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CITY COUNCIL CAREFULLY SCANS ELDERLY HOUSING PROJECT PLANS

by Virginia Beauchamp

At a special meeting Tuesday, May 10, city council members expressed pleasure with preliminary drawings for the proposed elderly housing facility, to be built on the present site of the Ridge Rd. Center. The drawings, prepared by senior architect Steve Parker of the Adelphi firm of Lawrence & Grimm, show a 100-unit facility with a common dining room, multipurpose room, library, laundry, craftshop, clinic, lounge spaces, patios, and greenhouse.

Basically a T shape, the two wings of the building's longest side face Ridge Rd., with a perpendicular wing in the center leading to the rear toward the present GHI garden plots. The long facade is broken, however, as the wing of the T closest to Southway is set back about 30 feet from the left (and/or eastern) wing. A canopied portico at the juncture of these two wings creates the formal entrance to the building. A service entrance is shown at the far west end of the building but at a lower level made possible by the steep slope of the lot. Access to both entrances is shown through a parking lot fronting on Ridge in the northwest corner of the property.

A fair amount of council discussion focused on suggested plans for canvas canopies at both front and back of the building and on traffic congestion in the parking lot. Other major concerns were the possible noise level of air conditioning equipment, security precautions at the front entrance, the design of storage space, and the choice of windows.

The Canopy Question

The architect's suggestion specifies a canvas awning at the building's main entrance, with seating to be available under its shelter. Such a canopy could, however, be made of a permanent material, such as metal or plastic. Conversation focused on esthetic, rather than economic factors — whether canvas might appear too pretentious, like the canopies in front of exclusive hotels, or whether it might in fact appear "warmer" and more inviting than the permanent types of awnings often used at fast food places. All agreed that canvas awnings were the appropriate choice for the dining-room windows at the rear of the building looking out on one of the patios.

Eventually council deferred a decision on the choice of canopy material for the front entrance, leaving the question for consideration by members of the Senior Citizens group, who might better represent the tastes of future occupants of the building. Similarly, the choice of window design for individual units — whether sliding glass doors with a false balcony effect or windows set two feet above the floor — was referred to this group, represented at the meeting by Connie McKnew of the Senior Citizens Advisory Committee.

In fact, throughout discussion of the plans, this reporter was struck by the concern of council members for the quality of life and the autonomy for its tenants which choices in building design would make possible. Clearly some council members could envision themselves as future residents, identifying with the needs and interests of those who would occupy the future facility.

Thus the question of whether to design a large common storage room with some kind of checking system, or an area with separate, individually locked 5 by 5-ft. cubicles was resolved in favor of the latter, as being less regimented, more personal, and easier to administer. But security rather than freedom was the question in regard to the arrangement of front desk in

relation to the main entrance and the elevators. Although the design showed the elevators as out of the line of vision of the desk attendant, council agreed that access to them could be monitored by use of large mirrors placed on the opposite side of the hallway.

Impact on Neighborhood

All councilmen were concerned with the potential impact on the neighborhood of the new facility. The closest adjacent building, a row of 24 court, stands 60 feet from the line. Only a short wall of the new structure, end wall of the east wing, would face toward this court, and only windows to provide light to the corridor would break this wall. Although land currently used for parking by 24 court residents would no longer be available, council noted that the court parking lot could be expanded by five or six spaces. Access to the GHI garden plots, currently reached by the Ridge Rd. Center driveway, could be achieved by a new road from Gardenway.

The building's exterior, a new type of stucco, would be selected in a beige or off-white color to blend with the flat-roofed courts across the street. Because of the steep slope of the lot to the rear and to the west, the 3-story wing to the east and the 4-story wing to the west would have the same roof line. The 3-story rear wing would have a lower roof line.

A major concern to council was any possible noise factor from the air conditioning unit, and city manager Jim Giese was directed to raise this point with the architect. All agreed that investment in noise control would in the long run prove an economy.

