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By Elaine Skolnik - GR. 4-6060

Birthday greetings to Frances Crowder, 15-E Laurel, who celebrated her eleventh birthday on July 3.

Miami Beach was the vacation site for three Greenbelt families—the Gersons, 45-D Ridge, the Markfields, 17-C Ridge, the Ryss, 2-J Westway.

A speedy recovery to David Nicholson, 36-K Ridge, who is in Prince Georges Hospital.

Seen around town: Former Greenbelter, Jane Volkausen and her young ones. Former Greenbelters, Morris and Miriam Solomon and their children. The Solomons now reside in Wilmington, Del.

A surprise farewell party was given for the Nat Rothsteins, 36-C Ridge, by Mrs. Lillian Bean and Mr. and Mrs. Oney Lipscomb, at the latter's home, 36-D Ridge. The Rothsteins are moving to Brentwood, Md.

Our condolences to Mrs. David Nicholson, on the loss of her father, Grace, Dolores, and Margaret Reynolds, 16-R Ridge, vacationed in Atlantic City with their grandparents.

Dr. and Mrs. William Weintraub and their daughters, 45-Q Ridge, have returned from a wonderful two weeks at Cape Cod.

Mr. Edgar Weber and his daughter, Jerry-Ann, 10-L Southway, were feted at a surprise farewell party given by the Charles Friedmans and Mrs. Mary McGuire. Mr. Weber and his daughter will be moving to Okala, Fla.

A very happy birthday to Patricia

Furioso, 10-V Southway. Patricia will be ten on Saturday.

Birthday greetings to Martha Gregory, 10-W Southway, who will celebrate her sixth birthday.

Our condolences to Mrs. T. Dalbow, 14-P Hillside, who recently lost her father.

U. S. Naval Academy Midshipman second class Charles C. Barcus, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Walsh Barcus of 2-T Gardenway, completed two weeks of amphibious training June 20 at the Little Creek Naval Amphibious Base, Norfolk, Va.

The training was climaxed June 20 by a mammoth assault on the beaches of Camp Pendleton, Va. The midshipmen joined two thousand members of the 6th Marine Regiment from Camp Lejeune, N. C., for the full-scale amphibious landing.



Charles C. Barcus

Filled-In Swales Result In Flood Conditions; Board Considers Action

by Al Skolnik

Prompted by a personal appeal of a 42-Ridge homeowner for relief from flood conditions caused by filled-in swales, the Greenbelt Homes, Inc. board of directors last Thursday night resolved to take positive action to correct the situation.

According to the complaint, the middle residents of the row, by filling in their swales, were causing water to back up at the end of the row. Despite the strenuous appeals of GHI for cooperation, the middle residents have consistently refused to permit remedial action, either by restoring the swales or laying adequate drain tiles.

Since the legal right of the corporation to take corrective action without the permission of the middle residents was beclouded, the board suggested alternative courses of action to management. It was pointed out that corrective action would be easier to take if the flooded condition were declared a health hazard or if it could be shown that the floods were caused by violations of local building codes.

Management was thus asked to contact the county health and building inspector offices. If these efforts are unsuccessful, management was given authority to explore the possibility of terminating the mutual ownership contract of the middle residents on grounds of violation of section 7 of the contract which requires each member "to respect the comfort and peace of mind of his neighbors" and to agree "that he will not do or suffer to be done any act or thing which shall or may be a nuisance, annoyance, inconvenience, or damage to the corporation or its members or to the occupants of adjoining dwellings or of the neighborhood."

One other alternative open to the

aggrieved party is to obtain an injunction against his neighbors and to sue in equity for damages.

North End Property

The board voted a temporary advance of \$4,500 for completion of the renovation of the North End property (formerly housing the store.) This money will be taken from operating capital and repaid from the first rentals from the new property or from additional proceeds from the land sale. The board originally used \$28,000 from the Warner-Kanter land sale to purchase the North End property and appropriated last January the remaining \$8,000 from the sale to remodel the interior, under the direction of GHI superintendent Dave Kane who was authorized to contract directly for labor and material.

With the \$8,000, the North End property was refurbished into 4 units featuring new equipment in the kitchen and bathroom, and expansion of living space downstairs through removal of partitions and relocation of closets. The work yet remaining to be done includes sanding of floors, wainscoting of bathroom walls and kitchen, and certain other minor "grooming" items in the interior and exterior yard development, including street planting and separators. The board felt that the outlay of \$4,500 for these additional items would be a worth-while investment because of the higher rentals the property would attract.

