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PETITIONS FOR INTRA-CITY BUS, DAYCARE CENTER GIVEN TO COUNCIL

by Barbara Likowski

Two petitions and a request highlighted an otherwise routine meeting of city council Monday, May 21.

The first petition, in the form of a letter with 70 signatures, was received from the Greenbelt Golden Age Club. Members of the club reminded council of their former petition for intra-city busing and asked why nothing was included in the proposed city budget for what they feel is a high priority item.

Dennis Piendak, assistant city manager, informed council that funding has been authorized for a study to determine the busing needs of the community. (This funding comes primarily from the federal government and from the state.) The city has someone ready to start preliminary data gathering as soon as the funds are available.

Councilwoman Rhea Cohen asked that inquiries be made from Metro about the reasons for the curtailment of Sunday and holiday service and the elimination of several daily runs. She was told that letters have been written to Metro about service and also about the high rates, but because of the recent merger Metro has not yet replied to the inquiry.

Day Cafe Petition

The second petition was presented and an accompanying letter read by Mrs. Anne Ewell, 4A Laurel Hill, on behalf of "Greenbelt Citizens for Quality Day Care." The letter was also signed by Robert Spears and Cynthia Forbes. Their petition, signed by 584 residents, asked "that council allocate funds in the current budget for a study to get firm data on financial feasibility of such a project." Petitioners recommended that a committee be appointed to gather such data, and that the project be brought to referendum in September.

Mayor Richard Pilski recommended that this request be considered at the budget hearing the following evening. Council agreed.

Bicycle Ordinance

Mrs. Patricia Molden, 53-A Crescent, protested that city trash trucks travel too fast in the Center area. She also asked that the bicycle ordinance be enforced in the Center, citing an instance when her 18-month-old child narrowly escaped injury by a cyclist.

Mayor Pilski asked Piendak to inform the garbage crew of this criticism, noting that he had received similar complaints.

Piendak told council that the police have been enforcing the bike ordinance but did not like to "bring in" young children. Councilwoman Elizabeth Maffay noted that some people did forget or did not see the signs. To avoid harassing people in this category councilman Gil Weidenfeld asked that an effort be made to find out who is breaking the ordinance and to fine repeaters. Council felt that the 50c fine now on the books might have to be changed if riding in the Center continued to be a problem.

Mayor Pilski asked that letters be sent to all the schools in the locality informing them that the ordinance would be strictly enforced in the Center. Mrs. Cohen suggested that citizens who see bicycles in the Center call police or get the bike license number or the name and address of the child and give them to police.

Carnivals

City regulations concerning carnivals within the city limits brought much discussion.

City manager James Giese noted some problems which arose last year: (1) Too much parking lot space allotted to the carnival; (2) employees rather than city residents. See CITY COUNCIL page 8, col. 3

WHAT GOES ON

Friday, May 25, 8:30 p.m. Duplicate Bridge, Co-op Hosp. Room.

Sat., May 26, 1 p.m. Greenbelt Pool Opens

Monday, May 28, 10 a.m. - Memorial Day Services, Center Mall

Thursday, May 31, 7:45 p.m. GHI Board Organizes, Hamilton Pl.

Thursday, May 31, 8:30 p.m. - PRAB Meeting, Youth Center Conference Room

Springhill Lake Celebrates Its Tenth Anniversary

by Jim O'Sullivan

A dozen years or so ago it was an area densely covered with pine trees where boy scout troops once camped out. Today it is a community of 10,000 people, almost half the population of Greenbelt, and this Saturday, Springhill Lake, a 2,898 unit apartment complex, will celebrate its tenth anniversary.

At the groundbreaking ceremonies in July, 1962 public officials expressed the hope that this new community would become an integral part of Greenbelt. Francis L. White, then mayor of Greenbelt, said that he felt that the Springhill Lake project faithfully carried out the concept that Greenbelt citizens were anxious to continue—the maintenance of green areas.

1962, Greenbelt's twenty-fifth anniversary year, was a crucial year in Greenbelt's history. A November 1 editorial in the Greenbelt News Review that year noted that Greenbelt was on the threshold of a period of rapid development. The Boxwood subdivision, the extension of Lakeside, Beltway Plaza, Klein's, and Springhill Lake were all on the way at that time.

Although many Greenbelters, then Mayor White among them, looked with favor and enthusiasm on this expansion of the city there were others who feared that the traditional identity of Greenbelt would be forever altered. When Springhill Lake was just beginning to grow there were some who felt that the size of the development was detrimental to a balanced community.

Road Barriers

In addition to the reservations felt in old Greenbelt about the advent of Springhill Lake, topographical barriers tended to isolate the new community from the old Greenbelt. Springhill Lake was literally cut off from easy access to the heart of the city by major highways that sliced through the city. The Beltway and Kenilworth Avenue set up an almost insuperable barrier of concrete around Springhill Lake. This made it difficult for the two Greenbelts to work together. At one time, for example, Springhill Lakers tried to participate in a babysitting pool along with residents of old Greenbelt but the transportation problems were too difficult.

Plans to build a bridge over the Beltway connecting Springhill Lake with old Greenbelt were often discussed in the 60's while Springhill Lake was growing, but they never materialized.

Springhill Lake grew rapidly and as it did its traffic problems increased. With only one access, Edmonston Road, traffic jams at the intersection of Greenbelt Road and Kenilworth Avenue were monumental during morning rush hour. Eventually an access road was constructed to allow traffic to move out directly on to Kenilworth Avenue from Edmonston Road.

But as the previous problems arose, a roster of active community organizations grew up to solve them. Within three or four years, Springhill Lake had political clubs, civic associations, and a host of activities that continues to expand under the promotion of Mrs. Martha Sutton, Springhill Lake's social director.

