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PUBLIC MEETING MAY 17

Structural Survey Recommends \$7½ Million Renovation Plan

by Al Skolnik

Something in the range of \$4,700 per unit will need to be expended to rehabilitate Greenbelt Homes, Inc., was the word received from GHI's outside engineering consultants in a report released to the members this week. A special membership meeting has been called by the board for Wednesday evening, May 17, at Center School, starting at 8 p.m. to discuss the report. A separate management audit report, which was also released this week, will not be on the May 17 agenda but will be the subject of a separate membership meeting in June.

The report prepared by the engineering consultants, The Architectural Affiliation (TAA), estimated that over four million dollars will be needed to renovate the frame homes and over two million for the brick homes. "Just over half the money needs are for mechanical and electrical costs in the brick and nearly two-thirds of the rehabilitation cost of the frame units is in piping and electrical costs," the report said. In addition, something like a million dollars are necessary for paving, drainage, landscaping, and other site costs, for a grand total of \$7½ million.

TAA suggested that the \$7½ million program could be financed by insured loans under Section 213-J of the National Housing Act of 1968 at 7½ percent interest for ten years.

If this program were adopted in the next three to four years, TAA foresaw that annual maintenance costs for heating, hot water, structural maintenance, and grounds upkeep, instead of rising from \$1 million in 1972 to \$1.5 million in 1976, could drop to \$0.4 million. While some of this savings would be needed to meet the debt service on the \$7½ million borrowed, total monthly charges, TAA said, will be at a lower rate than without rehabilitation (although higher than what they are today).

In other words, the report said, the GHI buildings could be made to be more attractive and more suitable for modern living at less than one-third of the cost of building new and at a lower cost than continuing to maintain the existing equipment.

Even with the best intentions, due to the length of time the buildings and equipment have served and due to the omission of such basic things as exterior insulation, deterioration cannot be completely controlled at the present rate of expenditure, TAA noted. "Added to this," the report said, "has been the natural tendency of the Board to bend to membership pressure to reduce the rate of increase of the monthly charges." Failure to carry out all the needed programs in the last few years can only lead in the future to a higher rate of change and much worse deterioration, TAA observed.

TAA foresaw that in the next few decades all of the roofs, all of the boiler plants, much of the iron piping, all of the asbestos shingle siding, most of the windows and doors, porches and porch roofs, and much of the paving, including the sidewalks, will have to be replaced. If the existing systems are allowed to continue in use, much greater capital expenditures must be made in the very near future and much higher levels of maintenance expenditure must be maintained to keep the buildings working at all, TAA said.

Electric Heat Suggested
A major renovation suggested by TAA was the replacement of existing heating systems in both the brick and frame homes with electric heat units, predominately baseboard with a thermostat in each room. As part of this change, the member will become responsible for his own heating bill. Hot water generation would remain a function of GHI.

In providing the capacity for electric heat, there would also be additional capacity for adding modern stoves and dryers and for providing air conditioning capability.

Frame Units
The most desired improvement in the frame units is the external appearance. TAA's recommendation was to remove the existing asbestos shingles and resheath all of the frame buildings with a rough textured plywood which could be stained

ed various colors to provide an easily maintained surface (recoating required every five years). In the process of removing the shingles, the necessary urethane insulation for the electric heat can be installed, also providing a vapor barrier. At the same time, combination storm windows and screens would be installed.

TAA suggested that at the same time as these changes are being accomplished, a new package of storage closet, porch deck and roof might be installed to give greater shelter and less maintenance to the service side doors, as well as provide more storage space.

When the wall has been opened for the installation of insulation, it would be possible to install new plumbing piping in the party walls. Once the piping has been installed, insulation can be sprayed over the pipes to prevent freezing damage. In addition, the basic electric installation could be made from the exterior before the sheathing is reapplied.

In summarizing the renovations for the frame units, TAA said: "The buildings would be economical to heat due to the installation of insulation and vapor barrier. With the addition of a required fire wall in the center of each building and large attic vents at the ends, the condensation problems will be completely eliminated and the frame buildings, when reroofed, would carry on for at least another thirty years. The need for structural maintenance after making these changes could be reduced to the very minimum, particularly as termite damage and other structural defects could be corrected while the improvements are being carried out."

Brick Units

TAA did not see the same need for exterior changes in the brick homes. It recommended double-glazed windows and, where the slate roofs are badly deteriorated, replacement with asphalt shingles or as an alternative the coating of the slate with a plastic to keep further deterioration from occurring. With minor changes, the eaves of the flat-roofed buildings could be made tight so that they would not drip bitumen, and the flashing revised so as to eliminate future leaks.

Grounds Upkeep

TAA also made a series of recommendations with respect to the grounds. It suggested that new parking spaces should be created to bring the ratio of parking spaces to dwelling units to 1.5 to 1. It suggested that better drainage should be provided through curbing and improvement of under sidewalk piping. Other suggestions included the improvement of pathways and the introduction of new landscaping.

Demonstration Project

Because of the uncertainty of costs, TAA suggested that a demonstration project involving a few of the buildings be conducted so that the feasibility and cost of the suggestions being made can be determined in the field.

An interesting aspect of the report was its finding that the tax assessment of GHI properties was too high because not enough consideration had been given to the internal workings of the building. "We fear," the report said, "that any realistic appraisal of the buildings in their present state with clogged pipes, inadequate wiring, leaky windows, deteriorating side walls, and out-of-control heating would lead to a much lower appraised value than the buildings trade for. . . . You are now paying taxes on unreal values," the report concluded.

Primary Election May 16

This year's primary election ballot will contain the names of eleven candidates for the Democratic nomination for U. S. President. There are also five competitors for the Democratic nomination for the Congressional House seat from the Fifth District now held by Republican Lawrence J. Hogan. In contrast, the Republican primary has little competition as President Richard M. Nixon is opposed by John M. Ashbrook and Paul N. McCloskey and Hogan is opposed by William S. Muscovich.

The polls will be open on Tuesday, May 16, between the hours of 7 a.m. and 8 p.m. Greenbelt voters have three polling places: Center School (third precinct); North End School (sixth precinct); and Springhill Lake Elementary School (eighth precinct).

On the ballot for the Democratic nomination for President are the leading contenders Hubert H. Humphrey, George S. McGovern, George C. Wallace and eight others: Shirley A. Chisholm, Eugene J. McCarthy, Edmund S. Muskie, Henry M. Jackson, Wilbur D. Mills, Samuel Yorty, John V. Lindsay, and Patsy T. Mink. When the last Maryland presidential primary was held in 1964, Wallace drew 30 percent of the vote in Greenbelt.

For the Congressional seat the main Democratic contest is between Edward T. Conroy and Meyer M. Emanuel, Jr. Others running are Frank J. Broschart, Alan H. Hagen, and Robert A. Spencer.

Democratic voters will also choose six delegates to the National Convention and Republican voters will choose two delegates.

The candidate who carries the District binds the delegates for two convention ballots or until he drops out as a candidate or receives less than 35% of the convention votes.

Voters can only participate in the primary of the party in which they are registered. Independents (unaffiliated) may not vote in primaries.