Parking

Although driveways to the main entrance and the service door must pass through the parking lot, no alternative is feasible because of the narrow frontage on Ridge Rd. But council members were concerned that the number of parking spaces allotted — 30 per cent of the number of units — would be too limited. Giese was directed to inform the architect that additional spaces should be provided, particularly as parking on Ridge Rd. would be somewhat curtailed by a pedestrian walkway. All agreed with Giese's suggestion of a push-button flashing red light to aid pedestrians to cross Ridge Rd. Because of the steep slope on Ridge, visibility for fast-moving vehicles is sharply curtailed.

Private Apartments

The final drawing presented by the architectural firm showed two models of the basic apartment unit. One model, for handicapped residents, featured a "drive-in shower" to accommodate a wheel chair. All such units would be constructed at the basement level because of design factors involving the shower drain.

The other model offers a tub bath, but in all other ways is similar to the model for handicapped tenants. Both models have one bedroom, a living-dining area, a kitchen with pass-through window into the dining space, a large dressing closet, and a bath. Kitchens will be equipped with garbage disposal units but not dishwashers.

WHAT GOES ON

Thurs., May 19, 8 p.m. G.C.S. - Credit Union Area council meeting, (6:30 pm. Buffet Dinner, Greenbelt Library)

Fri., May 20, 8 p.m. Democratic Club Meeting, Greenbriar Community House

Mon., May 23, 8 p.m. Public Hearing on City FY 1977/78 Budget, Municipal Building

Tues., May 24, 8 p.m. City Council Work Session, Lake Park Controls, Municipal Building

Wed., May 25, 7:30 p.m. Greenbelt Garden Club, Library

Thurs., May 26, 8 p.m. GHI Organization Meeting, Hamilton Place

Greenbelter Wins Post Photography Contest

by Linda Orenstein

A Greenbelter, Ken Goldblatt, has won first place in the black and white competition of the 2nd Annual Photography Contest sponsored by the Washington Post. There were ten winners in all with one first place winner in black and white and one in color; two second place winners in each category; and two third place winners. All winning pictures appeared in the Potomac magazine section of the Post on Sunday, May 8. Goldblatt does not generally enter contests because of his feelings about releasing the rights to his photographs, but happily, he did so this year.

He was made aware of the contest by an advertisement in the Post itself, and submitted six pictures in all, on various subjects; three color and three in black and white. Goldblatt considers his winning entry a "classic" photograph. It was taken in Calvert County in Southern Maryland in the office of a country doctor. In the photo the doctor is examining his patient and her child is shyly standing nearby. The picture was taken in conjunction with fund-raising efforts being made by the about-to-retire physician to foster construction of a community health center. Goldblatt shot the picture at the end of a long and tiring day of office hours and four rolls of film. His other entries included his own son holding a dandelion, and a strong photograph of a maximum security prisoner.

Photography is not a hobby for Ken Goldblatt, but a profession. He works in Baltimore and free lances in the Baltimore-Washington area. He originally came to Maryland from Texas pursuing a doctoral degree at the University of Maryland. His ambition was to write, but finding it easier to publish his material with pictures, he became more interested in photography.

Within the last year, Goldblatt placed two pictures in the Nation's Capitol Photographer's Competition sponsored by the Corcoran Gallery. Several years ago he displayed his work at Twin Pines. Recently Goldblatt has taught a course in photography for the Maryland National-Capital Park and Planning Commission at Greenbelt Junior High School. He is also involved in other activities including audiovisual presentations, art direction, editing and graphic arts and design.

June 16 Last Day of School

Summer vacation for public school students in Prince Georges County now is one-half day longer. The Board of Education, at its May 12 meeting, accepted a recommendation from the Superintendent of Schools to drop the half day of classes that had been scheduled for June 17. The half-day for June 16 stays in the school calendar, and June 16 becomes the last day of school.

City Goes Ahead On Plans To Buy Most Of Parcel 1

by Elaine Skolnik

After lengthy negotiations, the city council on May 16, passed an ordinance that gave the green light to appropriate funds for the purchase of two tracts of land totaling 28.336 acres in parcel 1 (located in the north eastern portion of Greenbelt). The total cost of the land is \$300,000 with an additional \$15,000 to cover the costs of settlement.

