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# **News Review Marks Another Anniversary, Completes Forty-nine Years of Publication**

This week the Greenbelt News Review will begin its fiftieth year of continuous publication. Originally, a letter-size mimeographed publication consisting of sixteen pages, then titled the Greenbelt Cooperator, the paper began publication on November 24, 1937 — within six weeks after the first Greenbelt families had unpacked their household belongings.

### History

Much is owed to the early Pioneers who recognized the immediate need for a news medium to keep people informed of local events and to provide a forum for the exchange of views. They laid down the principles that still guide the actions of the present News Review - a non-partisan non-profit cooperative endeavor. whose aims are to print the news accurately and fairly and to respect the Greenbelt "good neighbor" philosophy of life.

At first the paper was prepared at the homes of various staff members. In January 1938 the Federal Government (which owned Greenbelt at that time) made space available at the town commercial center, free of cost, and also loaned much-needed furniture, typewriters, and office

by Steve Galanis

ing on Monday, November 10, the council authorized

city manager James K. Giese

to deal directly with prospec-

tive landscape architects for

the renovation of the Roose-

velt Center. The council ap-

proved a draft request for

proposals submitted by the

city manager which would

draw interested landscape

During the regular meet-

equipment. From its original second floor quarters in the commercial center, the paper moved its offices four times before finally coming to rest in the present basement office at 15 Parkway.

With the withdrawal of the Federal Government from town, Greenbelt Homes, Inc., through its wholly owned subsidiary. Greenbelt Development Corporation, continnued the Federal policy of providing free office space with the paper reimbursing the corporation for out-of-pocket expenses.

### Free Delivery

An important development in the history of the newspaper was the decision to deliver the Cooperator free of charge to every home in town, beginning with the issue of September 7, 1939. The additional cost of local distribution was small, and this radical change of policy provided larger circulation figures, which could be used as evidence of the value of advertising in the Cooperator, once its distribution had become community wide. The town government engaged more and more space for publication of pending ordinances, budgets and the like.

The policy of free distribution remained unchanged until July 1953, when the paper was forced by financial straits to go to a subscription basis — \$3 a year.

**City Will Move Ahead on Roosevelt** 

Mall Plans; Okays Pact With WSSC

The response was fairly encouraging, but the added cost of maintaining subscription records convinced the governing body that the additional income was not worth the additional workload. More important, the board wanted every resident to receive the paper. In January 1955 the. paper returned to city wide circulation.

Financial difficulties continued to plague the newspaper, and appeals were made to the businesses and organizations in town for funds. Finally, in April 1959, the News Review resorted to a house-to-house community-wide drive for funds. Organized by the drive chairman. Elaine Skolnik, who was aided by 125 volunteer court collectors, the drive netted over \$1,500. It proved such an unqualified success that it was renewed again the following year. The yield from these two fund drives was sufficient to meet the operating needs of the paper for much of the next 25 years.

By 1985, however, the paper found itself desperately in need of a replacement generation of volunteers, and with its reserve cash almost depleted. The small staff, which had been shrinking in recent years, was unable to keep up with both the expanding news of a rapidly growing city and the solicitation of advertising to pay See NEWS REVIEW, page 4, c 1

# Fine Wine is the Highlight Of Utopia's Latest Offering

### by Mavis Fletcher

The Greenbelt Cultural Arts Center has a hit in Bill Wine's "Shrink," which had its world premier at the Utopia Theater last Saturday night. One of three one-act plays making up the evening of "Wine, Women and Shaw," Wine's play depicts a sharp and funny episode in the process of a psychiatrist's learning about himself and his relationships with other people. In a 'physician heal thyself' vein, Dr. Berman, played by Randy Jones, begins to understand his parents and the three women in his life-a patient, his girlfriend and his receptionist. By the end of the play, it is obvious that the doctor has learned much more about himself than anyone else.

Dr. Berman is blessed (or cursed) with parents who have played vaudeville as the Bouncing Bermans for most of their son's life. The estrangement caused by the long separations from them lies at the root of his problems. The parents, delightfully played by Leonard Cohen and Adele Mund, steal the show. These happy senior citizens flit with wit and insouciance from a song and dance routine to a caricature of the psychiatrist and his couch. The first-night audience was clearly delighted.

Both the teenage patient, strongly played by Amy Louise Kreisley, and the sophisticated girlfriend, played by Pennel Somsen substituting for Mindy Jaffee. help to underline the doctor's problem in dealing with women. It is left to Marge, his receptionist, however, to show just how perplexed he really is when faced

### Post Office Is on Holiday Schedule for Thanksgiving

Area post offices will operate on a holiday schedule Thanks-giving Day, Thursday. November 27.

Division General Manager/ Postmaster, Thomas A. Mansmann said regular residential and business deliveries will not be made, and usual post office lobby serveces will not be available, with the exception of lockbox service.

Express Mail and Special Delivery services will contniue during the holiday, and mail pickup from collection boxes will be made on a holiday schedule.

"Mailing services continue to be available on a round-theclock basis at our Self-Service Postal Centers," said Mansmann. One center is located at Beltway Plaza.

### **City Bus Schedule**

The Greenbelt Connection, the city's intra-city bus service, will not operate the Friday after Thanksgiving, November 28, 1986 due to the city holiday. Regular service will resume on Sunday, Nowith a real. live people-problem Caroline Aruna Chromy plays the nervous, sobbing, hand-wringing skirt-twisting role with an amazing physical agility as she slides under tables and careens off furniture. She is allowed to overde it a bit but the whole portraya clearly shows up the doctor's inadequacy in dealing with the women in his life.

Many one-act plays are writter because the idea is too thin tc. be stretched over a full length play. This is not the case with "Shrink." Wine has here a group of characters who could be developed further and the play leaves one curious about how it all comes out. The play is lader with a bit too much existentialist symbolism right down to stripping off almost all the doctor's clothes. Fortunately, Jones is enough of a hunk to carry it off

Speaking of thin themes, the George Bernard Shaw play "Overruled" is about as insubstantial as a play can get. Four characters plucked out of thin air dis-cuss at length the pleasures of their upper class marriages and the even greater pleasures of contemplating an escape from those marriages. There are some cynical, witty lines, as one would expect from any Shaw play, and the actors make the most of them

See UTOPIA, page 8, col. 2

# What Goes On

Mon., Nov. 24, 8 p.m. City Council meeting. Municipal Building Thurs., Nov. 27, 10:30 a.m. In-

terfaith Thanksgiving services Mowatt Methodist Church

### **News Review Deadline**

Next week's issue of the News Review will be published Wednesday, Nov. 26 because of the Thanksgiving holiday. The office will be open only Mon., Nov. 24, from 2 to 4 and 8 to 10 p.m. and closed Tues-day, Nov. 25. Deadline for submission of articles and advertising is 10 p.m. Monday at the office, and 7 p.m. Monday at the box in Co-op Supermarket.