Democratic registration in the City of Greenbelt exceeds Republican registration by 2.8 to 1. Two years ago the margin was less than 2½ to 1. About 4,426 Democrats are registered in the three precincts and 1,586 Republicans. Excluding the unaffiliated, there are 2,059 voters registered at Center School, 1,809 at North End and 2,144 at Springhill Lake.

With all the contests on the Democratic side, it may be expected that the ratio of Democrats to Republicans participating in the voting will be greater than the registration ratios.

Election officials are reminding voters to leave the voting levers down before leaving the voter booth.

JR. HIGH SCHOOL SKITS

Funk & Farce Foundation, the drama club of Greenbelt Jr. High School, will present a program of seven skits on Friday, May 12, 8 p.m. in the cafeteria of the school. The public is cordially invited. The small admission charge will go to help support the club.

AGENDA

REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL

Monday, May 15, 1972
8 p.m.

I. ORGANIZATION

- 1 Call to Order
- 2 Roll Call
- 3 Meditation
- 4 Minutes of Regular Meeting of May 1, 1972
- 5 Additions to Agenda by Councilmen and Manager

II. COMMUNICATIONS

- 6 Bid Opening - Refuse collection Truck
- 7 Administrative Reports
- 8 Committee Reports
- APB Report Re: Preliminary Plans Hanover Parkway

III. OLD BUSINESS

- 10 An Ordinance to Authorize and Empower the City to Issue a Tax Anticipation Note in the Amount of \$50,000 in Anticipation of the Receipt of General Taxes and Other Revenues - Second Reading
- 11 Resolution to Transfer Funds Within Departments - \$32,500 - Second Reading
- 12 Revenue Sharing
- 13 Metropolitan Intelligence Group
- 14 Operation of Swimming Pool Concession
- 15 Lease of Parking Space to Federal Credit Union
- 16 Youth Service and Referral Service
- 17 Springhill Lake Golf Course
- 18 Appointments to Park and Recreation Advisory Board

IV. NEW BUSINESS

- 19 Resignation from and Appointment to Advisory Planning Board
- 20 Resolution Establishing An Admission and Amusement Tax

V. MISCELLANEOUS

POPPY DAYS

The American Legion Auxiliary will distribute poppies in Greenbelt on May 19 and 20. The poppies are made by veterans in hospitals and workshops in forty states. Disabled servicemen are paid for each handmade poppy, and the materials are furnished free by the American Legion Auxiliary.

BICYCLE RODEO

There will be a 4-H Bicycle Rodeo, Saturday, May 20, at 2 p.m. It will be held in Center School parking lot. All 3rd, 4th, 5th, and 6th graders may participate. Prizes will be awarded in all age groups.

Woman's Club News

The Woman's Club of Greenbelt will hold its membership meeting May 11 at 8 p.m. at the Baptist Church.

IMPORTANT NOTICE TO GHI MEMBERS

You will receive in the mail this week information on the Phase 1 of the findings of the consultants on the recent engineering and architectural survey of GHI properties.

A cover letter to the report from the President of GHI includes a notice of a special informational meeting scheduled for Wednesday, May 17th at 8 p.m. at the Center School Auditorium.

This reminder is to urge that you make every effort to attend this very important meeting - Remember - May 17th, 8 p.m., Greenbelt Center School Auditorium.

WHAT GOES ON

Sat., May 13 8:30 a.m. Lake Cleanup
Thursday, May 11, 7:45 p.m. GHI Board Meeting
8 p.m. League of Women Voters, Center School Music Rm.
8 p.m. Woman's Club, Baptist Church
Friday, May 12, 8:30 a.m. - City-wide Paper Pickup
8:30 p.m. Duplicate Bridge, Co-op Hospitality Room
Monday, May 15, 8 p.m. City Council Meeting, Municipal Building
Tuesday, May 16, 7 a.m. - 8 p.m. Primary Elections
Wednesday, May 17, 8 p.m. GHI Informational Meeting on Structural Survey, Center School
Thursday, May 18, 8:30 p.m. P.G. Council Civil Liberties Union, Greenbelt Community Church
6-8 p.m. Rabies Clinic - Center School

May 13 is Deadline For GHI Candidates

This Saturday midnight, May 13, is the deadline for candidates for Greenbelt Homes, Inc. elections to file with the Nominations and Elections Committee. Thereafter, any GHI member wishing to get his name on the ballot must submit a petition signed by at least 10 GHI members to the GHI office by 5 p.m. Wednesday, May 17.

At stake in the elections, which will be held in conjunction with the annual membership meeting on Wednesday and Thursday, May 24 and 25, are four openings on the 9-member board of directors and all seats on the 3-man audit committee. Board members serve for 2 years and audit committee members for 1 year.

The first to announce for the Audit Committee this week were Alexander Barnes, James Foster, Gordon Allen, 65-H Ridge Rd. and Charles Brown, 17-E Ridge. The first two are incumbents. Seven candidates have announced for the board of directors.

All nominees are required to signify in writing their willingness to serve. Candidate Consent Forms can be obtained from the nominations committee or the GHI office. Biographies, duly notarized, must be in the hands of committee chairman Jule Churchill by Sunday, May 14, if they are to be printed in next week's issue of the News Review.

The nominations committee will meet with candidates on Thursday, May 18 at 8:30 p.m. at the GHI offices, Hamilton Place to draw lots for placement of names on the ballot.

Official proxy forms are available from the GHI office for any member not able to vote in person. Proxies must be requested in writing, must bear the Corporate Seal and may be obtained at the corporation office where the request is entered in a proxy register.

No member may vote more than one proxy. The official proxy forms must be turned in to the GHI secretary or office by midnight, Thursday, May 18.

FILMS FOR CHILDREN

There will be a special film program for children at the Library on Tuesday, May 16 at 2 p.m. in the Meeting Room. (Schools will be closed for the primary elections). The films, for children ages 5-10, will be *Kontiki Kids*; *Pigs*; and *The Great Chase with W. C. Fields*.

BAKE SALE

Center School PTA will sponsor a bake sale on Tuesday, May 16, Primary Election Day.

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Opportunity for GHI

The most welcome message that we got from the structural survey prepared for Greenbelt Homes, Inc. by an outside engineering firm was that the GHI homes are viable and need not be torn down and replaced by new construction to meet the future housing needs of the corporation.

Instead, the consultants outlined a program of rehabilitation which would reverse the current rate of deterioration, and provide the additional amenities of modern housing, at a cost less than one-third of that entailed in new construction

But it would not be an easy task. The members have to seize the opportunity before it is too late and the properties reach that stage of obsolescence where any rehabilitation costs would be prohibitive. The price tag placed on the rehabilitation program may seem high, but only if viewed from the short-run.

This does not mean that we endorse all the suggestions put forward by the consultants. These will have to be studied carefully. But we believe the survey is pointing in the right direction.

Recreation Review

Gallery

An exhibit of Macrame, Weavings and Needlecrafts will be featured at the Ridge Road Center, May 12, 13, and 14. This is the last exhibit of the Gallery series for the Spring.