Councilmen Elected

It was only a short step from this early social and civic activity in Springhill Lake to a larger and fuller participation in the life of Greenbelt. One event which signalled this integration of Springhill Lake into the city was the election of Joel Katz, a resident of Springhill Lake, to the city council in 1969. Again in 1971, the voters of Greenbelt picked a Springhill Laker, Gil Weidenfeld to serve on the council.

The last four years have seen the city becoming more active in dealing with Springhill Lake problems. In 1970 an agreement was worked out for the paving of Gentry Drive. Soon the construction of a new Recreation center by the city in Springhill Lake will begin. And the recent dedication of the Springhill Lake golf course to the city seems to be another sign of integration and mutual cooperation.

This Saturday Springhill Lake will celebrate its tenth anniversary with a day of events including a donkey baseball game, music, a bull roast, a square dance, and a recognition of 21 families who have lived in Springhill Lake for ten years. In its festivities as in its year-round activities, Springhill Lake in its first ten years has made its own contribution to Greenbelt and seems to justify the prophecies of the groundbreakers eleven years ago that this would be a community with the true Greenbelt spirit.

Twin Pines To Apply For State Insurance

William Lathom, president of Twin Pines Savings and Loan Association, announced last week that Twin Pines is proceeding with its application for membership in the Maryland Savings Share Insurance Corporation (MSSIC).

Meetings will be held soon with MSSIC to reduce to writing the necessary agreement between Twin Pines and MSSIC prior to consideration of insurance of the accounts by MSSIC.

Twin Pines has been advised that the State Division of Building and Loan Association has been favorably impressed with the new direction and management of the Association. According to Lathom, the State Director noted some definite improvement toward compliance with State-required accounting and operating procedures.

Twin Pines is in the process of furnishing additional data which will be reviewed over the next 30 days prior to final consideration of certification of accounts.

Lathom said, "It is our intent to remain an independent, state chartered, thrift institution serving this community. We are convinced this can be achieved in the immediate future."

INCUMBENTS HAVE TOUGH TIME IN GHI ELECTION

by Al Skolnik

Two incumbents were defeated and one incumbent was victorious last week in what was one of the closest Greenbelt Homes, Inc. board elections in recent years. In the contest to fill five vacancies on the board of directors, incumbents Janet James and Norman Weyel finished sixth and seventh by just 15 and 32 votes, respectively.

The winning incumbent — Donald Volk — emerged as top vote gatherer with 346 votes. Tied for second were former board member Stephen Polaschik and newcomer Ted Byerly. Filling out the remaining two spots in that order were newcomer Hugh O'Donnell and former board member Joseph Comproni.

Only 13 votes separated the first from the fifth-place winners. All five candidates received an absolute majority of the 648 votes cast.

Volk, Polaschik, and Byerly had campaigned as part of one slate and O'Donnell and Comproni as part of another slate. The election thus demonstrated once again the tendency of GHI voters to be independent in their choices and not to vote for entire slates.

The five winning candidates now join the present four incumbents — Jim Smith, Tom White, Howard Brooks, and Tony Lynch — to round out the 9-member board. The organization of the new board and the election of officers will take place at the next meeting of the board on Thursday, May 31.

Other Voting

In the voting for the 3-member audit committee there was no contest, as only three candidates ran. They finished in the following order: Tony McCarthy, 353 votes; James Foster, 331 votes; and Robert Nelson, 318 votes.

At the Wednesday evening meeting, a five-member nominations and

GHI Election Tally For Board of Directors

Donald J. Volk	346
Stephen Polaschick	336
Theodore C. Byerly	336
Hugh B. O'Donnell	335
Joseph D. Comproni	333
Janet M. James	318
Norman W. Weyel	301
Eunice E. Coxon	236
Gregory E. Fretz	230
Gordon O. Allen	227
Earl J. Lasworth	87

elections committee was elected, consisting of William Hoff, Marv Jane Kinzer, Ted Pritzker, Velma Chapman, and Nan Furioso. Other candidates nominated were Cathy Foster and Shirley Egenreider.

Bylaw Changes

Only one proposed bylaw change came to a vote. This change, calling for a limitation on the term of board of directors to two consecutive two-year terms, had been placed on the voting machine by petition. The change failed to get the necessary two-thirds majority, although a simple majority favored its provisions by a 234 to 193 vote.

All other proposed by-law changes that were to be considered at the Wednesday evening meeting were tabled upon a motion by Janet Stotler of the nominations and elections committee. Mrs. Stotler asked for another review of the proposed by-law changes because they had not been presented to the membership in exactly the form drafted by the committee.

The 648 votes cast in last week's election was the third highest in GHI's history. Only the elections of 1963 with 903 votes and that of 1971 with 799 votes surpassed this year's outpouring. Brick home owners accounted for 339 of the votes, frame homeowners for 309. There were 18 proxy votes cast.

At Wednesday's evening meeting, attended by some 250 persons, GHI president James Smith announced that because of differences with management, Director of Maintenance David Kane has been relieved of his duties. This action, noted Smith, "follows an extended period of concentrated effort by the manager, past and present boards to improve the operating procedures in the maintenance department." Smith said that the board will take steps to assure that Kane receives an equitable pension benefit and/or other considerations.

In other action at the Wednesday meeting, the membership overwhelmingly endorsed the position the GHI board had taken in opposition to the on-site sewage treatment plant for the Greenbriar apartment project. The membership passed a resolution urging the corporation to "investigate and pursue" appropriate legal actions in support of this position.

The membership also gave a long round of applause to departing board member Nat Shinderman, who received a plaque for his more than nine years of service.

Pool Opens Saturday

The Greenbelt pool will open for the 1973 season on Saturday, May 26 at 1 p.m. Season passes are now on sale and offer a considerable savings over the daily admission fee. The season passes remain one of the most inexpensive pool memberships in the Metropolitan area.

