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Council and Citizens Scrutinize 82-83 Budget

by Leta Mach

Following procedures of past years, the Greenbelt City Council and city staff reviewed the proposed 1982-83 city budget page by page for an audience of interested citizens on May 24. The page-by-page review proceeded smoothly with the major hitch coming for an item not found on any page — the fate of North End School. (See separate story.)

Council is expected to adopt the budget at a special meeting on Tuesday, June 8.

City Manager James Giese began his presentation with an impressive slide show of charts and graphs. The slides provided dramatic illustration of the effect of inflation upon the city budget. A comparison of housing units and population revealed that the average household size has decreased to 2.17 members. "This means to a great extent that Greenbelt has lost its children," Giese explained.

In his budget overview, Giese characterized the proposed budget as "hold the line with some exceptions. The significant areas of increase are public safety, public works and social services," he added. The budget calls for a 13.6% increase in expenditures. On the other hand, a 25% increase in assessed valuation of property within the city is expected, primarily from commercial construction and the annexation of Maryland Trade Center. Therefore, Giese has recommended a decrease of \$.03 in the property tax rate which would make the rate \$1.03 per \$100 of assessed valuation, if council approves.

The account-by-account perusal of the proposed budget began with the General Government Account which pays salaries, advertisements, office equipment and supplies and municipal building maintenance. There are no major changes in the account. Municipal

building and election expenses should be reduced. Increases are expected for telephone fees in connection with computer hook-ups and reprinting of the city code. The budget proposes setting aside \$5,000 as a start for funding the 50th anniversary celebrations of the birth of Greenbelt. Councilman Richard Pilski suggested the amount be \$2,500 because he believes area businesses may contribute when 1987 is nearer.

The next account to be scrutinized was public safety. Increases in this budget include two more patrolmen and one police cadet. The police cadet would be trained in a two-year program to be instituted. While not a sworn police officer and not carrying a weapon, the cadet would provide assistance in park patrol, foot patrol, records and communications and aide to other officers.

Police Chief William Lane said, "I think it would be a good program for us to be involved in." Mayor Richard Castaldi described the benefits of the program as training and recruiting future police officers. At this point, Park and Recreation Advisory Board (PRAB) Chairman Wayne Spong read from PRAB report 4-82 recommending, "Expanded park patrol services including no decrease in patrol scheduling and preferably an increase in manpower." PRAB members present expressed their concern that using the police cadet for park patrol might result in a reduction of coverage. While admitting that the two programs might be incompatible, Giese assured PRAB that, "We don't intend to reduce park coverage." However, at the same time, he expressed reluctance to increase park patrols at the expense of residential areas where more serious crimes occur.

Pilski stated that because of the additional police officers, he would not support the cadet program at this time. He also questioned the necessity of buying three new po-

lice cars wondering whether the city had fallen into the pattern of automatically replacing three cars. He requested city staff provide figures on the number of vehicles in the fleet and their mileages for council's work session on the budget. Council member Ed Putens commented that he wouldn't want to see the new officers using roller skates. To which Pilski humorously replied, "I'm quite sure I'll not vote for roller skates within this budget."

One area of the public safety account — animal control — will remain much the same. North End resident Steve Polaschik stated that he felt animal control was a problem. "There are too many animals running loose," he said. The animal warden is a part-time position. Giese explained, "We've had difficulty getting someone to hold the position."

"This is one of my favorite departments," said Pilski of the next account considered — public works. He recommended the de-

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CO-OP ANNUAL MEETING

The 1982 Annual Meeting for members of the Greenbelt Co-op will be held this Saturday, June 5, at the National 4-H Center, 7100 Connecticut Avenue, Chevy Chase. The meeting includes a variety of workshops, elections, a business meeting and a member luncheon (at a nominal cost). Registration begins at 9:30 a.m. Tickets for the lunch may be purchased at the door, but members are asked, if possible, to call 953-2770 (membership department) if they plan to attend.

Statement of City Manager Relating to Tax Rate Levy

The City Council tentatively agreed to adopt a tax rate of \$1.06 at its work session of June 1, 1982. This was 3c above the tax rate which I proposed in the initial budget. I had recommended the additional tax rate in order to fund expenditures resulting from the now anticipated acquisition of the North End School. The \$1.06 tax rate exceeds the state certified constant yield tax rate of \$1.03. The constant yield rate is the tax rate certified by the State to yield the same dollar amount of property taxes (excluding new development) as was realized by the City from its tax levy of the previous year.

In order to levy a tax rate in excess of constant yield, a special public hearing must be held. It was believed that this could be done on June 8, 1982. However, in reviewing the requirements of state law for increasing the tax rate above the constant yield tax rate of \$1.03 and the requirements of the City Charter for the adoption of the budget and the levy of taxes, it was found that there was unclear language that raised legal questions as to whether the City could comply with all requirements of the state law and of the City Charter. While it was the opinion of the City Solicitor that the City probably could levy a tax rate of \$1.06 as agreed to by the City Council, there was a risk that the tax levy procedure could be challenged in court and an adverse ruling against the city tax levy obtained.

The levy of taxes is too critical a matter upon which to take risks. Therefore, to assure that the City is in full compliance with all laws, the City Solicitor and I have advised Council not to levy a tax rate greater than \$1.03, the rate originally proposed by me and certified by the State as the constant yield tax rate.

This will necessitate a greater amount of unappropriated surplus being applied to balance the budget. These funds are available, but will reduce somewhat funds available for unforeseen emergencies.

COUNCIL GETS NORTH END SCHOOL QUESTION INTO BUDGET HEARING

by Leta Mach

A major concern surfaced at the City Council public hearing on the proposed 1982-83 budget — concern about the vacant North End School property. The budget as originally proposed made no monetary provision to acquire the property.

Mayor Richard Castaldi assured citizens at the hearing that no money was needed in the budget because the city can acquire the property at virtually no cost. Nevertheless, Councilman Richard Pilski was moved to explore areas in the budget where money could be found for the school. "We hope we get it for nothing," he said, but added, "I am looking to the fact that if we are in a position where we can't get it for nothing, we will be able to make that purchase."

Because North End School was not in the budget, Castaldi originally did not think it could be discussed at the public hearing. Councilman Thomas White responded that the meeting was a "public hearing" and the subject was "appropriate and appropriate at any number of places in the budget." Particularly, he suggested the reserve fund for contingencies or capital improvements.

Councilman Gil Weidenfeld noted that "although there's no recommendation in the City Manager's budget to acquire the school, it doesn't mean that the city is not considering the school."

"Council is 100% in favor," said Councilman Ed Putens. In fact, on May 20, Mayor Castaldi sent a letter to County Executive Lawrence Hogan requesting the transfer of the property to the city. The letter expressed willingness to discuss terms for the transfer. As stated, the city believes "the facility would serve multiple uses of benefit to the City and the County."

At its May 17 meeting Council had unanimously supported the transfer. Council also expressed opposition to County draft legislation to amend the County zoning ordinance to grant special exceptions for surplus school properties. In a letter to Kenneth Duncan, County Administrative Officer, Castaldi noted that school properties have historically served many purposes — community cen-

ters, recreational centers, and open space areas. "The fact that the facilities are not required for educational purposes today does not necessarily mitigate the need for the facilities for the other purposes," Castaldi noted.

At the public hearing, Castaldi reported that he had since talked to Duncan and to Phil Schwartz. The city is on record in requesting the school. "It should come to us free and clear, except for transfer fees," he said. North End resident Bobbie McCarthy expressed her concerns, "I'm concerned that the County would dispose of it in some way that would decrease our livability and deny our use of it." Castaldi again assured people that under the surplus property law, the city was not responsible for the indebtedness on the property.

Early on Pilski read a statement: "Tonight I find myself in a position that is not true to my original nature, or with the identification that many people view me in the City of Greenbelt." Feeling that the city must obtain the property, Pilski said, "We have to be sure that we can protect it by making the purchase of it." Therefore, he recommended against the \$.03 tax reduction. He also suggested looking for green space funds and using WSSC easement money for the property. "If we find we get it for nothing, it will have enabled us to See NORTH END, page 5, col. 3

City Plans Activities For Greenbelt Day

Sunday, June 6 will mark the 45th anniversary of Greenbelt's founding. Mayor Richard Castaldi and members of City Council will present Anniversary Day remarks preceding the annual performance by the Greenbelt Concert Band in the Center Mall adjacent to the mother and child statue at 2 p.m.

The first Sunday in June is officially recognized as Greenbelt Day, a day to commemorate the city's past, celebrate its present and look towards its future. Traditionally, the entire weekend is celebrated with a schedule of special observances, recreational activities and community events.

A full calendar of events appears in this week's issue of the NEWS REVIEW. Citizens can choose a variety of attractions to provide for their weekend enjoyment. Some of the highlights of the Greenbelt Day Weekend to be held June 4, 5 and 6 are as follows. The municipal pool will be open for recreational swimming, special pool events and a Saturday night moonlight swim party, city ballfields will be hosting baseball competition and co-ed softball tournaments. On Saturday, June 5, the Greenbelt Library's Tugwell Room will be open from 2 to 4 p.m. for residents to view the many historical and contemporary mementos on display. There will be special contests for all ages throughout the weekend including golf, tennis and table game tournaments.

