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Council Selects Site for Youth Center, Defers Choice on Offices

By Russ Greenbaum

Although the members of the city council finally agreed on a specific location for the proposed new youth center building at a special meeting of the council on Monday, Aug. 18, they failed to make any progress in settling on a site for the new city offices building.

The council voted 4-1 to place the youth center in the general area behind the swimming pool east of the sidewalk to the athletic field but on the higher ground, if possible. The principal influence in placing the youth center at this location rather than west of the sidewalk and above the tennis courts was a protest from Lakeside home owners. The group at a special meeting, according to a letter transmitted to the council by Bernard Sisco, president, demanded that the youth center be built as far from the Lakeside homes as possible.

Councilmen Ben Goldfaden and Stan Edwards opposed making this concession, with Goldfaden arguing that west of the sidewalk was the best site. Beverly Fonda, chairman of the Youth Center Advisory Board, favored the westerly site but had no strong objection to moving it east as long as it was not placed on the low ground near the handball court.

In the discussion on the city office building, the council took one definite step in that it apparently dropped completely the most favored plan of the architects, which was for the city to acquire Lakeside property and locate the city offices off Crescent opposite Westway. The owners of the lots that would be used stated that they were willing to sell, but Mrs. John Ryan, whose house is situated at Crescent and Lakeside expressed no desire to sell. Aside from her reluctance, the fact that the prices asked by the owners of the four undeveloped lots totaled more than \$13,000 discouraged the council from considering the possibility further.

The council now has two proposals from two local landowners willing to sell to the city plots suitable for a site for the city offices building. One of them came from the Gilbert Realty Company, which owns the kidney-shaped, grassy area between the bank and the Center School.

Gilbert himself appeared before the council to present his views that the location of the city offices on this plot of land would enhance his commercial property at the shopping center and that he therefore was willing to convey the land at a lower price than he would normally ask. He set the price for the approximately 22,000 square feet at one dollar a square foot or about \$22,000.

Another piece of property offered to the city was by the owner of the group of Parkway apartments on the eastside of Parkway. The vacant land, which borders Crescent extending behind the apartments to opposite Eastway, consists of about 40,000 square feet. The property was offered at fifty cents a square foot or about \$20,000.

Mayor Tom Canning expressed grave doubts as to the wisdom of spending any money for land acquisition when city land was available. He felt that the city property near St. Hugh's, on which the new fire department and rescue squad building will be constructed, would be suitable for the city offices building.

The main objection to this location is the distance from the center. Both the privately owned plots of land would be close to the cen-

Art Fair Announced For Local Festival

Greenbelt's annual Art Fair, which is run in conjunction with the Labor Day Festival, will be held this year on Saturday, Aug. 30, on the front lawn of the Center School, according to Benjamin Abramowitz, the director of the art show.

Entries will be brought to the display area on the day of the fair. Exhibition hours will be from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. All works of sculpture, painting, drawing and crafts are eligible. Prize winners will receive cup awards and art supplies donated by the Arts and Crafts Supply Co.

Recreation Review

By Warren Leddick
9 Mile Road Race

Again Greenbelt will be host to runners of national fame. Returning again will be Browning Ross, last year's winner, of the Penn A. C. Among other entries is Gordon McKenzie, who has just returned from Europe, where he competed against Russia, Czechoslovakia, Greece, Poland, and Great Britain. Gordon competed at 10,000 Meters, and is also National A.A.U. runner-up. John Kelley winner of the Boston Marathon in 1957, and runner-up in 1958 is another entry. All three runners were members of past Olympic teams.

Local entries includes Neil Vaughn, who placed 17th last year, Edwin Link and Warren Leddick, Recreation Director. This will be Leddick's first race since June 1954, at which time he was South Atlantic A.A.U. Champion and record holder at six miles. Leddick was also a member of the Navy Olympic team in 1952. He is in fair shape. To date 19 entries have been received.

Free-Base Ball Tickets

Tickets for the game between the Senators and Yankees on Saturday, Aug. 30, will be given out at the Recreation Office on Wednesday, Aug. 27, starting at 10 a.m.—and FIRST Come FIRST Served.