Extensive repairs are being completed to maintain the swimming facility in good condition. Twelve deck copings were specially made and installed. Over 250 gallons of paint have been used repainting pools and pump room. Swimmers will probably notice the slightly different color in the shallow end of the main pool resulting from a special epoxy finish that will eventually be used to beautify and protect the entire pool. Gunner's Mate will operate the concession stand this year.

Registration for the first session of swimming lessons will be held June 25. Other pool instruction activities will include Junior and Senior Lifesaving, diving, synchronized swimming and competitive swimming.

Memorial Day Services

The American Legion Post #136 and DAV #23 will conduct Memorial Day services Monday, May 28, at 10 a.m. The ceremonies will take place at the War Memorial in the Center Mall. The public is invited to participate.

CITY OF GREENBELT, MARYLAND NOTICE OF SPECIAL VOTER REGISTRATION

SATURDAY, JUNE 2, 1973

10:00 A.M. TO 5:00 P.M.

SPRINGHILL LAKE SHOPPING CENTER

GREENBELT CENTER MALL

NORTH END ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Registration Requirements: United States Citizen; Must be 18 years of age by date of election (17 September, 1973), Resident of Greenbelt, and of sound mind.

Gudrun H. Mills, City Clerk

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Good Neighbor

To the Editor:

I would like to share with others a beautiful thing that happened to me, especially since there are so many ugly happenings in the world today. For my recent birthday I received about 40 cards, rather than the usual two or three. This flood of kind and loving thoughts came from friends in and out of Greenbelt. We need more people in this world like my thoughtful neighbor who lit the tiny spark and also those who so lovingly responded to give me a feeling of warmth and so much joy. I humbly say "thank you."

Shirley Hibbs

New Route for I-95?

To the Editor:

The State Department of Transportation is promoting an alarming proposal to re-route Interstate Highway I-95, which is gaining the support of residents along the originally proposed routes. Instead of extending the expressway through the University duck pond and the Northwest Branch Park or the PEPCO right-of-way, or instead of abandoning plans to extend it at all, the DOT would pave an eight-lane link north of the Beltway from existing I-95 in Calverton, across Beltsville to the Baltimore-Washington Parkway.

This would accomplish two objectives of the Highwaymen: it would pave the first stretch of the controversial Outer Beltway and it would assure the widening of the B-W Parkway to eight lanes for truck traffic.

Anyone concerned about the creation of an I-95-Parkway should attend the DOT-sponsored informational meeting on Wednesday, May 30, at 8 p.m. at High Point High School.

Rhea Cohen

George M. Jones

George Michael Jones, formerly a Greenbelt resident, died May 13, at the age of 75, in Melbourne, Florida.

Mr. Jones moved to Greenbelt in 1942 as a member of the Office of Strategic Services for the U. S. Navy and was a charter member of the Greenbelt Veterans Housing Corporation, forerunner to G.H.I. In 1970, he moved from Greenbelt to Melbourne, Florida.

He is survived by his wife, Edna, of Melbourne, his son, George Richard, and his grandchildren Michael, George Stephen, Ralph, Susan, Karen, and Thomas, all from Greenbelt.

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5 ft. Flexwall Swimming Pool	6.97
6 ft. Plastic Air Mattress	.38
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Community-University Day

On Sunday, June 3, the College Park Campus of the University of Maryland will once again open its doors to the public for the fourth Community - University Day. From noon to 6 p.m., the faculty, staff, and students will present a wide variety of educational, cultural and entertaining activities free of charge to the public. This large - scale program is an effort on the part of the College Park Campus to encourage a closer relationship between the Community and the University.

Library Volunteers Eor the Blind

Teens, Prince Georges County Memorial Library System wants to put your thoughts in print in the bi-monthly magazine **Thought Waves**. Each issue contains book, movie and record reviews, original poetry, short stories, and illustrations.

Your thoughts and talents are needed to keep this magazine a place of expression for original work. Any public or private school student in the county, ages 13-18, can submit reviews and drawings to any of the 17 branch libraries or four bookmobiles, or to the school librarian. Sign your name and include your age and school on each contribution.

Thought Waves is free and available at any branch or bookmobile and in your school library. For more information call Young Adult Services at 779-9330, ext 41.

Holiday Refuse Collection

There will be no city refuse collection no Monday, May 28, the Memorial Day holiday. Those residents normally receiving collection on Monday, Wednesday and Friday will receive pick-up on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, with the Thursday collection being for paper only. For those residents normally receiving collection on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, pick-up will be on Wednesday and Friday. Residents are asked to save their papers for the following week.

Charlton Sharp

Charlton D. Sharp, 71-C Ridge Road, died on Thursday, May 17. He is survived by his wife, Susanne, and by four sons, Carlton James, Ronald W., Richard A., and Thomas. Interment was at Arlington National Cemetery.

John Carroll PTA

On May 1 John Carroll Elementary School's PTA met and elected its officers for the coming year. They are: president, Gwendolyn Levi; vice president, Kathy Gough; recording secretary, Janet Wilson; corresponding secretary, Carole Shewbart; and treasurer, Filmore Bender.