The Greenbelt Fire Department and Ladies Auxiliary are holding a fund-raising Las Vegas Nite program and Green Ridge House residents will celebrate the housing's third anniversary.

—James K. Giese
City Manager

NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING

Adoption of Fiscal Year 1982/83 Budgets

THE GREENBELT CITY COUNCIL HAS SCHEDULED A
SPECIAL MEETING

FOR

TUESDAY, JUNE 8, 1982 AT 8:00 P.M.

TO CONSIDER AND ADOPT THE FISCAL YEAR 1982/83 BUDGETS FOR THE GENERAL FUND, REVENUE SHARING FUND, REPLACEMENT FUND, MOTOR EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE FUND, AND UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION RESERVE FUND; TO ADOPT AN ORDINANCE MAKING APPROPRIATIONS IN EACH OF THESE FUNDS; AND TO LEVY TAXES AGAINST REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY FOR FISCAL YEAR 1982/83.

COPIES OF THE BUDGET DOCUMENT ARE AVAILABLE AT THE CITY OFFICES AND WILL BE AVAILABLE AT THE SPECIAL MEETING, WHICH WILL BE HELD AT THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 25 CRESCENT ROAD, GREENBELT, MARYLAND.

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Woodland Hills Picnic

On Sunday, June 6, at 1 p.m. members of the Woodland Hills Community Assn. are holding their annual picnic and election of officers in Parcel "A". Since this is the 25th Anniversary, the Association extends to all former homeowners an invitation to join them for food, drink and conversation. A salad or dessert for the common table would be appreciated. Rain date will be the following Sunday, June 13.

Fire Dept., F.O.P. to Hold Las Vegas Nite Saturday

The Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department and the Greenbelt Fraternal Order of Police No. 32 are sponsoring a LAS VEGAS NITE at the Greenbelt Fire House on Saturday, June 5, from 7 p.m. to 1 a.m.

People must be 18 years of age or older to attend. Beer and mixed drinks will be on sale. Tickets may be purchased at the door.

Slow-Pitch Softball Organized for Youth

The Greenbelt Recreation Department is seeking interested boys and girls who would like to participate in a summer youth slow-pitch softball program. This sports activity is now being organized in conjunction with the Maryland-National Capital Park Association and sanctioned by the U.S.S.S.A. Players are needed in the following categories and will participate only if sufficient registrants are received to form a team in that level of competition: Boys - 13 thru 18 years; Girls - 13 through 18 years.

League rosters are limited to 20 players on a first come, first served basis.

Register at the Youth Center or call the Recreation Department Business Office weekdays 9 - 5, 474-6878 for additional information. Deadline is Friday, June 4.

Interested coaches and assistants are also welcome to join in this program.

Jaycees 4th Gong Show

The Greenbelt Jaycees will present its fourth annual gong show, Saturday, June 5, 8 p.m. at Eleanor Roosevelt High School. The Jaycees' event will be a fund-raiser for the Eleanor Roosevelt High Orchestra, and the Greenbelt Cultural Arts Center. As has been the case before, the evening promises to be a pot-pouri of music and comedy, dance and other forms of entertainment. It will also be an evening for door prizes as the Jaycees have met with area businesses to support this venture with door prize donations. In past years door prizes have included a membership in the Holiday Spa and free dinners at local restaurants.

Performances will be limited to three minutes. It must be emphasized that the performances are not tantamount to being measurements of talent. Rather, it is an opportunity to participate in an enjoyable, light-hearted, fund-raising event for community service oriented organizations.

The judges for the show will be Congressman Steny Hoyer, Joe Zangar, broadcaster of WASH Radio and the Vice-President of Litton Industries.

Rosebuds to Play Ragtime

The "Rosebud Ragtime Ensemble" will play the zestful classical rags of Scott Joplin and other music of the early 1900's when it performs at the Utopia Theatre on Friday and Saturday, June 11 and 12 at 8 p.m.

The "Rosebud Ragtime Ensemble," which uses the authentic style of a small salon orchestra of the 1900's, will bring its audience such toe-tapping Scott Joplin favorites as "The Entertainer," "The Rosebud March," and "The Sunflower Slow Drag."

The band, first formed in Greenbelt in 1976, ranges in instruments from tuba to piccolo. The term "Rosebud" in the title refers to the cafe in St. Louis where early ragtime pianists met at the turn of the century.

Seven musicians currently perform in the "Rosebud Ragtime Ensemble": former Greenbelter Tom Pacl plays piano and is the leader and founder; Marcy Jacobs, flute/piccolo; Joe Stevick, clarinet; Bruce Weaver, trumpet; Jack Gurin, violin and trombone; Bob Resnik, drums; and Don Dehart, tuba.

Runs Around Lake On Greenbelt Day

The ninth annual Greenbelt Day runs will be held on Sunday, June 6, around Greenbelt Lake. There will be a one-lap run starting at 9:30 a.m. followed by a 2-lap race around the lake. No particular speed is needed. In addition there will be a racewalk for one lap. All contestants will receive an award. There is a small fee. Races start at the Refreshment Stand.

The races are sponsored by the Greenbelt Running Club, the Greenbelt Recreation Department and the Bowman's Gunners Mate Refreshment Stand. Greenbelt Lake is 1 and 1/4 miles and 55 yards around following the path.

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Unightly Utility Pole

To the Editor:

We would like to bring to your attention an aspect of the heat and hot water conversion which we find most disturbing. The new heavy-up utility pole for our brick row was not installed in the same location as the old utility pole, next to the downspout that divides our unit from our neighbors'. Instead, this pole has been placed alongside our service side porch between our door and our kitchen window. This un-sightly placement detracts from the appearance of both our unit and the entire court. We have been informed by management that the current plans for rehab call for some 30-40 other units to be similarly affected.

We, along with others, have complained to GHIDC. We feel this placement goes against all efforts to improve the outward appearance of our homes. The Staff Architect is working on a proposal to have the new utility poles placed where the old ones had been. As far as we know, no decision has been made.

We suggest that any GHI member whose unit is above the entrance to the boiler plant, and whose row has not been heaved-up in recent years, contact the Rehab Office through the Rehab Hotline to express his concern.

Leo and Peggy Hool

Golden Age Club

by Blanche E. Lee

A trip is planned for June 30 to the Ladew Topiary Gardens at Monkton, Maryland. The gardens were developed by the late Harvey S. Ladew in 1929 and have been called the most outstanding Topiary Gardens in America. Lunch will be served in the Topiary studio dining room. A tour of the 27 gardens will be available. For more details and cost of the trip call Zelpha Parsons, 345-3904.

A few reservations remain for the June 9 trip to London Town and tour, with lunch at Steamboat Landing.

Monday June 7 will be the opening date at the city's Municipal Swimming Pool for Senior Citizens, and continued each Monday throughout the summer. The time is 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., with pot luck lunch (fingerfood) at 12 noon. Bring your own cup. Drinks will be provided by the Co-op. For more details call Gertrude Law, 345-9622.

Senator Conroy

To the Editor:

Throughout his distinguished political career, Senator Ed Conroy had a deep concern for all persons. He was particularly sensitive to the needs of the most vulnerable in a society which too often values things above people. The pre-born, the handicapped, and the elderly have lost a true friend. All of us have lost a dedicated and able public servant. One consolation, though, is that truly good works possess an ongoing life of their own.

Joseph Costa

Martha Green Ray

One of the original residents of Green Ridge House, Martha Green Ray, died on May 28. A native of Charleston, S.C., where she was born in 1910, she had worked in the New York garment industry for more than 20 years until her retirement in 1972.

Active in Green Ridge House affairs, she served on the library and refreshment committees and as floor representative, as well as being a member of the board of the Green Ridge House Residents Association. She had been affiliated with the Mowatt United Methodist Church in Greenbelt since 1979.

She is survived by two sons—Nathaniel of New York City and William, Jr. of Lanham, and by three grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

Justin M. Foerter

Justin Michael Foerter, 2½ months old, died suddenly on May 22. He was the victim of the sudden death syndrome. He is survived by his parents, Deborah and Thomas Foerter of Ridge Road.

Bon Voyage Concert

The Eleanor Roosevelt Symphony Orchestra will give its Bon Voyage Concert Monday night, June 7, at 8 p.m. They will be participating in the Vienna International Music Festival in July. Tickets for the concert can be purchased at the door or from any orchestra student. The Orchestra will play movements from the New World Symphony by Dvorak, Schubert's Unfinished Symphony, Candide by Bernstein, and the first movement of the Mendelssohn Violin Concerto, featuring Erika Walczak as soloist.

THANKS

To the Editor:

Each year Misses Poppy are elected in the Greenbelt Unit #136, American Legion Auxiliary, Junior Group. They serve throughout the year as hostesses at many functions and generally promoting the small hand made red crepe-paper Poppy.

