

# Greenbelt News Review

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## News Review Completes 32nd Year Of Publication During November

(EDITOR'S NOTE: The following brief history of the Greenbelt News Review is published for the benefit of new residents of Greenbelt on the occasion of the newspaper's 32nd anniversary).

Six weeks after the first residents of Greenbelt unpacked their household belongings in 1937, a newspaper was issued. Recognizing the immediate need for a news medium, the first families formed on November 11, 1937, a Journalistic Club to issue a weekly paper, the "Greenbelt Co-operator."

The policies of that paper, as formulated at the meeting, were: to serve as a nonprofit enterprise, to remain nonpartisan in politics, to remain neutral in religious matters, to print the news accurately and regularly, to make its pages an open forum for civic affairs, to develop a staff of volunteer writers, and to create a "good neighbor" spirit, promote friendship, advance the common good, and develop a "Greenbelt philosophy of life."

These principles still guide the motives and actions of the present Greenbelt News Review, the direct descendant of the Greenbelt Co-operator. The name was changed in September, 1954, in order to clarify the independent status of the paper and prevent its being confused with numerous other co-op organizations in Greenbelt. The Journalistic Club lasted until July, 1940, when it was converted into the Greenbelt Cooperative Publishing Association, which has continued the sponsorship of the paper ever since. An incorporation charter for the Association was granted in September, 1941, by the District of Columbia.

### The First Issue

The first issue of the Co-operator, appearing on November 24, 1937, was a neatly mimeographed paper containing sixteen letter-sized pages of local news and editorial content.

The newspaper has appeared regularly every week since then for thirty-two years.

The paper was prepared at the homes of various staff members until January, 1938, when the Federal Government (which owned Greenbelt at that time) made space available at the Center, free of cost, and also loaned much-needed furniture, typewriters and office equipment. To meet the costs of paper, ink, and stencils, a charge of five cents per copy was made beginning with the issue of January 5, 1938. Distribution was turned over to the Boy Scout troop, which was allowed to retain two cents for each paper sold.

### Free Delivery

An important development in the history of the newspaper was the decision to deliver the Co-operator 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 Co-operator, once its distribution had become community wide. The town government engaged more and more space for the 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. 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. 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

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## PRAB Report Endorses Youth Center Plans

The new plans for the Youth Center addition have received the general approval of the city's Parks and Recreation Advisory Board. In a report (#10-69) delivered to the council on November 17 by PRAB chairman Hugh Jascourt, note was made that the plans would provide the promised facilities for teens and golden agers, would feature flexibility, contain ample storage space, and provide additional facilities, including showers and exercise rooms.

PRAB recommended one change in the lavatory facilities so as to make them accessible for female participants in outdoor activities. It also recommended more paved deck areas for outdoor classes and lounge area.

Recognizing that present bond funds do not permit the expansion of gymnasium facilities in the Youth Center addition, PRAB suggested the following measures:

(1) The present gymnasium should be devoted almost exclusively to physical activities, since other programs could be placed elsewhere in the new structure.

(2) School gyms should be used for city recreation gymnasium programs and arrangements made through a formal written agreement. The city should make arrangements to provide its own janitorial service when the school board is unable to provide them.

(3) Special measures should be taken to make attractive nighttime use of outdoor basketball courts.

## Recreation Review

**Recreation Class Registration:** The first winter class registrations will be held December 1-5 for children, teen and adult activities. This program offers over 70 classes and activities. A written program can be obtained at City Buildings, and Twin Pines. Registrations are accepted by phone, in person, or by mail.

**Girls Basketball Team:** Girls interested in joining an 18 and under basketball team are encouraged to call the Recreation Department immediately. Our coach, Miss Eshbach, is anxiously awaiting your call.

**Men's Basketball League:** Deadline for entry in our Sunday night Men's B League is November 28, 1969 at 12 noon. Call 474-6878 to place a team.

**Ladies DeCoupage and Tin Can Crafts:** On Tuesday mornings from 9:30 to 11:00, the Recreation Department will be offering this interesting class. The program is scheduled to begin on or about January 13. Call now for further information.

**Thanksgiving Day Youth Schedule:** The Youth Center will be open for Open Gym on Thanksgiving Day. The definite hours of operation have not yet been posted.

## AGENDA

### Regular Meeting of CITY COUNCIL

Monday, Dec. 1, 1969  
8 p.m.