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, May 26, 1973 will mark the Tenth Anniversary of Springhill Lake; and

WHEREAS, during the past ten years Springhill Lake has grown to be a community of more than 3200 families; and

WHEREAS, the residents of Springhill Lake have become active citizens of the City of Greenbelt, as evidenced by their participation in community organizations, their civic pride, their active role in the educational and political process of our city, and by their service on the City Council and official boards of the city; and

WHEREAS, the community spirit of the residents of Springhill Lake is demonstrated by the success of the varied programs offered within Springhill Lake and participation in the many programs conducted by the Greenbelt Recreation Department for all our citizens; and

WHEREAS, during the past ten years the owners and management of Springhill Lake have also taken an active interest in the affairs of our city and have worked for the betterment of the Springhill Lake community and the city as shown by their participation in beautification and clean-up projects, their donation of funds toward the construction of a recreation center, and their sharing in the cost of constructing needed roads outside the project; and

WHEREAS, most importantly, Springhill Lake, in the past ten years, has grown from an apartment project to an active community of citizens within - and as an integral part of the City of Greenbelt,

NOW THEREFORE, I, Richard R. Pilski, Mayor of the City of Greenbelt, Maryland, by authority vested in me by the citizens and Council of the City of Greenbelt, do hereby issue this proclamation in observance of the

TENTH ANNIVERSARY OF SPRINGHILL LAKE

and extend to our citizens in Springhill Lake the city's congratulations and best wishes on this occasion.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Greenbelt, Maryland to be affixed this 24th day of May, 1973.

Richard R. Pilski, Mayor
City of Greenbelt, Maryland

ATTEST:
Gudrun H. Mill, City Clerk

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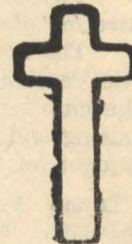
Come and see us at 7404-1/2 Baltimore Avenue, upstairs, in College Park, open 11 am - 7 pm (277-5521)

Robshaw-Tatum

Sgt. Richard Tatum, U.S.A.F., son of Carlton and Joan Tatum of Greenbelt, and Marion Robshaw, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Robshaw of Hyattsville were married on Saturday, May 19, at the Eastminster Presbyterian Church in Bladensburg. The service was performed jointly by the Rev. James Ewalt of Eastminster Presbyterian Church and Pastor Edward Birner of Holy Cross Lutheran Church in Greenbelt. A reception was held at the Greenbelt Fire House.

After a week's honeymoon in Florida, Sgt. and Mrs. Richard Tatum will make their home in Dover, Delaware where he is stationed.

Holy Cross Lutheran Church



6905 Greenbelt Rd.

Worship Services

8:30 and 11:15 A.M.

Sunday School 9:50 A.M.

Weekday Nursery School

9:00 - 11:30 A.M.

Edward H. Birner, Pastor

Phone 345-5111

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. Wed. Midweek Service		

GREENBELT BAPTIST CHURCH

Crescent & Greenhill Rds. S. Jasper Morris Jr., Pastor - 474-4040

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(Mowatt Memorial) 40 Ridge Road, Greenbelt, Md. Telephone 474-9110

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CITY OF GREENBELT, MARYLAND

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road

TUESDAY, JUNE 5, 1973

8:00 P.M.

The Greenbelt City Council will conduct a Public Hearing to receive citizens comments on

AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE IMPROVEMENTS UPON THE GREENBELT CENTER MALL TO BE UNDERTAKEN BY THE CITY FOR AN ESTIMATED COST OF \$60,000 WHICH IMPROVEMENTS ARE DETERMINED TO BE A SPECIAL BENEFIT TO PROPERTY WITHIN A SPECIAL TAXING DISTRICT ESTABLISHED BY ORDINANCE NUMBER 722, AND TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS OR OTHER CERTIFICATES OF INDEBTEDNESS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$60,000 FOR THE PURPOSE OF FINANCING THE COST OF SUCH IMPROVEMENTS AUTHORIZED, WITH SUCH BONDS TO MATURE IN NOT MORE THAN FIFTEEN YEARS, TO PROVIDE FOR THE APPROPRIATION AND DISPOSAL OF THE PROCEEDS OF SALE OF SAID BONDS AND PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT OF THE PRINCIPAL ON ANY SUCH BONDS AND THE INTEREST THEREON FROM THE PROCEEDS OF TAXES LEVIED UPON THE ASSESSABLE PROPERTY WITHIN THE SPECIAL TAXING DISTRICT FOR THE GREENBELT COMMERCIAL CENTER, AND TO PLEDGE THE FULL FAITH AND CREDIT OF THE CITY TO THE PAYMENT OF PRINCIPAL ON ANY SUCH BONDS AND THE INTEREST THEREON.

Copies of the proposed Ordinance may be obtained from the office of the City Clerk, 25 Crescent Road, Greenbelt, Maryland - Tel: 474-8000.

Gudrun H. Mills, City Clerk

... Letters to the Editor ...

THANKS

I wish to express my thanks to everyone who worked on my behalf in the recent GHI election, and to all GHI members who came out to vote. However, it is a little disheartening to realize that in a critical election, only about 40% of the membership cast a vote.

I would also like to comment on the referendum proposing a change in the by-laws to limit the terms of members of the Board of Directors to 4 years. It failed to pass, but received the support of 234 voters.

It seems to me that the proposed change is not a desirable one. Some of the reasons have already been pointed out — the wording is imprecise, the change would restrict the choice available to members, etc. But the most important reason is that it is completely unnecessary. The new Board does not have a single member who would not be there if the proposed change were now in effect. In fact, even though I have served on the Board for only 2 years, I rank second in terms of length of continuous service. This certainly does not indicate a problem crying out for remedy. It may even be appropriate to start thinking in the opposite direction — what can we do to encourage the retention of Board members who have experience in dealing with the many problems which confront our corporation?

Donald J. Volk

THANKS

Many thanks to my friends and neighbors in GHI, for their support and work on my behalf and the other candidates I favored, in the recent contest for five seats on the board of directors. It was an interesting experience, even coming in eighth, and my only regret is that due to a job and civic commitments already made, I did not have time for a more active campaign.

Orchids to the hard-working and hard-pressed nominations and elections committee, who did themselves proud in their most efficient and fair conduct of election procedure and the handling of the better than average turnout of voters!!