Federal Open Space grants (\$126,400) and State Open Space grants (\$29,300) will partially offset the cost of the land. These funds are available because the city was given authority to transfer approved but unspent grant funds from the proposed acquisition of the Furey property. Acquisition of the Furey property has never been accomplished due to an unwillingness on the part of the property owners to sell, and an inability to condemn due to the property being situated adjacent to, but outside, the city's northern corporate limits.

Capital Improvement Funds will cover the remaining cost of the land. This fund was established with the proceeds of the sale of a \$950,000 bond issue in 1969. Since

that time the city has undertaken a variety of projects totaling \$2,004,300. This was possible because the bond funds have been supplemented with a variety of state and federal grant moneys and contributions from other sources.

Letter of Confirmation

In a recent letter to the city Burton J. Reiner, a trustee for the acreage to be purchased, confirmed that the trustees were willing to sell the land to the city for \$300,000. He wrote that the offer "is contingent on settlement being made prior to June 1, 1977; the execution of an appropriate agreement in a form acceptable to both parties that will assure future access, utility and road rights-of-way to the remaining land; and all costs of conveyance being borne by the city."

The larger tract of land to be purchased, 24.336 acres, is a strip running along the city's northern border between Laurel Hill Road and the 13-acre triangular-shaped Federal surplus property adjacent to the Baltimore-Washington Parkway that was deeded to the city by the government in October, 1972. A condition of this grant was that the city obtain at least 15 acres of additional parkland next to the property.

The other tract is a 4.0 acre wedge of land that borders the B-W Parkway immediately south of the Federal surplus land and connects with the Board of Education property north of Northway Road extended.

The purchase will enable the city to have an unbroken strip of land (about 1.2 miles long) bordering its northeastern corner to be used as a bikeway and walking path. Eventually the city hopes to have a system of connecting bikeways that will also hook up to county and state trails.

Some 102.6 acres of undeveloped land zoned Rural-Planned-Community will remain in Parcel 1 following the purchase of the two tracts by the city. Of these, 10 acres are owned by the Board of Education and the remaining property is privately owned.

Parcel 2

The city is also in the process of obtaining appraisals of the property in parcel 2 located between Ridge Road and the B-W Parkway south of Northway Road extended. The construction of the Housing for the Elderly project on the Ridge Road Center site necessitates the purchase of a comparable amount of open space replacement land since the tract was originally purchased with Federal and State open space monies. Funds from the elderly housing mortgage loan from the State of Maryland are anticipated to be sufficient to purchase up to 6.5 acres in Parcel 2 (\$99,000). About 13 acres will remain in private ownership following such a purchase.

Charlestowne Village Holds Annual Meeting & Election

The Charlestowne Village Condominium held its Annual Meeting and election on April 26. Elected to serve two year terms on the board of directors were John Lally, Nancy Hindman, Morris Levitt and Mary Kincaid. Remaining on the Board for one more year are Mona Schlossberg, Diane Anschutz and Dave Willett. The new Board of Directors then met to elect its officers. They are: President, Nancy Hindman; Vice President, Morris Levitt; Secretary, Mary Kincaid; and Treasurer, John Lally. Approximately 75% of the 165 co-owners were present at the meeting or were represented by proxies. Matters discussed included a reserved parking system, maintenance needs, and management.

June 5 Is Greenbelt Day

Sunday, June 5, has been officially designated as Greenbelt Day and will highlight a weekend of special events. This year marks the 40th year that Greenbelt has been in existence. In conjunction with Greenbelt Day, the Recreation Department is scheduling various activities to be held the entire weekend. Highlights of the weekend are as follows:

On Friday, June 3, 4-8 p.m., residents of all ages are invited to decorate the library underpass with city scenes of their choice. A commemorative plaque for the work chosen the most original illustration of "The Spirit of Greenbelt" will be presented by the Rec. Dept. Certificates will be presented to all participants. There is no entry fee. Judging will be in two age categories - 14 years of age and under; 15 years of age and over.