#### I ORGANIZATION

- 1 Call to Order
- 2 Roll Call
- 3 Lord's Prayer
- Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag
- 4 Minutes of Regular Meeting 11/17/69 and Special Meeting 11/24/69.
- 5 Additions to the Agenda by Councilmen and Manager

#### II COMMUNICATIONS

- 6 Petitions and Requests
- 7 Administrative Reports
- 8 Committee Reports

#### III OLD BUSINESS

- 9 Ordinance to Amend Ordinance 677 to Appropriate \$680.76 from the Municipal Service Building Construction Fund Unappropriated Surplus - 2nd reading - Pilski
- 10 Ordinance Regulating Skating on Greenbelt Lake - 2nd reading Mr. Pilski
- 11 Ordinance to Amend Ordinance No. 676 Prohibiting the Use of and Carrying Deadly Weapons to Provide a Penalty - 2nd reading - Mr. Katz
- 12 Designation of Chairman City Elections Advisory Committee
- 13 Appointment to Parks and Recreation Board
- 14 Athletic Clubhouse Use

#### V Miscellaneous

## Antique Show and Sale

The second annual Greenbelt Antiques Show and Sale will be held Dec. 5 in the Greenbelt Armory. Hours of the show are 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Friday (Dec. 5) and Saturday (Dec. 6) and from 1 p.m. to 6 p.m. on Sunday. There will be a snack bar and ample free parking.

## WHAT GOES ON

Friday, November 28, 8:30 p.m. - Duplicate Bridge, Co-op Hospitality Room

Sunday, Nov. 30, 1 p.m. - Jaycees Turkey Trot, Municipal Bldg.

Monday, Dec. 1, 8 p.m. - City council meeting, Municipal Bldg.

Tuesday, Dec. 2, 7:30 p.m. - Center School PTA meeting  
8 p.m. - Springhill Lake PTA meeting

Thursday, Dec. 4, 8:30 p.m. - GHI board considers budget, Hamilton Pl.

## GHI BOARD DEBATES 10 PERCENT INCREASE IN OPERATING BUDGET

by Al Skolnik

An increase in the 1970 budget of close to 10 percent in operating payments (defined to exclude mortgage payments) was indicated in the preliminary figures presented to the Greenbelt Homes, Inc., board of directors on Thursday, November 20. Such an increase would be equivalent to an increase of 7-8 percent in monthly charges including mortgage payments.

However, no final decisions were taken on the budget, as the board directed management to make several modifications and report back on December 4 with a revised budget.

The major change was a directive to management to revise the estimate of capital improvement expenditures so as to reflect realistically what could be realized in the coming year in light of labor shortages. GHI manager Roy Breashears had included in the 1970 budget \$282,500 for capital improvements, in accordance with the guidelines set down by the GHI board in December, 1968 which called for capital improvement expenditures of such a sum in each of the years 1969 and 1970.

In actuality, however, the corporation was able to do only \$65,000 worth of capital improvement work in 1969 because of the above difficulties and a late start. Several GHI directors felt that the 1970 experience would also show capital improvement work of less than \$282,500.

The lowering of capital improvement estimates will also reduce the amounts needed in 1970 to amortize the program. (The capital improvement program is set up to be financed through a 10-year loan program). The 1969 budget had set aside \$40,273 for this amortization, assuming a maximum borrowing of \$282,500.

### Reserve Replacement

A second change made by the board was the deletion of \$30,000 recommended by Breashears for rebuilding the reserves. On this the board split, with GHI president Charles Schwan casting the deciding vote. On a compromise proposal to include in the 1970 budget \$20,000 for the frame home reserves, directors Steve Polaschik, Dave Lange, Douglas Hawes, and Alex Chavrid voted yes and directors Nat Shinderman, John O'Reilly, Katherine Keene, and Schwan voted no. Director Jim Smith was not present. (A tie vote defeats a motion.)

Those who favored replacing the reserves were influenced by the fact that at the end of 1969 the frame home reserves would be down to \$10,700. The reserves at the beginning of the year had stood at \$58,000, but had to be drawn down because not enough was collected in members' charges to cover 1969 taxes and heating costs. Those who opposed replacing the reserves differed in their reasons. O'Reilly felt that it is not a sensible policy to set aside money for reserves at the same time that the corporation is borrowing money. Besides, he was not convinced that the reserve situation was critical, pointing to other assets of the corporation.