Seven year old Stefanie Lynn is the Jr. Miss Poppy and 16 year old Tina Fisher is the Sr. Miss Poppy for the year 1981-1982.

To help the girls to understand the poppy and its importance to the Veteran, we traveled to Baltimore to the Federal Building to see poppies being made. Both girls experienced first hand that making poppies is not easy!! Each poppy they put in the finished stack was "fixed" by one of the veterans.

At the first Greenbelt City Council meeting in May, our Misses Poppy were presented a Proclamation from the Mayor proclaiming May Poppy Month. In exchange for this the girls presented Mayor Castaldi with the first poppy of the drive.

All during this month both girls have worked very hard to distribute poppies and to explain in their words the Poppy Story to anyone who would listen. We thank those of you who took the time to listen to our Misses Poppy. We also thank those of you who "wore a poppy and honored our Veteran"!!!

As always we extend THANKS to the Greenbelt City Council, the city clerk, and especially the GREENBELT NEWS REVIEW who always supports our programs and our Auxiliary!!! WE THANK YOU

Sandi Willoughby
Junior Activities Chairman

To the Editor:

Since a sufficient amount of time has elapsed for me to analyze the results of last week's GHI election and lick my wounds a bit, I wish now to thank all those people who supported me in my run for the Audit Committee. Though no longer unbeaten, I remain unbowed, and will continue working actively in our community. For me, this election was a lesson in participation democracy, and I promise to work yet harder in the next election in which I am a candidate.

To those who were victorious, I wish to collectively and individually congratulate the winners for a job well done—it was a clean and fair contest. I offer my moral and substantive support to all Board and Audit Committee members, and they may feel free to call on me for whatever help they think I can provide.

Harold B. "Harry" Baldauf

To the Editor:

I would like to thank the concerned members who attended the annual meeting and voted. Your support is both needed and appreciated. I would especially like to thank the voters who supported the incumbents. These people realized the time and effort that we expended during the past two years to bring about the many needed changes and improvements in our cooperative. It is unfortunate that so much is determined by so few in GHI.

John Lewis

To the Editor:

I would like to thank all of the members of GHI who came out to vote for the Audit Committee and the Board of Directors candidates and who thereby demonstrated that at least part of our membership take an active interest in our cooperative's future.

I would also urge that the entire GHI membership fully support our Management and our new Board of Directors in their efforts to conclude rehabilitation successfully in both financial and in human terms. They will need it.

Finally, I would also like to express my gratitude to the members of the various committees that I have chaired and served on over the past four years. Your contributions have made and will continue to make significant changes in the direction of GHI.

S. A. Curtis

To the Editor:

Last week 245 of us indicated that my voice should be heard on the GHI board. Another 229 said that it should not. That doesn't upset me. What upsets me is that 1097 members that either could not or chose not to participate in our last election.

The new board must take affirmative action to insure increased participation in these matters which touch our lives so directly.

As for me, I will continue to advance the same positions so as to make sure that the convenience of a few is not financed at the expense of the many.

Thank you for your support and confidence.

Joe Jenkins

Rental Restrictions Lifted on 6 Units At 9 Parkway

The owners of the Greenbelt Plaza Apartments have received written notice that the rental restrictions placed on the building at 9 Parkway have been lifted. A letter from Charles L. Kuhn, Inspectors' Supervisor, Department of Licenses and Permits (DLP) of Prince Georges County, dated May 17, says in part, an inspection of the building "reveals you have partially complied with the terms of the . . . Violation Notice." The restrictions came as a result of tenant complaints following a fire on January 31 which seriously damaged the apartments in the building of 11 Parkway. An inspection of the four building complex by DLP in response to those complaints had turned up a variety of code violations.

The building at 11 Parkway must remain vacant, Kuhn continued, "until an inspection is made and until written acceptance of the units as fit for human habitation is received from the Building Official." Work is continuing on the building.

GHI NOTES

GHI meetings for next week begin with the regular pre-conversion meeting on June 7 from 5 to 6:30 p.m. in the GHI Board Room. The monthly post-conversion meeting will be held on June 9 at 8 p.m. in the Board Room. This meeting will feature a PEP-CO speaker.

The Aesthetics and Environment Committee will also meet on June 9 at 8 p.m. in the GHI lunch room.

On June 10 at 8 p.m., the new GHI Board will convene in the Board Room.

Rehabilitation work is continuing. Vinyl siding work is finishing on Plateau Place. Please note the revised window replacement schedule in this paper. Also, members are encouraged to call the rehab hotline (474-6644) for up-to-date schedules.

Henry Jacobs has joined GHIDC as a plumbing inspector. Previously, he was in business for himself.

Members who are planning a yard sale should check parking restrictions and city rights-of-way. Some locations are not desirable for yard sales.

John Rowland has joined the GHI staff as a utility person. He has lived in Greenbelt all his life and previously worked at the fire station.

Dear GHI Members:

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partment be increased by two people stating that the department had had no increases in years although its work has increased. Polaschik expressed his agreement. Ernest Varda, Boys and Girls Club President, also agreed saying that the department has always helped out the club.

The city refuse rate has been raised to cover increases in operations from such items as Prince Georges County landfill tipping fees, insurance and equipment. During the coming year, the department will re-evaluate the city recycling program. Giese feels that costs of the program exceed the revenue because newspapers cause considerable wear and tear on the equipment. Castaldi wondered, "Is the savings substantial considering the environmental impact." Pilski requested figures on making a quarterly surcharge to cover the recycling program.

The next account considered was social services or Greenbelt CARES. A major change would make one part-time position into a full-time position.

Recreation

The Recreation and Parks account was also considered. Spong again cited the PRAB report and its call for city bike trail development, parkland acquisition especially in the North End and Windsor Green and athletic field lighting. However, no major changes are anticipated. Swimming pool work—resurfacing the diving well if required and installing steps to aid the elderly and handicapped—is provided in the budget. The requests of other recreational groups, organizations and clubs were reviewed. Spong read PRAB's report on the subject. He commended all the city volunteers who helped in these programs. "They do a tremendous service for youth," he said. Earlier Bobbie McCarthy had appeared before council to ask that these volunteers "receive fiscal and emotional support from council." She was concerned because she had heard feedback that volunteers needed to do more. "It's far fewer people than we'd like to admit," she said.

Other pages of the budget document were also reviewed carefully. "The preparation of the budget is one of the more important things that happens in Greenbelt," said Councilman Thomas White, pleased that "We're getting more people every year." Pilski concluded, "The city is in good, sound financial condition; we're proud of it."

"Rick" Barber, GRI, CRS

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Police Blotter

As a result of receiving a call from an alert neighbor, Cpl. O'Neil apprehended two 16 year old male residents, inside a home in the 73 Court of Ridge Road that they had broken into. After investigation, a third male resident juvenile was also charged. Officers recovered property from previous breaking and enterings in the North End and University Square. With these arrests several breaking and entering cases will be closed, as well as two stolen auto cases.

An inaccurate story was apparently given to the PG Journal concerning the theft of gas pumps from the Co-op Service Station.

The officers report that during routine patrol on May 21, shortly after midnight, they observed a person on the Co-op lot who stated that he was removing the gas pumps in order to repair an impact valve, which is a common practice. The person identified himself and the officers resumed patrol.

A short time later the manager of the station called the Greenbelt Police Department to report the gas pumps stolen. The police officers informed the Co-op officials of the name of the person whom they had previously encountered. The officials advised that this subject was from Tri-State Petroleum, and that he was doing remodeling work on the pump islands. Also they had just stopped payment on a check to the individual because they were not satisfied with his work. It was speculated that he seized the pumps due to this action of non-payment.

After determining that the matter was criminal and not civil, the officers obtained a warrant for the person, who resides outside the city limits. The warrant was forwarded to the Sheriff's Department for service.

Girl Scouts Fly Up

Greenbelt's Girl Scouts attended a fly-up ceremony on May 25, along with other area Girl Scouts. Brownies flying up to Juniors from troop 1601 (Springhill Lake) were: Heather Dade, Jennifer Dikes, Darlene Aaron, Sonja Peterson, Robin Wilcox, Rachel Reidy, Mary Hafferan, Vasudha Ragnathan and Amy Barber. Amy Abbott, Laura Shields and Laurel Berg flew up to Juniors from Brownie troop 1132. Three Juniors from troop 95, Tiffany Kidd, Debbie Goldberg and Laura Sheets, flew up to Cadettes.

Folk Dancing Class At SHL Rec. Center

The Community Services Office of Prince Georges Community College will offer International Folk Dancing, an eight-session course, on Wednesdays, June 9 - July 28, from 8:30 to 10 p.m., at the Greenbelt Rec. Center at SHL (6101 Cherrywood Lane).

This course offers a mixture of international folk dances: lines, circles, individual and couples. No partners or prior dancing experience are needed. There is a fee. For further information, call the College at 322-0875.

Bloodmobile

The Red Cross Bloodmobile will be in front of the Safeway, Greenway Shopping Center on Friday, June 11, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Please call 559-8500, x52 to confirm.

