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GHI MEMBERS ASKED

# Festival of Lights - 1974

Greenbelt's Third Annual Festival of Lights will open this weekend with the Christmas Crafts Show & Sale. The show this year will occupy the entire Youth Center. There will be two full rooms of craftsmen, plus the Goddard Garden Club, and a Children's Room. The Boys' & Girls' Club will be selling goodies. Times of the sale are Fri., Dec. 6. 7 - 10 p.m. Sat., Dec. 7, 1 - 5 p.m. & Sun., Dec. 8, 1 - 5 p.m.

Once again the Goddard Garden Club will be having their greens show in conjunction with the Crafts Show. There will be fresh greens and wreaths for sale plus many other garden oriented items. The members will be available to answer questions and give demonstrations.

The Children's Room of the Crafts Show & Sale will be open on Sat. and Sun, from 1 - 5 p.m. Children will be given the opportunity to participate in making crafts and to buy inexpensive handmade gift items for family and friends. There will be older children in the room to help the children with their purchases . . . Adults will be discouraged from coming into the Childrens' Room.

The Choral Society will hold a concert on Sat., Dec. 14 at St. Hugh's Church. This will be the group's first performance for the city. Along with the caroling and concerts there will be toy exchanges and a craft do-in.

December 20 is the big day with Santa arriving at the Youth Center. Bring the children between 2 - 5 p.m. for surprises and refreshments.

**CARES Aids Needy Families** 

Greenbelt CARES Youth Services Bureau is coordinating services for needy families in the Greenbelt area for the holidays, Such items as food, clothing for women and children (grades 1 through 9, boys and girls), holiday decorations, Christmas trees (real or artificial), toys and adult gifts are Monetary contributions are also welcome. For further information, contact Nancy Spong,

#### Young Reps. Host Party

The Prince Georges Young Republicans invite all Republicans young and old to join them at their Christmas Cocktail Party on Sun., Dec. 8. The annual event will be held at the Springhill Lake Community House from 5:30 - 9 p.m. The evening includes an open bar, full buffet and door prizes. Tickets and additional information may be obtained by calling Bobbie Buell at

#### WHAT GOES ON

Fri., Dec. 6, 7-10 p.m. Craft Show and Sale, Youth Center Sat., Sun., Dec. 7&8, 1-5 p.m. Craft Show and Sale.

Wed., Dec. 11, 8 p.m GHI Membership Meeting on Budget, Center School

Thurs., Dec. 12, 7:45 p.m. GHI Board Meeting, Hamilton Pl.

#### Boxwood Civic Assoc. Elects 1975 Officers

The Boxwood Civic Association at its annual meeting on November 21 elected as its officers for the coming year: Muriel Weidenfeld, president; William G. Barron, vice president; Elly Oudemans, treasurer; Frances Crisman, recording secretary and Walter Wight, corresponding secretary.

Barron will also serve as membership chairman, Ronald Ott as civic chairman and Austin Green as program chairman.

The Board has adopted as priority programs the establishment of neighborhood playfield and playground on the Lastner Lane-Ivy Lane corner of Parcel 7 and the accomplishment in Boxwood of the Milky Spore Treatment for Japanese beetles and grubs.

#### Tax Refunds Go To Charlestowne Village

The city received notice of abatement in the Charlestowne Village assessments last week. Assessments were rolled back to what existed on July 1, 1972, which means the City has to refund taxes for three fiscal years 1972/73, 1973/74, and 1974/75. The total of tax refund for the three year period amounts to \$30,648.04.

Forms will be mailed to each owner setting forth the amount of refund and interest due. The form is to be signed and returned after which a check will be issued. This procedure is being utilized to satisfy a requirement of state law, that all tax refunds (for whatever purpose) can be made only upon written application.

# RISE IN CHARGES A last-minute change in the

TO APPROVE 16%

Greenbelt Homes, Inc. budget will ease the impact of rising monthly charges on frame homeowners. The board of directors at its Nov. 25 meeting voted not to include in the 1975 charges at this time the \$48,600 additional charges for the GNMA deferral payments since the membership has not yet approved the specific heat-saving programs that are now being considered for the frame homes.

Last April the membership approved the spending of \$173,000 of the deferred \$319,000 deferred mortgage amount for specific energysaving projects in the frame and brick homes. The board is now contemplating spending the remaining \$146,000 for heat-saving programs in the frame homes, but the projects themselves have to be approved by the membership.

To meet the "balloon payment" on the \$146,000 worth of projects, the board had originally included \$48,600 additional in the 1975 monthly charges to the frame homes. Now, the board feels it would be more equitable not to charge the frame homeowners this amount until the membership has approved the specific projects. A membership meeting forthis purpose is expected to be called this winter sometime.

In the meantime, the member ship will be asked at the special membership meeting on Wednesday, December 11, to approve a 1975 budget without this \$48,600 amount. The increase in current monthly charges for the frame homes will now be 17-18 percent. The increase for the brick homes will be 10 percent and for the new homes 11 percent, the same as be-

The recommended 1975 budget comes to \$3,338,800, of which \$263,100 will be met through income received from other than monthly charges such as sale of services, investment income, and reserves. This will leave \$3,075,700 to be met through monthly charges, an increase of \$415,400 over the 1974 charges. This is equivalent to an increase of 18.50 percent in operating charges.

In terms of total monthly charges which include amortization payments (interest and principal on the mortgage) the increase is 15.62 percent.

#### Mayor Pilski Named To National Committee

Mayor Richard R. Pilski, of Greenbelt recently was named Vice Chairman of the Mayor's Committee on the Bicentennial as part of the nationwide program designed to celebrate the country's 200th birth-

The appointment was announced by Mayor Joseph L. Alioto of San Francisco, Calif., President of the U.S. Conference of Mayors, which is working with The American Revolution Bicentennial Administration in helping to plan a meaningful Anniversary for the Nation.