Next year, it is to be hoped that the election of the all-important nominations and elections committee will be handled, as the membership voted last year, the same way as the board of directors' balloting by machine. Imagine the frustration of many of the new members and some of the not-so-new members this year, when our board chairman forgot to introduce those nominated from the floor for this committee. The name on the blackboard does not compensate for a face or some knowledge of the candidate experience and interest in improved election procedure.

Regarding the bylaws revision, may I quote from the May issue of "Association Trends." "Most association bylaws too long, out-of-date." Congratulations to the membership and candidates on both sides of the aisle who voted to table this parcel of 11 complicated bylaws presented a scant two weeks before the Annual Meeting. I know of at least 4 lawyers in our membership and many other competent persons. They should get to work at once with a top corporation lawyer specializing in this field, and overhaul the whole patched, out-of-date and wordy document.

Eunice E. Coxon

THANKS

I would like to thank all of the members who exercised their "rights of membership" at the Annual Meeting of GHI and in the voting the next day. I especially want to thank the 318 who voted for me.

Although I will no longer be on the Board, I shall continue to take an interest in the affairs of our Cooperative and shall attend many board meetings, because I know from experience how helpful it is to the board to have a supportive audience of interested members.

Janet M. James

THANKS

I would like to express my thanks to all of you, my neighbors and friends who voted and worked for me in last week's G.H.I. election.

I consider your vote a mandate which I intend to honor during the next two years by using all the skill I possess to attack and solve the problems of

- Heating and maintenance
- Increasing monthly charges
- Renovation programs
- Future planning

Congratulations to Dr. Byerly, Mr. Comproni, Mr. Polaschik, Mr. Volk. I look forward to working with you and all the other members of the board for the best interests of G.H.I. and of Greenbelt.

Hugh B. O'Donnell

THANKS

To those many members of GHI who encouraged me and gave support to my candidacy for the Greenbelt Homes, Inc. board of directors — my profoundest thanks. To Janet James and Norman Weyel — deep gratitude for your dedicated service. To those candidates who were not elected, you have my appreciation for your interest. May we all share the hope that this year will be recorded as one of mutual concern for the needs of all our cooperative members.

Your comments, constructive criticisms and suggestions are always welcome as they will help me to be a better representative of your views.

Stephen Polaschik

The Best Man Lost

The rules of the game of politics dictate that after an election the loser should congratulate the winner — and there is an unspoken assumption that "the best man won". Condolences are offered to the loser — and his workers. There is talk of "unity" and of "closing the ranks".

GHI had an election — and I am breaking the rules. The best man lost — because in speaking the truth he found flaws in the corporate structure. Day after day, year after year — because wishing will not make anything so. Condolences are to the community which prefers tranquilizers to surgery.

It has been said of clergymen, and it may be said with equal truth of community activist: their function is to "afflict the comfortable and to comfort the afflicted". The community which will not allow itself to be "afflicted" now may find few "comforters" in its hour of need.

Betty Allen

THANKS

Many thanks to my backers for your efforts and your votes. I'm sorry to let you down.

Each candidate campaigns according to his lights and his capacities. I still like a whole opinion's diversity.

Gordon Allen

THANKS

I want to express my deepest appreciation to my friends and neighbors who helped me in my successful campaign for a position on the board of directors of GHI. I especially want to thank those wonderful members who voted for me.

Joseph D. Comproni

Objects to Correction

I have read and re-read your "correction" of the News Review's original article on the performance of the Parkdale Symphonic Band in both the County and the State Instrumental Music Festivals. I can only conclude that the "correction" is more inaccurate or, at best, incomplete than the original story.

IT IS A FACT that bands do perform at both festivals on certain levels.

IT IS A FACT that Parkdale, having lost forty top instrumentalists to other schools with the January 29 busing did perform Grade V, rather than Grade VI, music in both festivals.

IT IS ALSO A FACT that Parkdale received "one" or "outstanding" ratings at both festivals and IT IS A FACT that Parkdale was the only school in the State Band Festival, playing any level of music, which received straight "one" ratings from all the adjudicators.

IT IS A FACT that the Parkdale Director, Bruce Nale, was praised by adjudicators at both festivals for the unusually fine job he had done in pulling together what was essentially a totally new instrumental group in less than six weeks prior to the County festival. IT IS A FACT that no other band in the County lost the number of instrumentalists that the Parkdale Symphonic Band did.

It is most unfortunate that the fine accomplishments of a group of young people who worked and practiced very hard should be obscured by what must be wounded feelings on the part of others over the unfortunate use of the term "won" on the part of the Parkdale News Bureau to describe the outstanding record of the band at the two festivals. A much more accurate term would have been "earned", because the youth did earn their accolades, as did their Director.

I know the News Review would not wish to re-write the record, nor would the members of the band wish them to do so.

Betty Moore

South 5/North 0

Do you realize what happened at the last election for the GHI board? The south beat the north! Here is what happened . . . All those living south on Ridge Rd. won seats on the board: Byerly 6J, Polaschick 12-D, Comproni 13-A, Volk 17-G (incidentally, right down the road from the voting booth) and O'Donnell 45-A. Those up north, James and Weyel on Plateau, Coxon on Research, Fretz and Lasworth on Hillside and Allen way up north on Ridge all lost. I was wondering if the rain kept those way up north from coming south to vote at the Youth Center! Did I start something?

Henry Fisher

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May I express my thanks to those who indicated support during the recent campaign for GHI board election. I remain convinced that the positive attitudes of members, sharing decisions through a responsive board and an efficient operating staff should make this cooperative work.

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Boxwood Civic Assn.

by Kathy Gough

Burglaries and busing dominated the discussion at the Boxwood Civic Association on Wed., May 9 at the Greenbelt library.