Shinderman and some of the others expressed the view that this

## PLUMBING FIXTURE REBATE TO BOXWOOD CITIZENS

Citizens of Boxwood who desire to apply for rebate on their plumbing fixtures should get in contact with Walter Wight, Civic Chairman, 105 Hedgewood Drive, 474-2556.

was not the year to start building up reserves. The 1970 budget already anticipates a large increase in monthly charges, and allowing for replacement of reserves may bring the increase to over 10 percent, thus necessitating a membership meeting to approve the budget.

Polaschik, on the other hand, felt strongly that the members would willingly increase their monthly charges to be assured that there would be adequate reserves to meet unforeseen contingencies.

### Taxes

Another proposal that engendered much discussion was a motion to increase the amount proposed for real estate taxes. Breashears had estimated taxes for 1970 of \$369,000, assuming no change in the existing combined county and city tax rate of \$4.86 per \$100 assessed valuation. Polaschik felt that this was too conservative in light of inflationary pressures and moved to allow for a 5-cent increase in the tax rate as a hedge. On a split vote which again saw Schwan casting the deciding vote, the motion was defeated. Voting for it were Polaschik, Chavrid, Keene, and Lange.

Also defeated was a proposal of Lange's to increase the amount budgeted for taxes so as to allow the collection of 12 months' taxes over a 9-month period. The purpose was to avoid the bind on the cash balances in September when a full year's taxes come due. The majority of the board felt that this was not the year to adopt this administratively convenient device.

### Rest of Budget

The rest of the budget was relatively noncontroversial. The 1970 budget calls for increases in the following major items from 1969:

Real estate taxes	\$48,000
Adm. & Sales	15,900
Heating - Brick	5,500
Heating - Frame	27,300
Repairs - Brick	1,700
Repairs - Frame	17,200

The large increase in frame home expenditures is due to the rise in fuel oil prices (estimated at \$13,000) and to increased demands for heating repairs in the frame boiler plants and for frame home maintenance. Also reflected in the rise is the 5 percent hike in maintenance salaries voted by the board. Increased cost of materials, overhead, and trim painting account for the balance of the increase.

### Borrow \$65,000

In other action, the board voted to make use of its line of credit established with Suburban Trust for its capital improvement program by borrowing \$65,000 to cover its first year operations. The cost of amortizing this loan will be reflected in the 1970 budget.

The board voted its concurrence of the arrangement adopted by city council on November 17 for the city's abandonment of 25 feet of Southway right-of-way. Under this arrangement, GHI will grant a 5-foot easement on the east side of Southway between Ridge and Crescent, while the city will abandon 25 feet on the west side so as to correct an error which had the city's property line going through the living room of five GHI homes.

Schwan named with the concurrence of the board the following chairmen of committees: Parking, Norman Weyel; Landscaping, Gordon Allen; Maintenance, George Adams; Member Complaints, Steve Polaschik; Member Communications, Katherine Keene; Member Services and Home Improvements, William Johnson; Finance, John O'Reilly; Personnel and Organization, Nat Shinderman; and Planning, Darwin Beck.

## GHI MEMBERS

There will be a special Board Meeting

on

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 4, 1969

to consider the

1970 BUDGET

Interested members may attend at 8:30 p.m. in the GHI Board Room at the office on Hamilton Place.

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**Gratified By Response**  
To the Editor:

In spite of the cold and blustery day we of the Greenbelt Peace Committee were gratified by the response of people to the table that was set up at the Center on Saturday, November 15th.

For persons who could not be directly involved in the Moratorium the Committee felt that they offered a service to people who wanted to do just a "little" for the cause of peace.

A total of \$36.34 was collected - \$24.61 for Mobilization and \$11.73 for the civilian victims of the war which will be sent to the respective organizations.

The next meeting of the Peace Committee will be held at my home, 6 Orange Court, on Thursday evening, December 4, at 8:30 and anyone is welcome to join us.

Irene Hensel, Treasurer  
Greenbelt Peace Committee

**Thanks**

To the Editors:

We wish to thank our friends and neighbors for their many kind expressions of sympathy during our recent bereavement.

Mr. Stephen Catalano  
and Family

**Modernized Facility for Mail Processing Planned**

The Post Office Department plans occupancy next January of a new facility that will process the mail now being handled by twelve Prince Georges County Post Offices. The offices concerned are Beltsville, Bladensburg, Bowie, Brentwood, College Park, Glenn Dale, Greenbelt, Lanham, Laurel, Hyattsville, Mount Rainier and Riverdale.