Ceramics

The Ceramics program is offering three classes in pottery beginning May 16. Beginner classes will be held Wednesdays 8-10 p.m.; Intermediate, Tuesdays 10-12 noon or Thursdays 8-10 p.m.; Advanced class, Thursdays 10-12 noon.

Oil Painting

Classes in oil painting will meet Tuesday evening from 8-10 p.m., beginning May 16. Call the Recreation Department at 474-6878 for more information and sign up!

Roller Skating

Family Roller Skating will be cancelled beginning Sun., May 14, due to increased family outdoor activities. Children's Roller Skating will be held Mondays and Fridays.

Arts and Crafts

A program of arts and crafts is available to all elementary school-aged children at the Recreation Center and Springhill Lake Elementary School, Saturday mornings 9-10:30.

Fun Center

Games, sports, outdoor activities, arts and crafts, contests at the Fun Centers; North End School and the Recreation Center; Weekdays 3:30-5:30, for all children.

Election Day

The Recreation Center will be open for activities from 9-5:30, Tuesday, May 16, Primary Election Day.

Slow Pitch

There's still one opening for recreational 16" slow pitch team play. Contact the League Commissioner, Hank Irving at 474-6878, for more information.

Plans on Traffic Lights Detailed in Recent Letter

News of the progress of several Greenbelt traffic lights has been received by the city in the form of a letter to County Chairman Winfield Kelly, Jr., from the Maryland State Highway Administration.

According to the letter, workmen have been installing a new traffic light with a lengthened left-hand cycle at the intersection of Route 193 and Cherrywood Lane. It was supposed to have been in operation in mid-April.

In an attempt to improve the flow of traffic at Edmonston and Greenbelt Roads, the present opening in the median strip on Greenbelt Road will be closed for a six-month trial period. The traffic signal at that point will be turned off and the left-hand turning lane for eastbound traffic on Greenbelt Road will be extended to turn east on Kenilworth.

The light at Kenilworth and Greenbelt Roads will then be recycled, probably with the addition of a left-turn signal on Greenbelt Road so that eastbound and westbound traffic will turn left at the same time, while a separate signal controls traffic in the forward direction.

Eventually all the traffic lights along Greenbelt Road from Kenilworth to the railroad bridge will be synchronized so that a car proceeding at an average speed can go straight through.

A traffic light is also being planned on Kenilworth Avenue at Westchester Park, where Pontiac Street leads into Berwyn Heights. The State is trying to get a contribution of 25% toward the cost of the light from Westchester Park, which is causing some delays.

No information has been received about the actual construction of a traffic light at the intersection of Greenbelt Road and Southway, although such a light has already been approved.

St. Hugh's Sodality Sponsors Parish Luau

On Friday, May 12, at 7:30 p.m., the Women of St. Hugh's Sodality will sponsor a Hawaiian Luau Covered Dish Supper followed by Hawaiian entertainment and a fond farewell to our young deacon, Edward Lataille, who will be leaving us for ordination at Worcester, Mass.

All sodalists and parish couples are cordially invited. The price of admission is your favorite covered dish recipe (not necessary Hawaiian) and a cash donation per person.

Cantata By Baptist Choir

The Youth Choir of Greenbelt Baptist Church will present the sacred cantata, "THE DIVINE RE-DEEMER," with music by Charles F. Gounod and text by E. J. Lorenz, at Evening Worship on Sunday, May 14, at 7 p.m.

Soloists are Mary Beth Kendrick, Laura Hecht, sopranos; Rebecca Kendrick, alto; Carey David, Fred Nahwooksy, tenors; and John Kendrick, III, bass. Oeett members are Mary Beth Kendrick, Dee Dee Powers, Carla Jean Smith, Karen Davis, Fred Nahwooksy, Roy Williams, Wes Alexander, John Kendrick, III, Mrs. S. Jasper Morris, serves as the choir's Director-accompanist.

Pastor Morris cordially invites interested friends to share in this special evening of worship.

"The Jewish Wife"

The fourth in a series of book reviews will be held following services, which start at 8:30 p.m., at the Mishkan Torah on Friday, May 12. Mrs. Linda Spevak will review "The Jewish Wife" written by Gwen Gibson Schwartz and Barbara Wyden.

On Monday, May 15, the annual membership meeting of Mishkan Torah will take place at 8 p.m. Elections will be held, and the budget reviewed.

Mishkan Torah Meeting

On Tuesday, May 23, the final meeting of the Sisterhood before adjourning for the summer, the program will feature the theme of inter-dating which will be presented through a socio-drama involving the audience with a discussion to follow. Ben Rosenzweig moderator. Mrs. Zev Hendel, program chairman.

Greenbelt Homemakers

The Greenbelt Extension Homemakers will meet on Wednesday, May 17, at 8 p.m. in the home of Mrs. John Leslie, 56-E Crescent. Mrs. Curtis Mullikin will report about a leader training seminar that she attended entitled "Slick Slicing Tricks." At this meeting there will also be installation of new officer for the coming year.

A workshop will be held at the Greenbelt Library on May 24 at 7:30 p.m.

Benefit For Indian Child

The women's group of Holy Cross Lutheran Church will hold a bake sale this Saturday, May 13, in the Greenbelt Center. All proceeds will be used for the support of an American Indian child. The sale will begin at 10 a.m.

Men's Club Meets

The Mishkan Torah Men's Club will meet on Mother's Day, Sunday May 14 at 10 a.m. Wives will be the guests of honor. City councilwoman Rhea Cohen will speak on "Liberating Mother."

Holy Cross Lutheran Church



6905 Greenbelt Rd.

Worship Services

8:30 and 11:15 A.M.

Sunday School 9:50 A.M.

Edward H. Birner, Pastor

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UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

(Mowatt Memorial) 40 Ridge Road, Greenbelt, Md. Telephone 474-9410

Rev. Clifton Cunningham, Pastor - Tel. 474-3381

Worship Service 11:00 A.M.

(Nursery through Kindergarten at 11:00)

Church School (Kindergarten through adults) 9:30 A.M.

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

PROCLAMATION

DESIGNATING THE MONTH OF MAY, 1972 AS AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY POPPY TIME IN GREENBELT, MARYLAND

WHEREAS, As is their annual custom as a Memorial to the War Dead, the American Legion Auxiliary of Greenbelt, Maryland will conduct a Poppy Sale for the purpose of obtaining funds to support veterans programs, their rehabilitation, child welfare and Veteran's Hospital service's work; and

WHEREAS, These beautiful paper flowers are made entirely by hand by disabled and hospitalized Veterans of the Armed Forces; and

WHEREAS, Thru the sale of Poppies the Veterans themselves share in the proceeds; and

WHEREAS, the sale acts in a dual fashion, first by giving Disabled Veterans an opportunity for useful work and secondly supporting valuable humanitarian programs of the American Legion Auxiliary;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Richard R. Pilski, Mayor of the City of Greenbelt, do hereby proclaim the month of May 1972 as the American Legion Auxiliary Poppy Month in Greenbelt, and do urge all our citizens to support this Poppy Drive of the American Auxiliary and the valuable services to Veterans, their widows and families which this drive will finance.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF

I have hereunto set my hand and Caused the Seal of the City of Greenbelt to be affixed this 5th Day of May, 1972.