LAS VEGAS NIGHT

June 5th, 1982

7:00 pm to 1:00 am

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45TH ANNIVERSARY GREENBELT DAY WEEKEND SCHEDULE 1937 - 1982



Sunday, June 6th will mark the 45th anniversary of Greenbelt's founding. Mayor Richard Castaldi and members of City Council will present Anniversary Day remarks preceding the annual performance by the Greenbelt Concert Band in the Center Mall adjacent to the Mother and Child Statue at 2 p.m.

The first Sunday in June is officially recognized as Greenbelt Day. A day to commemorate the city's past, celebrate its present and look towards its future. Traditionally, the entire weekend is celebrated with a schedule of special observances, recreational activities and community events.

Citizens can choose a variety of attractions to provide for their entertainment. The full schedule is as follows:

FRIDAY, JUNE 4th

- 8 am - 11 pm City Tennis Courts are open for recreational play at Braden Field (lighted) and Lakecrest Courts (closed at dark). Please sign-in on court registration boards.
- 9 am - 5 pm Recreation Department Business Office open. Schedules posted with full details of weekend and Summer activity schedules.
- 1 pm - 8:15 pm Municipal Swimming Pool open for recreational swimming for all ages. Buy a season pass and save.
- 3 pm - 11 pm Youth Center and Springhill Lake Recreation Center open for Drop-In, Lounge and Gym activities.
- 6 pm Greenbelt Little League Baseball Game on McDonald Field, spectators welcome. Lions vs A's.
- 6 pm - 8:15 pm Greenbelt Co-ed Softball Games. Five games scheduled in mixed men's and women's team competition on Northway Fields #1 and #2 and Braden Field #2. Spectators welcome.
- 8:30 - 10:30 pm Moon Light Swim Party - Municipal Swimming Pool. Singles, Families and groups invited to attend. Fees as follows:

18 years & over	—	\$1.00
6-17 years of age	—	.50
6 years & under	—	FREE (with adult)
Senior Citizens (62 & over)	—	FREE

SATURDAY JUNE 5th

- 8 am - 11 pm Tennis Courts open for recreational play as posted.
- 10 am - 7 pm Tennis Tournament Finals - Braden Field Courts #'s 1 thru 4. GTA/Recreation Department Greenbelt Day Tournament. Pre-registration required. Spectators welcome.
- 9 am - 11 pm Youth Center and Springhill Lake Recreation Center open for Drop-In. Facilities available for ping pong, billiards, table games, basketball, Weight Lifting Club Members and socializing.
- 9 am - 5 pm Greenbelt Day Co-Recreational Softball Tournament - National Berth Open - Men's and Women's Mixed Competition. Pre-registration required. Games on Braden Field #2 and Northway Fields. Spectators welcome.
- 10 am - 2 pm Greenbelt Little League Baseball Games - McDonald Field. Spectators welcome. Cubs vs. Cardinals at 10 am and Orioles vs A's at noon.

Charter Bus to UN

The charter bus sponsored by the Greenbelt Peace Committee to the June 12 New York City March and Rally to support the Second United Nations Special Session on Disarmament still has a few seats available. Participants in the demonstration will include delegations from the Japanese cooperative movement, the European Peace Movement, and over 300 peace, labor, religious, third world, environmental, and women's organizations in this country.

In order to arrive in time for the 11 a.m. march in New York, departure time and place from Greenbelt has been changed from that previously announced to 6:30 a.m. on June 12 at the Greenbelt Armory. Parking is available. For information on bus tickets and reservations, call Esther Webb at 474-6890. Space is limited, so inquiries should be made immediately.

CITY NOTES

The general crew replaced base on Woodland Way this week. A security light was installed on Braden Field and other lights in various areas of the city were repaired. A therapeutic ladder was installed in the Municipal Pool. Work continued this week on the enlargement of the mechanic's bay.

The parks crew cut grass in playgrounds and along roadsides. Maintenance was done on the ballfields and golf course. Members of the crew had the leaf vacuum and chipper out two days this week.

The special trash crew is running approximately 1-10 days behind schedule because of the large number of special trash requests still being received.

The parks crew transported a large tent from the Park and Planning Commission Facility in Upper Marlboro to the American Legion Post No. 136. The tent was

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have approximately \$100,000 in a land acquisition fund that we haven't had in the past," he concluded.

Later in the evening, White requested that city officials prepare estimates of money needed to maintain, modify and staff the property. Castaldi also asked for such information, thinking there would be engineering costs.

City Manager James Giese noted that leaving the tax rate at \$1.06 per \$100 of assessed valuation rather than reducing the rate by \$.03 would mean that the rate would be above the City's constant yield tax rate. To go beyond the constant yield tax rate would require another public hearing. Such a hearing could be squeezed in before the city deadline of June 10 for budget adoption.

used for a benefit dinner for the Eleanor Roosevelt Symphony Orchestra last Sunday.



**WINDOW REPLACEMENT
REVISED TENTATIVE SCHEDULE**

Window replacement work for brick, block, frame with slate roof and freestanding prefab homes has begun although delays have been experienced during work on the test units. Please check the revised schedule below. Many such revisions may occur as the program starts. In most cases work will involve two days — one day to measure windows and, about one week later, one day to install windows. One week before measurement, members will be notified of projected dates for measurement and installation. Members will also receive day-before door-hanger notices. Remember that window replacement is extremely weather dependent. The tentative schedule for window replacement is as follows:

LOCATION	MEASURE	INSTALL
5 Crescent A-B	May 20	June 2
3 Crescent A-D	May 20	June 2
3 Crescent E-H	May 20	June 2
4-Ridge A-D	May 21	June 2
1 Ridge A-D	May 24	June 3
3 Ridge A-D	May 25	June 4
3 Ridge E-H	May 26	June 7
6 Ridge G-J	May 27	June 9
6 Ridge K-M	May 28	June 10
6 Ridge N-R	June 1	June 11
6 Ridge A-B, S-T	June 2	June 14
2 Crescent A-D	June 3	June 15
7 Crescent A-D	June 4	June 16

GREENBELT DAY SCHEDULE Continued

- 11 am Boys' Club Baseball Game - Braden Field #1. Spectators welcome.
Green Meadows vs Greenbelt 14 year olds.
- 12 n - 3 pm Table Game Tournaments at both Recreation Centers. Register a half hour prior to your age group's starting time. Activity free - awards to winners at Youth Center and Springhill Lake Recreation Center.
- PING PONG BILLIARDS CHESS CHECKERS
- 12 n 13-15 yrs. 13-15 yrs. 14 & Under 14 & Under
- 2 pm 16 & Over 16 & Over 15 & Over 15 & Over
- 1 pm - 8:15 pm Municipal Swimming Pool open. Buy a season pass and save.
- 1:30 - 3:30 pm Disc Golf Tournament - Center Elementary School Playground (rain location, Youth Center Gym). Played like golf using a frisbee or flying disc (provided). Course will be set up with nine throwing positions to central target. One point is counted each time the disc is thrown. The object is to acquire the lowest score. Trophies provided to first place winners in each age group. Register one half hour prior to each age category start. Free.
- 1:30 pm 8-12 years
- 2:30 pm 13-15 years
- 3:30 pm 16 & Over
- 2 pm - 4 pm Greenbelt Library - Tugwell Room. Open to the public during this two hour period for viewing of the many historical and contemporary mementos, official papers, original plans, photographs and many other treasures of Greenbelt's 45 year development. A special feature includes a display of some of the original furniture residents furnished their homes with in 1937. Coordinator: Betty Allen.
- 7 pm - 1 am Las Vegas Nite - Greenbelt Fire Department, 125 Crescent Road. Fund raising project sponsored by the Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department and Greenbelt Fraternal Order of Police. Games and fun for those 18 years of age and over only. Refreshments on sale. Donation at door - \$1.00.
- 8 pm Jaycees Fourth Annual Gong Show - Eleanor Roosevelt Senior High School Variety entertainment to benefit Roosevelt's Band and the Cultural Arts Center. Donations accepted. Door prizes will be given.
- 8:30 - 10:30 pm Teen Splash Party - Municipal Swimming Pool. Music, special contests, coin toss, etc. for those 13 years of age and over. Admission at the door - \$2.00.