As Vice Chairman of the Mayor's Committee on the Bicentennial, Mayor Pilski will help direct and encourage Bicentennial projects in his city. He will also meet with other Mayors in nearby areas to stimulate interest among cities which have not yet begun Bicentennial activities.

"It is important and fitting that the chief elected officers of cities across the country direct and lead bicentennial events in their cities," Mayor Alioto said in appointing Mayor Pilski.

COUNCIL UNDER PRESSURE

# PLAYGROUNDS AND NEW POLICE FACILITIES URGED ON CITY

by Bob McGee

Mini-playground and police facilities were the major items of debate and discussion at the regular meeting of the Greenbelt city council, Monday evening, December 2, 1974. The city council chamber was filled with people interested in and concerned about both matters. Although there were obvious differences of views and what might have appeared to some as subtle political maneuvering, the general tone of expression was contained and

The word rational was given a great deal of play, and "facing up to its responsibility" was another form of expression frequently used with reference to Council. In fact, councilman Charles Schwan could not be restrained from addressing himself to the latter by suggesting that he was "fast developing a taste for lead because of the number of times that council was being told that they would "have to bite the bullet".

#### Playground

The discussion on mini-playgrounds was kicked off by the introduction by councilman Gil Weidenfeld, of a proposal to place some play equipment for both pre-school and school-age children, and a small, open play area on the northwest portion of parcel 7. He said that the Boxwood Civic Association had formally requested this play area three years ago, and that at their last meeting again requesting it. He further suggested that it was already part of most plans that had been developed and had been approved by the Park and Recreation Advisory Board.

Councilman Richard Castaldi took exception to what he termed "piecemeal development" of parcel 7, and stated that, while he was not necessarily opposed to the proposal, he was fearful that if council went ahead and approved the miniature playground it would block development of the rest of the parcel. schwan stated that he failed to see the logic that such a move would hinder development of the rest of

Councilman Thomas White, in a rejoinder, stated that he followed the logic very well. He declared that Greenbelt, with its renown as a planned community, would do well to use more rationality in its approach to developing services. He said that he was afraid that, because council had passed on a special playground for St. Hugh's area the week before, pressure groups might now be confronting council with special recreation requests and that we would no longer be a planned community

Plea By Boxwood Bill Barron, Vice-President of the Boxwood Civic Association, sug-

## **Protests Procedure** On Parkway Study

A local civic group has registered its objections to the way the State of Maryland is handling the corridor study of the Baltimore Washington Parkway. In a November 19 letter to the Transportation Planning Board of the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments, the group complained that Maryland State Highway Administration (SHA) did not involve the public in the planning of the study and made no provision for citizen advisory committee review of the work plan and alternatives and impacts.

On November 6 and 12, the SHA held "public informational" meetings to acquaint the public with possibilities being considered by a private consultant group for improving the Parkway. Rhea L. Cohen, on behalf of the Regional Transportation Study Committee protesting the procedure, charged that the failure to involve the public in the work plan was "in violation of both the letter and the spirit of the National Environmental Policy Act."

Mrs. Cohen stated that the \$2.5 million Federal grant authorized by the Transportation Planning Board required community participation from the beginning of the corridor study.

gested that the area under discussion "had gone to the dogs," both figuratively and literally, and that Council would be benefitting not only the children of the area for a change but could enhance the overall appearance as well. Henry Fisher said that he certainly thought council should give preference to the kids over the dogs for a play area, and the Reverend Kenneth Buker suggested that if council waited to make this a retional plan the citizens of Boxwood might have their little play ground in another ten years.

Joe Wilkinson, chairman of PR-AB, stated that this development would not affect the overall plan for the area and suggested the development of a small playground now. Mrs. Fran Chrisman, Secretary for the Boxwood Civic Association, said she simply could not understand why there should be any opposition. "All we're asking for is a little slide and teeter-totter, and a few handfuls of grass seed thrown around on already land," she said, "and I don't understand all of this talk about grading, drainage, topographic studies. All we want is to get rid of some cotton-picking weeds and stones on already level land."

Mrs. Muriel Weidenfeld, President of the Boxwood Civic Association, summed up the remarks by stating that all of the officers of her association had appeared, plus a number of citizens of the area, to plead for a facility which does not presently exist, and that there was no opposition expressed, and that council should heed the fact that these were "citizens and taxpayers requesting action on a need."

The action failed with Schwar and Weldenfeld voting yes for the playground, and White and Casaldi voting no. White, however, then immediately moved for a special work session by council to take up the overall plan for development of the park area of parcels 7 and 8. This meeting is scheduled for December 9.

A short time later, after a presentation by Jordan Choper, President of the Woodway Association and support by several citizens living on Northway Road, Council unanimously approved making a small playground in the park area between Lakewood and Woodland Hills subdivisions. This prompted a few sub-rosa remarks by Boxwood citizens in the audience and a parting shot by Weidenfeld that perhaps Boxwood families might be able to walk their children over to this play area.

#### Want New Quarters

Although well after 11 p.m., a petition by the Greenbelt Police Lodge No. 32 of the Fraternal Order of Police also prompted a great deal of discussion. Officer Robert Smith, President of the Lodge, presented the petition to council urging the designing and construction of a new police facility. Smith said that conditions are presently nearly impossible that the police department is presently in space that is no larger than that serving only nine employees in the administrative offices, while they have 21 personnel to be accommodated.

He related safety as one of the chief arguments, citing a number of assaults that have taken place on police officers because of the limited space and lack of a secure facility. Corporal Ernest Brumley was, for example, recently hospitalized for injuries received from a prisoner who struck him several times with a ball preen hammer while he was booking the man in the confined squad room. Smith also suggested that operational ef-

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# GHI MEMBERS! Remember

The Special Membership Meeting for consideration of the 1975 Budget is next Wednesday, December 11, at 8 p.m. in the Greenbelt Center School Auditorium. Urgent that all members attend.