Richard R. Pilski, Mayor

City of Greenbelt, Maryland

REMINDER

This is to remind readers of News Review policy with respect to the printing of campaign and election material. The newspaper will not publish in its last edition preceding an election letters to the editor and similar materials that inject for the first time highly controversial issues and charges. Last-minute introduction of such material without an opportunity for refutation is considered an unfair campaign practice.

Letters to the editor and other copy on election issues must be submitted by 9:30 p.m., Tuesday night, so as to give the News Review editorial board sufficient time to review the content.

SCHOOL BUDGET HEARING

Prince Georges County will hold an open hearing on its proposed school budget at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, May 25, at Northwestern High School on Adelphi Road. Center School P.T.A. urges all concerned parents to attend this hearing and voice their opinions. For details and car pool arrangements, call Eileen Peterson, 345-2454.



American Legion Auxiliary

..... Letters to the Editor

Dangers in By-Law Changes

May I use your columns to point out dangers in the proposed GHI By-Law changes reported in a letter by Mr. Amberg in last week's News Review?

Factionalism is decried in the report of the recent Management Audit as one of the major causes of GHI problems. Past and present factionalism would be as nothing compared with that which could well be engendered by the proposed By-Law change, permitting members to vote on deletion or reduction of specific budget items. Any budget item which frame-home members thought favored brick homes could be singled out for attack in membership meetings and any budget item which brick-home owners felt favored frame homes could be similarly attacked — and bedlam would reign. It would be impossible to get at any real serious work of the corporation.

Bad as this would be, it would not be nearly so serious as the impact on our credit. During a meeting of the Eastern Housing Cooperative Organization held here in Greenbelt last December, a representative of HUD conducted a round-table discussion on programs which HUD had available to assist housing cooperatives. It seemed to me that one of them might be utilized by us in financing capital improvements or renovation. I commented on this, and the HUD representative said that HUD would have doubts in approving any program for Greenbelt Homes because the MEMBERSHIP HAS TOO MUCH CONTROL OF FINANCES in the By-Law provision which requires membership approval for an increase of more than 10% in operating charges.

The HUD representative added that the greater the power of the full membership to dictate budgetary decisions, the greater the danger that short-range pocketbook considerations would do such violence to the cooperative's financial position that it would not be able to survive. He used as an example the ancient City of Thebes where in a pure democracy the citizens sat around debating and arguing about what method to use to defend the City against the Macedonians, and the Macedonians, who had strong leadership, marched in and captured them while they debated.

We are in grave danger of losing our flexibility in matters of finance by trying to pass these By-Laws provisions.

No, the place for membership activity, and strong membership activity, is the voting for board members. Every member of Greenbelt Homes, Inc., has not only the right but the duty to vote for the board members he thinks will exercise the best judgment in all matters concerning the governance of this cooperative. Representative democracy is strong; pure democracy is weak.

The returns from the questionnaires which the Management Audit people sent GHI members indicate that a good majority of the members are satisfied with the board and with the manager. You who showed this confidence come out to the membership meeting on May 24 and back it up by your vote against the proposed By-Law changes.

Janet M. James

CITY NOTES

Another oil leak occurred, this one from a GHI basement where water had been seeping into the oil system. During the process of cleaning, waste oil found its way into the storm drains. Fortunately, workmen were able to intercept the oil before it reached the lake. GHI will be billed for costs. GHI has advised the city that the corporation has now installed a new, more expensive procedure to prevent oil from getting into the storm drains by the addition of oil-absorbent materials.

A second pollution of a storm drain resulted from painters, who had been working at the Mobil Gas Station, cleaning their brushes and dumping the waste fluids into the drains.

Two parking areas were resurfaced, and new lines were painted. 1 Laurel Hill and 1 Research.

Miriam Cornelius

City Pesticide Spraying

Dear Mr. Giese:

About those pesticides being sprayed in and by the city of Greenbelt — they are doing more harm than good. While the city of Greenbelt may be winning a few battles here and there against mosquitoes, the war is being lost: for pesticides offer only temporary relief from the discomfort due to mosquitoes. As we have seen with unfailing regularity within days after spraying — the lost squadrons of mosquitoes are replaced, flaunting their resilience to "Biological Warfare".

The war being waged against mosquitoes in Greenbelt results from a strategy that is making suckers out of us as well as our foes. Two aspects of this strategy are particularly misguided. First, the mass spraying technique now being used is ineffective. While the civilian population (including dogs, cats, useful insects, and vegetation) suffers from the side effects, many mosquitoes lie safely in their bunkers in the backwoods. This is no way to win a war. Either we need to establish a "DMZ" or get them where they breed. Second, the pesticide does not destroy all of the mosquitoes it hits. A growing number of them are becoming immune to the poison. Consequently their off-spring — which are of significant numbers — are immune as well.

So, how does one win the war? Outsmart the enemy — take him by surprise. There are two effective strategies that can accomplish this. Number one, meet them on their own grounds. That's right, destroy them where they breed. Instead of wholesale spraying of the city, wage an all out attack on their breeding grounds. If they can't procreate, they can't agitate (us). This selective spraying technique requires less pesticide to do a more effective job. Second and even better than spraying is "Operation Natural Predator". Let someone else do the fighting — namely, the Purple Martins. The Purple Martin is a bird whose diet consists mainly of mosquitoes. A single bird eats approximately 2000 mosquitoes each day! Purple Martins migrate north from Brazil during the months of April and May and remain throughout the summer. To recruit this feathered ally one must simply prepare a "colony bird house" and keep it free from other birds until the Purple Martins arrive. These birds have been used in a number of U.S. cities and suburbs, in lieu of pesticides, with amazing success.

It is possible to rid Greenbelt of mosquito aggression without suffering from "biocide fallout" and destruction of Greenbelt's most attractive possession — greenery. This year, who is going to be the 'sucker': the civilians, the mosquitoes, or both? Cheryl May

Stop the Killing T

"There is only one way to stop the killing," said President Nixon last night in his famous lullaby voice. He was right about that — there is only one way to stop the killing, and that is STOP.

Instead, what does the President do? Orders mines dropped in the harbors of North Vietnam, harbors blockaded, railroads bombed. After Thursday "any ships attempting to leave or enter these ports will do so at their own risk." So savage, so implacable has "peace-loving" America become that when we cannot subdue a proud people with bombs, or even with our devilish refinements such as plastic anti-personnel bombs, we feel justified in falling back on the oldest, crudest weapon of all — slow starvation.

What to do? A letter in the Greenbelt News Review for April 20, signed by 23 people, pointed one way — write or wire to President Richard Nixon, The White House, Washington, D.C.; visit your senators and congressmen, call for the speedy passage of S-3409, the Gravel-Mondale bill.