#### design professionals. The council rejected a proposal that would create a panel of experts to help the city select the landscape architect for the job. he proposed panel would have been an extension of the charette process introduced during the project's initial planning phase, and would have included several charette participants.

The council reached its decisions on the Roosevelt Center project at 11:15 p.m. after holding a half-hour executive session to discuss the matter.

Although the mayor and council generally favored the idea of providing outside technical assistance to the city, considerations accompanying the formation of

a panel snagged the proposal. Council member Thomas X. White opposed having a panel, saying it would create an unnecessary layer in the process of choosing the designer for the project. He said the inclusion of a panel in decision-making aspects of the project invited a potential conflict with citizen interests, since most panel candidates were not Greenbelt residents. He said the charette had served its purpose, and that it was time to "cut the cord on the charette" by resuming the normal process of contracting out

Council member Antoinette W. Bram said the city should not former charette expect partici pants to donate more free time to the city. She said if the city decided to have a panel, it should pay members a fee.

city projects.

"Time and time again we've asked people to come back in town on charette business, and they've given their valuable time once or twice too many," she said. "If we want professional service, the time has come to get it in a professional way."

As council members continued to discuss the proposal sub-mitted by Giese, they decided it

could not be voted on until the panel's role was clarified during special session. The council thereupon agreed to convene an executive session prior to the regular meeting's adjournment.

After a half-hour interlude between sessions, the council promptly decided to reject the proposal.

### Schrom Hills Park

Also before the council for approval, earlier that evening, was an agreement worked out between the city and the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission (WSSC) with respect to the planned stormwater management pond at Schrom Hills. The agreement allows the WSSC to use the stormwater management without undue interference from the city, and it allows the city to use the pond as a recreational feature without undue interference from the WSSC The council approved the agreement, and was notified by Mike Ruddo of the WSSC that pond construction is expected to be completed by late summer or early fall Schrom Hills was discussed

again during the meeting when Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Director Keith Chernikoff See COUNCIL, page 4, col. 4



# HOLIDAY REFUSE SCHEDULE

Due to the Thanksgiving Holiday, THURSDAY, NO-VEMBER 27, and FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 1986, there will be no refuse collected those two days. Customers normally receiving Monday and Thursday collections will be collected on Monday only. Customers normally receiving Tuesday and Friday collections will be collected on Tuesday only. PAPERS WILL BE PICKED UP ON WEDNESDAY.

A city truck will be located in the parking lot next to the Sovran Bank in the Roosevelt Center near Crescent and Southway on FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 1986. from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. for persons desiring to dispose of trash after the Thanksgiving Holiday.

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### Legion Auxiliary to Hold **Bazaar on November 29**

The American Legion Auxiliary is holding its fourth annual Christmas Bazaar at the American Legion Post Home on Saturday, Nov. 29 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

### **Delegate Pitkin to Speak To Lions & Lion Belles**

The next regular meeting of the Greenbelt Lions and Lion Belles is Monday, December 8. At that time, the Lions Club will host a special dinner in celebration of the upcoming holiday season. State Delegate Joan Pitkin (D-23rd District) is the Club's honored guest and will speak on "the new legislature, the new leaders and the new issues" for the 1987 General Assembly Session.

Members are invited to hear Delegate Pitkin's presentation at 6:45 p.m. in the rear Banquet Room of the Fireside Inn Res-taurant, 6011 Greenbelt Road. Pre-registration is requested; however, payment may be made at the door. Contact Joe Wilkinson, 474-6893, before December 1.

# **Gray Panthers Hold Annual Meeting**

Thursday, November 20, 1986

The Gray Panthers will hold its annual meeting at the Greenbelt Library, 1:30 p.m., Sat., Nov. 22. At 2 p.m., organizer Cheryl Max-well will talk on the 1986 and 1987 activities of the Citizens Action Coalition with emphasis on health related issues.

At 2:30 p.m., the featured speaker, a veteran of the Great Peace March for Global Disarmament, will tell the story behind the March, what the march meant to the marchers personally, why they marched and what they hope to accomplish.

Everyone is invited to bring a friend and hear about this historic event. Refreshments will be served,. For more information, contact Esther Webb at 474-6890.

**Paint Branch** 

**Unitarian** Church

3215 Powder Mill Road

(near Cherry Hill Road)

Service Sun, Nov. 23, 11 a.m.

Church School 11 a.m.

Rev. R. W. Kelley 937-3666

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**At Greenbelt Park** 

Saturday, November 22 Nature Walk, 11 a.m. Join a

park ranger for a 2 mile hike along the Horse Trail at Greenbelt Park. Meet at the campground Ranger Station. For information call 344-3944. Walk cancelled in the event of rain.

### Leaf Removal Regulated

The City of Greenbelt is asking residents to pile their raked leaves next to the street, but not on the pavement or in the gutter. The leaves can interfere with storm drainage, or create a fire hazard, since cars with catalytic converters can set leaves on fire. Also, the city crews may not be able to pick up the leaves with the leaf vacuum if a car is parked on top of them. Although the leaf vacuum is out daily, residents may also bag their leaves and call special trash, 474-8004.

### **Canned Goods Drive** At Springhill Lake

Springhill Lake will be holding their 1st annual canned goods drive on Wednesday, November 26, 7-8:30 p.m. This community service will be done in cooperation with the Capital Office Park. Donations will be presented to U-Cap Community Actions Agency of Capital Heights. This agency maintains a food pantry and serves 250 families throughout Prince Georges County on a walk-in basis. Participants are asked to drop off canned goods at the Fountain Lodge. Refershments will be provided by the Springhill Lake Teen Club.