Copies of the Budget have been delivered. Copies may also be ob-

tained at the GHI offices on Hamilton Pl.

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### Another Chance

In the spring of 1972 an outside engineering firm - The Arehitectural Associates (TAA) - made a structural survey of Greenbelt Homes, Inc. Among its findings:

"The frame buildings have lasted beyond the life expectancy of many of the components with which they were built and the brick have some obsolete components

"It is also clear that significant amounts of money must be expended annually in preventive maintenance for items such as termite control, water treatment in the heating system, trim on windows and doors, repair of slate and flat roofs and particularly the repair of condensate return lines in those buildings heated by steam. If the money is not spent, the rate of deterioration will accelerate very rapidly making rehabilitation extremely difficult if not impossible.'

'The Board cannot realistically, despite the feelings of the membership, defer preventive maintenance programs any longer. Heating system temperature controls, electrical panelboards, poor drainage conditions, rotten wood, and other similar conditions must be corrected

"It is reasonable to predict . . . that the maintenance and heating costs of operation of the buildings as they now stand, unimproved for life in the 70's and 80's will escalate.

"To maintain the buildings as workable living structures for the 1970's, able to be traded at increasing prices, it will be necessary to make major repairs and to rehabilitate both the mechanical systems and weathering surfaces.'

With these warnings facing them, the Greenbelt Homes. Inc. board members have tried for several years to strengthen the corporation's engineering and maintenance staff so as to have an effective preventive maintenance program. Each year the additional staffing has fallen victim to the restraints placed on the budget by membership refusal to approve increases of more than 10 percent.

This year, the membership will have another opportunity to rectify the situation. The board recommended the hiring of 4 additional persons which GHI's engineers have urged as a minimum if the corporation is to take maximum advantage of its new energy-saving renovations and engage in a meaningful preventive maintenance program.

Time is running out. Failure to fund this preventive maintenance program will mean, as certain as day follows night, further deterioration resulting in more steeply rising monthly charges. The inability of previous memberships to recognize this fact of life is no excuse for the present membership not to exercise foresight.

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#### THANKS To the Editor:

The Larry White Family wishes to thank its many friends and neighbors who have responded so very generously in their thoughts, words and deeds during the hospitalization and recuperation of our mother and wife. It is much better to give than receive, but the experience of receiving in this Community is a "special" experience which is unequaled in our lives, thank you for being such

Beautiful People. Larry & Marie White (children) Ann Marie, Mark, Lisa Rose, Kathy

#### CITY NOTES

A new member, Mrs. Catherine Tayman, joined the staff of Greenbelt CARES Youth Services Bureau as a receptionist. Mrs. Tayman's salary is being paid by the Jewish Council for the Aging ander a grant they received to aid the Senior Citizen in returning to the working society.

The general crew worked several days excavating for and dressing up after the installation of a new concrete walk from the ciry office building to the Suburban Trust Company. Several members of the crew spent one day patching potholes in the streets and an asphalt ramp was installed at the curbing that leads to the medical building.

The walk lights were restored by the special detail crew along the pathway east of the library. Some sign work was done as well.

The State Roads Commission is erecting new Greenbelt boundary signs showing "Greenbelt" as one

#### Dimitri Simes To Speak At Mishkan Torah Dec. 8

On Sun, Dec. 8 at 7:30 p.m. Dimitri Simes will be the guest of the Mishkan Torah Congregation for a discussion on the place of Jews in the Russian society, Simes, a young Russian Jew, was allowed to leave Russia with his wife and is now a senior research fellow at Georgetown University. He also worked, until two years ago, as a research fellow in Russia's Institute of World Economy and International Relations. There is no charge and the community is invited.

#### Magician at Beltway Plaza

WAYNE the WIZARD and SANDY, magical entertainers, and their WIZARD'S WONDERLAND, will appear in person at Boltway Plaza Mall, Sat. afternoon, Dec. 7 at 12, 1:15, 2:30, and 4 p.m. There will be no admission charge for shows which will be performed in the Mall. The Wizard's Wonderland features four entirely different programs, Merlin the Magician, Jewell Fantasy, Circus Magic, and Enchanted Garden.

Wayne recently performed in Paris at the Congress De La FISM,, the world's largest magician's convention as one of only four magicians representing the United States in the international stage competition,

Anything might happen during the shows of the Wizard's Wonderland. A live bunny might peek over the rim of a tall silk hat or Sandy may float in mid air. Spectators from the audience will be used to help perform the feats of magic. The public is invited to attend the performances, which are free of charge.

#### Council Discusses Committee Reports

At its meeting of November 18 Greenbelt city council discussed several of its advisory committee reports, but took little action with the exception of the bicentennial committee report.

An emblem designed by William Aleshire, for the city's bicentennial celebration was accepted by council with minor changes. The art work was done by Lanny Le-

Some citizen reaction was generated by a proposal by city manager, James Giese, to widen city sidewalks to 8 ft. enabling pedestrians and cyclists to both use the walks. This was in response to a recommendation by the Advisory Planning Board (APB) that the city construct 8 foot wide bikeways on opposite sides of streets to sidewalks. "The pedestrian is being shot down" announced the Reverend Kenneth Buker from the floor. The Rev. Buker pointed out that he had discovered that there is a state law prohibiting vehicles on sidewalks. Proposals on bike trails were then referred to a council work session for further study.

Council, on the recommendation of city staff, agreed to defer action on the Park and Recreation Advisory Committee's report on curb cuts and ramps.

A report of Community Relations Advisory Board (CRAB) concerning the city cemetery was accepted by council. CRAB suggested that the design of the cemetery incorporate the natural setting of the area and not include formal structures such as fountains and that the city seek financial help from the surrounding property owners.