Driveway Speed Bumps

About a year ago, residents of the 19 court of Ridge Road petitioned to have a speed bump put into the driveway of their court. Some residents and guests had developed the habit of driving at unsafe speeds in and out of the court, which houses a large number of young children. For the safety of all concerned, the petition was drawn-up, signed by a very large majority, and submitted to GHI. After the board considered the matter, it decided in favor of a speed bump. One was installed just into the entrance of the court for test purposes. It was found satisfactory, and two more were built at even intervals in the driveway.

For the past year the safety situation has improved greatly. Residents and guests have adjusted their driving speeds. Our children are finally safe! Now what happened? Some of the same residents who signed the original petition "for speed bumps" drew-up and circulated a new petition calling for GHI's removal of the bumps. Some of the reasons given were (1) people tripped over the bumps at night (iridescent paint or a street light in the court would make them easily visible.) (2) cars having difficulty maneuvering over the bumps (3) snow plows wouldn't be able to enter the court (I'm a resident of Greenbelt for 29 years and have never heard of any case where snowplows were directed to enter and clean any court). This petition was submitted to the GHI board.

Some of those residents concerned for the retention of the bumps spoke to Board President Shinderman. He said we had no need for concern. GHI had spent the money for the safety installations less than a year ago and certainly wouldn't remove them at more expense. He assured us he didn't approve of the removal and would vote in such a manner. Unfortunately Mr. Shinderman didn't have the majority with him. The vote was 5 to 4 in favor of the recent petition. Within days the crews came and removed the speed bumps — leaving three deep gravel-filled trenches the width of the court. No further work has been done. We now have more of a safety hazard than with or without the speed bumps.

At this time of belt-tightening for all — GHI, residents, etc. what possible purpose and intelligent explanation for this action can be given by those residents who signed the petition and the GHI board for approving the expenditure of money and employee time for such work to be done?

We have purchased a new home out of Greenbelt and will be moving in less than two months. Some would say, "So why are you concerned?" To this I say — my concern is 1) not just for my children but for all the others too 2) not just for my money but for the corporation's in general. I am so much in favor of these speed bumps, I would recommend any court or street having similar problems to request installation. I sincerely wish any who do better luck than I've experienced.

I grew up in a Greenbelt concerned for its children. Have times changed that much???

Joan Barnett Blum
19-U Ridge Road

Questioning Co-op Living

Ever hear of Sylvia Porter? If you read the Washington Star, you no doubt follow her fine column "Your Money's Worth." She has the knack of explaining the most complicated financial areas of our daily life — taxes, food prices, housing costs, in a way that satisfies and entertains.

"Want to Live in a Co-op? Shop With Care," she writes in a recent article. "And if you don't shop with care in this area, you may make one of the most costly financial mistakes of your life," she warns.

"You must accept hikes in your maintenance charges if too few investors sign up for share ownership, or you must make up for the losses if other tenants default on their payments." Since neither condition applies here, what is the explanation? Another \$64 question for those who have bought recently, or even for those who have lived here reasonably for many years up until recently, how much larger can the down-payment become or the monthly charges increase before the danger point has been reached?

The next five years are critical, particularly for the owners of the 1,579 original Greenbelt Homes whose mortgages will be paid in 1977! The F.H.A., Sylvia says, estimates the costs of living in a Co-op are about 20 percent less than the cost of renting. (Are they?) and include repainting. Is a \$384 heating bill here cheap for a one-person family? or a \$51 water bill?

These are vital questions you should ask the candidates running for the four places on the GHI Board? You have a right to know!

Eunice E. Coxon

Thanks

Unforgettable People; never in my wildest imagination did I ever dream that the prayers and good wishes of so many could mean so much. I'm sure it helped save me. Thank you each and every one.

Robena Mathers

Rabies Vaccinations

Two rabies vaccination clinics will be held in Greenbelt; on Thursday, May 18 at Greenbelt Center School from 6-8 p.m.; on Sunday, May 21 at Greenbelt Junior High School from 2-4 p.m.

This year for the first time, the vaccine will immunize dogs for three years. In the past the inoculation has provided only one year immunization. The vaccine to be used is a modified live virus vaccine. Each animal will be inoculated with a separate, sterile needle and syringe and a veterinarian will be on duty at each clinic.

At the 1972 clinics, only healthy pets will be vaccinated. Dogs under one year of age, cats and all other animals will need to be vaccinated again next year. Monkeys, pregnant animals and those under three months old will not be vaccinated.

To offset the increased medical costs of the anti-rabies program, a small fee is requested for each pet vaccinated. Pet owners will receive a rabies tag, as well as a permanent record certifying the date and type of rabies vaccination administered. Such proof is required before pets can be licensed in this county.

Junior Women's Lib

I am deeply angered at the way the City of Greenbelt fixes Braden Field for the men, but the field that is most often used for softball practice (by the Greenbelt Girls Club) is roachy. When practicing we glance over and see a field, an empty field at that, with a home run fence.

Does the girls softball field get a home-run fence? NO! — because if we get one it will mess up the football field. The men have one and people can't walk across the field anymore. Is our field in good condition most of the time? NO! — for example: we were practicing one day and there was a big dirt mound behind second base.

Bridget Osborne

GHI Board Receives Several Reports

At a special meeting on May 4, the Greenbelt Homes, Inc. board of directors decided to distribute immediately to the membership a summary of the management audit conducted by Cresap, McCormick, and Paget even though a public meeting on the survey will not be held until June. The board agreed that subsequent steps to implement the report will have to be dealt with by its successors.

Also discussed at the special meeting was the report from the Ad Hoc Membership Standards Committee. There seemed to some Board members to be a great deal of overlap with the previously considered management audit report. Therefore, since the meeting with members on the management audit report was not going to be held until June, they argued that it would be wise to withhold discussion until that time. Dave Lange, chairman of the committee, indicated his feeling that the report could be discussed on its own merits.

Next it was pointed out that the Board was virtually at the end of its term, and there wasn't time to properly consider the rather lengthy report. Seeing the handwriting on the wall, Lange moved that the report be accepted, but that consideration be postponed. His motion was unanimously passed, and the special meeting was adjourned.

The board then proceeded to continuation of its April 27 meeting, considering another report, this time from the Audit Committee. It had asked the staff to investigate the cost of mailing to each member a breakdown of monthly charges for his individual unit. The current practice is to provide examples in the budget mailed out to members, and to provide breakdowns to individuals upon request. The staff report to the Audit Committee indicated that the cost to provide this information to all members would be between \$500 and \$600.

The Chairman of the Committee, Alexander Barnes, who presented the report, indicated that his Committee felt each member seeing how his individual payments were used would be well worth the price. He also noted that this coincided well with the management audit report which suggested the need for more and better information from the corporation, especially in regard to fiscal matters. Again, the board felt that they were too near the end of their term to further pursue the recommendation of the report. They unanimously accepted the report with the recommendation that their successors act upon it.

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Public Hearing on Metro Program To Gather Drug-Trade Information

by Bob McGee

The Greenbelt City Council held a sparsely attended public hearing, Wednesday evening, May 3, on Metropolitan Washington Council of Government's draft proposal for funds for a metropolitan intelligence operation, to assist local law enforcement efforts in fighting narcotics-related organized crime in the Washington area.