SUNDAY, JUNE 6th - GREENBELT DAY

- 8 am - 11 pm City Tennis Courts are open for recreational play as posted.
- 10 am - 5 pm Championship Matches - Braden Fields courts 1 thru 4. GTA/Recreation Department Greenbelt Day Tournament.
- 8:30 am Greenbelt Day Running Events - Lake Park. Three races with registration held at the Gunner's Mate Lake Park Concession Stand one-half hour prior to the start of each event. Awards will be provided, nominal entry fee. Coordinated by Larry Noel, Greenbelt Running Club, 474-9362.
- 9 am - Race #1 - One (1) lap around Lake Trail (1 1/4 mi.)
- 9:30 am - Race #2 - Two (2) laps around Lake Trail (2 1/2 mi.)
- 10 am - Race #3 - Walking Race - One (1) lap. Seniors welcome.
- 9 am - 4 pm Greenbelt Day Co-Recreational Softball Tournament continues. Championship rounds, men's and women's mixed competition. Braden Field and Northway Fields. Spectators welcome.
- 10 am Greenbelt Day Pitch and Putt Golf Tournament - City Golf Course adjacent to Springhill Lake Recreation Center at the end of Cherrywood Lane and Springhill Drive. One (1) hole competition. Awards to winners in each age category (male and female).
- 10 am - 17 and Under
- 10:30 am - 62 years and Under
- 11 am - Seniors 62 and Over
- 1 pm Performing Arts Presentation - "Betty Quigley's Studio of Dance", Center Mall at Mother and Child Statue. Rain location: Utopia Theater.
- 1 pm - 8:15 pm Municipal Swimming Pool open for recreational swimming for all ages. Buy a season pass and save.
- 1:45 pm Greenbelt Day Anniversary Ceremony and Concert Program - Center Mall at Mother and Child Statue. Rain location: Utopia Theater. The Mayor and Council of the City of Greenbelt invite you to attend a pre-concert program honoring the 45th Anniversary of the City of Greenbelt. Immediately following, the Greenbelt Concert Band of Prince George's County will perform their Annual Greenbelt Day Concert, in the Center Mall. The Band is under the direction of Mr. John DelHomme. Master of Ceremonies is Stephen Polaschik. Come join us — whether you spectate or participate, we hope you enjoy the weekend!!!!



**GREENBELT
RECREATION
DEPARTMENT
CAMP PINE TREE
- 17th SEASON**



ARCHERY - CRAFTS - DRAMA - PHYSICAL FITNESS
SWIMMING - TENNIS - TRAMPOLINE - SPECIAL EVENTS
FIELD TRIPS

- LOCATION: Greenbelt Youth Center. Transportation provided within city limits, \$6.00 per child per session.
- AGE: Offered to 6-12 year olds, a fun and skill program of outdoor and special activities.
- OPERATION: Weekdays, 9 am - 3:30 pm for four 2-week sessions beginning June 21 thru August 13.
- STAFF: Full-Time Camp Manager, Counsellors and Specialists to provide for your youngster's individual needs.
- FEE: Resident \$70.00 per 2-week session
Non-Resident \$90.00 per 2-week session
- SPECIAL EVENT: Trip to Kings Dominion on Maryland Recreation and Parks Day, Wednesday, July 21st. Provisions have been made for the Campers to take advantage of this fun filled day. Cost, including bus transportation and entrance to the park is only seven dollars (\$7.00).

For further information and application, contact the Greenbelt Recreation Department, 474-6878.

Peaceful GHI Membership Meeting Precedes Election Turn-Around, Newcomers Elected

by Mary Lou Williamson

In electing representatives to the governing bodies of Greenbelt Homes, Inc., the membership on May 25-26 gave its greatest support to three independent candidates running for their first elective office in GHI. At the membership meeting, which was the most orderly and amicable in recent years, members voted for separate water meters for frame homes and to restrict the voting for board and Audit Committee members to the second day of the two-day annual meeting and election.

Election

Independent candidate Janet Cantwell, with 320 votes, topped the field of candidates by a wide margin — 59 votes. The spread of the next four candidates' tallies was only 16 votes. Mark Domrowski and John Lewis won seats at the Board of Directors table with 261 and 251. Steve Curtis and Joe Jenkins tied for the remaining seat. After a check with the bylaws, Steve Polaschik, chairman of the Nominations and Elections Committee, announced that the seat would be won or lost by a draw. Before a hushed audience, Jenkins drew the slip of paper that read, "Congratulations." Curtis drew "Regrets."

Winners of the three slots on the Audit Committee were independent Debbie Hartwick with 292 votes, Steve Miller, 261, and incumbent Katherine Keene, 251.

President's Report

President James W. Smith put GHI's rehab program in focus by quoting a *Washington Post* headline, "Condominium Dilemma; Costly Repairs May Force Foreclosures." Across the country, Smith said, housing associations cannot borrow funds needed for major repairs. Some have been unwilling to set charges high enough to cover required maintenance.

"To date," Smith told his audience "the face value of GHI's rehab contracts is about \$10.5 million — the largest, most comprehensive rehab program ever undertaken in the U.S."

"We have had a few problems," Smith acknowledged. "We regret that some of these have seriously affected the member through actual damage or through inconvenience." GHI's management team is trying to iron out those problems, he said. "I hope that we can be as sensitive to members as possible," he continued, but cautioned that the load on the staff is heavy. For example, 600 electric heat notices are hand delivered each week; in turn GHI receives 200 written responses per week and 100 or more phone calls per day. Some things would slip through even with more employees, he speculated. (GHI now operates with about 43 employees, down from about 70, two years ago.)

In summing up, he spoke of the tough decisions both board and management have had to make in selecting projects for the rehabilitation program. As a result, he concluded, "some of our dreams have not been fulfilled. We had to pick out the most crucial items—repair, heat, windows and insulation."

A Question

Smith fielded several questions. Will charges go down next year when we will no longer pay GHI for most of our heating costs? asked a woman. While it is too early in the year to discuss budget specifics, Smith responded, in general the answer is no, charges will probably not go down. We will stop paying our oil bill and start repayments to the Coop Bank and to HUD, he explained, one will offset the other. We already can see that taxes will be up by about 15%, trash collection will be up, and some other things. But Smith does not anticipate any increase in monthly charges either. "The increase will be in your electric bill," he concluded. We will still be paying less, over all, than if we had financed the program through a bank or if we had done nothing.

Board member Steve Curtis pointed out to members that the interest paid on the rehab loans will be a deductible item on next year's income tax. During the first years of a long term loan, the payments are almost entirely interest.

Other Reports

GHI spent \$332,000 more for fuel oil in 1981 than it had in 1980, increased its cash assets and its total assets, reported treasurer Frank Gervasi. In response to a member's question, Gervasi said resale financing through John Hanson Savings and Loan has been delayed because of legislation. General Manager Tim Mitter related that the problems have been resolved and the loan funds should be available soon.

Audit Committee Chairman Katherine Keene reported for her committee that "the board had conducted fair meetings and that the use of executive sessions was not abused."

Unanimous Vote

Because there were only five candidates for the five positions on the Nominations and Elections Committee, Chairman Steve Polaschik who was himself not a candidate) said he would entertain a motion to cast a unanimous ballot for the five. The members agreed and so voted. Polaschik commented that this was the first time, in his memory, that GHI members had ever voted unanimously for anything. Those elected were: Stephen Sinden, John Taylor, June Didas, Mary Moien and Cathy Meetre.

Outstanding Employee

Citing that one employee "has totally fulfilled his tasks and continuously seeks more work, (and) . . . his morale continuously increases although situations often warrant just the opposite," the Coordinator of Member Services, Dennis Lewis, was named GHI's outstanding employee for 1982. Lewis performs a wide range of tasks — from new member orientation sessions to photography, from being a clearing house for all GHI informational materials

to consoling irate members. "His ability to control his emotions . . . has greatly aided in the success of the rehab program."

Issues Resolved

Three proposals were put before the membership for their approval. Only one, placing utility lines underground, was turned down. Members voted a procedural change in the election of the board and Audit Committee and followed the lead of frame home owners who wanted separate water meters. (Brick and masonry homes already have their own meters.)

Despite strong arguments that some members will not be willing to come out to the evening membership meeting and then have to return the next day to vote, members approved a bylaw change which will necessitate just that. The two-thirds majority rule for a bylaw change was met with a vote of 120 to 53.

Charles Schwan and June Didas spoke against the amendment. "We do not want to discourage anyone from coming to this meeting," Schwan stated. "It is important for members to come to the membership meeting."

"I would not want to have to drag myself back here tomorrow," agreed Didas. "I probably wouldn't do it."

On the other hand Janet James gave strong backing to the change. As a member of the N&E Committee for a number of years, she had found the evening voting caused confusion to members and inconvenience and unnecessarily long hours for committee members requiring extra people to handle the voting machines. In addition, she stated that seldom did more than 50 members vote after the evening meeting. She amused the group when she said if she and Eunice Coxon agreed on something, then it must be right. Charles Hagelgans and Coxon voiced their support for the change.

Water Meters

The issue of water meters was decided on the basis that each member should pay only for his own water usage, and could conserve water in order to pay less. The likelihood that it will take many years of careful conservation to pay back the initial \$200 cost of installation did not appear to influence the vote. "It will cost us \$23,000 to amortize the cost of the meters," warned Schwan. "We would have to reduce consumption by at least 25% . . . I'm skeptical. I believe the \$200,000 could be spent on another rehab project that would give a better return." Norman Weyel and Coxon, as well as many others, supported the measure.

A straw vote by frame owners overwhelmingly favored individual meters and the group decision was equally lopsided.