The one-story, 100,000 square foot, air conditioned structure is located at 6511 Baltimore Avenue, Riverdale, Maryland 20890. It will be equipped with the latest developments in mechanized mail processing equipment. These will include a twelve-position letter sorting machine which can sort up to 43,000 letters per hour to about 140 destinations. In addition, two Mark II facer-cancellers will process about 64,000 letters per hour.

The 439 employees who staff the new facility will be drawn from the twelve offices whose mail processing functions are being transferred. The twelve offices will continue to provide window services and conduct carrier operations as before.

**Greenbelt Lucky Leaves**

by Kathleen Coyne

November 7, 1969, was Achievement Night. This is a night when all outstanding 4-H'ers receive awards for projects, such as food and clothing.

Janice McFarland outstandingly received 3 awards, these were for the Style Review, Clothing, and Demonstration Day. Kathy Kiddy and Sarah Brown also received awards. They both were recognized for their home furnishings project.

Awards also were presented for 4-H Record Books. Janice McFarland, Sarah Brown, and Kathleen Coyne all received blue ribbons. Nancy Gaffney received a red ribbon.

This year's Achievement Night turned out successfully for the Greenbelt Lucky Leaves!

**Herman B. Kerr**

Herman B. Kerr of 19-A Ridge Road passed away suddenly Nov. 18. He is survived by his wife Bertha, two children, three grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

**City Notes**

The job of moving into the new quarters at the Municipal Service Building is a long, slow process. Most of the new furniture has now been received, and by the estimate of Albert Attick, Superintendent of Public Works—ninety per cent of the equipment and supplies to be moved from the old warehouses are already in place in the new quarters. A few pieces which the city plans to sell have been left in the old building.

Outside the new building the city crew has installed an 18" corrugated pipe in a drainage swale from new Crescent Rd. and has filled the swale. Since the swale originally led underneath the security fencing around the parking area, it jeopardized the security the fence was supposed to protect. Eventually the area will be landscaped.

On the other side of the building, in the little yard are between the two buildings on the south, the crew poured concrete slabs for new animal pens. Chain link fencing and small dog houses will then be erected. In addition, some form of canvas shelter, which can act as a wind screen in winter and as sun shade in summer, is being contemplated.

A major piece of excavating is underway in the greenspace between 6 and 8 Cts of Crescent, where the land had settled badly, blocking a storm drain. At the same time the city crew is replacing the catch basin—previously made of pipe—with a new manhole style of catch basin. When the former basin needed cleaning out, a worker had to be let down head first, hanging by his heels, 15 feet down. Since the number of employees willing to take such treatment was very few indeed, the Public Works Dept decided that a new design was in order.

In the meantime, the Parks crew has been laying new sod around the Municipal Building, replacing dead young trees which had been planted along the roadsides in the spring, landscaping the city right-of-way on Edmonston Rd. where it joins the Beltway right-of-way, and cleaning out and replanting the flower beds in the Center.

Several trucks were tuned, serviced, and repaired in preparation for their use in snow removal. Salt for the roads was also delivered.

**Junior Highlights**

by Debbie Hibbs

"Autumn Experience," Greenbelt Jr. High's first dance on Nov. 7, was a great success. There was a record turn-out of over 500 people.

The eighth grade students from G.J.H.S. are to visit Williamsburg and Jamestown December 6 and 7. The students will depart from the school at 7:30 a.m., Saturday morning, and will return at 9:30 p.m., Sunday evening.

The Girls' and Mixed Choruses of G.J.H.S. are planning to give Christmas concerts with the Greenbelt Concert Band. Their first concert at Greenbelt is scheduled for December 20 at the Greenbelt Youth Center.

The College Park Fair Lanes is having a free Bowling Party on November 28; all students of G.J.H.S. are invited to attend. The purpose of this party is to set up a Duckpin and Tenpin League to bowl after school, every Thursday, starting December 4.

Seventh graders Cynthia Hernley and Prudence LaRue and eighth graders Russell T. Ball, Pamela DiLavore, and Sandra Gardiner were the five students of G.J.H.S. who received a 4.00 average on their report cards this quarter.

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aided by 125 volunteer court collectors, the drive netted over \$1500. It proved such an unqualified success that it was renewed again the following year.