As explained by Blair Ewing and Jack Herzig, Director and Assistant Director of Public Safety for COG, respectively, the major shortcoming in efforts to bring illicit drug wholesalers to justice is in intelligence gathering and analysis functions that can operate across jurisdictional lines. The proposal would seek federal funds for a three year demonstration project to try to close this gap.

COG would act as a broker and administrative agent for the project, which would be carried out under a policy committee made up of the police chiefs in the area, subject to policy review and oversight responsibilities of the Public Safety Policy Committee of COG. The latter is composed of elected officials from each of COG's 15 member jurisdictions. Central to the project would be a number of information specialists and analysts, augmented by police officers from the ten largest jurisdictions, and they would prepare reports for police chiefs who would coordinate with prosecutors in the area to reduce illegal drug traffic.

Allan Lenchek, Chairman of the Prince Georges County Civil Liberties Union, attacked the proposal as "setting up a police force under COG." He said that COG had no legal authority to do this under its Articles of Incorporation, and that the proposed activities, mainly surveillance, were in themselves illegal; also that it would be illegal for the Justice Department to give COG the grant. He further believed that COG should not be engaging in activities "which could possibly pose dangers to a free society" because it isn't accountable to any electorate. Bertram Dorn suggested that it was a bureaucratic document; which "looked a lot like empire building."

Albert Herling was concerned about the proposal on other grounds. He felt it represented an admission that present efforts were failing badly, and, as a taxpayer, he was greatly concerned. He would feel better about the proposal he said, if its proposed budget actually reflected the stated objective of intelligence analysis rather than emphasizing surveillance equipment. Charles Collins agreed with Herling's statements and strongly supported the proposal, citing personal knowledge of coordination deficiencies. Greenbelt Police Chief, William T. Lane, also expressed a need for the project.

Mayor Richard Pilski, councilman Charles Schwan, and councilman Gil Weidenfeld all expressed general support for the proposal with the proviso that more emphasis be placed on the intelligence function rather than on surveillance activities. Councilwoman Rhea Cohen reserved her comments until she had time to study the matter more thoroughly. Councilwoman Elizabeth Maffay was not able to attend.

The 19 Court Bumps

At its April 28 meeting, the Greenbelt Homes, Inc., board of directors voted to remove the bumps in the 19 Ridge court driveway that were placed there about two years ago as a safety measure to slow down traffic. The residents at that time had petitioned for the bumps, since the driveway was small and narrow and there was potential danger of small children being seriously injured by speeding cars.

The board's action was taken as the result of receiving a new petition signed by 15 members in the court requesting removal of the bumps. Of the five members who declined to sign, three were in the process of moving. The petitioners said that the problem with the bumps was that they are particularly dangerous at night and on occasion visitors and neighbors have stumbled and fallen over them.

PRAB Queries Plans For indoor Tennis

by Al Skolnik

Some cold water has been thrown on the use of city-owned parkland for an indoor tennis center with the disclosure last Thursday that there may be Federal restrictions against development of the land. According to city officials, land purchased with Federal HUD open-space funds contains a requirement that no more than 10 percent of the land can be developed.

The indoor tennis center, according to plans put forward by a private organization, Tennis Unlimited, would occupy about 1.7 acres plus parking. The city is not certain at this time whether the 1.7 acres would exceed 10 percent of the parcel purchased with HUD funds.

At last Thursday's meeting of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board (PRAB), a presentation was made by representatives of Tennis Unlimited, Richard C. Stevenson, former Greenbelt recreation director, and Robert E. Davis, an engineer with Goddard Flight Space Center.

They proposed building a \$500,000 structure on city-owned parkland immediately adjacent to and south of the public works maintenance building at the intersection of Kenilworth Avenue and Crescent Road. Tennis Unlimited would design, develop, operate and maintain the indoor tennis center under a 30 or 35-year leasing arrangement with the city.

Tennis Unlimited would pay a percentage of the gross receipts — perhaps 7½% — to the city. Upon the termination of the lease agreement, the indoor center would become the property of the city.

Several members of PRAB expressed concern that the facility would draw primarily upon non-Greenbelt residents. They noted the relatively high cost of court fees — ranging from \$6 to \$14 per hour — that would be needed to make the operation a solvent one.

Davis said that the facility would have to operate at a 50 to 55% capacity to break even and that it would not be feasible to charge reduced rates to Greenbelters as long as the only source of income was the court fees.

PRAB members also raised some questions about the esthetics of the building and wondered if it would blend into the environment. Stevenson said that all site and grading plans would be reviewed by the city and that the building would be landscaped. The plan is to have a two-peaked white roof building with pre-fabricated green steel walls. The structure would contain six indoor courts, and parking would be provided.

LITTLE LEAGUERS

By Joel Kastner

The Little League season is rolling along smoothly. Going into the second week, the Giants are on top in the NL and the A's are leading in the AL. Many games have been postponed and one game was shortened by steady rains.

On Thursday, the Tigers defeated the Indians, 8-4, in a rain-shortened game which was called in the fourth inning. On Friday the A's continued their massacre from Sunday and beat the Cardinals, 20-3, in a game high lighted by Tom Savage and Mike O'Brien home runs. The Monday game between the Lions and Cards was rained out. The tentative make-up date is Saturday, 2:00 at McDonald Field.

In a make-up game for a rainout the Giants rampaged the Orioles, 16-4.

This week's games:
Thurs., May 11, 6:00-A's vs. Cards
Fri., May 12, 6:00-Tigers vs. Orioles
8:00, Braden Fld-Indians vs. Lions
Mon., May 15, 6:00-Cubs vs. Tigers
Tues., May 16, 6:00-Lions vs. Giants
Wed., May 17, 6:00-Cards vs. Cubs

Fun Time - Carnival

By Bud Dean

How long since you have been on a merry-go-round or a ferris wheel?

Get yourself ready for a week of fun when the Greenbelt Girl's-Boy's Club brings in their spring carnival for a week beginning May 19 through May 27, at the North parking area behind the Co-op.

The committees have been meeting and working to make this affair a big success. All proceeds go directly to the Boy's-Girl's Club for their programs.

Buzzy Martin, chairman of the advance ticket sale has his softball girls hard at work selling tickets at the Center. Buzzy has two tables, one in the Centerway Mall and one at the delivery end of the Co-op. Tickets may be purchased again this Friday and Saturday at these two locations.

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Greenbelt Grab-bag . . . by Punchin' Judy

The elevator was stuck between the Sun Deck and the Bridge when we heard a voice announcing, "All visitors are requested to go ashore."

"I hope the rest of this ship works better than this elevator," I said to the friends who were seeing me off. Frantically they pushed every combination of buttons on the panel, until finally the thing started to move. My friends made their escape, I scrambled up on deck, and we were off in a flurry of colored streamers.

Winning a cruise is a wonderful thing, I reflected, as I returned to my cabin. I was met by my steward. "You order bottle champagne," he announced, handing me a bill for \$9.

Fervently I denied all knowledge of the order. But I did have a question. "How do I go about getting a deck chair?" I asked.