Council authorized the mayor to sign an agreement with the Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Commission with regards to receiving money (lieu payment made by Greenbriar Associates under the mandatory dedication provisision) to pay for 2 of the 7 acres of Greenbriar parkland already purchased.

#### Thomas Denson

Former Greenbelter Thomas Denson, age 39, died on December 3 after a brief illness. A graduate of the University of Maryland Law School, Mr. Denson attended Greenbelt schools and Northwestern Senior High. He was associated with the Securiities and Exchange Commission in Washington, and a member of the Emmanuel Methodist Church in Beltsville.

Mr. Denson is survived by his wife Elizabeth of the home address, 4922 Prince Georges Avenue, Beltsville, his mother Mrs. Bettie Denson, 59-A Ridge, sons Thom-Jr. and David Jefferson, daughters Elizabeth Michelson and Karen Coe, and two brothers William, of Greenbelt and James.

#### Jewish Seminar on PLO

On Sun., Dec. 8, from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m., the Mishkan Torah Congregation will host a county-wide action seminar on (1) the role of the organized Jewish community in interpreting the issue of the Palestinian Liberation Organization to the citizenry and (2) organizing a crisis-response program.

Prominent speakers will give briefings on Israel and the Middle East, PLO, Israel Today, Syria and the Palestinians. All Jewish organizations and interested persons are invited to participate. For further information call 347-4628.

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#### Kent Credits for Elderly

Applications for rent credits to eligible county senior citizens and persons permanently disabled may be submitted after December 5.

A rent credit of 15% of rent and utilities paid during the period July 1, 1974 to July 1, 1975 will be given to those persons who meet the requirements of a county law adopted September 3, 1974. The maximum yearly payment is \$200 but approved claimants can receive two half-year payments of a maximum of \$100 for each six month's

To be eligible, a claimant must be (1) a resident of Prince Georges County for 1 year, (2) a Tenant, (3) 65 years of age on or before July 1, 1974 or be permanently disabled. Also, a claimant must have a net income of no more than \$7,500 during calendar year 1973 (Jan. 1, 1973 to Dec. 31, 1973). Gross income and the Social Security number of all nonrent paying co-residents must be included. Social Security or Railroad Retirement may be deducted from gross income to determine net income. Up to the first \$3200 of government pension may be deducted but a claimant may deduct both types (1) Social Security/Railroad Retirement and (2) Government pension) but they can select the one that is the most advantageous.

Applications and detailed instructions on eligibility are availahis at the public libraries or can be obtained by writing to the Treasury Division Office of Finance, Prince Georges County, Upper Marlboro, Md. 20870. For assistance call Treasury Div. 952-1052.

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## Letters to the Editor

Money Needed For Upkeep To the Editor:

On March 15, 1968, the Auditors called the attention of GHI to the meed for extraordinary maintenance and for replacement of reserves which had been used to cover operating deficits from 1964 through 1967. The board of directors recommended and the members approved a capital improvements program to care for the extraordinary maintenance.

The budget for 1971 was automatically increased by repayments of the capital improvements loan, with interest. The board also planned for preventive maintenance on the newly refurbished heating plants and the houses, and for a small annual replacement of reserves. In order to carry this out, the board asked in December, 1970, for an increase of over 10% in operating charges. A raucous and out-of-control meeting turned dewn this proposal. The board tried-goodness knows it triedbut without money it was helpless and it had to cut out the preventive maintenance. Within a couple of years the heating plants were right back where they started and that part of the capital improvements money was largely wasted for lack of just a little more for upkeep!

It became necessary with the oil shortage to try again to make the heating system more efficient. This has been done with money provided through cooperation of our mortgage holder. The members voted for this, But UNLESS AT THE MEETING DECEMBER 11 A LARGE ENOUGH INCREASE IS VOTED FOR CONTINUED PRE-VENTIVE MAINTENANCE ON THOSE HEATING PLANTS, this money, too, will be largely wasted. Let's spend money to save money; let's not waste it again! Katherine Keene

## No Money, No Services?

Without a substanial and immediate increase in GHI monthly payments, particularly in the frame homes, the time will come when Management will have to say to a caller for services, "We're sorry, but we have no funds for We can't do it just now."

"But", the member will reply, "My mutual ownership contract says, 'The Corporation shall pay for all current repairs, maintenance and replacements provided by the Corporation.'

That is true, but members must also read in Paragrah 5, "The Member agrees to pay as 'Operating Payments' a sum sufficient to cover the Member's share of the cost of Operating Services, Utilities and Reserves . . . as described in Paragraph 8, all as determined by the Board of Directors of the Corporation from time

It is a two-way street; if the members do not agree to the payments under Paragraph 5 the Corporation cannot fulfill obligations payments are the only source for the Paragraph expenditures. Think about that before you vote, then come to the meeting December 11 and vote thoughtfully, not emotionally.

Janet M. James

#### Philatelic Products at P.O.

Many extra philatelic products ean now be purchased at the local Post Office, according to Greenbelt Postmaster Emory Harman. New stamps, collectors kits and mint sets are now in stock.

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**Wants Trustee** To the Editor:

Owing to the News-Review's blackout of any comments of recent date made by me or other concerned members at budget hearings or board meetings pertaining to the escrow account, the questionable "track record" of past or present escrow accounts, and the protection to us 1579 member families of a Trustee to administer same, I am writing you, as promised in my paid advertisement. The GHI Newsletter's article on the GNMA Deferral is not clear on many details and the statement "There is no easy way to repay over \$300,000" hardly inspires confidence in the board and management. I am very much concerned as to our financial future, especially the frame homes, who to date have had only about \$24,000, spent on fuel or energy-saving programs out of the \$172,883, authorized, Mrs. Hutzler has been to the office to study the invoices; I prefer her figures. I fear another "numbers

Do you like your home, as I do? Well, then, fight for it and refuse to be priced out of it! Do you want to be sure that the \$323,855.53 plus interest is in the escrow account for repaying the deferred amount by August 1, 1977? Did you read about the plight of some of our neighbors in Prince Georges County and our sister county who. recently, were shocked to discover that their escrow accounts had been used for operating expenses by the realty firm selling them their houses?