Jay Perri Record Hop

The Greenbelt Youth Center will be guests on the Jay Perri Record Hop to be televised on Saturday, Aug. 23. 60 teenagers are needed—30 boys and 30 girls. If interested, call the Recreation Department for details. Bus will leave Center School at 11 a.m. Saturday.

Milt Grant Record Hop

Where: Center School.
When: Aug. 30.
Time: 8 p.m. to 11 p.m.
Admission: \$1.00 per person.

ter, with the Gilbert land actually a part of the center. Councilman Goldfaden argued that it was important to pick the best site and that \$20,000 or so would only be a small proportion of the overall cost. Mayor Canning countered that the city could not afford to buy the land and could just barely afford to put up the three buildings.

Fonda, earlier in the discussion, suggested that the city go back to its original plan of placing all three buildings where the fire house will be located. City Manager Charles McDonald, however, said there was strong objection to placing the youth center there.

The council decided to postpone further discussion on this matter until the next regular meeting.

Annual Labor Day Weekend Festival To be Bigger With New Features

SCHOOL REGISTRATION

Advanced school registration will take place from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Friday, Aug. 29, for all new students moving into Greenbelt and all children entering first grade not previously registered.

Elaborate plans for the fourth annual four-day Labor Day Weekend Festival are moving into high gear with several new features added this year, according to Eli Don Bullian, manager of the Festival. The affair is held every year for the benefit of the youth center building fund.

Innovations this year are a special Milt Grant Record Hop to be held Saturday night, Aug. 30, at the Center School auditorium, a swimming meet with 16 events on Monday, Sept. 1, amateur boxing matches, a demonstration of trained dogs and table tennis matches.

A regular feature is the popularity contest in which Greenbelt unmarried girls between the ages of 16 and 25 sponsored by local organizations compete for the title of Queen of the Festival. Votes are one cent each.

Entries this year are as follows: American Legion and Auxiliary—Joan Haslinger; Fire Department and Rescue Squad—Harriet Clinedinst; Co-op Store—Betty Gerber; Greenbelt Bowling Center—Joyce Pendleton; Izaak Walton League—Jacqueline Hodges; Lions Club—Karen Jorgenson; Little League—Alice Truesdell; and Youth Center—Betty Siehl.

Two local television programs will present the candidates during the next week. They will appear on the Jay Perri Show on WTOP (Channel 9) on Saturday at 1:30 p.m. The show will be an all-Greenbelt dance. The candidates will also appear on the Milt Grant Show on WTTG (Channel 5) on Tuesday at 5 p.m.

The nine-mile marathon race will be held on Sunday, Aug. 31, with at least three famous marathon runners expected to participate. The majorettes contest will be held in two parts on Saturday, Aug. 30, with only Greenbelt majorettes competing in the morning and an open contest in the afternoon.

The location of the festival this year will not be on the center mall but in the area behind the Center School. There will be 30 booths sponsored by county and city organizations, including food and games and eight rides, including a ferris wheel and a roller coaster.

Call Blood Donors For Patty Glover

Little Patty Glover needs blood. In the course of her illness with leukemia she has already used thirteen pints of blood, her mother, Mrs. Melvyn R. Glover, revealed in an interview following publication of Patty's plight in last week's News Review. None of this blood has been replaced, Mrs. Glover pointed out.

Since Patty is a patient at the National Institutes of Health in Bethesda, all blood donations for Patty must be made at NIH's own blood bank. Donations of blood are received only between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday. However, if a group of ten or more people volunteer as donors, a special evening appointment—preferably on Monday—can be arranged for the entire group.

Anyone interested in giving blood in Patty's name at NIH and unable to appear during the regularly scheduled day-time hours may call Mrs. Glover at 9252. If a minimum of ten such people call, then Mrs. Glover will arrange to make a group appointment on Patty's behalf.

Since last week's story was published in the News Review, the Glovers have moved. They now live at 16-Q Ridge.