Smith reminded the members that the final go-ahead must a-



Mayor Meets Governor

Richard Castaldi (left) Mayor of Greenbelt and his guest Ann Gordon are welcomed by Governor and Mrs. Harry Hughes at a reception at Government House on May 20. The reception was held in honor of local officials from throughout the State.

wait a written agreement from the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission to read the meters. GHI has received only a verbal agreement.

Utility Lines

One member, who appeared to

voice the majority opinion on whether GHI members wanted to pay anywhere from \$2 to \$20 million to bury utility lines, called the issue a "dead duck." No one offered the motion so no vote was taken.

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Illegal Parking More Costly In Spaces for Handicapped

by Mavis Fletcher

At its regular meeting on May 17, the Greenbelt City Council considered the question of raising the fine for illegal parking in spaces reserved for the handicapped. The issue was originally introduced by Mayor Richard J. Castaldi and was put on the agenda at the request of Francine Nisenoff, a resident of Springhill Lake Apartments. Nisenoff proposed that the city fine be increased from the present \$10 to \$50, the amount currently levied by Prince Georges County and the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission (MNCPPC) for this infraction.

City Manager James K. Giese recommended against the increase, citing that the likelihood that more ticketed drivers would elect to go to court in an effort to avoid paying the higher fine. Such a result would require increased time spent in court by police officers, thereby degrading police enforcement. Giese also cited the possibility that police officers would be "reluctant to issue as many violation tickets because of the severity of the penalty and the number of complaints which would be received."

Both Mayor Pro Tem Gil Weidenfeld and Councilman Thomas X. White attempted to obtain some estimate of the number of parking tickets being issued by Greenbelt police for illegal parking in handicapped spaces. However, regular tickets are issued for this violation, and a separate accounting is not made. Raising the fine for this one kind of parking violation would require the use of separate books of tickets, a procedure which would facilitate accounting for tickets issued specifically for this violation.

Another issue raised by Giese was the possibility that an adverse court ruling would terminate the city's ability to enforce the city parking ordinance in private residential parking lots as is currently done. The city's authority to enforce the ordinance in such private areas was termed "questionable" by Giese. Taking the view that this argument was not germane to the issue of raising the amount of the fine, Councilman Richard Pilski pointed out that the ordinance is no less enforceable with a \$50 fine than with a \$10 fine.

Councilman White introduced a motion to increase the fine to \$50. This motion was subsequently amended by Mayor Pro Tem Weidenfeld (over White's objection) to \$25. In the latter form, the motion to amend the city ordinance and raise the fine was passed.

Greenhorne & O'Mara Building
In another action, the council accepted, with slight amendments, an Advisory Planning Board's report dealing with a site plan for the Greenhorne & O'Mara office building to be constructed between Edmonston Road and Kenilworth Avenue to the south of the Nationwide Office Building. The building is to be owned by the partners of the Greenhorne & O'Mara engineering firm, and the firm will relocate its headquarters to this new building. According to Nancy Slepicka of the law firm of Fossett & Brugger, representing Greenhorne & O'Mara, the engineering firm intends to use about 70 percent of the building and to rent out the remainder for the present.

The council explored at some length the proposed location of a gasoline pump which will be installed for the private use of Greenhorne & O'Mara in maintaining the fleet of vehicles used in its engineering projects. These vehicles are, for the most part, not trucks but vans and cars. Most of the vehicles are taken

home by employees at night. Robert Bissell, a Senior Vice-President of Greenhorne & O'Mara, explained that the pump is necessary to the business because of the inordinate delays experienced in obtaining fuel at gas stations during earlier gasoline shortages. Slepicka indicated that the pump, which will be behind the building, will be adequately screened from

Kenilworth Avenue by shrubbery and trees.

The Advisory Planning Board's comments dealt primarily with the creation of more landscaped areas and the reduction of off-street parking spaces. Slepicka assured the council that these issues had been substantially dealt with in negotiations with MNCPPC's Technical Staff, and that eight parking spaces had been eliminated, with a corresponding increase in green space. On the basis of these assurances, the council agreed to adopt the amended APB report and send it to MNCPPC as the city's position.

Membership

Since there is a vacancy on the city's Park and Recreation Advisory Board and the Crime Prevention Committee the council decided to review at its next work session the names of persons who had expressed interest in serving on these boards.

The council also agreed to nominate Councilman Thomas X. White for continued membership

Woman's Club

The Woman's Club of Greenbelt ended its 1981-82 season with its Spring luncheon, May 15, at which the following new officers were installed: President, Bernice Nelson; 1st Vice President, Gertrude Law; 2nd Vice-President, Julia McGrow; Recording Secretary Dorothy Merryman; Treasurer, May Barstow; and Corresponding Secretary, Olga Mae Delle.

During the past year, the club donated \$300 to the Scholarship Fund, \$100 to the Eleanor Roosevelt Band for its trip to Vienna, \$15 to the DuVal Band for its trip to London, and \$10 to the Prince Georges Scholarship Fund. The club also made donations to the Betty Sipple Memorial Fund, Great Oaks, Edge Meade, United Way, CARE, and UNICEF.

New members are always welcomed.

on the Legislative Action Committee of the Maryland Municipal League.

USED BOOKS NEEDED

From now until June 10 the Prince Georges Literacy Council will be collecting used books to be sold as part of a Council fund-raising effort at the County Garage Sale, County Administration Building, Upper Marlboro, on Saturday, June 12.

Persons wishing to donate books may drop them off at the Nyman Realty office at 151 Centerway. The nominal value of any donation is tax deductible.

Anyone desiring additional information may call the Council office weekdays between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. at 292-5441.

SWIM TEAM NEWS

The Greenbelt Swim Team is practising at the pool at 7 p.m. each week night through June 14. Anyone interested in joining the team is invited to come to the pool. After school is out, practice will be held in the morning.

A parents meeting will be held at 8 p.m. on June 24 at the pool.

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We are now accepting mens, womens, children's clothing and accessories Monday - Saturday, 9:30 - 5.



Stephanie Lynn, Junior Miss Poppy, (right) and Tina Fisher, Senior Miss Poppy, (left) present Mayor Richard Castaldi with the first Poppy of the American Legion Auxiliary's Poppy Drive. In return the mayor presents the girls with a proclamation declaring May Poppy Month.

Presidential Visits To P.G. County

by Virginia Beauchamp

Everyone remembers the recent visit of President Reagan to the home of a family in College Park who had been victimized in earlier racial incidents. And we all have known that President Washington traveled the old turnpike, which we call U.S. 1, on his way to the north.

But between the first and the last Presidents to visit Prince Georges County have been many others, as Alan Virta, local history buff and secretary of the Prince Georges County Historical Society, recalled in a talk on May 19 before the Greenbelt Historical Society. Of most interest to Greenbelt was the occasion on Armistice Day, November 11, 1936, when President Franklin Roosevelt came to Greenbelt Lake to participate in a ceremony to stock it with fish. The fish were earlier residents than people in this community, it should be noted.

The only President to live in Prince Georges County was Eisenhower. But he was then only a young Army officer assigned at Fort Meade. He and Mamie lived for a week or so in a Laurel rooming house.

Among other Presidents to visit the county, Virta said, were Grant and McKinley, who visited friends; Madison and Monroe, who were at the Battle of Bladensburg in 1814; and Carter on a campaigning trip, Nixon at a restaurant, and Lyndon Johnson at Crossland High School.

A Presidential spouse, Abigail Adams, visited overnight at the Montpelier mansion of Major Thomas Snowden.

P.G. Planning Board Holds Budget Hearings

In order to get an early start in formulating the Park and Planning Commission's budget proposals for the fiscal year which begins July 1, 1983, the Prince Georges County Planning Board is scheduling public forums this June.

The first forum will be held on June 17 at 7:30 p.m. in the Council hearing room at the County Administration Building, Upper Marlboro, to consider citizen recommendations on what should go into the proposed operating budget. Those interested in programs in planning, parks, or recreation should come to the June 17th meeting.

The second forum will be held on June 24 at 7:30 p.m. in the auditorium of the Parks and Recreation Administration Building, 6600 Kenilworth Avenue, Riverdale, to receive recommendations on what should go into the proposed Capital Improvement Program. For those planning to propose capital projects such as the construction of new facilities (tennis courts, parks, pools, ice rinks, ball fields, etc.) should come to the June 24th meeting.

There will be no advance sign-up list to speak. All speakers will be registered at the door in the order that they sign up—except that elected officials will be heard first.

For further information call Robert D. Reed, Public Affairs Manager, at 952-3514.

Recreation Review

8:30-5 474-6878

Camp Pine Tree

Applications are available at the Recreation Department Business Office. Camp Pine Tree - 1982 will begin on Monday, June 21. Parents wishing to guarantee their children a spot in the first session must return applications and deposit by Wednesday, June 16. For additional information on fees and programs, contact the Greenbelt Recreation Dept.

GREENBELT DAY WEEKEND

Sunday, June 6, marks the 45th Anniversary of Greenbelt's founding. Traditionally, the entire weekend is celebrated with a schedule of special observances, recreation activities and community events. Many events are planned for the enjoyment of participants and spectators of all ages. A full schedule of Greenbelt Day events is posted in this issue of the News Review.