The underpass will be prepared with a fresh coat of paint for the artistic renderings. Limited brushes and paint will be furnished as available. Artists are encouraged to bring their own special supplies, colors and ladders. Spectators and critics are welcome! Judging will be held at 8 p.m.

Table game tournaments, Family Swim Party, softball games, Greenbelt Lake Run and a performance by the Greenbelt Concert Band in the Center Mall are just a few of the activities commemorating this weekend. Contact the Recreation Department for further details. A full schedule of activities will appear in the June 2 issue of the Greenbelt News Review.

Also during the weekend, the city will recognize Greenbelt's First Families those persons who moved into the city before Sept., 1938. Anyone who's a member of a first family, a child of a first family or knows where these persons can be reached, please contact the City Offices, weekdays 9-5, 474-8000, leaving names and addresses for a mailing list. Response to this would be appreciated as soon as possible.

Parkdale Graduation

Parkdale Commencement Exercises will be held on June 9, at 10:30 a.m. at Cole Field House, University of Maryland.

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Methodist Church News

It will be Youth Sunday May 22 at Mowatt Methodist church when Reverend Clifton Cunningham will be out of town. He will be back for the May 29 sermon, Holy Spirit Happening.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

At its April 28 meeting, the Prince Georges Board of Education set its back-to-school date for the 1977-78 school year: Tues., September 6 will be the first day for students, while most teachers will return on August 31.

The rest of the 77-78 calendar for the Prince Georges County Public Schools includes fewer holidays but a longer spring break. The "days off" are two days for the Maryland State Teachers' Association Convention during October, Thanksgiving and the Friday following it in November, December 24 through January 2 as a winter break, January 20 as a teacher training day, February 20 to mark Washington's Birthday, March 24 through April 2 as a spring break and Memorial Day on May 29. The last of the 184 school days for students will be June 15.

Board to Seat Student

A student is to become the tenth member of the Prince Georges County Board of Education on July 1, 1977. The Maryland General Assembly enacted legislation putting a student on the county's Board of Education during its last session. At its April 28 meeting, the Board gave the formal go-ahead to procedures that will allow a student to be elected this spring, instead of waiting until next year, even though the legislature's bill doesn't take effect until July 1.

The Prince Georges Regional Association of Student Governments (PGRASG), the group representing the student governments in the county's public schools, is to elect the new Board member on May 25. Chris Kelleher, PGRASG President, told the Board that students already are set up to handle the election. They had requested the emergency resolution approved by the Board on the 28th, so that they wouldn't chance missing a full year of representation on the Board. The new law specifies that the student member selectio take place in the spring — and students wanted that to mean this spring, not next spring, for the first-time balloting.

The student member will ont have a vote on the Board of Education, but will be able to participate in the debate and offer motions on an equal basis with the elected, salaried adult members. The student will draw no paycheck from the school system, but will be reimbursed for expenses. Both the law and the Board's resolution limit the student member's attendance in its regular closed-door executive sessions. The resolution specifies that the student may attend only executive sessions or portions of them specified by the other Board members by majority vote. Executive sessions are held to discuss personnel and land acquisitions matters or to receive legal advice, but all matters must be brought out into public session for any final decision.

Technically, the student board member bill still faces one more hurdle before it takes effect: it hasn't yet been signed by Governor Marvin Mandel. The Governor's office says the measure should be acted upon by mid-May, and that so far his aids who review legislation have found no problems with it.

John R. Aubuchon
 Supervisor of Information Services
 P. G. County Public Schools

Mishkan Torah Sisterhood

The Mishkan Torah Sisterhood will meet on Thur., May 26 at 8 p.m. Featured will be a Charlie Chaplin movie - a spoof of Carmen. Interested persons are invited. There is no charge.