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6301 Greenbelt Road

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The Rev. Sidney R. Conger,

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Nearby Church Holds Bazaar

St. John's Episcopal Church at U.S. 1 and Powder Mill Road in Beltsville is having its annual bazaar on Saturday, Nov. 22 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. There will be a silent auction, VCR raffle, handmade decorations, dried flower arrangements, hand-painted personalized Christmas ornaments and baked goods. A light lunch will be served.

### **Jazz Ensemble to Appear** At SHL on November 21

The Rockin' Valiants jazz ensemble will appear at the Springhill Lake Fountain Lodge, Friday, November 21, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

"We're pleased to have the Rockin' Valiants, a Bowie based ensemble, performing at the Fountain Lodge." remarked Ri-chelle Jackson, Activities Coor-dinator. "This will be their first performance in our area."

This event launches a series of musical events to be presented Friday evenings as an added attraction to Happy Hour. There is a fee.

**Mowatt Memorial** 

United Methodist Church

Sunday School 11:00 A.M.

Morning Worship 11:00 A.M.

Rev. Dr. James Chong Park

Pastor

474-1924

40 Ridge Rd.

474-9410

### **Energy Program Featured** On Cable TV Channel A-10

The "Ask the Energy Doctor" series will continue this Wednesday, November 26 at 2:30 and 7 p.m. with programs entitled "Gas Furnace Efficiency and Forced Air Distribution Systems" and "Oil Furnace Efficiency and Water Distribution Systems". The total program length is 50 minutes.

### **Methodists to Host Inter-faith Service**

The annual inter-faith Thanksgiving service will be held at 10:30 a.m. Thursday, November 27 at Mowatt Memorial United Methodist Church, 40 Ridge Rd. Speakers will be Rabbi Saul Grife and the Reverend Daniel Hamlin. The Combined Community Choir under the direction of Jean Cook will sing. Rosemary Birchard will be the accompanist. All members of the community are invited to attend.

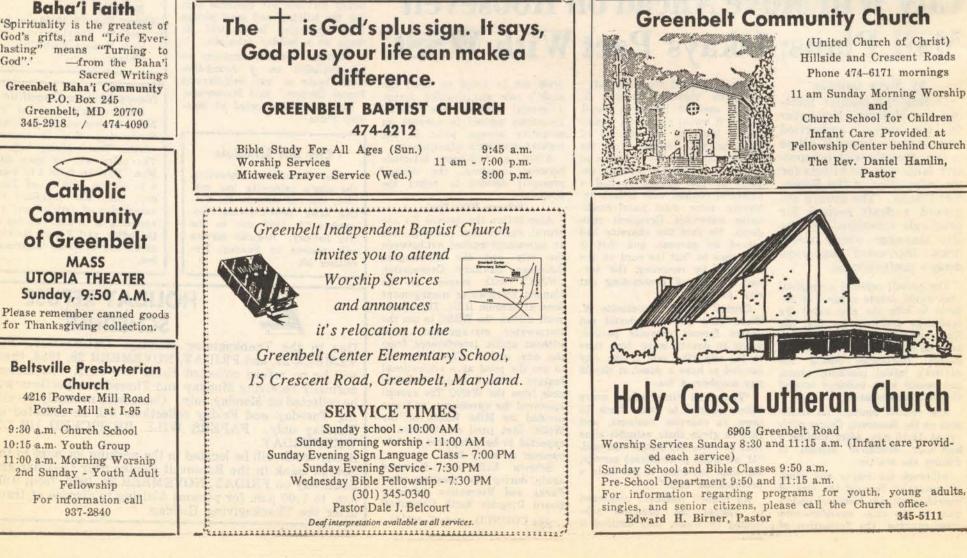
ST. JOHN'S CHURCH Episcopal Baltimore Blvd. at Powder Mill Rd., Beltsville 8:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist 10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist First Three Sundays 10:30 a.m. Morning Prayer Fourth Sunday 10:30 a.m. Sunday School Rev. John G. Bals. Rector 422-8057

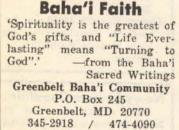
Pastor

345-5111

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9:30 a.m. Church School

10:15 a.m. Youth Group





### You're a Gang To the Editor:

This letter is in reply to a letter from a young lady who is trying to "set us straight" about what goes on at our Center.

what goes on at our Center. True, there are a lot of the older people seen drinking in the Center but the ones I've seen drinking are drinking coffee not alcohol And also very few older people are in the Center late at night anymore simply for the very reason one of our concerned citizens wrote about last week. Too many young people hanging around - too much loudness and obscenity. These older people come from a time when one believed if you could not talk without being loud and obscene you realy have nothing to say that well-bred people want to hear. . . . Where do people get the idea they have to be loud to be having a good time anyway?

Why do you have to meet your friends at the Center? Why not in your own homes or theirs?

And yes, you are a gang when you all congregate togehter and get so loud and obscene (that) no decent person, young or old, wants to be in the Center. If things keep up as they are, I'm afraid you will soon have the Center to yourselves because the stores will, in time, close up for financial reasons - no customers because they are going some place else to do their purchasing of items that were once bought in (the Center's stores), simply because they refuse to be exposed to all that goes on in the Center

Yes, you are right, there are not any No Loitering signs in the Center. But just maybe some of our civic-minded citizens will get busy and see that some are put up. Maybe that would help clean up our Center to a degree anyway.

degree anyway. You also mght read your weekly police report of the problems in the Center. If this doesn't convince you that our Center needs a thorough housecleaning of undesirables, what will?

(Name Witheld on Request)

### ERHS Music Groups Offer Varied Concert Program

An evening of vocal and instrumental music will be offered on Friday, November 21, at Eleanor Roosevelt High School. The free program, which begins at 7:30 p.m., features The Wind Ensemble, Flute Choir and Concert Band, and the Gospel and Chamber Choirs.

The 47-member Gospel Choir will perform works from the standard gospel literature as well as a portion of Robert Ray's "Gospel Mass."

The Chamber Choir's. 26 members are upper class students who passed rigorous audition. The Fall Concert will feature the first movement of J. S. Bach's Cantata No. 191 "Gloria In Excelsis Deo."