SENIOR CITIZEN MONDAY SWIM PARTIES

This season's series of reserved swimming pool activities for Senior Citizens begins next Monday, June 7. Each Monday, from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., the Municipal Swimming Pool will host pass holders, 55 years and over, to a program of fun and fitness including lap swimming, water exercise, deck walking and jogging, socializing and pot luck lunches.



REHABILITATION MEETINGS

Until heat and hot water conversion is completed, weekly pre-conversion meetings will be held on Mondays from 5-6:30 p.m. in the GHI Board Room. The purpose of these meetings is to provide information about heat and hot water conversion. GHI staff will be present to answer questions and information sheets will be available for members. Pre-conversion meetings will be held on the following Mondays:

JUNE 7

JUNE 14

JUNE 21

Members should attend the meeting scheduled for the week in which their unit is scheduled to be converted.

Post-conversion meetings will be held once a month on the second Wednesday at 8 p.m. These meetings will feature a speaker from PEPCO. In June the meeting is scheduled for the following day:

JUNE 9

If members have specific issues they would like addressed or find the meeting inconvenient, they may contact the Member Services Coordinator, Dennis Lewis, (474-6644). Arrangements can be made for other meetings or information can be provided.

Members can call the Rehab Information Hotline (474-6644) for information during business hours. A pre-recorded message with scheduling and other information will be available on the line at all other times.

FDR Committee

SEEKS RECOLLECTIONS OF LIFE IN '30s, '40s

by Sandra Barnes

The Franklin D. Roosevelt Committee, established by the Greenbelt City Council to explore ways of commemorating FDR's 100th birthday, is planning to compile a set of recollections of both the Roosevelt era and the early days of Greenbelt. Presentation of these recollections to the Tugwell Room of the Greenbelt Library will be one of the special activities of the week of September 29 - October 3. These dates were selected for celebrating both FDR's birthday and the 45th anniversary of the day the first families moved into the city.

Do you have special memories connected with public works projects? Were you part of the Civilian Conservation Corps? Do you remember constructing the buildings that became the planned community of Greenbelt? Do you remember moving to that house in the country and feeling that you were a pioneer in a special experiment of family living? Do you remember the civil defense drills on the roof of the movie theatre, trying to spot enemy planes? Do you remember the songs, "Pie in the Sky", "Brother Can You Spare a Dime"? Whatever your recollections are, the Committee would be greatly interested in having them.

Your recollections can be as short or as long as you wish, preferably typewritten. Send them to the FDR Committee, City of Greenbelt, 25 Crescent Road, Greenbelt, Md. 20770. If assistance is needed in writing the information, contact Sandra Barnes, 474-

5310. Deadline for submission is July 30.

Other activities that the FDR Committee is considering for the celebration include a special showing of "The City," which deals with the construction of Greenbelt; other films of the period; a square dance; appearances by members of the Roosevelt family and people connected with the New Deal administration; a special slide and photographic show; a guided walk along the Greenbelt Trail; and a picnic following the renaming of the Lake Park. The Committee unanimously agreed to present a resolution on the renaming to the City Council at its meeting on June 14. The committee invites all Greenbelt residents, schools, and organizations to participate in the festivities of the week by sponsoring their own programs or projects dealing with FDR and the early days of Greenbelt.

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Burglary Prevention Tips

June is Burglary Prevention Month! Residents are reminded of the following:

1. Close and lock all doors, including porch, basement and garage. Use pin tumbler cylinder locks on outside entrances and safety latches on the windows.
2. Connect a lamp to a Time-All automatic timer to turn lights in the home on and off each evening. Since sound is a deterrent, connect radio or television to a timer.
3. Protect all doors and windows with an inexpensive, portable burglary alarm which sounds whenever someone attempts to break in.
4. Light up porch and yard with outdoor lights to increase the likelihood that an attempted burglary would be seen. These lights can also be timer-controlled, if desired.
5. Be sure all screens are fastened from the inside.
6. Never leave valuables lying around, keep them in a safety deposit box.
7. Notify police department when leaving and length of absence.
8. Be sure to discontinue the newspaper or arrange to have it sent to vacation address.
9. Have a neighbor, or post office, hold all mail.
10. Arrange with a friend to mow the lawn and sweep sidewalk once a week. Also ask him if he'll pick up any circulars or handbills that may be left on the porch.
11. Leave shades and blinds open, closed blinds keep the sun out, but also make an effective screen for the burglar.
12. Never advertise a departure with an item in the local paper. Give the story about a vacation to the newspaper after returning.

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Planning Issues Need Study

by Bill Rowland

At its last regular meeting the city council agreed with an analysis of planning issues about which the city is concerned. The analysis was prepared by City Manager James K. Giese for use by Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission technical staff in preparing a new Master Plan for the Greenbelt area.

City Manager Giese presented to the council a letter that he had sent to the technical staff of the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission (MNC-PPC). The technical staff is preparing a new Master Plan for the Greenbelt area, and had asked for the city's informal comments on matters of concern and issues that should be considered. In his letter, Giese presented nine fundamental issues, of which the following is a brief summary:

1) Office development — "In the 60's everyone wanted to build garden apartments and Greenbelt became overdeveloped with garden apartments. Now everyone wants to build offices and we should avoid overdevelopment."

2) Traffic — "Greenbelt is both blessed and cursed by its major roadway system. . . . The road that is the major problem is Greenbelt Road. . . . Of 13 city street exit roads from Greenbelt neighborhoods, ten exit onto Greenbelt Road."

3) Vacant school property — Giese cited North End School and the 74-acre undeveloped school site at the end of Northway, both now surplus, as well as two undeveloped school sites along Mandan Road. "There is great concern as to how this land will be utilized in the future. There is also concern that a second elementary school may be needed in the central area of Greenbelt in the future, and that the North End School should be preserved for future use."

4) Development of vacant land — "A number of sizeable vacant parcels remain undeveloped within the city and their zoning unresolved. The city believes that there exist insufficient single-family free-standing homes. . . . Townhouse development seems to be the type of housing preferred by developers at this time."

5) Public transportation—Giese noted the hope that the Metrorail line to Greenbelt will be built. He cited the need for adequate access roads to the Metro station, and the desirability of an intra-city bus system and improved commuter railroad service.

6) City roads — "The last master plan had as an important con-

cept the perimeter road. . . . (That road) no longer appears to be a feasible planning concept. . . . Alternative solutions must be considered . . . for tying the various portions of the city together and for handling traffic generated by future development . . . In general, city streets . . . should not carry through traffic or large volumes"

7) Bicycle-pedestrian trails — Giese spoke to the desire of the city to extend the original interior-sidewalk-system concept "to a bicycle trail - pedestrian system that would interconnect all areas of Greenbelt. Crossings of major highways are particularly needed."

8) Parks and open space — Giese spoke to the city's need for more land to develop the planned major recreational complex at the end of Northway, and to develop a perimeter trail park along the city's northern edge and adjacent to the Baltimore-Washington Parkway. He also cited the need for more city parkland east of the Parkway and south of Greenbelt Road.

9) Undeveloped areas outside the city — "The area to the south of the city east of the Beltway and Parkway will impact significantly upon Greenbelt when it is developed. . . . Another generally undeveloped area of major concern is the industrial tract west of the city . . . (its) development could be altered significantly by the construction of Metro. . . . The city seeks to maintain the buffer greenbelt areas next to the city on the Beltsville Agricultural Research Center and Goddard Space Flight Center."

The city council accepted, without changes or additions, the issues as described by Giese for MNCPPC.

Joseph Aulisio Repairs City's Cars and Trucks

by Caroline Huang

Greenbelt honored mechanic Joseph Aulisio, as its Outstanding City Employee. A long-time city resident, Aulisio graduated from Parkdale High School and began work as a mechanic in Prince Georges County a few years ago.

In 1979 he was offered a job by the City of Greenbelt. Aulisio's day starts at 6 a.m. and ends as late as 8 p.m. His duties include taking care of the automotive needs of all the city's police cars, trucks, and lawnmowers.

Aulisio operates within a budget to obtain automotive parts as well as to do all repairs and painting jobs within the public works building.

"Some days it is so hectic around here I have to stay as long as it takes to get these cars out", says Aulisio. He and an assistant mechanic repair anywhere from five to ten vehicles daily.

Being a mechanic includes not only dedication to one's job, but also means taking many courses in auto mechanics. Aulisio has earned a certificate given by the National Institute for Automotive Service Excellence.

Aulisio lives in Greenbelt with his wife, and spends his Friday nights with the Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department where he is a captain.

Aulisio would like to someday own his own garage, as well as work for the city.