As I told the board recently, I do not want to run the possible chance of finding myself foreclosed in 1977. Just as the hapless homeowners were probably not aware of the realty firm's financial condition, neither are most of us aware of the real financial condition of GHI. Among other obligations, we do know there is a 10-year balloon mortgage due on the townhouses in 1980 and that these homes on a Suburban Trust account were not supposed to "cost us a cent" but have already been "bailed out" by us. Now a member is asking that we take on these homes as a corporate responsibility? How much more can we take? Vote "NO" on both questions and "No" on the 22% increase.

Fortunately, my son, who is a banker in New England, and concerned with the safety of my investment tells me that if GHI had ten accounts in his commercial bank, including escrow accounts, there is NO WAY that he could prevent transfers from the latter to other accounts or, in other words, the commingling of monies except by having a Trustee. A resounding "NO" to the Board's belated offer and vote to send monthly statements or have them available

I want a monthly statement from a third party, a bank, preferably outside the county in the District, Virginia or Montgomery County, showing all action on the account mortgage payments collected from us, the status of Treasury notes by number and the investments handled by an expert. Neither our chief accountant nor any of our present or former board members. in my opinion, qualify. I think the fee of anywhere from \$700 to \$1,000 per year is cheap insurance for peace of mind and proper records. It could be less, too, as many of the frame-home owners are of the opinion now that they want this mortgage paid up as soon as possible, as Mr. Craft suggested, and do not wish the balance left of the \$323,855.53 spent on any more pro-

#### Eunice E. Coxon

#### LWV CALENDAR SALE

Every year the League of Women Voters raises money by the sale of calendars. These include much county information and also have spaces for writing in appointments. As in other years, Twin Pines is selling the calendars for the League. The proceeds are used to put out the Voters' Guides which the League distributes free of charge before every

#### **Budget Increases Needed** To the Editor:

Next Wednesday, December 11, GHI members will be asked to approve a budget for 1975. Since the proposed increase is greater than 10%, approval of the members is required.

Increases are needed partly because of increased expenses (taxes, for instance), and partly because programs which in 1974 were deferred or paid for out of reserves must be included in the budget this year and paid for by charges to members.

The total increase proposed is 18.5% of the operating charges (which exclude the mortgage payment) or 15.6% of the total char-The important statistic, though, is the difference between monthly charges this month (Dec. 1974) and what they would be next month (Jan. 1975). The increase will vary depending upon the type of unit. It would be no higher than 18% and would be as low as 9% for some types of units.

Your participation in the affairs of GHI is essential to solve our common problems. We need to face up to financial realities and decide to pay what is necessary to keep our corporation in sound financial condition. Come to the meeting next Wednesday.

Don Volk

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#### The Police Blotter

Officers issued 89 radar tickets last week, including 36 tickets by the newest radio operator, on the midnight shift.

An auto reported stolen in Springhill Lake was recovered at the Easy Times Arco on Breezewood Dr. A crane operator had received a call to pick up a disabled car, and accidentally removed one of the same type from a parking lot. Owner and vehicle were reunited.

Corporal Janney completed the two week Supervisor's Training Course provided by the Maryland Police Training Commission.

Two motorcyclists were injured in separate accidents in the city. In both incidents the motorcyclists were at fault. One of them is in the University Trauma Center in Baltimore listed in critical condi-

Three male juveniles were observed by several people breaking into the city swimming pool building. All three, who are residents of the city, were apprehended and are awaiting Juvenile Court ac-

At the request of the Prince Georges County Police, two calls were handled by this department outside of the city on Nov. 25. The county suffered a severe manpower shortage in this area due to a disturbance at the Capitol Center.

Officer Duprat recently completed in-service training in the operation of radar. The department now has three qualified radar operators. Speeding checks are made on all city streets and, in particular, school zone areas,

#### Five Greenbelters In Maryland Marathon

At least five Greenbelt runners were in the Second Annual Maryland Marathon at Baltimore on Nov. 30. This 26 mile 385 yard race had 600 finishers and is the second largest on the east coast outside of Boston. Ron Hill of Manchester, England, one of the outstanding marathoners in the world, easily won in a new course record of 2 hours, 17 minutes and 23 seconds, winning over Ron Kurrle, Long Beach, California who is the National 30 kilometer champion (18.3 miles) by 7 minutes.

The Greenbelt runners Bob O'Brien, Breezewood Court 78th in 2:53:59; Alexander Barnes, Laurel Hill, 146th in 3:05:41; Marty Greenbaum, Chelsea Wood, 3:16:00; Bill Clarke, Laurel Hill in 3:59:00; and Ken Brown, Spring Hill Lake no time available. The Maryland Marathon course is one of the more difficult courses being tougher than the Washington Birthday Marathon on the Agricultural Farm in February and Boston Marathon in April. Qualifying time for Boston is 3:30. Weekly races for joggers and runners are held by D. C. Road Runners. 474-9362.

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#### CAROLING

December 23, 7:30 pm. Meet at the Youth Center. Join the Greenbelt Choral Society in Serenading the city. Return to Youth Center for refreshments.



### Gal board Marks Time With Non-Budget Items

by Miriam Cornelius

With the question of the propused increase in monthly payawaiting the membership meeting on December 11, the board ef directors of Greenbelt Homes, lne., devoted a brief meeting on Nov. 25 to member requests and a f w other matters. Director Don Volk presided in the absence of president Jim Smith.