Council Meets Tonight And Again Next Monday

Although the city council is ostensibly on its light summer schedule of one regular meeting a month, the press of business has forced additional meetings. This Thursday (tonight) at 9 p.m. the council and representatives of the youth center and the fire and rescue squad meet with Satterlee and Smith, architects for the new municipal center, to discuss final plans. Next Monday, July 21, the council holds a special meeting at 8 p.m. to handle matters left over from last Monday's meeting.

Recreation Review

By Warren Leddick
City Softball League

The following standings are for games played up to July 12. Several games have been rained out. Managers will meet Thursday night to draw for our tournament to be held next month.

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| Athletic Club | 9 | 0 |
| St. Hugh's | 6 | 3 |
| Methodist Church | 3 | 4 |
| Happy's Cats | 3 | 5 |
| Co-op | 2 | 4 |
| Fire Department | 2 | 3 |
| Community Church | 1 | 7 |

Babe Ruth League

On Thursday, July 24, the Greenbelt Babe Ruth All-Stars will meet Frederick, Md., at 3 p.m. in their first game of the State tournament, which will be played in Bel-Air, Md. After much consideration John Hugman, League Director, has picked the following boys to represent Greenbelt in the tournament: Fran Day, Team Captain, Jack O'Neill, W. Rowe, J. McNally, R. Thompson, B. Emmert, D. Moore, J. Garuso, G. Ailstock, T. Hickey, P. Hyland, L. Caruso, P. Cawley, K. Ruppel, and A. Moraz. League President Bernie Emmert and John Huffman will coach the team on the field during the tournament. Last year Greenbelt reached the semi-finals in this tournament.

THANKS

We wish to express our heartfelt appreciation for the many kindnesses and help during my husband's illness—and now at the time of our loss and sorrow.

Thanks especially to the neighbors, friends, and people of the Parish, to Rev. V. J. Dowgiallo and Father Liston and the Pall bearers. Also to the many friends for their spiritual bouquets and floral offerings.

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Price of \$260,000 Set for School Building; Sale Slated Next June

by Russ Greenbaum

After several months of negotiation, representatives of the city council and the Prince Georges County Board of Education agreed last Thursday on the price of \$260,000 for the sale of the Greenbelt community building, otherwise known as the Center School, to the county. The price was confirmed by the city council at its regular meeting on Monday, July 14

Students Honored at Greenbelt Jr. High

In an Awards assembly on June 12, outstanding students of the ninth grade were honored. The American Legion Awards, based on honor, service, leadership, and scholarship, went to John Tucker, 11-L Ridge, and Jackie Spaulding of E. Riverdale. Runners-up were Dave Dalbow of 14-P Ridge, and Sandra Willis of College Park. The Eshbaugh Award, based on service and achievement, was won by Dale Smith of Berwyn Heights. Mary K. Melton of Berwyn Heights was the recipient of the Knapp Award which is also based on service and achievement.

New awards this year went to the boy and girl with the highest scholastic record over the three year period. Because of a tie, three won this honor. They were Dave Dalbow of Greenbelt, Peggy Korty of Riverdale, and Anna Hostetter of College Park.

The Hi-Y Award went to Martin Berkofsky of 5-A Ridge, and the Tri-Hi-Y Award to Linda Oldson of 26-B Crescent. Carrell Ward of College Park and Donna Shank of Berwyn Heights won awards for outstanding athletic achievement.

Perfect Attendance Certificates were awarded Yvonne Adams of 46-D Ridge, Michael Lienhard of Riverdale, and Joan Franklin of Riverdale. Merit Awards in the band were awarded Stephen Mintz of 1-C Westway and Yvonne Adams of 46-D Ridge, in the ninth grade, and Lewis Motter of College Park and Ramon Parcels of Riverdale in the eighth grade.

Explorer Trip Success

By Matt Citron

The trip to the Philmont Scout Ranch in N. Mex. by Explorer Post 202 was a success. The boys that went on the trip were: Walter Pink, Matt Citron, Bill Edwards, Larry Voight, Boyd Taliaferro, Rex McGill, Barry Porter, Fred Dial, Carl Knickelbein, Garry Bronstein, and Mr. Otto Voight, our leader.

We flew out of Washington on a DC-4 on Saturday, June 21, at about 7 a.m. We landed in N. Mex., near Cimmaron, about nine and a half hours later. It took so long trying to find a place because of the low clouds. We landed at an old Army air field with but 50 feet to spare. We then took a bus to the camp headquarters, where we were briefed on rules and where we received necessary equipment like tents, pack frames, and cook-kits.

After spending the night there, we spent the next ten days on the trail. We had some trouble getting used to the high altitude. Some of us had trouble with our ears and tired easily because of it.

