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Conversion of South End Heating Plants Discussed

by Sid Kastner

A more clearly defined set of proposals for improving heating plant efficiency was presented to the Greenbelt Homes, Inc. board of directors at its Thursday, Jan. 9 regular meeting, in an extensive report submitted for the Engineering and Maintenance committee by director Hugh O'Donnell. This report generated the most discussion, though other committee affairs - Finance, Bylaws, and Legislative - were also considered; chairman Jim Smith in particular stressed the importance of getting suggestions for bylaw changes from all concerned members, as soon as possible, so as to be taken into account at meetings in the near future.

The E. and M. committee report stated that the main goal of the heating plant overhaul is to reduce the excess steam heat supplied to the frame homes, and recommended immediate steps as well as longer-range actions. The immediate steps would be to correctly adjust the "weatherman" controls on the steam plants, within the next thirty days. There are a total of 145 of these controls, mainly for the North End frame homes. O'Donnell explained that they carry out multiple functions (timing, maximum temperature, mild weather control) and over the years have generally lost their proper calibration. Longer range actions during the coming year that were recommended to make maximum use of the deferred GNMA mortgage funds (about \$150,000) were the conversion of at least one court of North End frame homes and all of South End frame home courts to variable temperature hot water heating.

Critical Comments

While the board appeared to welcome the proposals as being concrete and to the point, critical comments came from some directors. Director Ted Byerly urged that at least one of the weatherman control units be shown to have the capacity to operate correctly, "before the whole lot are worked on". Director Joseph Comproni questioned why the North End frame homes did not have higher priority, since they presented the biggest problem in wasted heat. O'Donnell replied that the piping system in the North End was in poorer condition and more of it would require replacing than in the South End, so that it was economically more feasibly at this time to convert the South End plants. Director Stephen Polaschik injected a further element, saying he was not satisfied that conversion to hot water was the answer (Polaschik resides in 12 Court Ridge which has recently been so converted). Eunice Coxon, from the floor, expressed concern whether the membership would be able to vote on the necessary fund expenditure, and was

meetings in the near future. crow fund arrangement. Comproni spoke against final adoption of this position, and Byerly agreed to leave the matter for a later meeting.

Foster noted that, in response to member urging, two members living in frame homes are being added to the Finance committee; up to now, for one reason or another, the committee has consisted of members who occupy brick homes.

Appointed to the Townhouse Investigatory Committee to investigate the construction and present condition of the townhouses were John Gordon, Don Kern, Lekh Batra, Sally Rogers and Hugh O'Donnell.

Toward the end of the meeting, the board heard with interest a suggestion by O'Donnell that a legislative Affairs committee be set up to discuss upcoming state legislation on housing and other matters, so that input could be provided at Annapolis on behalf of cooperatives. Director Virginia Moryadas strongly supported the creation of such a committee and volunteered to cover the housing legislation. Smith and the board members conferred with the manager on ways to obtain such information on a continuing basis.

NAVY BAND TO PERFORM

The U.S. Navy Band Woodwind Quintet will perform at the Greenbelt Library on Tues., Jan. 21 at 8 p.m. in the meeting room of the library. The concert is free.

Summer Garden Plots Available

A limited number of garden spaces are available for use this year. The following three dates have been set up for these plots. (Plots will be assigned in order of application.) At the Youth Center - Jan. 18, Sat., 10a .m. - noon and Jan. 21, Tues. 7 - 9 p.m.; Greenbelt Homes Board Room - Jan. 28, Garden Club Meeting, 8 p.m.

WHAT GOES ON

Sat., Jan. 18 10 a.m. to noon. Garden Plot Sign Up, Youth Center

Mon., Jan. 20, 8 p.m. City Council Meeting, Municipal Building. Tues., Jan. 21, 7:30 p.m. Parkdale

PTSA Meeting 8 p.m. Council Work Session on Greenbelt CARES, Municipal Building.

8 p.m. Center School Special PTA Meeting - School Library Wed., Jan. 22, 8 p.m. Council

Work Session on Lake-Park Master Plan, Municipal Building

EPA Plans For Hearing On Greenbriar Sewage Plant

Ground rules for the adjudicatory hearing on the Greenbriar onsite temporary sewage treatment plant were discussed at a preliminary hearing held at the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Washington offices on January 7.