The yield from these drives was sufficient to meet the needs and no drives have been conducted since 1960; however, a fund drive was launched last year by the Greenbelt Freedom of the Press Committee to help the paper defend itself against libel charges. An appeal from an adverse judgment in the lower courts is now pending before the U.S. Supreme Court.

At present over 4,500 free copies of the News Review are distributed weekly to homes in Greenbelt, including Springhill Lake and University Square Apts.

**Offices of the Paper**

The News Review has had several homes since its inception. 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) continued the federal policy of providing free office space, with the paper reimbursing the corporation for out-of-pocket expenses.

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 38 changes in editorship during the paper's 32 years, attesting to the difficulty of this job; the position is at present held by Mary Smith and there are 21 staff members.

**Final Date for SAT Set for Dec. 6**

Senator Edward T. Conroy has announced changes in the State scholarship programs and procedures for the 1970-71 academic year. In accordance with revisions made in the programs by the last session of the Legislature, students will no longer have to take a special State Scholarship examination. Instead, a student wishing to compete for either of the two types of scholarships should take the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) in the test center in his area, on December 6th of this year.

In addition, scholarship candidates must file a formal scholarship application and a financial analysis statement, known as the "Parents Confidential Statement" (PCS). These forms must be filed with the College Scholarship Service in Princeton, New Jersey by December 1 in order for a student to be considered as an eligible State Scholarship candidate. These forms can be obtained from the local school counselor.

The Senator expressed that a student wishing to be considered for a Senatorial Scholarship must file a special application with his State Senator prior to March 31 of the year following that in which he took the SAT. Senatorial Scholarships applications may be obtained from any high school in the State or from the office of the respective State Senator, beginning in January of the same year.

Students who have already completed at least one year of college are exempted from the S.A.T. requirement. However, such students must still file the formal application and the P.C.S. by December 1 in order to be considered for an award. He or she must also file an application with his State Senator(s) prior to March 31st.

For further details of the State programs, students should consult their principal or guidance counselor. A brochure describing all the State scholarship programs is available upon request from the State Scholarship Board, 2100 Guilford Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland 21218.

**Miller-Dredger**

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh M. Miller, Jr., 1-B Southway, announce the engagement of their daughter Linda Lee to Dennis G. Dredger. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert F. Dredger, 106 Hedgewood Drive. No date has been set for the wedding.

**Help by Phone**

"Help by Phone" is a volunteer group which aims at helping with those emergency needs in Prince Georges County which cannot be fulfilled by the existing agencies. "Help" has been operating since May, 1968.

Its main job is to help with food for two or three days, and the donating of furniture, clothing, and transportation. Personnel services such as meal preparation, child care, and minor repairs are also available.

"Help" serves not only those at the poverty level but also those in temporary crisis.

Volunteers are needed for transportation, to work on the phone, or to donate time for personal services. Donations of clothing, furniture, transport trucks, and money are also needed, plus storage space for the donations.

For further information contact "Help" at 559-5333.

**Thanksgiving Day Service**

On Wednesday, Nov. 26, at 8 p.m., there will be a Thanksgiving Service held in the Greenbelt Community Church. Participants in the service will be Rabbi Maurice Weisenberg of Mishkan Torah, Greenbelt; Father Nelson and Father Smith of St. Hugh's Catholic Church; Rev. William Ravenscroft of Mowatt Memorial United Methodist Church and Rev. Robert L. Field of Greenbelt Community Church. We extend to the entire community an invitation to join with us in this hour of giving thanks.

9:45 A.M. _____	Sunday School	6:00 P.M. _____	Training Union
11:00 A.M. _____	Morning Worship	7:00 P.M. _____	Evening Worship
	7:30 P.M. Wednesday _____		Midweek Service

**GREENBELT BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Crescent & Greenhill Rds. S. Jasper Morris, Jr., Pastor 474-4040

**UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
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Rev. Wm. E. Ravenscroft, Pastor Telephone: 474-9410  
Church School \_\_\_\_\_ 9:30 A.M.  
(3rd grade thru adults)  
Worship Service \_\_\_\_\_ 11:00 a.m.  
(Nursery with classes thru 2nd grade)

**ST. HUGH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
**Feast of Immaculate Conception**  
December 8  
Masses 6:30 & 9:30 a.m. - 12:00 Noon - 6:00 & 8:00 p.m.  
Sunday Masses 8:00, 9:30, 11:00 & 12:30 p.m.