During the next ten days we hiked, fished, and went horseback riding. We also climbed Mt. Clear Creek, which is 11,700 feet high. On reaching the top, we had a brief snowball battle and then started down the other side. It took us eight hours altogether.

The trails were loaded with interesting rock specimens, and there also was a great abundance of deer. Only once were a bear and a rattlesnake seen.

We traveled together with an Air Explorer Post from Laurel. We came home by Trailways air-conditioned bus. We stopped at night at Air Force bases. We traveled through N. Mex., Colo., Kan., Mo., Ind., Ohio, W. Va., Pa., and then Md. We stopped briefly at Kansas City, Dodge City, St. Louis, Indianapolis, and Pittsburgh. It took us five days to get home. We arrived home on Monday, July 7, at 8 o'clock at McGruder Park.

The county school board has indicated that the sale will not be completed until next June. There is also some question as to whether the entire sum will be paid in cash or in yearly installments. The school board has asked that roller skating no longer be permitted, pending the sale, in order to prevent further deterioration of the floor of the main auditorium.

When negotiations were opened, the council was asked by the school board to set a price. The council, after obtaining two independent professional appraisals of the value of the building, quoted the figure of \$300,000. The county board countered with a price of \$225,000, following which the council told the board it could go no lower than \$270,000. At Thursday's meeting the county board presented its "final" figure of \$250,000. When Councilman Ben Goldfaden then proposed the figure of \$260,000, the deal was made.

City Manager Charles McDonald expressed his satisfaction with the purchase price, commenting that the council was on solid ground since the figure was "comparable to or even above" the value of the building set by the two appraisers. It is still necessary for the county board to obtain the approval of the county commissioners, but this is expected to be routine.

The county board noted that the school would be open to use by residents in the evening to the same extent that other public school buildings are used by communities. The city council said that it hoped its own new three-unit municipal center would be under construction by next spring and be available for use by fall. This would mean that the city would be without a community building only during next summer.

Since the purchase of the building was planned to provide funds for the new community center, Councilman Jim Smith raised the point of the problem that would arise if the residents of the city should vote down the bond issue designed to finance the municipal center. The council, however, generally expressed confidence that the residents would support the bond issue, since two-thirds of the total cost (roughly estimated at \$375,000) would be provided by the sale of the school building. Councilman Stan Edwards noted that the money from the sale would itself make it possible to build a youth center and fire and rescue squad quarters.

Gas for Lakewood

Another matter that came before the council was a request by representatives of the Washington Gas Light Company to bring a gas main into Greenbelt to service the new Lakewood (formerly Green Valley) development. The gas main will come along Edmonston rd. and along Crescent rd. past Greenbelt Lake to the new development. Homes near the development can be serviced by the gas main and will be able to get free installation if they are within 115 feet of the gas main. Beyond that distance there is a charge of one dollar per foot.

The gas company stressed that it had an excellent reputation for replacing excavations and repairing roads and property necessarily torn up in installing the gas lines. Extension of the gas main to other parts of the city would be made if surveys showed a demand for gas service.

Since the franchise requested by the gas company would be exclusive and perpetual, the council had some doubts about the type of franchise presented. The gas company, which hopes to have service installed in the new development by next winter, was promised speedy consideration.

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LEAVING AREA: Must sell living room, dinette, bedroom furniture and misc. household items. Sacrifice prices. GR. 4-9673.

Medina-Davis

Mr. and Mrs. James L. Davis, 4-K Ridge, announce the marriage of their son, Leonard Hamilton Davis, to Alma I. Medina of Brooklyn, N. Y. The wedding took place on July 5 at St. Jerome's Church in Brooklyn. Leonard is stationed at the U. S. Naval Base in Glynco, Ga., where he and his bride will make their temporary home.

John M. Ryan

John M. Ryan, 50, information specialist at Agricultural Conservation Program Services, U. S. Department of Agriculture, since November, 1956, died July 9 at his home, 2 Lakeside.

Mr. Ryan was born in Plankinton, S. Dak. Before coming to Md. in 1952 he served as Agricultural Editor with the South Dakota Extension Service in Brookings, S. Dak. He later headed the Department of Information at the University of Maryland Extension Service.

A few days before his death Mr. Ryan received a special act or service award from the Agricultural Conservation Program Service, U. S. Department of Agriculture, for developing and preparing the "ACP Guidebook for ASC Farmer Committeemen, which, according to Paul Koger, ACP Service administrator, is a gem of comprehensive and down-to-earth reporting and interpretation of a very complex program.

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Mr. Ryan is survived by his wife, Ann M., and three children, Kathleen, Joseph, and Stephen, and two brothers, Lee V. and Joe Ryan of Plankinton, S. Dak.

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