The EPA hearing examiner, Thomas B. Yost, determined that the order of presentation of cases would be Washington Suburban Commission (WSSC). Sanitary Associates, Prince Greenbriar Coalition Environment Georges (PGEC), EPA and the city of Greenbelt. WSSC and Greenbriar are protesting that some of the standards set down by EPA in granting a discharge permit for the treatment plant were too stringent. PGEC is alleging that the standards are inadequate.

Under the hearing procedures, actual testimony by expert witnesses is prepared in advance and exchanged by all the parties. When the actual hearing is held the written testimony is filed for the record and the hearing consists of only cross examination of the witnesses.

The following schedule for various procedures was set:

January 21 – Submittal of arguments on legal issue of whether EPA has authority to require Class A operators.

February 12 - Submittal of testimony by appellants.

March 5 - Submittal of testimony by EPA and exchange of rebuttal testimony by other parties.

March 26 - Submittal of rebuttals on EPA testimony.

April 14 – Tentative hearing date. The hearing is scheduled to begin at 10 a.m. at the Greenbelt city council room. The hearing will be open to the written media and to the general public insofar as facilities can accommodate. However, the general public can not participate. TV coverage would require special arrangements.

No Easy Solution For Police Space Needs

by Barbara Likowski

Several plans for relieving congestion in police headquarters and in city offices were discussed at a city council work session on Wednesday, January 8.

Spokesman for Greenbelt Lodge #32 of the Fraternal Order of Police was Detective Robert Smith, backed by Chief William Lane and several members of the police force. Smith presented three main suggestions for council's consideration.

Plan A called for the temporary utilization of the building's upstairs present meeting room and s mall When asked if the present muni-

present meeting room and s mall council room to be used exclusively by the police department (not to be confused with council chambers which would not be used by police). Meanwhile plans for the construction of an extension to the present city building should be expedited.

Plan B entailed conversion of the Ridge Road center into a total police facility.

Plan C would mean the construction of a new building to house the police department. S.mith pointed out that before this was done it would be necessary to assess the need of the community. It would also be necessary to float a bond issue.

Giese Comments

City manager James Giese noted that there was overcrowding in all parts of the municipal building although the space problem was most acute in the police department. He mentioned that he had a secretary who had to be in the hall and at present had two people working upstairs in the space that would go to the police if plan A were to be put into effect. Giese advocated seeking a solution that would solve more than one aspect of the problem. He said he was not willing to commit himself to giving up the two rooms at this time.

Councilman Charles Schwan said it was evident that there was an "immediate and long range problem" and a "need to plan for both." The conversion of the Ridge Road Center did not seem to be a feasible

plan. Giese pointed out that the building would need extensive modifications and the renovations might turn out to be as costly as a new building. There was also uncertainty about whether the land could be used for this purpose because federal grant money was used originally for its purchase for recreational purposes. Also the neighborhood is much more residential than that near the site of the present municipal building.

In discussing plan A Giese stated that plans for the proposed addition had not gotten far because council had indicated there was not enough money for an addition and also necessary parkland. However, he thought the council could get some property on Parcel 1 and also build an addition out of existing capital improvements money.

If the upstairs rooms were given to the police it would be necessary for them to be used exclusively by the police once their files were placed there. Several other city rooms were suggested as alternative meeting places for citizen When asked if the present municipal building would be large enough for city offices if the police had their own building, Giese said there would be no room for any expansion. He explained that new agencies might have to be added and that he would prefer to have them all under one roof. Giese asked how long the city would want to go on leasing space for Greenbelt CARES, for example, especially if it should be taken on as a city department.

After listening to the various plans and discussions Mayor Richard Pilski commented that council could not take definite steps without more facts and until the wishes of the community were known. Giese was asked to come up with some plan to utilize the rooms in question, to find out what money was available for land on Parcel 1 and building from capital improvement funds, and to prepare several possibilities. This plan is to be ready in early February.



- 10. Springhill Lake Site Plan – PRAB Report 23-74 IV. NEW BUSINESS
- 11. Charter Amendment Re-

so assured.

Chairman Smith congratulated the Engineering and Maintenance committee for the evident effort put forth in the report, while referring it back to the committee and staff for estimates of the actual amount of the fuel that would be saved; he agreed with Byerly also that the weatherman controls needed to be experimented with before a mass recallbration was undertaken.