**Greenbelt Community Church**  
(United Church of Christ)  
Hillside and Crescent Roads  
474-6171

10:00 a.m. Family Worship Service (Children Welcome)  
11:00 A.M. Church School for Children and Youth (Child Care 10-12)

WE INVITE THE ENTIRE COMMUNITY

11:00 am. "PROBE discussion groups for Adults"  
"Guidelines on Death"  
Resource Leader - Rev. Robert L. Field  
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"Bible Study"

The Services of  
**Thanksgiving**  
9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.  
**Thanksgiving Day**  
Anthems by the Choirs  
**Sunday Services**  
Worship: 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.  
Sunday School and Bible Classes 9:30 a.m.

**Holy Cross Lutheran Church**  
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Edward H. Birner, Pastor 345-5111, 474-9200

**CLASSIFIED**

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**Citation for Chief Lane**

Greenbelt Police Chief William F. Lane and his staff received a letter of commendation from the Maryland Traffic Safety Commission for their contribution made to lowering Maryland's death rate from highway accidents. Up through October 23, 1969, there have been 56 fewer highway deaths than in 1968 (599 as against 655 in 1968). In comparison to the rest of the nation, Maryland is classified as one of the states with the lowest highway death rate.

**BROWNIE TROOP 1420**

Brownie Troop 1420 had their Investiture November 12 along with a flag ceremony which was led by Laina Crockett, Barbara Hand and Helen Wheatley who are all second year Brownies.

The following girls received their Brownie Pins: Kelley Bell, Anne Bistany, Mary Beth Bistany, Donna DeCuir, Deborah Hopkins, Donna Nagle, Karen Nagle, Patty Osborne, Julia Robinson, Dorinda Stewart and Carol White.

Refreshments were served after the ceremony, as a celebration.

**High Point Reunion**

Members of the High Point High School Class of 1960 are planning a ten-year reunion sometime next spring. Bill Edmondson is collecting names and addresses at the Giant Pharmacy on Greenbelt Road, telephone 345-1700. Alumni can also call Margie and Jeff Odom at 949-8307 or write Diane and Brian Kritt at 7756 Lakecrest Drive, Greenbelt. In order to reach as many people as possible, it is hoped that parents and friends of alumni will pass along this information.

**TRAFFIC TIPS**

You want to stop when your car does, don't you? Fasten your seat-belt. When a car hits something, it stops. Unbelted occupants don't. They keep right on going until slammed against the car's interior or thrown out of it.

Being passed on the road brings negative emotional reactions for some drivers. However, driving is not a contest and such a common act should not bother us. Don't speed up and hinder the passing car—that kind of action can end in tragedy for both of you.

Motorists should drive along with the flow of traffic. Constantly changing lines to pass other cars is inviting disaster. If you pass more cars than pass you, the chances are you are above the speed limit.

**ANTENNA PROBLEMS**

Expert antenna man will install new/repair antenna in my spare time and Sundays.  
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Radarman Third Class Edward L. Moore, Jr., USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward L. Moore, Sr. 44-P Ridge is serving in the Western Pacific aboard the minesweeper USS Reaper.

A get-well-quick to Nguyen Thi Be, 3 Maplewood Ct. who is recovering from injuries following an auto accident

Mr and Mrs Ruffin Cooper, of 6204 Springhill Drive, have returned from a honeymoon cruise to the West Indies. Ruffin and his bride, the former Patricia Ann Bartlett, were married November 8 in Paint Branch Unitarian Church in Adelphi.

**Springhill Lake PTA**

The Springhill Lake Elementary School PTA meeting will be held on Tuesday, December 2 at 8 p.m. at the school. Dr. Gilbert Schiffman, who is in charge of elementary reading instruction in Prince George's County, will speak on the philosophy and techniques of reading instruction as practiced in our county schools. Dr. Schiffman will comment on both the traditional approaches and some exciting innovations in the field of reading instruction. One of the innovations is the LEAR program which is being used in our school on an experimental basis. Refreshments will be served after the discussion.

**Maryland U. Theatre**  
**Production for Children**

Maryland University Theatre's first production for children, of the 1969-70 season will be Charles Dickens' "A Christmas Carol", to be presented on Saturday and Sunday, December 13 and 14, at 1 and 3:30 p.m. each day in the Fine Arts Theatre, College Park campus.

Mail orders are now being accepted, the Box Office will be open December 8, and special Group Rates are available for parties of 20 or more - all tickets reserved. For information and reservations contact the Box Office at 454-2201, 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. weekdays.