Skateboarding Tips

The Greenbelt Recreation Department has received assistance from the East-Coast Skateboard in running the city's skateboard rallies and promoting safety. The following guidelines are suggested:

1. Parents should scout their neighborhood for a safe place for young children to ride skateboards. School yards, where there is smooth pavement, but no traffic, are a good bet. Never allow children to use the streets.
2. Expect to develop skill slowly step by step. Do not skateboard faster than you can run. When skateboarding down an incline, don't build up speed, but zig zag or traverse as in skiing.
3. Wear proper safety clothing - sneakers, helmets, knee and elbow pads, heavy pants, jackets when appropriate. Construction type or bulky gloves, will cushion a fall.
4. Never skate near traffic. Remember skateboarders can't be seen easily by the car drivers. Be careful of the driver in a parked vehicle who may swing his door open.
5. The best time to skateboard is by day, on clean surfaces where you can see the full extent of your expected course. Avoid skateboarding at night, and on surfaces that are wet, icy, sandy, gravelly or dirty.
6. Do not skate through an intersection, and, always be prepared to disboard halfway down any path that leads to an unknown area.
7. Always complete a regular maintenance check before each outing, and as often as required. If a locknut is loose and bearings fall out, or if a piece of gravel is already inside the bearing hub, a nasty and unexpected fall could result. Large wide wheels are generally better for steep inclines because of the increased contact with the surface. Wheels should be 1 1/2"-2" wide for rally competition.

For further information concerning maintenance and skateboard equipment, contact East-Coast Skateboard at 441-1666.

Mishkan Torah News

On Fri., May 20, at 8:30 p.m., Congregation, Sisterhood and Men's Club officers will be installed.

Shevuot and Confirmation services will be held on Sun., May 22 at 8:30 p.m. Alan Amberg, Carrie Baker, Carl Choper, Mark Isenstein and Ian Kaufman will be honored.

Chamber Music at Library

Chamber Music performed by talented young musicians from the junior and senior high schools in Prince Georges County will be presented at the Greenbelt Library on Thursday, May 26, at 7:30 p.m. in the Meeting Room. Admission is free. All are welcome.

La Leche Meeting

La Leche League of Greenbelt will begin a new series. The topic will be "Advantages of breastfeeding to mother and baby." The meeting will be held at 5-E Gardenway at 8 p.m. on Thurs., May 26. For information, call 474-0616.

Recreation Review

Camp Pine Tree

A fun and skill program of outdoor and special activities for boys and girls 6-12 years of age. The summer camp is operated by the city of Greenbelt Rec. Dept. A full time camp manager is in charge of the day-to-day operation. Counselors, to meet the individual needs of each camper, are provided for in camper groups of eight to twelve youngsters. Specialists are in charge of instructional programs in swimming, tennis, tumbling, trampoline, archery and crafts. For further information, call the Rec. Dept., Mon. thru Fri., 9-5 p.m., 474-6878.

Pitch, Hit, Run Contest

Pre-registration is required at the Thom McAn Shoe Store at the Beltway Plaza by May 21. Contest will be held at Braden Field #2 from 10 a.m. - 12 noon Sat., June 4, for boys and girls ages 9-12 years. Activity is sponsored by Thom McAn Shoes, M-NCPPC and the Greenbelt Rec. Dept.

Greenbelt Day Skateboard Rally

On Sat., June 4, the Rec. Dept. and East-Coast Skateboard will co-sponsor a Skateboard Rally. Registration will be at 9:30 a.m. with the Rally beginning at 10 a.m. at the Ridge Road Center. A parental permission slip is absolutely necessary to register. Safety equipment such as knee, elbow pads and helmets are required in order to compete. An East-Coast representative will give a demonstration on equipment and safety tips.