The Wind Ensemble will perform "Festive Overture" by Shostakovitch, "Night on Bald Mountain" by Moussorgski, and "Four Scottish Dances" by Arnold. The Wind Ensemble includes Greenbelt residents Christopher Allen, Lynette Bradley. Joel Cahalan, Jennifer Erickson, Jimmy Harris, Heather Hart, John McClure, and Janna Patterson.

Performing several movements of "Eine Kleine Nachtmusik" by Mozart with the Flute Choir will be Greenbelt residents Lisa Byrd, Tracy Duckett, Erin Harpe, Kandi Jessup, and Douglas Wilson. The Concert Band will offer an arrangement of Tchaikovsky's "Marche Slav."

Admission to the Fall Concert is free, and refreshments will be served. GREENBELT NEWS REVIEW Thursday, November 20. 1986 Page 3

### **Open Letter**

To: Mayor and Members of Council:

The News Review editorial of November 6 brought to my attention a proposal to erect a sevnstory senior citizen's apartment building on Parcel 12 I would like to express my concerns about this proposal

While there is apparently some disagreement as to whether Parcel 12 is officially part of the Lake Park, I believe this is beside the point. The area in question is functionally part of the Lake Park. A seven-story building in this location is clearly out of character with the surroundings, no matter how worthy the use of the building might be. Furthermore, I am not convinced that a seven-story building would not be taller than the surrounding trees.

I agree with the News Revi<sup>e</sup>w that disrupting this area, one of Greenbelt's few remaining green spaces, with a seven-story building, is highly inadvisable. Ruth E. Kastner

### **Recreation Review**

Entertainment '87 Discount Books

The Greenbelt Recreation Department is now selling Entertainment '87 books, offering discounts on dining, movies, sports and more. Contact the Greenbelt Recreation Department Business Office, 474-6878, for further details.

### Festival of Light— 1986 Craft Show and Sale

This year will mark the 15th Annual Festival of Lights sponsored by the Greenbelt Recreation Department. Highlighting the festival is the craft show and sale held on Saturday and Sunday, December 6 and 7 from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. in the Greenbelt Youth Center. For additional information, call the Business Office, Monday-Friday, 9-5 p.m.

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Open Volleyball

Co-recreational volleyball is played at the Center School Gymnasium on Monday evenings from 8:30-10 p.m. 10th Annual Men's Turkey Bowl

10th Annual Men's Turkey Bowl Football Tournament

Twenty men's teams square off this weekend at Braden Field, Greenbelt Middle School and Windsor Green to decide who is best team around. There will be a B and a C divsiion. Games will begin at 8:30 a.m. and continue throughout the day on both Saturday and Sunday. The championship games will be held on Thanksgiving Day in the morning. The "B" Championship will be at 9:30 a.m. and the "C" Championship will be played at 11 a.m. Spectators are welcome to come down and cheer their favortie team on to victory.

# GHI NOTES

GHI offices will be closed on Thanksgiving Day. For emergency maintenance that day members may call 474-6011.

# **CITY NOTES**

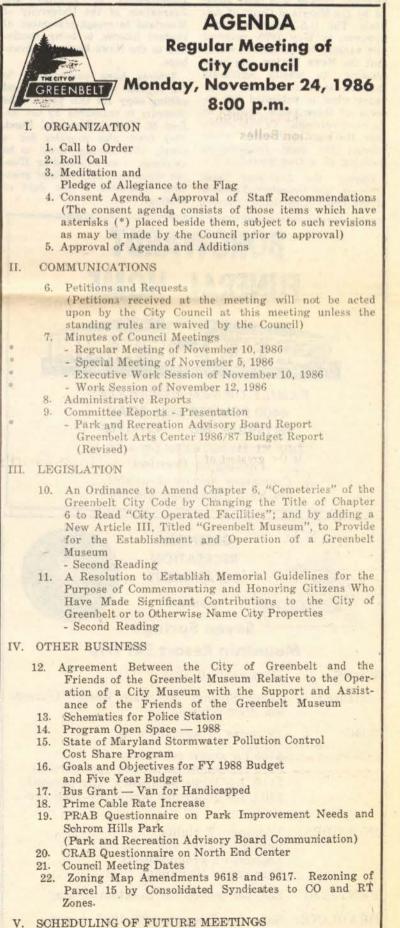
The general crew worked on making a temporary salt bin for the winter salt supply in the Public Works yard. They cleaned curbs and leaves off the catch basins on the edge of streets.

The City contractor has been working all week on Plateau Place and Gardenway. Approximately % of the curb has been installed on Gardenway. The City concrete contractor has been installing curb and gutter in the Lakewood area.

The building maintenance crew worked on building a security locker for cleaning supplies and other building materials in the shop and installed basketball brackets at Springhill Lake.

The assistant director attended two meetings with regard to purchasing at the County level and C.O.G.

The Horticulturist is still diligently planting and planning areas to be planted throughout the City.



NOTE: THIS IS A PRELIMINARY AGENDA - SUBJECT TO CHANGE

### GREENBELT NEWS REVIEW

# **News Review Marks 49th Anniversary**

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for printing costs. An urgent appeal for help to all of the city's homeowner and tenant associations led immediately to formation of "Friends of the News Review." In a two-month campaign, this group bruoght in about 80 volunteers (almost three times the original goal) and over \$13,-000 in cash donations.

### Libel Suit

The News Review experienced the agonies of a libel suit starting in the mid-1960's. The libel charges arose out of the paper's publication of remarks by citi-zens at a public city council meeting regarding a proposal made to the city by a local developer, Charles Bresler. A Prince Georges County jury found the remarks libelous and a \$17.500 judgment awarded Bresler was later affimed by the Maryland Court of Appeals. The U.S. Supreme Court, however, in May 1970, reversed and vacated the judgment, ruling that the News Review was "performing its wholly legitimate function as a community newspaper when it published full reports of these public debates in its news columns." To hold otherwise, the high court said, "would subvert the most fundamental meaning of a free press."

During the four-year legal struggle, the Greenbelt Freedom of the Press Committee collected over \$30,000 from the community to help meet legal expenses and to pay the judgment in case of unsuccessful appeal. (\$20,000 was later returned to contributors).

#### Staffing

The entire staff consists of volunteer workers, most of whom have joined the paper as their contribution to their community's activities. Since March 1957, nominal payments have been authorized to the editorial staff and to columnists — when finances permit. of course. There have been 39 changes in editorship during the paper's 49 years. The position is at present held by Mary Lou Williamson. There are now 52 staff members.