Acting on a request of Dr. Carl Hassel asking citizen input on school boundary changes, Boxwood president James Parochetti presented 3 possible alternatives to the association:

1. No action
2. Boxwood not be bused. This would mean some other community in Greenbelt would be bused.
3. Attach a letter outlining the Boxwood community sentiments.

The Association voted to send a letter to Dr. Hassel reaffirming its position that "Since Boxwood is an integrated community, the busing of its children to achieve racial balance imposes an unfair burden . . ." It was also voted to include a statement reminding Dr. Hassel that the transfer of both Jr. High and elementary students in Boxwood is unfair since some communities were untouched by the busing plan. Sentiments expressed at the meeting were unanimous in not wanting it implied that its busing burdens be shifted to another part of Greenbelt. President Parochetti was requested to examine other communities near Greenbelt to see how many were unaffected by the busing plan.

Burglaries

In answer to Boxwooders' concern over 6 recent burglaries, Sgt. Thomas Van Valkenburgh spoke about home security.

The Boxwood robberies appear to have followed a pattern with the burglars knocking on doors asking for a false name until they find an empty house. They then break into a back door or window, usually taking currency. Some T.V.'s and stereos have also been stolen.

Since the D. C. police force has been strengthened, more crime is occurring in the outlying areas. Van Valkenburgh stressed the need for community alertness and cooperation in reporting strangers in the neighborhood. In one case strangers were seen entering a neighbor's house but the police weren't called. Since surprising burglars can be dangerous, residents were warned not to enter their homes if they see evidence of a break-in, but to go to a neighbor's house and call the police.

Two films describing home security precautions were also shown. Van Valkenburgh reassured Boxwooders by reporting that 3 of the burglaries have been solved and suspects were being investigated in the other 3.

Recreation Program

Recreation Director Darald Lofgren explained the city recreation program for the benefit of new Boxwood residents. According to Lofgren, Greenbelt's recreation program is "the most active for a city of this size in the U.S." Greenbelt also administered \$60,000 worth of self-supporting programs while all of P.G. county has \$80,000 worth of self-supporting programs.

Other business included a vote for a June picnic and participation in the Labor Day Festival. The association also passed Don McCaughey's proposal that the Boxwood Civic Association contact other neighborhood groups in order to form a council of civic associations.

Suggestions Considered For School Boundaries

Changes in school boundaries suggested by citizens will be submitted for the first time to the Board of Education at a special meeting on Thursday, May 31, beginning at 10 a.m. in Upper Marlboro.

The Board of Education last March approved procedures so that citizens could have a hand in the process of proposing school boundary changes and adjustments. A special form was developed and made available to citizens through the schools.

According to School Superintendent Carl Hassel, the Office of Pupil Accounting, responsible for the development of school boundaries, will review all citizen proposals before final recommendations on school boundary changes are submitted to the Superintendent's office and the Board of Education.

Charlestowne Board Debates Reserve Fund

by Diane Kritt

The first regular monthly meeting of the Charlestowne Village board of directors on May 14 saw intense discussion of capital reserves, fences, and enforcement of the bylaws.

Treasurer Rick Fagnani presented a previously approved budget of \$83,352 for 1973-74, of which \$3,645 was set aside for replacement/reserve surplus. Frankly admitting that they had been unable to obtain exact figures for expected maintenance needs from the previous owners, Bresler & Reiner, the board members said that they considered \$3,645 a minimal reserve fund. Fred Isaacs spoke on the need to build strong reserves now in order to forestall large emergency assessments or fee increases. Others, however, did not wish to contribute to a fund for the future because they intend to sell their homes within a few years. President Joan Gleckel said that the board will require member's input on needed repairs and experience in making repairs and replacement in order to develop a more realistic budget.

Requests for approval of planned fences and complaints about existing fences aroused a considerable controversy, since under the condominium set-up all grounds are owned in common. Director Charles Marquardt questioned the board's right to authorize any partitioning of the common areas for the sole use of one owner, and he also asked about the responsibility for maintenance of fences and enclosed areas.

Several members questioned the board's powers and intentions in enforcing the by-laws on fences or on other issues. Heather Gossart read a letter signed by co-owners expressing concern that the fence issue will be a crucial test of the board's relation to the members and of its exercise of authority. In response, president Joan Gleckel cited the board's powers of enforcement, indicating its willingness to take whatever action is necessary in the best interest of the whole village. Furthermore she announced, the board will soon notify members of a thirty-day grace period after which all by-laws will be strictly enforced. Other questions discussed included parking problems and the board's plan to hold meetings open to the co-owners on the second Monday of the month.

John Carroll Festival

The John Carroll Elementary School PTA is planning a gala Spring Festival from 12 noon to 7 p.m. on June 2, (June 9 in case of rain.) with game booths, refreshments, entertainment, educational exhibits, items for sale and auction, and an arts and crafts show and sale. There will be a fire truck and a police cruiser for children to explore, a demonstration of folk instruments, and a slide show on edible wild mushrooms. Columnist Art Buchwald has donated an autographed manuscript for the auction.

Books, usable toys, and "white elephants" are needed for the festival, and any Greenbelters interested in helping may call Diane Kritt, 474-0238, Pat Cain, 474-8713, or Sue Taylor, 345-7426.

Environmentalists to Meet

The second annual meeting of the Prince Georges Environment Coalition has been scheduled to take place Thursday, June 7, at the library meeting room. Coalition members will elect officers at a business meeting starting promptly at 7 p.m. A program of interest to the general public will begin at 8 p.m. and the Coalition has issued an open invitation to all persons concerned about environmental problems in the county.

Highlights of the meeting will include a presentation by Rhea L. Cohen: "An Overview of Prince Georges Environment." Also on the agenda are four special interest sessions on local environmental problems: Largo Sports Arena, Adelphi High-Rise, Piscataway Pollution, and I-95.