Finance Report

A Finance committee report comprising a number of separate items was given by director James Foster. Studies are proceeding on computerizing the corporation's bookkeeping, improving the employee pension plan, and hiring an insurance counselor. The report also proposed carrying liability insurance for officers of the corporation; this was accepted by board motion, and will be incorporated in the overall insurance package. With regard to a previous request by Mrs. Coxon for a trustee fund to be set up to accumulate the money to pay for the deferred GNMA 1974 mortgage payment, the report recommended continuing the present es-

Center School PTA

Center School PTA will hold a special meeting on Tues., Jan. 21 at 8 p.m. in the school library. The subject to be discussed will be the school budget which Superintendent Carl Hassel has prepared for the school board.

Darwin Beck will chair the meeting and go over the budget briefly. Members are asked to attend and give their opinions so that Beck can better represent Center PTA at the Board of Education's northern area hearing. The hearing will be held at Northwestern High School on Fri., Jan. 24 at 7 p.m. The board will also have work sessions on the budget. Mrs. Resa Jascourt, Center PTA's president, has arranged for a noncirculating copy of the budget to be available for reading in the public library. It can be obtained at the front desk until the evening

of the 21st. (The budget is in a much more readable form than in past years.)

No Feb. meeting for Center PTA has been planned.

Questions were raised about the permit which runs to July 1 expiring before a decision could be rendered. It was noted that an extension of time was one of the challenges to the permit. EPA advised WSSC to file a new permit application with the State in the event the permit was not extended. WSSC estimated that the permit should be extended to December 1975 in order to assure that it be in effect until the Western Branch was completed.

Richard Schifter, Greenbriar attorney, questioned whether PGEC was a proper party to the hearing. Judge Yost indicated that the Regional Administrator had already made this decision but that through cross examination Schifter could raise a question of what PGEC's interest in the case was. groups . . . Youth Center, Ridge Road Center and council chambers.

Giese stated that even with an addition to the present municipal building there would still be a space problem. This would only be an interim plan.

Other Comments

A new building could be constructed near the present fire department. Access to city roads is good and it is not in a highly residential area. A bond isue would be necessary if citizens approved this plan. Giese pointed out that there were drawbacks to the police leaving the municipal building. Someone would be needed to take charge of the building at night and money would have to be put into the budget for this.

Other plans were offered. One was to look at possible locations in other parts of the city. The Springhill Lake Shopping Center has poor access to main arteries and Beltway Plaza is in a congested area. Substations might be feasible.

A suggestion to put the present municipal building up for sale also was not feasible. The market for such a building is limited and the

solution to Provide a Comprehensive Revision of the Charter Requirements Relating to the Conduct of Elections Within the City and to Provide for the Establishment of a Board of Elections - First Reading 12. Request for Space for Greenbelt Garden Club 13. Revised Power Emergency Alert Plan 14. Lake Park Survey -Topographic Study 15. Meetings V. MISCELLANEOUS

Choral Society Rehearsal

The Greenbelt Choral Society sponsored by the Greenbelt Recreation Department has begun rehearsals for its spring concert. The rehearsals are held every Wed. evening at the Mowatt Memorial Methodist Church, 40 Ridge Rd., from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. No auditions are necessary, and all persons interested in singing are invited to join. For further information, call Patricia Marton at 345-5871. Page 2

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Greenbelt Lake Park

The Greenbelt Lake is open for

ice skating when weather condi-

tions are favorable. In order to

provide a wholesome, safe activi-

ty, the city has developed certain

guidelines that should be followed.

During cold weather, persons in-

terested in ascertaining the condi-

tion of the ice at the lake should

call the Greenbelt Police, 474-5454.

It is impossible to continually test

the lake, so skating will always

be at the risk of the participant.

Recommended areas of skating

are the shore lines and the bay

around the peninsula. A green

flag will be displayed on the band-

stand flagpole to indicate "Skat-

ing at your own risk". The lake

area around the dam and spillway

should be avoided, as open water

is usually found in these areas.

Paren's should accompany young

children. Skaters should also a-

void gathering in groups on the

The Recreation Department will

attempt to provide assistance at

the lake during week days from

4 p.m. until dark and on holidays.