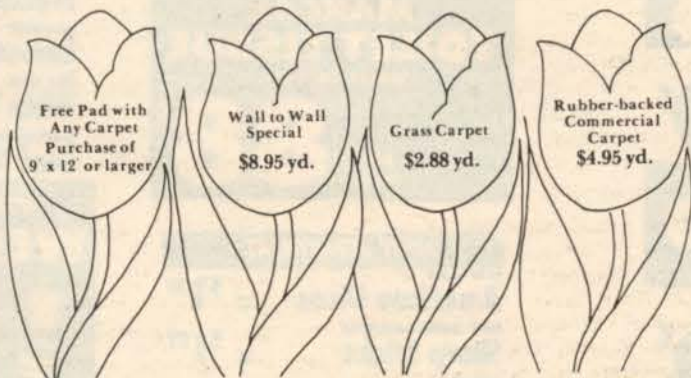
CRIME PREVENTION TALK AT UTOPIA THEATER

Crime prevention is the topic of a lecture-film presentation by the Greenbelt police department on Tuesday, June 8, 8 p.m. at the Greenbelt Cultural Arts Center, 129 Centerway Rd.

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Giving public education a rating of ten on a scale of one to ten, the Board voted at its May 27 meeting to proclaim Thursday, June 10, as "Big Ten for Education Day" in the Prince Georges County Public Schools.

As part of the day's commemoration, principals, teachers and students will be given the opportunity at 10 a.m. on June 10 to write letters to the President and members of the U.S. Congress regarding the values of public education. The letter-writing campaign will be optional.

Boxes will be placed in each school for the convenience of "Big Ten" participants. The "pony" system will pick up and deliver the letters en masse to the White House and the Congressional Office Building.

"Big Ten for Education Day" is a joint effort by the county and state Committee on Federal Funding for Education. Diana

McCusker, president of the County Council of PTAs, chairs the county committee.

For additional information, contact the Office of Information Services at 952-4350.



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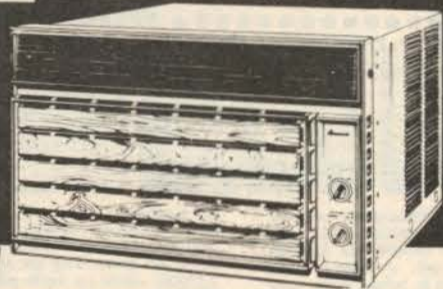
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Chances Improving for City To Acquire North End School

by Charles F. Schwan, Jr.

In the fog of uncertainty surrounding the fate of the North End School, several things are clear. But first a description of the mist is needed to set the scene.

The school has been declared surplus property and the Board of Education has turned it over to the county for disposition. At present, however, disposition is not possible because the school is among those "frozen" pending the outcome of a law suit filed by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People alleging that the Board has violated the court order to integrate the school system.

Meanwhile, as the News Review reported last week, the county executive has been considering submission to the county council of a draft bill to amend the zoning ordinance to authorize the granting of special exceptions to permit almost any use of a school property by a private buyer.

The draft bill would seem to be completely at odds with a bill (CB-23-1982) approved by the county council April 27 and signed by the county executive to take effect June 28. Unless the law is a mirage, it is clear that it provides:

"(d) Upon approval by resolution of the County Council, the County Executive shall give first priority for the purchase of any property to be offered for sale, to any municipality in which the property lies, as well as to the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission, Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission and to the State. . . . The property may be purchased for an amount equal to the County's acquisition cost plus expenses incident to transfer . . ."

With the discovery by the city staff (News Review, May 27) that the state will continue to pay the outstanding debt on the surplus school building if it is used for a public purpose, the way would seem to be open to realize what is most clear—Greenbelters want the building to be acquired by the city for a variety of public purposes.

Questionnaire

At last fall's city election, many voters completed a questionnaire, one part of which concerned the North End School. As reported in the April 8 issue of the News Review, by more than a 4 to 1 margin respondents agreed that the city should "acquire the school for public use and leasing to selected other uses." Three of every eight opted for the school's being

used as an arts and crafts facility. By slightly higher margins in each case, voters urged it be used for a special education program for the handicapped, for a day care/pre-school center, for recreation programs and, by more than a majority, as a senior citizen activity center.

Clearly this expression of opinion as well as their own sense of public responsibility, convinced the members of council to express to the county the city's interest in acquiring the school. To this end a letter was directed to Philip Schwartz, Chief, Bureau of Property Management and Services. Following a meeting on June 1, the city was assured that as soon as the school is free of its entanglement in the NAACP suit, the county will take steps to transfer the school to the city.

With the fog's having been lifted in part, the city is free to turn its attention to the purposes the school might serve, how it needs to be adapted to serve them and how the costs of adaptation and of continuing operation are to be met. At the request of the city, a study of these matters was completed in February by the Prince Georges County Planning Department of the MNOPPC.

The study found that the school's location and the space available in and around it suggested uses as: (1) a recreation center for the elderly, (2) a day care center, (3) recreation facilities for handicapped, (4) young adult recreation facilities, (5) artists' studios, (6) outdoor recreation facilities, (7) facilities for

Our deepest sympathy to Deborah and Thomas Foerter on the death of their baby son.

Congratulations to Bruce Richards, son of Robert and Coralie Richards 18 Maplewood Court, who was graduated Summa Cum Laude from Tulane University. Richards earned a degree in economics as well as Phi Beta Kappa status. His minor was mathematics.

Congratulations also to Ken Costa, who was graduated from St. Anselm's Abbey School on May 29. He received an honor award from the Civitan Club of Washington, D.C. in recognition of outstanding leadership qualities and good citizenship. Ken is on the Greenbelt Recreation Department staff.

Marine PFC. Jorge Miranda, son of Gladys Garris of Edmonston Terrace, recently participated in a field firing exercise at Fort Bragg, NC.

Congratulations to Greenbelter Joy Johnston, who was graduated from Stetson University.

For the second year in a row, the St. Ambrose grade school band from Cheverly entertained at Green Ridge House. Residents

arts and crafts classes and (8) medical offices. Assuming that the city operated them, no zoning change would be required for any suggested use but as artists' studios or medical offices. These were included not only because they would be compatible with other uses but because they would yield income to offset in part future operating costs.

The Planning Department staff analyzed the utilization of interior and exterior space to serve these various purposes, the availability of parking space, the consonance of uses with a residential area, structural changes that might be needed to accommodate the several uses and energy consumption and other operating cost considerations. The study will serve the city as it proceeds to draw up and implement plans to acquire the school and to operate it to serve various compatible public purposes.

Our Neighbors

were very appreciative of the music played by the youngsters in their recent visit.

Congratulations to Paul Daniel Felsher, son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Felsher of Ridge Road, who was named to the Dean's List at the University of North Carolina.

Congratulations to Debbie Cooley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Cooley of Boxwood Village. Debbie was selected by her school, Regina High School, to receive a \$100 award given annually by the Prince Georges Medical Society to an outstanding senior planning a career in medicine. Debbie will study nursing this fall at Wheeling College.

Marine Pfc. Mark T. Blue, son of John A. and Olive F. Blue of Laurel Hill Road, has been promoted to his present rank while serving with the 1st Tracked Vehicle Battalion on Okinawa.

Robin H. Hagaman of Greenbelt, former administrator at Prince Georges General Hospital and Medical Center, was honored May 6 by the Maryland Hospital Association for his three years of service as chairman of the Association's health care finance committee. Hagaman headed a panel of hospital executives, trustees, and financial experts who helped the association set public policy on matters related to health cost reimbursement.

Congratulations to Greenbelt's Mary Bethune Junior High students who made the honor roll during the third quarter. Eighth graders: Alexander Barnes, David Barnes, Paula Hirschmann, Kirsten Lowrey, Scott Luddy, Brian Mongelli and Marion Southerland. Seventh graders: Daniel Krieger, Kathleen Moien, Catherine Perini, Joy Cousin, Jennifer Gilbert and Rachel Zirkin.

Dial G. Silvers has been appointed to membership on Prince Georges County's Mental Health Advisory Committee.

Greenbelter Judith Kornett is one of the 100 winners of the national print and exhibition, PRINTS USA: 1982, co-sponsored by Pratt Graphics Center (an extension of Pratt Institute in New York City) and the Exxon Corporation. The competition was open to all residents of the United States and included all print media except photography. More than 2000 prints were submitted for the competition.

State Senator Edward Conroy and Delegate Gerard F. Devlin, who represent District 24 and thus Greenbelt in the Maryland General Assembly, are 2 of eight state legislators who will receive Distinguished Service Awards from the Maryland Municipal League at its convention in Ocean City on June 20-22. The awards are presented to recognize outstanding efforts on behalf of Maryland's municipalities.

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HOW PEPCO WORKS

PEPCO has subcontracted work to Rockingham construction company. Of the projects, GHI has no control over the substation work and Capital Electric (GHIDC's subcontractor) coordinates the rehab-related work. GHIDC's major involvement is to establish the schedule, notify members and work out problems.

PROBLEMS

A few problems caused by these crews have been reported. Power surges have damaged some appliances such as an answering machine. Because the problem is caused by PEPCO, members who experience such a problem must report it directly to the PEPCO Claims Department. Call the PEPCO Claims Person, Vernon Jackson, at 872-2425.

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