plans, one establishing conditional zoning, one clarifying what parties are eligible to appeal zoning decisions, and one clarifying a previous act giving responsibility to the WSSC to maintain storm sewers.

### LITTLE LEAGUERS

By Jerry W. Shafer

Sunday, April 24, is the opening day of the 1966 season. At 1 p.m. there will be a parade of the Little League Teams to McDonald Field. The parade will start at Plateau Place and Ridge Road and end at the Little League Field. Following the opening ceremonies, a baseball game between the City Champions, the Clubs, and the National League Champions, the Tigers, will commence at 2 p.m.


The Farm Teams have been organized and practice is getting under way this week, and more coaches are needed to help get this season off to a good start. Anyone interested can call Farm Director, Don Evans, 474-4255 for further information.

### Peace In Vietnam Meeting

The Greenbelt Committee for Peace in Vietnam will meet Monday, April 25, 8 p.m. at 2-C Eastway, Greenbelt.

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