Saturdays and Sundays from 9

am. to dark. No skating will be

allowed on the lake after dark.

No fires will be allowed at the

lake except those provided by the

city because of the scarcity of fire-

keep in mind the dangers involved

in its sports. A person who falls

through the 'te is in danger of

freering and drowning if he is not

Persons interested in participat-

ing in the 1975 season of SHL

Boys Baseball are invited to a

meeting at the SHL Community

House on Wed., Jan. 22 at 8 p.m.

Needed are managers, coaches, um-

pires and scorers. For more in-

formation, call Ray Krasnick, com-

missioner of the program, at 345-

"Fear of Flying" Book Talk

Greenbelt Library will hold a book

On Jan. 28, at 7:30 p.m., the

cared for immediately.

SHL Boys Baseball

All skaters and parents should

wood and danger of brush fires.

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Ice Skating Policy

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More on Solar Heat

To the Editor:

Mr. Nowick's letter which appeared in the January 2 News Review regarding my being ill-informed deserves the following rebuttal:

1. Solar Array: Roof-top placement of the solar array was chosen due to the historic opposition of the membership-at-large to any and all encroachment of the open space when enlargement of parking lots was being considered. Also, such an arrangement would reduce over-all cost of the conversion.

Storage Tanks: Under-thefloor placement of the storage tanks was chosen since heat that rises from the tank by radiation or conduction helps to warm the house - in our case the lower floor which is the most used area of the house.

3. Individual Controls: Installation of controls to shut off the heat in individual homes at the resident's discretion permits the system to be operated at the lowest energy requirement at a given time. Such an arrangement permits the greatest storage of energy at a given time.

4. Back-Up System: Since most of the components of the back-up system are already in place - radiators and attendant piping - the inclusion of a back-up system would reduce the size of the solar array(s) and storage tank(s). This would greatly reduce the over-all cost of the conversion.

5. Insulation: While our units are vorm and snug, the over-all design is not up to recommended standards of insulation and/or thermal barriers such as vestibules. To bring our units up to standard would add to the over-all cost of conversion.

6. Trade-off: Due to the comparatively short remaining life spans of our units, if the month-bymonth cost of the combined instalintion cost and operating cost of other type of conversion proved to be lower than for a solar heat system, the other system should be adopted since it would provide a saving over the solar heat system.

My letter of December 12 and the above point-by-point rebuttal was and is based upon the parameters and design criteria of SEAL's solar heating projects pertaining to residential heating that were sponsored by the Federal

ALTERNATIVE SCHOOLS

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SUBJECT OF MEETING The Annual Meeting of the

Prince George's Association for Humanizing Education will be held on Thursday, January 23 at 7:30 p.m. at the New Carollton Library. The program will feature a panel discussion on the topic "Alternative Schools", with the following panel members: Jesse Warr, a member of the Prince George's County School Board; Lynn Hopkins, a teacher at the Partridgeberry School; Dr. James Greenberg, Associate Professor of Secondary Education at the University of Maryland; and Dr. Harold McAbee, director of Graduate Studies at Bowie State College.

The public is invited to attend.

Greenbelter To Speak In Berwyn Heights

Bruce Bowman, past president of the Continental Memorial Society, and Bond Rhue, a Cheverly lawyer, will be the speakers at a public meeting on "Wills, Death, and Funeral Practices," in the Berwyn Presbyterian Church, Sat. Jan. 18. This is the first of a series of informational meetings sponsored by United Christian Ministries. All are welcome to attend the 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. session, bringing a sandwich for lunch; beverage will be provided. For information call Joan Taylor (577-7700).