He gave me a dazzling smile. "I take care, Madame," he promised. It was days before I found out that he didn't know what a deck chair was. Like the rest of the crew, he was Indonesian, and what he lacked in the knowledge of English he more than made up for with his unfailing good nature and his willingness to "take care."

Having eaten a sumptuous dinner, I decided to retire early. The previous night had been spent at a dock-side hotel, and my rest had been somewhat disturbed after I noticed a gun-boat at the pier below was aiming its artillery straight at my window. The ship was flying the flag of a country with whom we are not presently at war, but I still felt queasy. That queasiness however, didn't even come within howling distance to what I felt during my first night on the ship. It wasn't the side-to-side rocking that was troublesome. The vessel reacted to the storm off Cape Hatteras by bucking like a bronco, alternately kicking up its bow and stern. To add to my distress, the plumbing in my bathroom apparently had a weak stomach. It gurgled, retched, and spewed three inches of water on the floor. When I mentioned this to my steward the next morning, he smilingly reassured me, "I take care, Madame." But I learn fast. Taking him by the hand, I showed him the soggy evidence. I could actually see the light dawning. "I take care, Madame," he said, and he did.

By the second day, the weather was balmy, the sun shone, and the ocean was the bluest blue one could imagine. I shuddered only slightly when it was explained that the color was caused by the depth of the water, 18,000 or more feet. Actually, by this time I wasn't doing anything as energetic as shuddering. The most exerting activity I indulged in was watching a deck tennis match from my deck chair, which I finally did obtain from the office. About half a dozen meals and snacks were served daily, and, having particular fondness for any meals not prepared by my efforts, I did full justice to these.

We stopped at two ports, San Juan and St. Thomas. It was at the latter that I met the Angel Gabriel. The driver and guide of a sightseeing bus, he had dropped me off at a lovely little beach, so that I could enjoy a swim and relax under a handy palm tree, sipping complimentary banana daiquiris. After three hours he picked me up, told me to sit next to him, and announced that he would show me around the island. He then proceeded to hurtle the bus up and down the mountain roads. "Gabriel, blow your horn!" I pleaded as we tore around a particularly blind curve. "Don't you worry, Elizabeth," he replied. "The Angel Gabriel will take care of you." I murmured that I had really expected to reach a more advanced age before I was ready for this particular heavenly messenger and he promised to put in a word for me with St. Peter later on. Throughout the trip he called me Elizabeth. This was rather confusing, not only because it isn't my name, but because he called the bus Elizabeth, too.

As the hours wore on, I began to worry. There were some purchases I wanted to make in the town of Charlotte Amalie, and I had been told that the stores closed at 5:30. I appealed to Gabriel and he

looked at me reproachfully. "Nobody hurries in the Virgin Isles," he stated. "Besides, Elizabeth, you think stores going to close at 5:30 when big cruise ship is in port?" He then took us to a mountain top where I was able to make all my purchases at branches of the down-town stores.

I had no guardian angel in San Juan, but I found the city charming. They turned out to be manana country. Nobody rushed around, not even the cab drivers. The local telephone company was just as relaxed. It took me four tries to locate a pay phone in working order, so that I could call my kids in Greenbelt. It was not until the next morning that I found that my home phone was connected with San Juan long after I hung up. A fellow passenger informed me that he had talked to my son the previous night. He explained that he had dialed the operator and found himself talking to my number one child. "Oh, I know your mother," the fellow passenger told my son after the latter had identified himself. This statement had the effect of making my offspring wonder what their mother had done to make herself that well known in San Juan. I later learned that it took considerable ingenuity to become disconnected from the Puerto Rican phone. The C&P, who were called from another phone, said the connection could be broken only if they were told the number of the San Juan phone booth. Obviously my boy did not have that information, but his Yankee ingenuity (he was born below the Mason-Dixon line), finally found a way to become unhooked.

Meanwhile, back on the ship, Mother was enjoying the Dutch equivalent of La Dolce Vita. Unlike the crew, all the officers were from the Netherlands. They all looked like Hans Brinker and spoke excellent English.

Now comes the X-rated part of this story. If you want to put the children to bed before we continue, I'll wait. On the last night out, I returned to find that a note had been slipped under my door. It started, "Dear Miss Judy, (sic) you are so beautiful." Impressed with the writer's taste, I perused the rest of the message. I will spare your blushes and not repeat it verbatim, but it did indicate what sign I might give if I wished for an assignation. I won't tell you if I gave the sign or not, because which ever I tell you, you probably won't believe it anyway.

My only other adventure was the trip through customs. "Did you bring in any meat, fruit, vegetables or peanut butter sandwiches?" asked the inspector.

"Peanut butter sandwiches?" I asked incredulously.

"Well, you know how it is," confided the customs man. "I get tired asking the same questions over and over." Having received his stamp of approval, I removed myself to my waiting transportation, leaving half of my belongings behind.

My missing baggage was eventually forwarded to me, intact except for some French perfume which must have got liberated some where along the way.

Now I am back home and my tan is fading. All I have left are my memories, my snapshots, and my five bottles of duty-free liquor. If you feel like dropping in, I'll be glad to share my memories and my snapshots.

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Junior and Senior High school youth who are interested may contact the Youth Program Office, Prince Georges County Chapter of the American Red Cross, 6206 Belcrest Road, Hyattsville, Maryland or call 559-8500.

4-H Lucky Leaves

Prince Georges County held its annual Public Speaking and Visual Presentation Contest on April 15 at Upper Marlboro. Seven members of the Greenbelt Lucky Leaves participated.

Kathleen Coyne, from the older Lucky Leaves, gave an illustrated talk on knits. She received a purple ribbon. All of the boys from the younger group gave demonstrations. Chris Bates showed how to make one of his favorite desserts, apple crisp. Charles Brown gave a demonstration on decoupage. Paul Evans showed how to make silhouette sandwiches. Gene Kellaher made sock men. John Heikel showed how to make salt ceramics. Shawn Townsend demonstrated how to make paper snails.

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Greenbelt's Empty Trash Can

Greenbelt Environment Action Committee

by Gabe Huck

GEAC has been slowly finding out whether or not it exists. Last week's News Review reported the April 25 meeting at which by-laws and a multitude of needed projects were tossed amiably around. During May, the first projects are being organized: a May 31 meeting will welcome individuals and representatives of civic, religious or other organizations who wish to get involved in action for ecology. This column, which we hope will be more regular than not, is intended to report on GEAC and on ecological concerns and ideas for our town.

GEAC stands for Greenbelt Environment Action Committee: an open, non-profit, non-commercial, non-partisan organization. The other words with the drawing above are about GEAC's purpose, a Greenbelt of empty trash cans: empty because of recycling, empty because of better use of better materials in all parts of our living, empty because Greenbelters care about their earth and air and water and the people who will live here 30 years from now. The trash can is round and that circle is the best sign of GEAC: to move things in

cycles instead of dumping them at dead ends.