Some progress toward setting up a solar heating project was reported by director Hugh O'Donnell. By the time the NASA-GHI proposal was ready for submission, all of the \$5 million available for 1975 had been allocated elsewhere. The Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) is definitely interested in the project. however, and has advised O'Donnell to encourage GHI to try for 1976 funds. For this, a proposal should be submitted in Feb. 1975. O'Donnell moved that the Engineering and Maintenance Committee prepare a proposal for HUD which would qualify GHI for 1976 funds under the Solar Heating Act of 1974. This motion was passed unanimously.

The matter of liability insurance for officers and directors of GHI was raised. Manager Roy Breashears had obtained a sample poliey which would cover cases of suit for money damages for any error or breach of duty on the part of officers or directors. The board referred this matter to the finance committee for further considera-

Two member requests were presented and both were denied by the board of directors. In the first ease of peeling paint, an unhappy member appealed to the board because management refused to repaint his unit on which he had used GHI paint with unsatisfactory results. The position of management was that it does not repaint except in cases where the peeling results from steam leaks causing condensation: ". . . the corporation has in the past called in painting experts and we have been advised that there is absolutely no way to assure paint will adhere to the exterior siding of our buildings, no matter what preparation is used prior to application of the paint."

The second request was for permission to sublease, for 2 years, the unit of a member about to be married to a man who owns a house in a nearby community. After an open discussion during which the reasons for the regulation against subletting were explained, the directors decided that sufficient grounds had not been shown for making an exception in this case.

Regular meetings of the board of directors are scheduled for Denember 12 and 19.

#### Want Bottle Deposits

The Prince Georges Municipal ssociation adopted a urging the Prince Georges County Council to join with other area governing bodies in requiring a mandatory deposit on all beer and soft drink containers. The mayors and councilmen from Prince Georges County municipalities also urged that the sale of any metal beverage containers having a detachable opening device such as the "pop top" cans also be prohibited. This action was taken at the regular monthly meeting of the city and town officials held in Takoma Park on Thursday, November 21. The resolution was adopted after considerable discussion by the officials present and the receiving of information concerning the effect of such legislation in the states of Oregon and Vermont.

#### **Volunteers** Needed

Interested in people? Volunteer bo serve library patrons at a nursing home in the Hyattsville area. by taking a "little library" of books, large print materials, and talking books twice a month to new found friends. For information, call Volunteer Services at 779-9330, Mrs. Sandra Stephan.

#### Greenbelt Grab-bag

by Punchin' Judy

The Indian summer day was so beautiful, that I decided to walk around Greenbelt Lake in search of inspiration for this award losing column. Ambling along, I almost stumbled over what looked like a pile of left-overs from a yard sale. "Ooops," I oopsed, and was surprised to hear an answering "oops" from the pile.

"Is there a human under there?"

The pile came to a sitting position. "No, no," he amended anxiously. "I'm a hu-person."

I sat down next to him. "I get it. Somebody has accused you of being a male chauvinist pig,"

He nodded miserably. "My girl friend," he admitted. "I feel as if I had been hit by a person-hole

"You probably can't help being a MCP," I kindly comforted him. "It's your up bringing, no doubt."

He took exception to this. "I have excellent manners - uh I mean person-ners," he said huffily. 'My father was in the diplomatic corps during the Tru-person administration."

"OK" I said, "But tell me about you and your girl friend."

He sighed. Well, on our last date we went to the movies to see 'The Person-churian Candidate' and on the way home I felt ro-I told her I would do anything for her, even go on the Still-person diet to lose weight. proposed, promised we would fly The Wings of Person' airline to a honeymoon in Person-itoba, Canada, and that we would then settle down in a person-sion on

"Real touching," I conceded. "All you need to complete the senti-persons-tal picture is a Gerperson shepherd dozing by the fire and two little stockings hung on the person-tle piece waiting for Santa. I don't understand what made her think you are a MCP."

'I' don't either," he mourned. "But right after the next thing I said she com-person-ded me never to come near her again."

"But, man - I mean person what was the next thing you said?"

"All I did was to tell her how happy we would be on a fall weekend like this, me watching a football game on TV, while she washed the dishes."

I got up and brushed myself off. "Ele-persons tary, my dear Wat-daughter," I said. "I guess she decided to girl-cott you. You can't make a nylon pocketbook out of a hog's ear, as Aesop or Al-lass-in or somebody said. Good night to you, may the sand-person bring you pleasant dreams.'

And as I walked off, I could hear him mumble. "It's all a matter of se-person-tics or should that be se-per-daughter-tics?"

#### Creration Santa Claus

Christmas gifts are needed for the many county residents who are hospitalized in Spring Grove Hospital Center in Catonsville, according to Mental Health Association of Prince Georges County President, Mrs. Ellen Andruzzi. Many of these persons have been hospitalized for years, and have no friends or relatives who might give them presents at Christmas.

The Mental Health Association of Prince Georges County is asking residents, business firms, and other organizations and clubs to join in Operation Santa Claus by donating gifts or money for gifts for these patients. Anyone interested in contributing may call 577-3140. People are also needed to wrap the gifts and bring them to the Hospital.

Suggested gifts for hospitalized patients include: For Women: stretch hose, cosmetics; scarfs; handkerchiefs; gloves; rain caps; hats and boots; fancy note paper; stamped embroidery pieces with sewing cotton; and half slips. For Men: ties; belts; stretch hose; wallets; handkerchiefs; pipes; pipe tobacco and pouches; shaving articles; toiletries; scarfs; gloves;

model kits; baseball bats and balls.