Boys and Girls Club by Fred Ford

Baketball Wins Jan. 7 Mike Foster had high score of 13 in the 17 boys win of 54-47 over Green Mea-dows. Jan. 8 boys 15 years beat Landover Holls 47-42 with Mike Kelly scoring 15. Jan. 9 boys 11 squeaked past the Landover Hills team 32-31; 14 boys beat South Bowie 48-43; 15 girls won their first game 29-26 against Fort Washington. Jan. 10 13B girls beat Beltsville 10-4 and Jan. 11 girls 13 slaughtered Fort Washington 34-2. Even though our 10 yr. boys lost a heart breaker to Bladensburg Jan. 8 in an overtime Jeff Hertel accounted for over 20 points. Games next week. Jan 18 Boys 12B Camp Springs No. 2 at 12 noon. Mon., 6 p.m., Boys 12 vs. South Bowie, Tues., 6 p.m, Boys 13 vs East Pines; 7 pm., Boys 14 vs. Landover Hills. Wed., 6 p.m., Boys 10B vs. Marlboro No. 2. Thurs, 6 pm, Girls 15 vs. Cheverly; 7 p.m., Boys 15 vs. Cheverly; and the big one 8 p.m. Boys 17 vs. Hyattsville.

Greenbelt night at Capital Centre -Sun., March 2 Capital Bullets vs. Los Angeles Lakers game will have a section set aside for Greenbelters. Tickets will be sold at a discount and our Boys and Girls Club will make a profit. Call 474-8343 for tickets.

Elections - Wed., Jan. 22 election of the Club's Board of Directors and the officers will take place at the Youth Center Conference Room at 7:30 p.m.

Jackson - James

Mr. and Mrs. Theodus Jackson of District Heights announce the engagement of their daughter Thelma to Harry James. James is the city's Assistant Recreation Director. An August wedding is planned.

Dredger - Mest

C.W.O.-4 (Retired) and Mrs. Robert F. Dredger, Sr. announce the engagement of their daughter Suzanne Marie to Warren Richard Mest, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Mest, Sr. of Charnita, Pa., formerly of Beltsville.

Mr. Mest is presently a Program Specialist for the Sports Department of Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Commission. Miss Dredger is a secretary for the Naval Ships Engineering Center at Prince Georges Plaza. A June 7 wedding is planned.

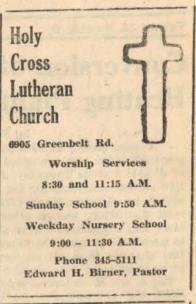
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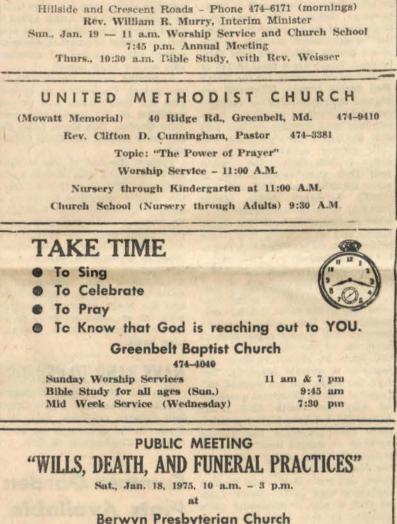
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Mishkan Torah Sisterhood

The Mishkan Torah Sisterhood will meet on Thurs., Jan. 23 at 8 p.m. The program will feature Harriet Polack in "An Evening of Poetry."



CHURCH



6301 Greenbelt Rd., Berwyn Hts.

Speakers: Bruce Bowman, **Bond Rhue**

Sponsored by United Christian Ministries Free - Bring a sandwich - All welcome

Case No. 9 83072

or Court of California, County of San Diego, San Diego, California In re the marriage of Petitioner: Cynthia H. Bassett and

Respondent: Frederick E .Bas-

SUMMONS (MARRIAGE)

Government and are currently in operation.

Ben A. Hogensen

THANKS

To the Editor:

Ricky Wheatley is home from the hospital. We would like to thank all of our friends for their prayers and all other acts of kindness while Rick was ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Wheatley and family

FREE HEALTH EXAMS

A Health Clinic co-sponsored by the Greenbelt Lion's Club and the City of Greenbelt's Recreation Department will be held at Center School on Sat., Feb. 8 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Tests will be given for glaucoma, t.b. (skin test), diabetes, vision. hearing, cholesterol and various types of cancer. Lion Henry Fisher will serve as chairman assisted by Hank Irving, Director of Recreation The clinic is free and open to everyone.

discussion on Erica Jong's of Flying.

"March for Life"

To the Editor:

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On January 22 at 1 p.m. thousands of persons of various faiths all over the country will come to the U.S. Capitol Building to March for Life. This "Band of Life" around the Capitol will demonstrate the profound respect many Americans have for the dignity of all human life. The goal is to convince the Congress of the urgent need to pass a constitutional amendment to reverse the U.S. Supreme Court decision which gave legal sanction to mass destruction of unborn human life through unrestricted abortion.