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**CENTER SCHOOL PTA**

William Laslo, science coordinator for Prince Georges County elementary schools, will speak at the December 2 meeting of the Greenbelt Center School PTA. He will speak about the science program in the elementary schools. Refreshments will again be served at 7:30 p.m., with a short business meeting at 8. Classrooms will be open after the talk, and some of them will display current science projects.

The hospitality committee notes that the November meeting was an outstanding success, with over one hundred and fifty persons attending.

**Greenbelter Produces Award-Winning Film**

A film, "Prescription: Roses", produced and directed for Johns Hopkins by Jay Brubaker, 6-R Ridge, recently received a first place "Cindy" award at annual Information Film Producer's Association ceremonies in San Francisco. Sponsored by the Public Health Service, HEW, the color film offers instruction and advice to medical assistants, nurses and physicians on comprehensive patient care. "Prescription: Roses" has also won a "Golden Eagle" certifying it for entry in international film festivals, and a CHRIS certificate from the Film Council of Greater Columbus.



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Second Analysis

# City Government Services Evaluated In Questionnaire

by R. Gary Stenhouse

Administrative Assistant to City Manager

In this, the second weekly report on results of the information questionnaire given to City voters, residents were asked to rate from excellent to poor various local governments, City services, and, in the case of Springhill Lake voters, services provided by Springhill Lake management. To make the information meaningful, data was again converted into a scale of excellent, good, fair, and poor.

The ratings were tabulated for each item in three areas of Greenbelt — namely, GHI homes, single family homes, and Springhill Lake. An overall average for the entire city, as is shown in the accompanying chart, was also tabulated.

The following are comments on some of the ratings:

**City Government** — Overall voters rate the City government better than other local governments and agencies except residents of Springhill Lake, who rated both the Prince Georges school and M-NC-PPC better than Greenbelt's government.

**Fire Protection** — Voters consistently rated volunteer fire department and rescue squad services higher than any other governmental service.

**Street Maintenance** — Street maintenance fared well except in Springhill Lake, where it was downrated to such an extent that on the total rating for all services, street maintenance was lowest. I can see two reasons for this:

Number one, and this will be shown in future reports, is that the City has yet to find an acceptable solution to access problems in Springhill Lake. Frequently, in survey work, if a respondent finds one facet of any service intolerable he will look with disfavor upon that entire service. Secondly, it is possible that SHL residents also look upon those courts and parking lots maintained by Springhill Lake Management as City streets.

**Street Lighting** — It was surprising to find this service rated fairly low as Greenbelt maintains a higher level of lights on its streets than most other jurisdictions. Possibly voters of GHI and Springhill Lake are considering the lighting of service courts and parking lots in their ratings. Single family homes, not being confused by what are streets and what are private drives, did give a substantially higher rating to street lighting. Even so, the questionnaire probably indicated that residents want good street

lights and that our above-average standards could be even higher.

**Refuse and Special Trash** — Residents who get City trash service think it's great, while those who don't downrate their private service. In fact, for refuse and special trash, if we discount Springhill Lake, which we should in a rating of municipal services, then refuse and trash would rate higher than any City service except elementary recreation and recreation for Golden Agers.

**Park and Playground Maintenance** — That area which contains most small City playgrounds, GHI, thought least of City playground maintenance. In Springhill Lake residents most probably rated their own playgrounds and rated them quite highly, in fact, higher than residents in the rest of Greenbelt rated playgrounds.

Park maintenance fared better. From responses to later questions it would appear that most residents think of Greenbelt Lake Park when the word "park" is mentioned. Thus, I believe Springhill Laker were rating City parks for this question.

**Recreation** — On the whole, recreation programs score very well, with those catering to the young children and senior citizens doing the best. Springhill Lake's own private recreation program is probably being rated by residents of that area, and is well regarded by them. All areas gave the lowest rating to recreation programs for young adults, with teens second low.

In the overall view, it was generally found that single family homeowners are most satisfied with those services provided by the City. Springhill Lake residents, on the other hand, were generally least satisfied with City services. Springhill Lake residents, however, did think highly of Greenbelt's Police Department and playground maintenance services provided by the Springhill Lake management.