For more information, call 927-5181 on weekdays, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

CITY NOTES

Another 15 loads of wood chips will be dumped by the city at the same locations as two weeks ago on Thursday, May 24. This may be the last time residents may avail themselves of the chips since the developer has found someone to buy them.

The swimming pool is expected to open on schedule Saturday, May 26. The general crew has spent the last two weeks getting the pool ready. About one third of the pool, near the shallow end, has been sandblasted and repainted with epoxy paint. The rest has been painted with masonry paint. The wading pool and diving tank, also have been touched up.

A drainage ditch has been placed near the wading pool to alleviate the wet and mushy conditions which prevail following a rain.

The Public Works Dept. painted underpasses white last week in preparation for murals to be painted by children enrolled in Recreation Dept. art classes. The four and five-year-olds painted a jungle mural on the underpass near the library.

A city employee has been on the site of the FDR high school during the last week, supervising the burning of stumps. Burning has just begun during the last few days at the Greenbriar site.

The vacancy on the refuse crew has been filled.

The city collected 16½ tons of paper last week; this represents twice the amount collected as when the papers were put out on a voluntary basis.

Requests for special trash and the amount of debris placed at roadsides is at its heaviest during this time of year as many residents are busy spring cleaning.

The city's bike sale is slated for June 16 at the Ridge Rd. Center. People who have lost bikes will be able to see the collection by appointment the Tuesday preceding the sale.

WATER, SEWER RATES INCREASED TEN CENTS

Able for the first time to scrutinize the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission's budget, Prince Georges and Montgomery County Councils May 17 trimmed approximately \$4.6 million from the \$230 million submission and lowered the requested user rate increase by 11 cents per 1,000 gallons consumed.

The lion's share of budget cuts came in personnel where both Councils followed a consultant recommendation and eliminated 145 positions from the 207 sought. Initial estimates put the personnel savings at \$2.7 million, calculated to include fringe benefits and other overhead expenses.

Working to erase a \$13 million working deficiency, both Councils voted to set the combined water and sewer rate at \$1.05 per 1,000 gallons used rather than the \$1.16 rate WSSC requested.

Last year's combined rate was 95 cents for the approximately 215,000 households served. Since 1969, WSSC has been accumulating a working deficit.

Parkdale Concert Friday

The Parkdale Symphonic Band and the Parkdale Orchestra, both of which received top ratings at the State Music Festivals this spring, will combine with the Concert Band to present the final instrumental concert of the school year in the Multipurpose Room of Parkdale Senior High School, 6001 Good Luck Road, on Friday, May 25, at 8 p.m. The concert will be dedicated to the memory of Mr. Gerald Karl, who was a devoted and hard-working director of the Band Parents Association prior to his death earlier this year, and will benefit the family of Mr. Karl.

Scout Leaders Honored

Three Greenbelt Boy Scout leaders were honored at the Scouters' Recognition Dinner of the Patuxent District held May 18 at the Bowie Senior High School. The District Award of Merit was presented to Ralph Noble, Neighborhood Commissioner and Institutional Representative of Troop 746; to Mrs. Virginia Hunt, Den Leader Coach for Pack 746; and to Al Cousin, Scoutmaster of Troop 746. All three were recognized for their "outstanding services to the youth of this community through idealism and citizenship." Troop 746 and Pack 746 are sponsored by the Mowatt Memorial Methodist Church.

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Recreation Review

Memorial Day Schedule

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Happy-birthday to Allon Stern, 31 Lakeside, who celebrated his third birthday.

Ten year old Colleen Raley, a member of the Jolly Green Girls 4-H Club, was awarded the purple championship ribbon at the 4-H District Demonstration Contest on May 19. Her winning project was "How to Bathe a Baby."

Janet Shearer of Greenbelt has been appointed by county executive William W. Gullett to the county's first Commission for Women. An interior decorator, she is active in the local chapter of the National Organization for Women and is presently chairing its legislative committee.

It's a girl for Mr. and Mrs. Fred Reamer, 38-M Ridge. Nicol Lynn made her debut on May 8 weighing 7 lbs. 12 oz. She joins Darrell, age 3.

Sgt. Thomas Klem of the Prince Georges County Fire Department was one of two fire investigators to receive the Fireman of the Year award given by the Veterans of Foreign Wars Free State Post 8950 in Lanham. The two investigators determined that the cause of a Bowie house fire in which two persons died was arson, and came up with a probable suspect who was later convicted. Sgt. Klem is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Justin Klem, 4 Hillside.

Walter Wight, 105 Hedgewood, reports that he had a marvelous time at the 55th reunion of his class at the University of Wisconsin in Madison.

Last week Rhea and Leonard Cohen participated in the Washington International Gem, Jewelry and Mineral Show at the Sheraton Park Hotel. Jewelry stones and a necklace which they made in their workshop were featured in the exhibit of the Gem, Lapidary and Mineral Society of Prince Georges County.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. David Steinle, former residents of Greenbelt, who celebrated their golden wedding anniversary on May 20. The Steinles lived here from 1937 to 1951, and were one of the first families to settle in the new community of Greenbelt. They now live in Rossmore Leisure World, Silver Spring.

Lynn L. Thornton, 221 Lakeside Dr., received a BA degree in Psychology from the University of Kansas on May 21.

Our sympathy is extended to George Jones, 113 Northway, on the death of his father.