An innovation begun seven years ago, augmenting the staff through an agreement with the Departments of English and Journalism of the University of Maryland to accept placement of student interns, is being continued to the News Review's advantage.

Interns have participated in the regular work of writing and editing copy for this paper. The program is sponsored by the Alfred M. Skolnik Memorial Fund. This fund also proyides for a yearly \$100 Savings Bond to be awarded to an outstanding Eleanor Roosevelt High School graduate interested in the field of writing. Except for the interns, all staff members are volunteers — a fact which makes particularly notable the paper's absolute continuity since that first issue 49 years ago.

At present 9,800 free copies of the News Review are distributed weekly to homes in Greenbelt, including Springhill Lake, Greenbriar, Greenwood Village, Windsor Green, and Hunting Ridge, and to Greenbelt office buildings and shopping centers.

# Soccer Uniforms To be Turned In

For all soccer players and their parents, there will be a "Uniform Turn In" on Tuesday, Nov. 25 at the Youth Center, from 6-7 p.m. Anyone who still has possession of a soccer uniform is requested to return it at this time. If it is not convenient, please call the coach to make special arrangements. Team pictures will be available at this time.

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### COUNCIL, from page 1

submitted a questionnaire for council approval The questionnaire addresses the city's overall recreational needs and one of its aims is to obtain citizen input on the appropriate use of the proposed park at Schrom Hills adjoining the pond. The council postponed approval of the questionnaire citing the need for further revisions.

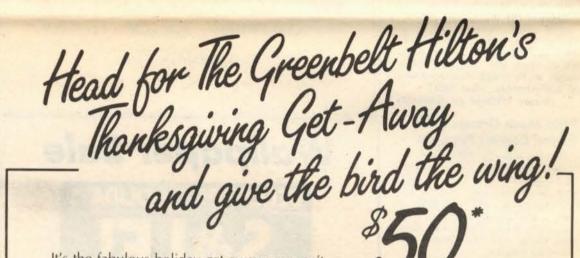
### Park Watch Program

Also during the meeting. Bob Hickman gave a brief presentation of the federal Park Watch program, which has been implemented along several local area parkways and which will soon extend to the Baltimore-Washing-

ton Parkway. Hickman said the program allows park users to respond to problems or potential problems spotted on federal park grounds by reporting them to the Department of Interior. He said the program has led to a noticeable decrease in vandalism, larceny, and accidents in areas where it has already been adopted and believes such incidents will occur less frequently at Greenbelt Park under the program. For maintenance and safety problems, callers are urged to dial 344-3943, and for emergencies, they can call U.S. Park Police at 344-4250 or 426-6680. Park Watch posters identifying these numbers will be posted along the parkway and in the city.

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It's the fabulous holiday get-away you can't afford to pass up. Bring the kids and enjoy our

special Thanksgiving Dinner feast with turkey and all the trimmings at special holiday rates. (Kids 12 yrs. & under, 50% off). Then let us pamper you with superb accommodations – and kids stay FREE in your room. Plus we'll treat you to championship te is on our courts. Tempt you with more delicious cuisine and a Sunday Brunch you'll long remember. And delight you with our health facilities, including a sauna, exercise room and indoor pool.

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6400 Ivy Lane, Greenbelt, MD 20770. Just off the Capital Beltway, exit 23, Kenilworth Avenue. \* Per night, single or double. Children stay FREE in parents' room. Taxes and gratuities not included.



BORGWARDT

DEADLINE: Saturday, December 20, 1986, 4 p.m.

Transportation not provided. For additional information, contact Julie McHale or Anne Herink, weekdays, 474-6878.

# **Council Adopts Guidelines for Naming City Properties to Honor Outstanding Citizens**

### by Diane Oberg

At its November 10 regular meeting, the Greenbelt City Council appropriated funds for the Greenbelt Museum, appointed the initial board of directors for the new corporation overseeing the city's public access cable programming, and moved to implement guidelines for naming city properties.

### Commemorative Guidelines

While the resolution introduced would allow city properties to be named in reference to historical, geographical or traditional names. such as Indian Springs. the discussion focused on naming city sites for individuals.

A committee. consisting of Tom Grier. Ron Ott and current council member Antoinette B. Bram. in 1978 proposed a basic set of guidelines, based in part on the federal government's guidelines, according to Bram. The current proposal is a modification of that proposal, based on comments by the Community Relations Advisory Board (CRAB), and the council.

Under the guidelines, any person deceased at least three years who has made significant contributions to the city or citizens of Greenbelt would be eligible for commemoration. The resolution, based on previous council work sessions, allowed for commemoration of any person, living or dead. By a 3-2 vote the language was modified as above.

Mayor Gil Weidenfeld said that while he previously supported the draft proposal. after further thought he concluded that this honor is most appropriate for deceased persons. He said that there are other ways to recognize contributions of living persons.

Council members Bram and Joseph Isaacs agreed. Bram said a three-year waiting period would allow time for research and for emotions to recede. Isaacs agreed, noting that the city does not have an abundance of sites and that the number of commemorative proposals could exceed the available sites.

Mayor pro tem Thomas X. White and council member Edward Putens disagreed. White, who liked the flexibility of the draft proposal, said that it may sometimes be appropriate to name a site after a living person. Isaacs suggested that an exception could be made in that case. Putens objected to the three-year waiting period. stating that a one-year wait would be sufficient.

The resolution also establishes a procedure for commemorations. Organizations, elected officials and individuals may nominate persons for this honor; however, city advisory boards and committees may not. The proposals would be referred to CRAB. The city council would then make the final determination of whether and how to honor the nominee.

The guidelines provide that "only those citizens who have made the most significant and outstanding contributions to the city of Greenbelt" shall be honored in this manner and that "whenever possible, the form of commemoration should be suited to the contribution of the individual being commemorated."

Greenbelt Museum Under a suspension of the rules, council unanimously approved a resolution appropriating \$53,400 for the purchase of the perpetual use contract for the Greenbelt Homes. Inc (GHI) unit to be used for the Greenbelt museum. This appropriation also covers the repayment of the rehabilitation loan to GHI.