No doubt, many Greenbelters share our concern and will want to participate in this peaceful defense of the precious right-to-life. Let's demonstrate that Greenbelt, known as a community that cares, will be on the forefront in defending the most innocent and defenceless.

> Tina Holland Joseph Costa Mary O'Keefe

sett.

To the Respondent: The petioner has filed a petition concerning your marriage. You may file a written response within 30 days of the date that this summons is served on you If you fail to file a written response within such time, your default may be entered and the court may enter a judgment containing injunctive or other orders concerning division of property, child support, child custody, attorney's fees, costs, and such other relief as may be granted by the court. If you wish to seek the advice of an attorney in this matter, you should do so promptly

so that your written response, if any, may be filed on time. Dated: December 4, 1974

Jesse Osuna, Clerk by G. L. Potts, Deputy Michael Pancer Attorney at Law, 520 "E" St Suite 1100, San Diego, Ca. 92101 Proposea Resolu

Following is the proposed text of a resolution endorsing a second department store for Beltway Plaza. It will be considered by the city council at its next meeting on Monday, January 20, 1975

A RESOLUTION TO ENDORSE THE EFFORTS OF THE DEVEL-OPER OF THE BELTWAY PLAZA SHOPPING CENTER TO MAKE IMPROVEMENTS TO THE CENTER AND TO LOCATE WITHIN THE PLAZA A SECOND MAJOR DEPARTMENT STORE

WHEREAS, since its inception the Beltway Plaza Shopping Center has been an integral part of the City of Greenbelt, and

WHEREAS, in addition to providing much needed consumer services to the residents of Greenbelt and the surrounding areas in a convenient, enclosed shopping mall, the Beltway Plaza Shopping Center also has been the source of employment for many area residents, and

WHEREAS, in addition to providing a substantial economic base, the business community has actively supported the affairs of the City of Greenbelt and its neighbors, and

WHEREAS, sound business practices dictate that in order to make a shopping center truly viable and to assure its continuing growth and development, it should include a minimum of two major department stores, and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of this business community and the City of Greenbelt, and its citizens to assure such viability and growth, now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Greenbelt, Maryland, in behalf of its citizens as well as the people who are expected to become a part of this growing community, that it endorse the efforts of the developer of the Beltway Plaza Shopping Center to make improvements to the Center and to locate within the Plaza a second major department store to serve the increasing demands for goods and services of the citizens of Greenbelt and its environs,

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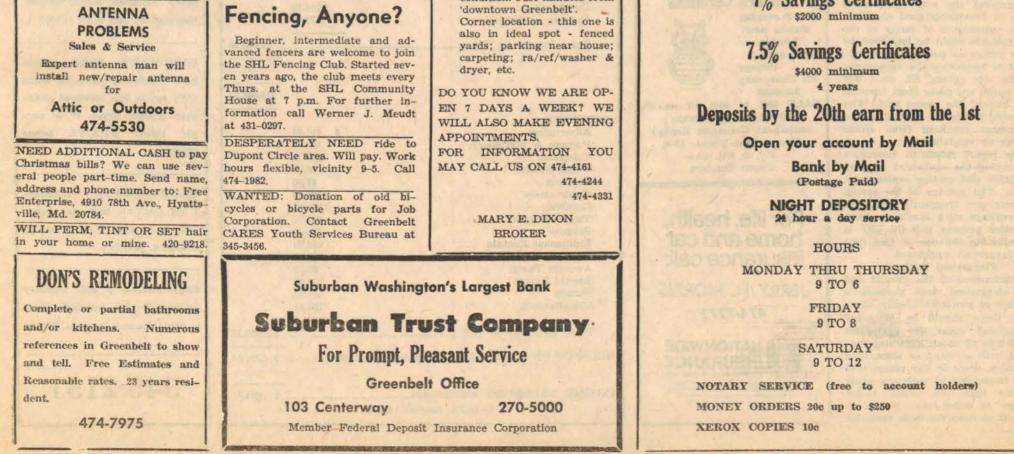
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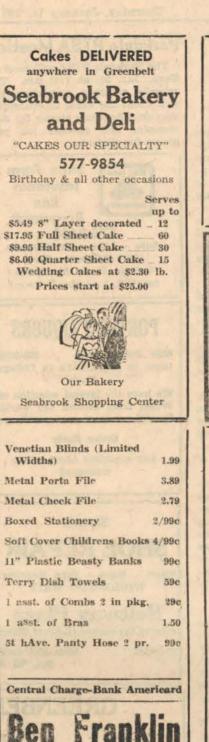
p.m. on Mon., Jan. 20.