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Twenty-Five Years Ago

Twenty-five years ago the *News Review* was known as the *Greenbelt Cooperator*, was published every Thursday, and had an office in the basement of 8 Parkway. In its May 6 edition, it proudly announced to its readers that it was combating "inflation by giving you twice as much for your money." Delivered free to every doorstep, the *Cooperator* changed to an 8-page paper coming out every Thursday instead of a 4-page paper which came out on Fridays. Additional advertising would allow the paper to give more space to local clubs and county news, with more features and columns. "Our neighbors", "Teen Talk", "The Home-maker", and "Needle Talk" were already established columns with coverage of movies and comments on records promised. Also, the paper's format included a number of pictures, a cartoon, and a full page of sports news.

The Greenbelt Volunteer Rescue Squad was two years old; its members had purchased an ambulance with \$300 of their own funds and built a squad building in the 2 court of Gardenway out of a group of three garages. Rent of \$1 per year was paid to the federal government, then owner of the town.

The town had an Education Director, Mary Jane Kinzer, who announced she would be registering children for kindergarten at Center and North End schools.

The town itself was in the process of being converted from government ownership to cooperative ownership with the Greenbelt Mutual Home Owners Corporation (GMHOC) negotiating with the Public Housing Administration (PHA).

Greenbelt Consumer Services (G.C.S.) was already formed and operated fourteen different kinds of businesses. At that time Bruce L. Bowman was manager of the G.C.S. Pantry and Edward A. Burgoon managed the G.C.S. Service Stations.

People were commiserating with each other over inflation in groceries and Congresswoman Helen Gahagan Douglas (D.-Calif.) was asking for price controls. One resident was trapping squirrels to save on food costs, the police reported.

Several issues later, a *Cooperator* reporter advocated meatless meals and low-cost dishes.

Window shades were in great demand and the PHA manager, Charles Cormack, was hard-pressed to supply everyone's needs.

Sod also was in limited supply, and Cormack noted that it was impossible to sod all the grounds . . . "and maintenance officials have been able to do only yards where it is absolutely a necessity."

The Greenbelt Theatre was showing "Queen of the Yukon" with Irene Rich and Charles Bickford; Lana Turner and Van Heflin in "Green Dolphin Street" were to be seen the following week.

The Greenbelt High Grizzlies won one baseball game and lost another.

GCS sent letters to all residents of the north end of town calling attention to improvements in the grocery store in that area and inviting patronage.

Following numerous complaints of ball playing in courts and broken windows, the first police chief, George Panagoulis, was being asked where the ball parks were for the kids to play ball.

Greenbelt's Mayor Thomas J. Canning was served with an assault warrant after a town council meeting during which he threatened to oust ex-policeman Robert A. Dodge unless order was maintained. A hearing was scheduled.

The Greenbelt Elementary PTA had an afternoon tea during which the topic "Sex Education" was discussed.

After a year-long investigation (the findings were unclear due to a split in the consensus of opinions by the investigating committee members) cleared him of misconduct in office, Town Manager James T. Gobbell, (see his obituary in May 17 *News Review*) resigned from his position to assume another job.

"Rumors that Greenbelt's public health clinic is to be closed or curtailed in services were emphatically denied . . . The town council took note of its previous difficulties from acting on incomplete advice, and refused to be rushed on the allocation of space for a proposed new church building and the National Guard Armory."

The *Cooperator* went on record as supporting the drive for local ownership of Greenbelt by GMHOC, but was doubtful that such ownership would bring about lower taxes, that management costs would be reduced ("Is this to be done by cutting salaries of office help, or by not making out monthly rent bills?" the paper asked), and chided the GMHOC for stating that payments for heat would be reduced. "Is this forewarning of less heat in winter, less water in summer, or less electricity all year?" the paper queried.

Finally, this item appeared on the front page of the *Cooperator* and is reprinted without comment:

"An announcement was made this week by PHA headquarters that a final decision had been reached concerning the disposal of Greenbelt homes.

" . . . The homes will be dismantled and shipped to Europe as part of the Marshall Plan and as a practical demonstration of our interest in the future of democracy in Europe.

"Work of dismantling the Greenbelt homes will probably begin sometime in June, according to reliable authorities. It is expected that the defense homes will be taken down first, since it is generally considered that they should come apart quite rapidly. . . . Residents should be encouraged to purchase tents as soon as possible. The climate here is ideal for camping out in the summertime."

CITY COUNCIL from page 1 dents, running booths; and (3) who is to build booths for carnivals.

Giese proposed that the Labor Day Festival be given the entire parking lot but that other groups be given half the lot for carnivals so as to leave parking spaces for businessmen, that the law concerning city residents running the booths be strictly enforced, and that the city build booths for the Labor Day Festival only since it benefits all organizations and funds for this purpose are allocated in the city budget.

Councilman Charles Schwan suggested that Giese's proposals be accepted by council. If such policies are not acceptable to any group, he suggested, they can appeal to council and council could then decide. This procedure has been followed in the past, he noted.

Charles Collins, chairman of the Advisory Planning Board read a recommendation from his committee upholding the request of Alan I. Kay for early construction of condominiums on the Glen Ora tract. Collins also read a letter concerning the access road to the proposed Metro station. He said that ABP would not make a recommendation to council until it gets further information but would do so before public hearings scheduled in June.

Chairman of the Parks and Recreation Board Joseph Wilkinson read a letter from his committee recommending against the establishment of a sand lot play area at the first fairway of the Springhill Lake golf course. PRAB also recommended pedestrian and bike overpasses and walking and bike pathways across Kenilworth Ave. and 495, and that \$500 be allotted for secretarial services to the city's committees.

An ordinance introduced by Weidenfeld appropriating \$3,500 from the Revenue Sharing Fund to be used for the Springhill Lake recreation center for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1973 was passed by council.

Several ordinances were introduced for first reading, including one to authorize improvements for the Center mall and another to provide a salary of \$2,400 per year for the mayor and \$2,000 per year for other council members. A public hearing about the mall renovations will be held on Tuesday, June 5.



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