Saturday May 13 — Lake Clean Up
This Saturday morning citizens and families of Greenbelt are invited to participate in the annual Creek-Lake Cleanup Campaign sponsored by the Greenbelt Jaycees. Gather in the parking lot of Greenbelt Lake between 8:30 and 9 a.m. (but come later if that's too early for you). We will be cleaning up litter in the area and removing debris from the streams that flow into the lake. Last year over three truck loads of trash (including shopping carts, old tires and the usual bottles) were removed. It is hoped that this year will be even more successful in the number of workers and in the quality lake we leave behind. In case of rain, the clean-up will take place the following Saturday.

Contact Number

People with ideas or questions on helping our environment can call 474-6433 or 474-9409. We would be especially interested in your ideas on how to make the paper pick-up more effective.

Safety Rules for Anglers

The American Red Cross is making its annual effort to keep the nation's 62 million sports fishermen from hooking themselves and others, or suffering even more tragic accidents, as they wade into the 1972 fishing season.

To help prevent drownings and other accidents:

1. To fish safely, you should know how to swim, know basic first aid and include a first aid kit in your gear.
2. Listen to the weather forecast so you can dress comfortably and take necessary precautions in event of bad weather forecasts.
3. Take along some needlenose pliers, wire cutters, and a pocket knife, and stow these as well as all fishing tackle in a covered container when not using.
4. Leave word with someone where you plan to fish and approximately when you will return. Take a friend or two along for good company and safety.
5. Avoid fishing in water where there are swimmers, skin or scuba divers nearby.
6. Do not go barefooted. If you are fishing from a boat, do not wear fishing boots or waders.
7. If you are wading, move cautiously to avoid step-offs into deep water or slipping on hidden rocks.
8. Extracting the hook from a fish's mouth can be dangerous since some varieties of fish have teeth that can lacerate a hand or fingers severely.
9. Should a hook snag you, cut it from the line, put a dressing around the injured area, and get to a doctor promptly.
10. In snake-infested country, watch where you step, where you sit, and where you move your hands. Wear high boots. More than half of all snake bites are below mid-calf of the leg.

Special safety procedures to be used when fishing from a boat:

Don't anchor the boat in channels or tie up to bouys; these are traffic lanes and must be kept clear at all times.

When fishing from a small boat, remain seated while casting, and cast overhead, not sidarm.

Be sure to carry along a life preserver for every passenger that is aboard.

FREE First Aid and Water Safety classes are available — call Safety Programs at 559-8500 for schedules.

County A.C.L.U. Meeting

Prince Georges County Civil Liberties Union will hold its annual public meeting May 18, 8:30 p.m., at Greenbelt Community Church. Jesse Warr and Ruth Wolfe, members of the county school board, along with Nancy Brown, member of the Civil Liberties Union Executive Board, will discuss the history of desegregation in the county's schools, its current status and what the county A.C.L.U. is trying to achieve in its case against the school board.

Recreation Programs Stable in New Budget

by Elaine Skolnik

A recreation budget that pretty much holds its own in terms of programs provided has been proposed for 1972-73 by city manager James K. Giese. There are some dollar increases in the budget, but they are mainly due to requests for new equipment for the Youth Center and the parks crew, and to rising wage scales and cost of supplies and material.

At the May 2 review of the recreation budget, it appeared that council would go along with, for example, \$700 for new gym lights in the Youth Center. Other items asked by the city manager were \$500 for a trampoline and \$300 for an amplifier for the Youth Center, \$1,350 for a cultivating aerifier for the parks crew and \$1,750 for a trailer spray unit.

The swimming pool estimates on income and expenditures are very close (\$41,000 each); thus an increase in rates for the coming season was avoided. The swimming pool budget was balanced by paying \$790 of the debt service of \$13,190 due from reserve funds built up from previous years' excess of pool receipts over expenses. Giese warned that in another season or two some adjustments may be necessary.

Other highlights of the recreation budget include \$1,600 for July 4 fireworks, pavement of pathways going into Boxwood buffer zone, trail around the Lake, pathways near the library, and improvements of underpasses.

Braden Field Fence

A difference of opinion developed between Mayor Richard Pilski and City Manager James K. Giese as to whether or not installation of a fence on Braden Field had been authorized and whether or not its installation interfered with and curtailed activities that are carried on at the field. Mayor Pilski and councilwoman Elizabeth Maffay felt that there was less field space. Recreation Director Darald Lofgren and Giese maintained that this was not so. They explained that when council last year went along with Men's Slow Pitch, the city had to meet certain league requirements, such as erecting a fence. The original plan of using a removable snow fence was considered unsafe and Giese directed that a permanent fence be installed.

Council members expressed interest in receiving an accounting from the Labor Day Festival Committee of its gross receipts and disbursements and those of the various organizations operating concession booths. While recognizing the high operating expenses for the festival, which provides enjoyment to thousands of people, council felt it would be desirable for the festival committee to make contributions directly to city charitable and service organizations.



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Kevin Wilkinson was inducted into the National Honor Society. Kevin is a junior at Crossland Senior High School.

Over 80 Junior and Senior students were inducted into the Parkdale High School National Honor Society in a candlelight ceremony on May 4 at the High School multipurpose room. Membership in the Honor Society is based on four elements of achievement: character, scholarship, leadership and service. In addition Juniors are required to have a 3.5 average for the last six marking periods, seniors a 3.2 average for the last ten marking periods.

The following Greenbelt students were among those inducted: Holly Geller, Fern Stone, Karen Davis, Kerry Drohan, Ann Skillman, Frances Hromulak, Angelina Flood, Denise Winsky, Patricia McSwain, Kathleen Lundregan, Alita Robinson, Terri Pisano, Elizabeth Kolbe, Racehl Hoeckner, Pamela Perazoli, Bunky Pakalides, Faith Karlinsky, Alice Plaster, Leslie Moore, Henry Lasansky, and Cindy Wolfe.

Junior Highlights

by Jared Freeman

In an attempt to communicate with students through music and encourage their participation in music programs, Greenbelt Junior High School Symphonic Wind Ensemble and the Orchestra plan to conduct an orientation tour of seven elementary schools. The wind ensemble toured Greenbelt North End School, May 3; Berwyn on the 4th, Greenbelt Center, May 5, and College Park on May 9. The Orchestra's tour will take in Berwyn Heights, May 15, and Springhill Lake, May 19.

Those who received 'straight A' report cards during the last grading period are: in the seventh grade, David Burford, Leisa Charlton, Norma Ecalante, Laurie Hawkins, Glenna Hoar, Allison Klebanoff, Nancy Kressin, Glen Patty, and Vickie Reid; eighth grade, Pamela Clark, Gretchen Crabill, Lisa Durbin, Melody Helm, Ellen Kessler, Carolyn Kolbe, Ann Leddy, Barbara Lowry, Perri Mateyka, Catherine McNally, Laine Oertel, Melissa Schwab, and Ariane Burt; and ninth grade, Ruth Baluch, Carol Bergemann, Donna Conway, Donna Dambrauskas, Teresa Fernandez, Deborah Gates, Bill Herlich, John Layman, Ruby Lee, Joan McFarland, Sherry Schwartz, Donna Solars, and David Spiegelthal.

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