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winter session of Chucks and Lasness and T-Ball

Winter classes begin this Sat., 4:30-5:30 p.m. on Mondays (1st & 4th graders) and Fridays (5th &







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Parkdale PTSA Meeting

school's guidance counselors will

talk about the kinds of counseling

they do, scheduling classes for next

semester and summer job pro-

474-8400

Auto - Life - Homeowners

State Farm

Insurance

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grams for students.

The Parkdale PTSA will meet on Tues., Jan. 21, at 7:30 p.m. The

City Manager Presents Initial Playground Report

A city staff report has raised under the equipment the question whether the city should be operating and maintainplaygrounds located on ing GHI property, when it does not maintain any other playground located on private property.

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The situation is this. Eight playgrounds are located on GHI property. By means of an exchange of letters many years ago, GHI has permitted the city to place and maintain playground equipment on its property at no charge. None of the apartment complexes in the city are served by city playgrounds. There is also little playground equipment conveniently located to the single family home residents.

In contrast to the playgrounds that serve children in the immediate neighborhood, there are three play areas that serve broad areas of the community - at the Lake Park, Candy Cane City, and the Youth Center.

The report notes that there has been a lack of playgrounds in the single family home areas in part because of difficulty in finding appropriate sites, in part because parents with children at the playground age frequently provide their own playground equipment and in part because the children of single family neighborhoods tend to be older than in the GHI and apartment areas and are less interested in playgrounds.

Each of the apartment projects including the condominium apartment projects are served by more than one playground area of a private nature. In general, these playgrounds, city manager James Giese said, are better maintained and sometimes are considerably more elaborate than those owned by the city.

Most of the playgrounds in the city are what are known as tot lots and appeal primarily to children There are a few under six. playgrounds that appeal to children between the ages of 6 and 12. These are located at the elementary schools and at the Lake Park. There are a few pieces of equipment in other playgrounds that have some appeal to children of this age and the paved basketball courts are used by the older children in this age group as well as by teenagers. Council has directed that the playground at the Jaycee Club House next to St. Hugh's be designed for this 6-12 age group.

Task Force at Work A task force consisting of recreation director Hank Irving, public works director, Albert S. Attick, park superintendent Dennis Doornekamp, and assistant city manager Dennis E. Piendak has been surveying the existing play areas to determine their condition, the need for new equipment, the degree of vandalism, and degree of use.

The task force concluded that in general the city playgrounds were in reasonably good condit "The appearance of many of playgrounds could be improved such things as painting of equ ment or improving the appeara of the site (grass, fill, etc.), this would not make them func any better," the report said. ' principal problem is that of bro equipment resulting from eit misuse or vandalism." The report refers to difficul in keeping the equipment in g condition and getting replacen parts. The springs of the spi animals are frequently subje to breakage as a result of al by older persons and the city reevaluating the use of this t of playground equipment.

A number of city playgrounds have asphalt under the play equipment. In general these playgrounds present the best site appearance and are the easiest to maintain. But the city's program to place asphalt under play equipment was terminated some time ago at the direction of council after the receipt of some citizen's complaint as to the safety of this type of playground.

Trash and Litter

Litter is another problem at most playgrounds. Most of the litter is not caused by the children playing at the playgrounds but by persons passing through the playgrounds or by playground areas being used by older children for a variety of activities.

Broken glass is a particularly difficult problem which seems to be unsolvable. While the larger pieces of glass can be picked up and removed, it is virtually impossible to retrieve every piece of broken glass.

The task force noted no differences in the litter problem between playgrounds having trash containers and playgrounds not having trash containers. In view of the fact that the trash containers are extensively vandalized and are usually eyesores because of vandalism, Giese raised the possibility of their removal.