City Manager James K. Giese reported that settlement was scheduled for November 21. with the city taking possession November 28 Council also approved a motion authorizing the mayor or the mayor pro tem to sign the Mutual Ownership Contract with GHI.

Council deferred, until its next meeting, discussion of the agreement between the Friends of the Greenbelt Museum (FOGM) and the city concerning the operation of the museum. City Solicitor Robert Manzi had recommended substantial changes to the agreement, which FOGM had not had an opportunity to review.

### Public Access Cable

Council appointed the first board of directors for the nonp r o f i t corporation. Greenbelt Access Television. Inc., which will oversee public access programming on the city's cable system. Robert Zugby, Harold Baldauf, Lawrence Goldberg and Anthony Langbehn of the Public Access Advisory Committee were appointed to the board. The committee itself, its tasks now complete, was disbanded. Committee members Margaret Hogen. sen and Holly Crater declined appointment. An election for all eight board positions will be held at the corporation's membership meeting in March. Mayor pro tem White was selected as the council's representative on the board.

### Other Actions

#### In other actions, the council:

• Reappointed Don Volk to the Advisory Planning Board. A work session to consider other board and committee vacancies was tentatively scheduled for December 15.

• Authorized city staff to notify the Jaycees and Gunner's Mate, Inc. that the city intends to renegotiate the leases for the Jaycees clubhouse and the lake park concession stand. Giese noted that the water and electricity for the clubhouse are now metered so that it would be possible to hold the Jaycees responsible for those costs.

• Scheduled a work session on strategic planning for December 9.

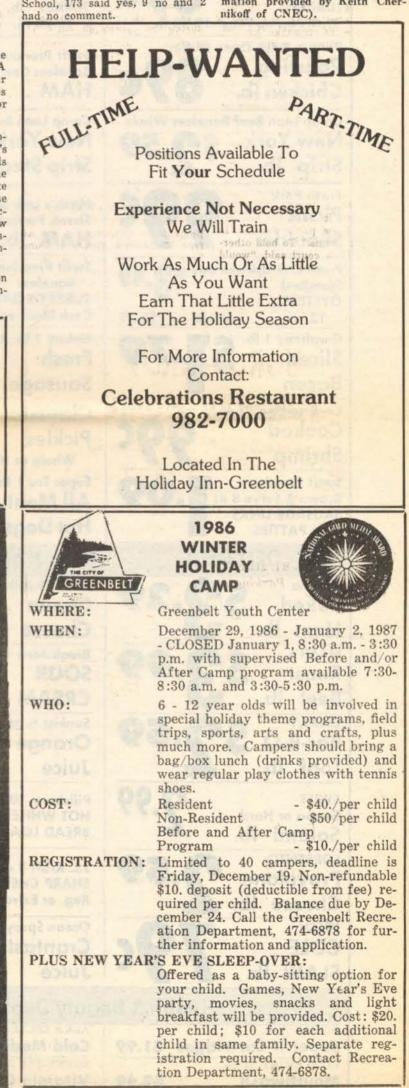
Page 5 North End Center Group Releases Survey Results

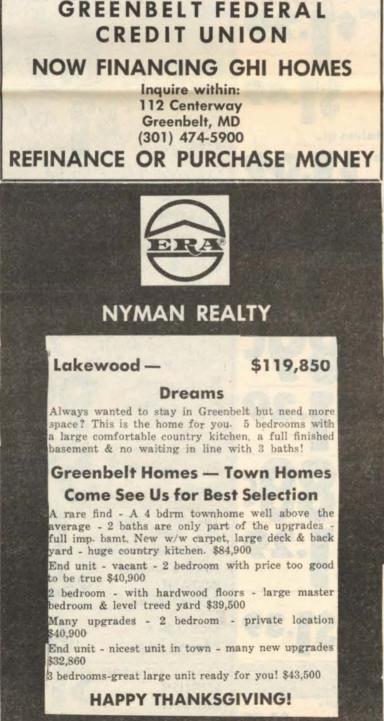
> The members of the Citizens for North End Center (CNEC) coalition conducted a door-todoor survey of residents in the North End section of the city. The survey was conducted during the last week of October and the first week in November. One hundred and ninety-one households responded to the survey.

The survey respondents included 3 under 16 years old; 68 between 16; and 34. 72 in the 35 to 54 year range, 27 between 55 and 64 years old and 17 over 65. When asked if they supported city renovation of the North End School, 173 said yes, 9 no and 2 bad no comment All of the possible uses proposed by QNEC were supported by at least 75 percent of the respondents. These uses include: a senior walk-in/actviity center, senior daycare center, non profit preschool/elementary school with before/after school care. recreation center featuring gymnastics, studios for artists/crafts people, art classrooms, photography lab and pottery workshops.

Copies of the final report on the survey will be forwarded to CRAB next week. For additional information about CNEC and its activities. please, contact either Betty Timer 474-6775 or Barbara Simon 474-2192.

(This article is based on information provided by Keith Chernikoff of CNEC).