	POOR	FAIR	GOOD	EXCELLENT
Greenbelt City Government	██████████	██████████	██████████	██████████
P. G. Co. Government	██████████	██████████	██████████	██████████
M-NCPPC	██████████	██████████	██████████	██████████
County Schools	██████████	██████████	██████████	██████████
Police Protection	██████████	██████████	██████████	██████████
Fire Protec. & Rescue Squad	██████████	██████████	██████████	██████████
Street Maintenance	██████████	██████████	██████████	██████████
Street Lighting	██████████	██████████	██████████	██████████
Snow Removal	██████████	██████████	██████████	██████████
Refuse Collection	██████████	██████████	██████████	██████████
Special Trash Collection	██████████	██████████	██████████	██████████
Park Maintenance	██████████	██████████	██████████	██████████
Playground Maintenance	██████████	██████████	██████████	██████████
Recreation Programs for:				
Elementary Age	██████████	██████████	██████████	██████████
Teenagers	██████████	██████████	██████████	██████████
Young Adults	██████████	██████████	██████████	██████████
Adults	██████████	██████████	██████████	██████████
Golden Agers	██████████	██████████	██████████	██████████

## Xmas Postal Schedule

### Greeting Cards

Greeting cards for distant States should be mailed not later than Dec. 10 and those for local delivery not later than Dec. 15. There will be no delivery of Christmas cards and letters other than SPECIAL DELIVERY on Christmas Day.

### Alaska and Hawaii Mail

Surface mail for Alaska and Hawaii should be mailed not later than December 1, and airmail not later than Dec. 15 to insure delivery before Christmas.

### Gift Parcels

Mailers are urged to mail gift parcels for distant States before Dec. 1 to insure delivery before Christmas. Gift parcels for local and nearby areas should not be mailed later than Dec. 13. The name and address of both the sender and addressee should be enclosed in each gift parcel to permit identity in case of damage or loss of the outside address label. The outside address label should be placed on only one side of each parcel.

### Mail for Armed Forces Overseas

1. Surface Transportation - October 13 - November 8.
2. PAL - October 27 - November 29.
3. AIRMAIL - December 1 - December 13.

**Air Parcel Post**—For small package mailing, Air Parcel Post should be considered. On parcels weighing two pounds or under, airmail postage should be used and packages mailed Nov. 30 - Dec. 11.

## Red Cross Sends Gift Bags to GI's

The Prince Georges County Red Cross Chapter, a UGF participant has already sent 1,500 Christmas gift bags to servicemen in South Vietnam as their share of the National Red Cross quota. The "ditty bags" contain small items including games, nail clippers, soap dishes, plastic cigarette holders, combs, and similar items.

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## Speaking Sternly . . . by David Stern

### Moon Rocks

Several samples of lunar material, including small rock pieces, coarse lunar "soil" and polished thin rock sections, have arrived at Goddard Space Flight Center for analysis in Goddard's Geochemistry Lab.

The samples have been loaned to the investigators for scientific research only and (as far as they remain intact) will be returned to the Manned Space Flight Center in Houston after the investigation ends. They were brought from Houston by representatives of the Lab who flew there especially for this purpose. Due to the great interest by Goddard personnel, they were publicly displayed (under guard!) at the Goddard library on October 8 and 9. At present, the samples are no longer available for viewing.

### What They Look Like

The large chunks of moon rock are dark and coarse-grained, looking somewhat like pieces of slag or cinders. Geologically, the biggest pieces are classified as breccia — a stone compacted out of many small particles (like sandstone, for instance), possibly under the influence of meteorite impact.

Under a low power microscope, these drab pieces of slag suddenly turn into objects of beauty as one notes the many glistening tiny glassy "beads" embedded in their structure. One also notes cavities with the appearance of broken bubbles; in terrestrial rocks, such cavities are often formed in rocks which were once molten (lava, for example), by the boiling-away of water contained in them. Lunar rocks contain no detectable water, so these cavities could well be produced by even higher tempera-

tures at which some of the mineral constituents begin boiling away.

### Investigating the Rocks

Three different investigations of lunar material are scheduled at Goddard. One team will aim at the material a narrow beam of electrons — similar to the one that traces the picture in a TV tube, but much more narrowly focused. Because of the narrowness of the beam, individual structures down to submicroscopic size (such as the small glass beads) can then be individually examined by means of the X-rays which they emit when struck by the beam.

Another group of researchers will analyze the samples for some rare-earth elements, while the third investigation will concentrate on the "bubbles" and other mementos of past intense heating, trying to correlate them with effects of shock waves produced during meteorite impact.

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