Additional Equipment

The staff said that those items of equipment felt to be most desirable to add to the playgrounds were park benches permanently installed, picnic tables, and climbers. At least one chair swing for use by little children was recommended. The report noted that the appearance of play equipment would be greatly improved by painting, but cautioned that it is impossible to maintain paint at areas of high wear such as handrails of slides.

The report concluded that it would be necessary for the city to substantially increase its park maintenance budget and the size of its park crew if it were to keep the playgrounds in good appearance and good condition with added equipment. Council referred the report to the Park and Recreation Advisory Board for study.

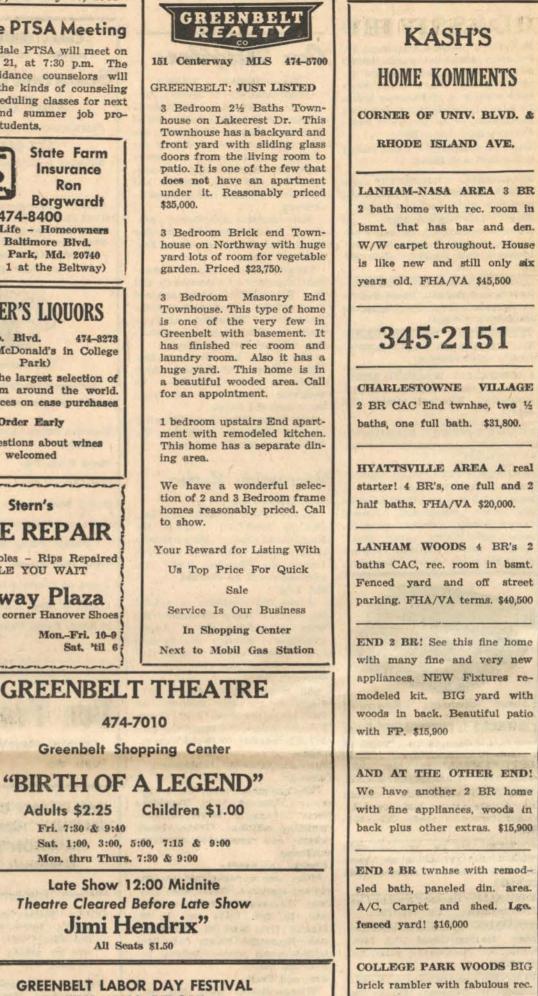
Cash For Your Cans

The Reynolds mobile aluminum recycling unit will be at the Beltway Plaza Shopping Center, Greenbelt Road on Wed., Jan. 29, from 10 - 11 a.m.

Reynolds Metals Company will pay 15c per pound — cash on the spot - for aluminum cans, foil, pie plates, etc. All-aluminum cans are easily identified by placing a magnet along the tops and sides. If the magnet fails to stick, then it is aluminum

Pat-Ern Ceramics





FINANCIAL REPORT **JANUARY 13, 1975**

BEGINNING BALANCE AS OF FEBRUARY 26, 1974 \$2,959.33

COME:		
Carnival Rides		
Booth Deposits		
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Adults \$2.25

Fri. 7:30 & 9:40

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CHARLESTOWNE VILLAGE 2 BR CAC End twnhse, two 1/2

starter! 4 BR's, one full and 2 half baths. FHA/VA \$20,000.

baths CAC, rec. room in bsmt. Fenced yard and off street parking. FHA/VA terms. \$40,500

with many fine and very new appliances. NEW Fixtures remodeled kit. BIG yard with woods in back. Beautiful patio

AND AT THE OTHER END! We have another 2 BR home with fine appliances, woods in back plus other extras. \$15,900

END 2 BR twnhse with remodeled bath, paneled din. area. A/C, Carpet and shed. Lge.

brick rambler with fabulous rec. room that has polynesian atmosphere. All furniture stays with rec. room, \$65,950

END 3 BR masonry with country style kitchen. Close to library. Enclosed porch, washer,

Playground Surfaces

Maintenance of the ground the playground area present number of problems. Ideally, G said, there should be at ev playground under the equipm some type of shock absorbing terial such as sand or some of mulch, since in any playgro it is impossible to maintain gr in the high use areas, un swings, at slides, etc. But it difficult to keep the loose mate

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