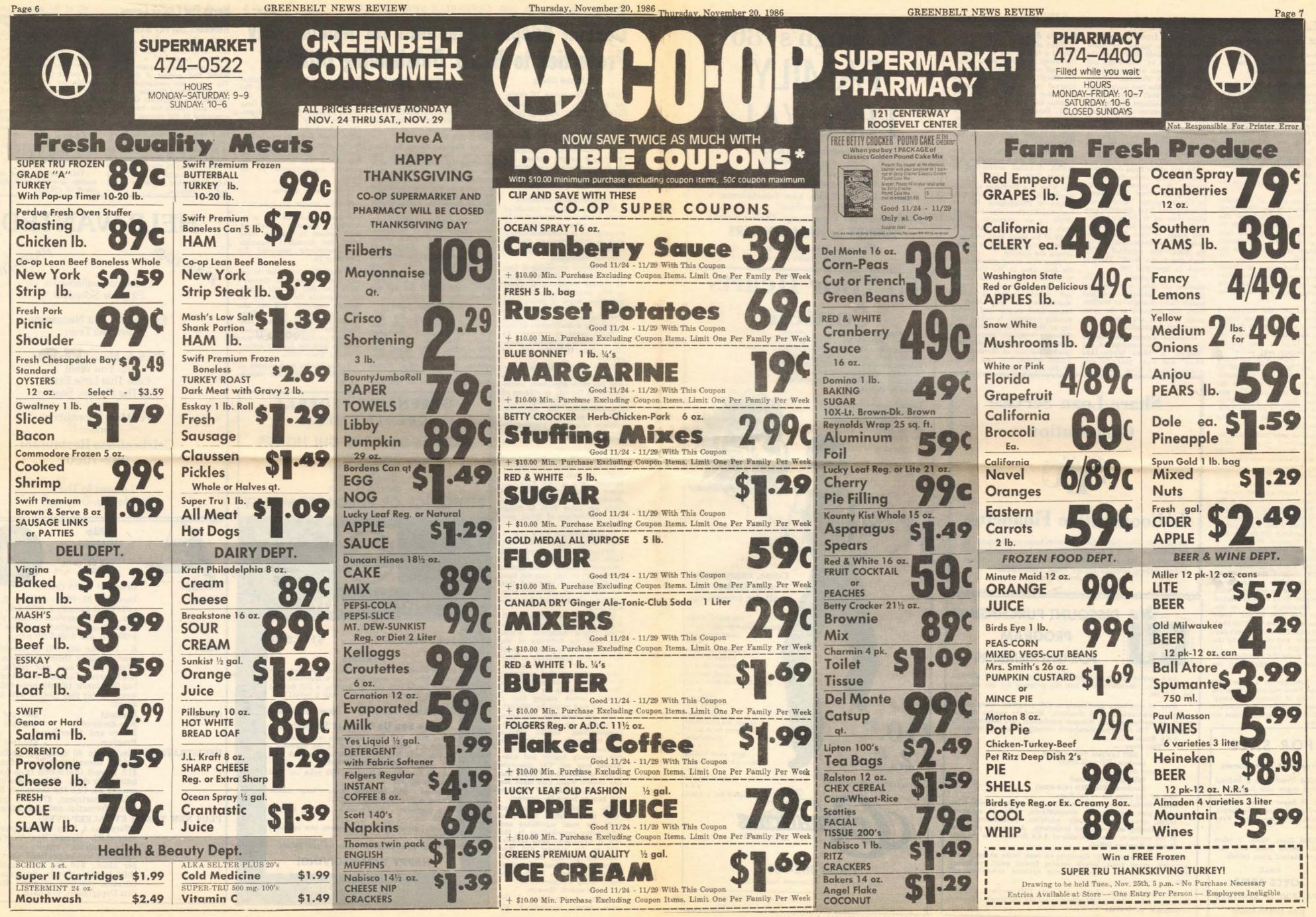




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### **Police Blotter**

### Based on Information Released by the Greenbelt **Police** Department

On November 11 Sgt. Doug Sappington identified a vehicle being driven on Greenbelt Road at Kenilworth Avenue as a stolen car. It had been reported stolen a short time earlier from Brittany Place Apartments on Greenbelt Road. With the assistance of Officer Tom Keifline, two males from Washington, D.C. were ar-rested. The juyenile was released to his parents; the adult was charged with theft and held on \$2,500 bond.

During the night of November 9, a residence in the 7800 block of Emily Way in Glen Ora was burglarized. Entry was made by breaking out a sliding glass door on the ground level. A substantial amount of property was reported stolen.

Jasper's Restaurant in Greenway Center was burglarized during the night of November 10. The matter remains under investigation.

Sometime over the weekend of November 11, two women reported a man parked in the rear lot of Beltway Plaza who made remarks to them as they got out of their vehicle and walked toward the rear mall entrance. When the women returned to their car they found five photographs of a nude male on the windsheld of their car. The suspect was described as a white male in his 30's, of average build, with brown hair and a mustache and wearing glasses.

A rash of auto thefts and attempts occurred over the weekend. On November 8 a 1984 Chevrolet Camaro, reported stolen from Ridge Road at Ivy Lane, was located by Prince Georges Police in a wooded area stuck in the mud. There was considerable body damage and it had a flat tire. During the night of November 8-9, an attempt was made to steal a 1986 Ford F250 pickup from a parking lot in the 7800 block of Hanover Parkway. A window was broken and the ignition damaged. On the same night, a Pontiac Fiero was stolen from the 7700 block of Hanover Parkway. The vehicle was recovered two days later in the 2600 block of Douglas Road in Washington. D.C. Between 8-11 p.m .on November 9, a 1986 Toyota Camry 4D was stolen from the 7300 block of Morrison Drive. The next day, the vehicle was recovered by the Metropolitan Police and a 17year-old male D.C. resident was arrested and charged with the theft.

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#### **UTOPIA from page 1** Lecture About Tiredness

The Lunns. played by Steve Zeise and Mandy Hart, and the Junos, played by Rich Fogg and Pennell Somsen, almost (but not quite) play a Victorian varsion of 'switch.' The two couples get so confused that after a while neither the audience nor the actors can remember who is married to whom. But it ends, thank heaven, with that indispensable Victorian institution of going in to dinner. The whole thing is pleasant, good fun and harms no one.

The last of the three one-acters, which actually comes first in the evening, is a puzzling comedy put together from Shakespeare by Charles George. Various women characters from Shakespearen plays show up in Juliet's garden to discuss love and life from their own points of view. The play is titled "When Shakespeare's Lad-ies Meet" and subtitled "With Apologies to the Bard." There is much to apologize for.

It was impossible to decide whether the thing was supposed to be sheer slapstick-and just wasn't funny enough-or whether there was supposed to be some point to it. In any case it was completely forgettable.

Greenbelt theater goers should ignore the shortcomings of the 'Women' in "Wine, Women and Shaw" and make plans to concentrate on the Wine. Playwright

"Tired of Being Tired?" is the title of a free lecture by Dr. Roy Sandstrom, president of the medical staff of Washington Adven-tist Hospital and a specialist in internal medicine, on Monday, November 24 at 7 p.m. in the hospital auditorium.

Dr. Sandstrom, an expert on the causes and cure of fatigue, has frequently spoken on the subject to large audiences in the Washington area.

For further information or for directions to the Washington Adventist Hospital auditorium in Takoma Park, call 891-5716. Bill Wine is a Professor of Communication Arts at LaSalle University in Philadelphia. He has been writing plays since the early 1970's as an outgrowth of his work as a journalist and critic. Many of his plays have been produced by regional theater groups around the country. "Shrink" is being presented for

the first time at the Utopia. It is not only the cachet of having a world premier here in Greenbelt which makes a visit worthwhile; the play itself is funny, good theater and professionally presented. It will be playing at the Utopia on Friday and Saturday evenings through De-cember 6. There will also be a Sunday matinee on November 23. Ticket information may be had by dialing 441-8770.