#### Recreation Review

Women's Basketball

All women 18 and over interested in playing organized basketball should meet in the Youth Center gym on Wed, nights from 9-11 p.m. For further information, call 474-6878, M-F, 9-5 p.m. Open Gym

Greenbelt Junior High School will hold open gym on Sundays from 2-6 p.m. Senior High students and adults only. "Over The Hill" League

This basketball league is for adult men 30 years old and over. Games will begin the second week of Jan. All interested men are encouraged to meet at the Youth Center on Mon., Dec. 9, at 7:30

Youth Center Schedule For Weekend

The Youth Center schedule has been adjusted to accommodate the launching of the Third Annual Festival of Lights events to be held this weekend. Changes are as follows: all Open Gym and Lounge activities postponed from 1 p.m. Fri., Dec. 6, until 7 p.m., Sunday, Dec. 8.

**CARES Expanding Services** 

Greenbelt CARES Youth Services Bureau is expanding its services. The CARES office is attracting young people to its teen group, job bank, job corporation, tutoring/ homework services and counseling

The attractiveness to young people would increase if CARES could provide a cozied atmosphere. The front room is in need of a couch, chair, record player, t.v., bright art work and other such furnishings. Residents with furnishings to donate are asked to call the CARES office at 345-3456.

#### City Number Corrections

Residents using the new city d'rectory should note that the listing for the City of Greenbelt should read as follows: information: 474-8000; request for refuse service: 474-8004.

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## Our Neighbors

Elaine Skolnik - 474-6060 Our deepest sympathy to Mrs. Bettie Denson, 59-A Ridge, on the death of her son Thomas.

Happy Birthday to David Barnes, 5-D Laurel Hill, who was 6 this past Tuesday.

It's a girl for Mr. and Mrs. Allen Archambo, 8004 Lakecrest Brandy Lynn made her debut Nov. 22 and weighed in at 6 lbs. 6 oz. Congratulations!

It's a boy for Mr. and Mrs. Alan Levine, 69-F Ridge Rd. Steven Merritt was born Nov. 27 weighing 6 lbs. 4 oz. His proud grandparents are the Seymour Levines, 37-G Ridge. Steven is a thirdgeneration-Greenbelter.

Tony Tollison, Pinecrest Ct., who was recently in a motorcycle accident, underwent surgery on his shoulder Nov. 19. He is home now and doing fine.

It's a girl for Mr. and Mrs. James Leidlein, 211 Lakeside Dr. Katrina Anne was born Oct. 27 and weighed in at 6 lbs. 5 oz. Congratulations!

Condolences to James E. Bates, 16 Woodland Way, on the less of his father, James B. Bates.

Congratulations to Parkdale High School's Football team who beat Perry Hall 28-8 over the weekend. The Panthers won the first Maryland AA state title.

It's a boy for Mr. and Mrs. Charles Attick, IV, 54-K Ridge Rd. Charles Mayo V, who weighed in at 7 lbs. 2½ oz., was born Oct. 30. His grandmether, Shirley Attick also resides in Greenbelt.

Happy, happy birthday to Peter Williamson, 45-H Ridge, who was 10 years old Dec. 2.

Our deepest sympathy to Mrs. Delores Cook, Center School's music teacher, on the recent death of her husband Guy.

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FOUND: 11-24-74 in Greenbelt, dog, male Collie/Shep. mixed. Mostly black with tan, auburn & white markings-18 in. high & 25 lbs. 345-

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#### The 65 lbs. Boys Club Football Team Awards

The 65 lb. Greenbelt Boys Club Football Team played the best game of their season. Participating in the District Heights Field Day at District Heights, the 65 pounders won 19 - 0.

Quarterback, Johnny Elliott used his running backs to engineer the win. Fullback Jimmy Sacco and halfback Carl Hurst both had their best game. Each scored two touchdowns; one of each which was called back for offside; behind the blocking of Paul Kent and Tommy Hickey. On defense Greenbelt held their opponent scoreless.

Certificates of participation were awarded all players and MVP Trophies were awarded to Jimmy Sacco for defense, and Carl Hurst for offense. His blocking allowed Greenbelt to score its first point after touchdown this season.

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# **Deaf Athlete To Compete** In World Winter Olympics

by Sandra Barnes

Paul Sweeney is a 30-year-old deaf Greenbelter who aspires to be an Olympian athlete. Paul, of 5-E Laurel Hill Road, will be competing in the VIII World Winter Games for the Deaf in Lake Placid, February 2-8, as a speed skater.

Born and reared in Port Allegheny, Penna., Paul has skated on ponds ever since he can remember. When he heard two years ago that the officials for the International Olympic Committee were going to include speed skating as a new event, Paul decided to teach himself this new skill. Some ten deaf athletes from around the country competed and four were chosen according to their times, three from Maryland and one from California.

Paul receives moral support in his rigorous training schedule from his wife, Mary Jean, also deaf. He also has a 2-year-old son, Kerry, and another child due any day. He runs every day between one and five miles. To build up his thigh muscles, he practices every evening on a formica skateboard which is fastened to his basement floor. Paul applies silicone to the board and woolen socks to his feet and proceeds to slide from side to side, simulating the speed skater's stride. He does this as many as 500 times

Paul also practices on a rink one night a week during the summer in Tysons Corner, Va., and as often as three nights a week during the winter in Baltimore or Wheaton skating rinks. However, the games will be held on an outdoor quarter-mile track, and no indoor rink in the country exactly fits this description. So Paul must travel to an outdoor rink in Minnesota in January for a week of practice before he journeys to Lake Placid for another full week of training before competition be-

Paul will compete in three events -the 500, 1,500 and 3,000 meter runs. Speed skating pits two men against each other and, for the deaf, the race begins when the starter, wearing a bright red glove, drops his hand.

The World Winter Games for the Deaf are held every four years since they began in Austria in 1949. They have been held around the globe-in Norway, Germany, Switzerland and Sweden. American participation in these games began in 1967, and in the last two games, the USA team had won four gold medals. This is the first time the games are being held in Am-

Some 3,000 athletes are expected to compete at Lake Placid representing Russia, Australia, Switzerland, Canada, Finland, Norway, Sweden, Spain, West Germany, Czechoslovakia Japan, France, Poland, Austria, Yugoslavia and the United States.