GARDEN CLUB TREK

The Greenbelt Garden Club will sponsor a field trip to the USDA Beltsville Farm turf plots on Thursday, Aug. 28. The visit will feature a talk by Dr. Felix Juska on lawn seeding and maintenance, which the club feels is timely since now is the time to prepare and reseed lawns. The public is invited to attend, with the group scheduled to leave the driveway of the Center School at 6:30 p.m.



City Manager Charles McDonald and Mayor Tom Canning are seen here with W. Evans Buchanan, the builder of the new Lakewood homes development, as they cut the ribbon last Thursday opening the model homes for display. The salesmen have reported that about 70 homes were purchased over the weekend, which is considered a record for opening sales in this area.

North End Open House "Shop Greenbelt" 4-Day Business Theme

The renovated North End property will be open for public inspection on Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 23-24, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Greenbelt Homes, Inc. announced this week. The interest displayed by local inhabitants in the remodeling work has been so great, the co-op said, that it decided to have open house even though a decision has not yet been reached on whether the Laurel Hill property would be sold or rented.

The North End building, which formerly housed the GCS grocery store, has been refurbished into 4 housing units, featuring new bathroom and kitchen equipment and new electrical fixtures.

Ping Pong Tourney Scores with Residents

The Table Tennis Tourney, to be held Aug. 26-28 in the Greenbelt National Guard Armory, is attracting considerable interest with Greenbelt residents as well as those throughout the Washington Metropolitan area.

Chairman Dave Grego has been assured that Tabor Hasi, former National Table Tennis Association Singles Champion, will compete. All the other ranking D. C. and Baltimore players will be on hand as well as Hugh Rowell, Greenbelt's top Table Tennis player and others.

There will be competition for all classes. Entry blanks may be obtained at GCS, or call GR. 4-6317. Admission to the tournament will be 25c for adults. Children under 12 will be admitted free.

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Noted Area Boxers In Festival Fights

Well known area boxers will fight during the boxing matches scheduled for the Labor Day Weekend Festival, Monday, Sept. 1, the Greenbelt Lions Club, sponsor of the matches, has announced.

Participating will be Steve Sabo of the Fairfax-Arlington Junior Chamber of Commerce, Ronnie Fejran of the Olympic Athletic Club, and Scott McClellan, former Maryland University boxer now fighting for the Merritt Athletic Club. It is also expected that Mike Lucas, last year's District Champion and Eastern finalist, will also put on the gloves. Several outstanding boxers from Bolling Air Force Base will compete in the matches.

There will be an elite audience with State Senators Winship Wheatley and Louis Goldstein, president of the Maryland Senate, Congressman Richard Lankford, and County Commissioners Frank Lastner and Jesse Baggett indicating they will attend.

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By Elaine Skolnik, GR. 4-6060

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bender, 7-A Southway, announce the arrival of twin sons on Aug. 1, Richard Kirk weighed 6 lbs. 9 oz. and William Kevin weighed 6 lbs. 7 oz. The twins have a brother, Keith, 2½, and a sister, Kim, 14 months.

It's a boy for Mr. and Mrs. Charles Teske, 12-C Hillside. Jeffrey Wayne arrived on July 18 and weighed in at 7 lbs. 7 oz. He joins a brother, Michael, almost four, and a sister, Deoby, 18 months.

The Pines family, 7-E Crescent, have just returned from a vacation at the Copake Country Club in upstate N. Y.

Isn't it a small world? While vacationing in Denver, Colo., Janet Parker's mother met the recently moved Leland Leasias in a Denver store.

Birthday greetings to Debby Wagner, 2-D Northway, who celebrated her ninth birthday on Aug. 15.

The Bill Klein family, 2-F Northway, enjoyed their travels in N. Y. State—especially Niagara Falls. Their stay at Cornell University, where Bill lectured, was most enjoyable.

Visiting the Alan Kistlers, 7-B Crescent, is niece Patricia Anne Conahan, 11 years, who flew here from Pittsburgh all alone.

The Boykoff family, 2-C Northway, are back home after a vacation in N. Y.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Meier, 10-B Hillside, announce the arrival of a son. Edward Joseph was born on July 17, weighing 6 lbs. 11 oz. He joins three sisters, Beverly, 16, Cheryl, 11, Jane 1½.