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Other merchants offer discounts on such items as appliances. carpeting, storm doors, bicycle repairs, fences, paint, wallpaper, shrubs, transmission service, security systems, upholstery and tools.

To take advantage of these discounts, GHI members may join the program by visiting GHI offices or calling the Member Services Coordinator (474-4161)

# **GHI Budget Adopted as Presented** With Computerizing of Maintenance

lem showing up repeatedly in the

same or adjacent units, to recog-

nize a pattern of developing

problems, to gather statistics on

the life expectancy of equip-ment and other similar informa-

tion. Colton said he expected to

have a pilot program in place by

long-term plan for a maintenance

management system which (in

perhaps two years) will include

the corrective and preventive

maintenance systems, as well as

a purchase order system based on experience with equipment longevity. The board deferred discussion of the system to an-

Other items covered in the staff

report included a final statement

on the larger home rehabilitation

program and the repairs made in

6 Court of Hillside. According to the report. Geotechnical Services,

the firm which did the work in

that court, would be monitoring

the building during the coming

rainy season to make sure that

Maintenance Report

report indicated that, at the cur-

The maintenance department

it remains stationary.

Colton also gave the board a

December.

other meeting.

by Mavis Fletcher

The \$4,864,655.00 budget for 1987 for Greenbelt Homes, Inc. was passed unanimously by the board of directors at its meeting on November 6. The version of the budget which was adopted was the same as that presented to members at the October 28 budget hearing. Except for a technical ques-tion raised by GHI Treasur-er Ray McCawley about the placement of a capital improvements expenditure in the budget, it was adopted almost without comment. All changes to the version proposed by Manager Ron Colton had been made prior to the presentation to the members. Comptroller Don Mc-Ginn said that members could expect to get their monthly charge statements for 1987 during the week of December 8.

According to Colton's notes to the board, the budget will result in a decrease in charges to frame home members resulting from the interest saving on the rehab mortgage. Masonry home members will receive a modest increase based on the need to correct sev eral structural problems. Charges to members of the larger homes will be increased because of the recently completed rehab program.

The budget proposes only a few major initiatives. One new program. explained by Colton during presentation of the Third Quarter Staff Reports, is a computer-

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ized maintenance tracking sys-Director Charles Hess suggesttem. Colton outlined a system ed that part of the increase may which would result in a compube due to rehabilitation - the terized chart showing maintecommunity now looks nicer and nance calls for each unit. The inmembers want their own units formation, updated each time a to be taken care of nicely also. ticket was completed, would show A number of the board members the specific type of problem found voiced their agreement with this by the workman. Colton explained explanation. that this information would allow In response to a question about GHI to pinpoint the same prob-

fee-for-service. Colton said the average charge is about \$50 and the service is booked up into January 1987. He said an apprentice electrician has been added to the staff to help work on this program. The service is operating at about five percent profit for the third quarter.

Parking Policy The board adopted the new parking policy, which has been discussed for several months. A change sponsored by Hess in the wording of the paragraph dealing with garage rental priorities caused most of the discussion. On the basis of Hess' amendment, the specific priorities outlined in the policy draft were omitted and the exact determination of priorities was left to a forthcoming "GHI rental garage priority list." Director Nancy Hutchins list." protested the substitution, claiming that the board was adopting a policy different from that presented at the members' hearing on the matter. However, the policy as amended was adopted on a vote of 6-1 with Hutchins opposed. (Director Andrea Haslinger was unavoidably absent.)

Colton proposed working up a draft on a sector of GHI with an access panel when replacing the riser and necessitates removing the tile, wallpaper, or other improvements and breaking out the kitchen and bathroom wall. Unless a special program is underway, GHI does not normally replace those improvements but merely restores the wall to a smooth condition. Colton noted, however, that members had been advised after rehab that they could make improvements to these walls. The question now arises whether it is fair not to replace those improvements. He pointed out that funds to make reasonable repairs to the affected units had been included in the 1987 budget.

The board, therefore, voted unanimously to restore rooms affected by plumbing riser replacement work to their prior condition where possible. The restoration will be at GHI's expense.

Definition of Family in MOC

As the result of a membership vote at last May's annual meeting to allow occupancy of a nonrelated adult in a GHI unit, the definition of the member's family required a change. It must now allow for occupancy of family members who previously would not have qualified as an "immediate" family member under the old definition.

The board adopted language to be used in the mutual ownership contracts and in the corporation's Rules and Regulations which requires GHI approval for (but would not bar) occupancy by more distantly related persons. Canoes

The board deferred discussion of canoe storage in members' yards until a report is made by the Architectural and Environment Committee. The question of

whether to allow such storage of canoes and, if so, in what manner was referred to the committee at the October 23 meeting. **GDC** Meeting

The board of directors of the Greenbelt Development Corporation met at the beginning of the evening. Although adoption of the 1987 budget was scheduled, the board got hung up on the question of raising rents in the GDC apartments. Colton's budget proposal recommended raising the rents by two percent. Some members of the board questioned the basis for this small increase. Colton replied that the proposed increase was based on anticipated costs. Hess asked whether rents should be based on costs or on market forces; i.e., the going rate for comparable apartments. Janet James of the Audit Com-

mittee defended the low rates as benefiting long-term, and generally older, residents. In response to a question by Director Mac Wirick. Colton said that the lower rents in GDC did result in lower turnover in the apartments and, therefore, did provide some savings to GDC.

The board decided to defer adoption of the budget until Colton furnishes figures on rents for comparable apartments in the area.

No increase in GDC garage rents was proposed in the budget since these had recently been revised upward. As part of his report to the board, Colton indicated that the overwhelming majority of renters of garages being used for storage accepted the increase to \$50 per month. There has been little turnover. Those garages which did become available were taken by GDC tenants or by GHI members for storage at the new rates.





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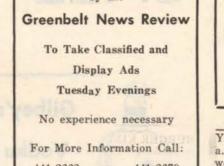
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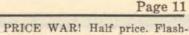
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