Needs Funds

Each U.S. athlete is expected to raise \$850 to defray the cost of equipment. lodging, meals and transportation. So far Paul has collected \$45 from his co-workers at the University of Maryland where he works as a chemist for the Dept. of Agriculture, and another \$45 from a yard sale. A resident of Greenbelt for three years, Paul is making a monumental effort to represent his country at these games; he is realizing not only a private dream but one for all athletes, especially those with handicaps. Paul hopes that his fellow Greenbelters will help him in his effort. Contributions should be made payable to the "AAAD Deaf Winter Olympic Fund" for Paul Sweeney. They may be sent to Mary Ann Baker, Chairman of the Paul Sweeney Olympic Fund, 5-K Laurel Hill Road, Greenhelt

#### La Leche League

The Greenbelt group of La Leche League will hold its monthly meeting on Thurs., Dec. 12, at 8:15 p.m. at 65-C Ridge Rd. The topic for the evening will be "Nutrition and Weaning". For further information, call 474-1463.

## Western Branch Sewage Allocation Policy Set

The Prince Georges County Council has formulated a sewage allocation policy for the Western Branch sewage treatment plant which is expected to be expanded to 15 million gallons daily (Mgd) by the middle of 1976. The formula stipulates that the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission (WSSC) allot 80% of the plant's capacity to residential and taxexempt institutional development, and the remaining 20% to industrial, commercial and other revenue producing institutional development in accordance with land use plans. No less than 10% of the plant's assignable capacity is to go to builders erecting 10 or fewer single family homes during any year. Prior commitments such as Greenbriar will be first deducted. No more than 50,000 gallons daily is to be promised any one residential project in a given year, a requirement applicable only

to new requests. The bill additionally directs WSSC to review all recorded authorizations semi-annually to pinpoint those abandoned by voluntary inaction or failure to move ahead on a project. According to council, the allocation formula is a means of pacing and plotting growth while guaranteeing WSSC won't authorize hook-ups beyond the plant's planned 15 mgd. capacity. Western Branch already handles 5.6 mgd. Voting for the Councilmembers formula were John Garrity, Francis White, Francis Francois, Gladys Spellman, Lucille Potts, Winfield Kelly, Royal Hart; Councilmembers Sam Bogley and Ronald Reeder abstained.

#### Parcel Strike Necessitates Earlier Mailing of Pkgs.

Postmaster Emory A. Harman announced that United Parcel strikes in New York and Southern California have increased the volume of parcel post that must be handled by the Postal Service in those areas.

Mailers preparing parcels for delivery by Christmas to the following areas are urged to mail immediately: New York - zip code areas 100 - 119 and 124 - 127; New Jersey - zip code areas 070 - 79 and 088 - 89; and Southern California - zip code areas 900 - 931 and 934 - 937. Better service can also be obtained for sending greeting cards to these areas if mailed before Dec. 5. Please be sure to package properly and use zip

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COUNCIL from p. 1, col. 5 fectiveness was also severely hampered due to the crowded conditions, and suggested that Greenwas fortunate that they haven't lost more good personnel because of the working conditions.

Ben Waldman, attorney for the State Policemans' Benevolent Association, stated that Greenbelt's facilities were an absolute dis-grace, and that his was especially ironic in that Greenbelt's police force has perhaps one of the best reputations in the State for its professionalism. Waldman was interrupted at this point by Weidenfeld, acting as mayor in the absence of Richard Pilski, who stated that ordinarily he did not take too kindly to strangers who came in making critical remarks about Greenbelt, but in this case he would overlook it because he had to agree.

Additional support was given to the need for new and expanded facilities by several persons in the audience, including Viola Keer, Henry Fisher, and Mrs. Chrisman. The latter reflected much of the thinking by stating, "we have one of the finest and most professional group of guys around and we should back them up solidly." She was pretty much supported by most of the council members, and it appeared that most were in agreement that the city would have to go to another bond issue to try to take care of the problem.

There was much discussion about the possibility of obtaining LEAA funds from the federal government. City manager James Giese stated that no funds were available for construction. Council eventually decided to hold a special work session at the first available evening in January, and this seemed to be quite satisfactory to the police officers present representing the Benevolent Association.

In other actions, council accepted several PRAB reports, the chief ones of which were to recommend the establishment of the Springhill Lake site plan as drawn, including the tennis courts as recommended by Sidney Kramer, and that a letter be sent to the P.G. County Boys and Girls Club raising the three issues PRAB raised in its report.

On a motion by White, council also requested the city manager to send a letter to the Governor and the P.G. County legislative delegation urging immediate funding of the so-called "circuitbreaker" legislation providing tax rebates to homeowners and rent-

Upon learning that the State Highway Administration is now considering reductions in construction which might delay building the interchange at Kenilworth Avenue and Greenbelt Road until after 1980, council urged that the manager get in touch with our legislative representatives to press Greenbelt's views that this interchange should be among the priority construction projects. Finally, council approved half-day holidays for city employees before Christmas and New Year's.

#### Boys and Girls Club by Fred Ford

Albert Yanez Soccer Tournament will take place this weekend at Greenbelt Junior High and Calvert Rd. Rec. fields. Games begin Sat. and Sun. at 9 a.m. and continue until dark.

The Columbian Navy vs. Maryland University Soccer Club will play in an exhibition game Sunday, 12 noon, at Calvert Rd. Rec. Field.

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#### Defeat at Silver Hill

In post-season competition, the 75-lb. football team traveled to Silver Hill to participate in a Turkey Bowl game on Nov. 23. Unfortunately they lost to Silver Hill 18-0. Trophies were awarded to our quarterback, Jimmy Edwards, as best offensive player and to Rick Claybaugh as best defensive

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