Frances Jean Crowder, and her mother, Dorothy, went to Burlington, N. C., last Saturday with the College Park Majorettes for the National Open Drum Majorette Competitions. Other members of the team who attended were Leslie Thomas, Susan Boggs, Patricia Newkirk. Patricia's mother also accompanied them on the seven hour trip by chartered bus. The College Park team captured many honors for their strutting and twirling.

The Herbert Hertz family have moved to 102 Fleetwood st., Silver Spring, Md. Their new telephone number is JU. 9-7239. Both Myra and Herb were very active in community work during their fifteen years of residence here. Myra will continue teaching first grade at the Center School.

Glad to hear that Bernie Sisco, 19 Lakeside, is doing so well after an automobile accident.

The Charles Boyntons, are now living at 45-H Ridge

The new address of the Dambrauskas family is 1-B Northway. Vacationing at Cacapon State Park in W. Va. were the Morris Steinmans, Jack Ratzkins, Jack Sanders, Nat Schindermans, Ray Habers, Harry Weidbergs, and the Sid Spectors (former Greenbelters.)

The Lawrence Levines now reside at 3-H Eastway.

The new address of the Walter Moores is 2-S Gardenway.

Congratulations to Sonia Friedman, 10-J Southway, Sonia was one of five graduate students who won a scholarship in a nationwide competition given by the Pratt Library

of Baltimore. Sonia graduated from Maryland University in June.

It pays to advertise! (In the News Review, of course.) The response to Barbara Skolnik's Pen-Pal appeal was so great that she now has a waiting list. Busy writing letters to their friends abroad are Irwin Abramovitz, Sophie Abramovitz (who already received a reply from her pen pal in Malaya), Ann Varney, Brian McDonald, Ruth Wagner, Kathy Paduda, Mary Klinger, Ann Marie Grant, Kendra Keeney, Betty Faass, Alice Goldberg, Kathy McCaughey, Eva Garin, Barbara Chotiner, Robert and Harold Olds.

The Joseph Nusinovs, 50-C Ridge, are back home after vacationing in Wildwood, N. J.

The Beroza family, 17-E Ridge, have just returned from a tour of the New England States and parts of Canada. They spent some time in Cape Cod.

Jay Smith, age 10, son of the Paul J. Smiths, 131 Northway, was the first person to win a free game at red pin at the Greenbelt Bowling Center. Not only was he first, but he won three games in a row—practically unheard of, I'm told. Another youngster, twelve-year-old Peter Hoffman, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Hoffman, 2-B Southway, won the second free game. "Red pin" works this way: each automatic machine carries one red pin. If this pin is set by chance as the head pin and the bowler gets a strike, he receives that game free. Peter Hoffman, by the way, won his free game with the very high score of 169.

WOMEN'S BOWLING LEAGUE

Women interested in joining a new ten pin league starting Wednesday, Sept. 6 at 7 p.m. at the Greenbelt Bowling Center should contact league secretary Ellen Arrington at GR. 4-9551. The deadline is Saturday, Aug. 23.

BAR MITZVAH

Martin Greenbaum, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Greenbaum, 23-A Ridge, will be Bar Mitzvahed on Saturday, Aug. 23, at 9 a.m., at the JCC Building. There will be special services for Martin on Friday, Aug. 22, at 7:30 p.m. at the building. Everyone is invited.

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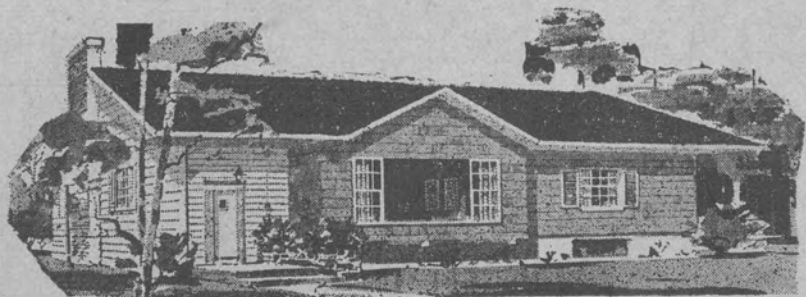
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