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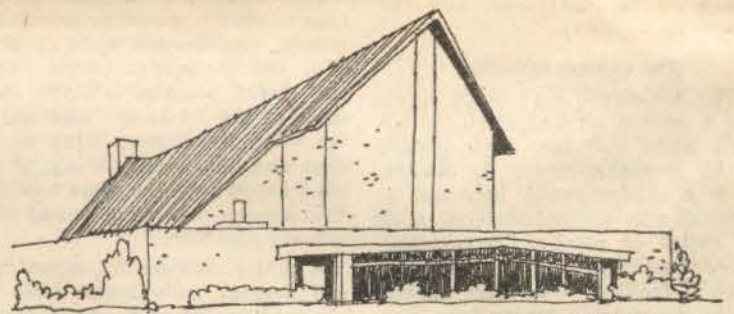
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GHI Prepares For Annual Meeting; Okays Contract For Trim Painting

by Mary Lou Williamson

The Greenbelt Homes, Inc., Board of Directors tied up a few pieces of business at its regular meeting Thursday, May 12, and discussed last minute details in preparation for the annual meeting (held last night, May 18). Farewells were offered to two departing directors — Ted Byerly and Jim Wright — who chose not to run again, and wishes of good luck went to the six candidates vying for the five openings on the board (voting ended tonight at 7 p.m.)

In an effort to provide information that might be useful to members at the annual meeting, management was requested to prepare examples comparing the present townhouse resale formula with the petitioned formula. Also asked for was a comparison of contracts for the townhouses — both current and proposed — along with the standard mutual ownership contract used for the frame and brick homes.

Trim Paint Contract

This year's budget calls for painting the trim on one-fifth of the homes this summer. The contract will be offered to the lowest bidder, General Maintenance Service Company, whose bid of \$47,794 was \$4,000 under the next lowest bid and some \$12,000 under the amount called for in this year's budget. General Manager, Roy Breashears recommended to the board that the full \$59,840 budgeted be used. Since the trim paint program is two to three years behind schedule (a victim of budget cuts in previous years), painting additional units this year (24 brick, 75 frame) would help the corporation catch up. The board unanimously agreed.

Ron Johnson, of General Maintenance, has furnished GHI with a performance bond equal to 100 percent of the work proposed. Johnson is the son of John W. Johnson who had earlier held GHI's trim paint contracts for a number of years; the father will now serve as a consultant to his son's company.

With some agonizing over members who make their improvements first and ask permission afterwards, the board okayed a member's request to finish covering the asbestos shingles of his frame home (7 Research) with cedar shakes (shingles). The cedar is considered attractive, though quite expensive, and maintenance-free. It offers a possible alternative exterior for frame homes. However, because of the cost, cedar shingles are unlikely to be considered by the corporation for wide-scale use in any future rehabilitation scheme.

Miscellaneous

A donation of \$50 was made to the Maryland Association for Retarded Citizens, Inc. Last year GHI sponsored member Charles Schwan, who rode in the Bike-a-Thon for the Retarded. Schwan, who had intended to ride again this year, was unable to do so.

Grounds and Structures crews will be cleaning gutters and down spouts and storm sewer lines on a scheduled basis.

Garden Club Meets

The Greenbelt Garden Club will meet on Wed., May 25, at 7:30 p.m. in the meeting room of the Greenbelt Library.

The topic of discussion will be "Pesticides and Their Use." All are welcome to attend.

Recreational Groups Ask For More Funds

Nancy Weintraub

The city council heard requests from various recreational groups for city funds in a budget work session on May 11. In a 2½ hour session, representatives of the groups submitted reports on their groups' activities and made their requests for financial contributions from the city.

The organizations are requesting contributions. According to James Gram leaders from the city as included in the city's proposed 1977-78 recreational budget. Although the city is proposing \$1700 for program leaders and \$11,300 for contributions to organizations, the organizations are asking for \$3600 for program leaders and more than \$11,300 in contributions. According to James Giese, city manager, some requests for extra funds probably won't be met.

The biggest requested increase in funds came from the Choral Arts Society, which asked for \$2200 to pay the salaries of a director and an accompanist, according to spokesperson Margaret Warner. Last year, the city approved \$800 to pay these salaries. According to Warner, the choral group has 20 singers and schedules 4 concerts a year.

The Greenbelt Concert Band also requested an increase in funds at the meeting: \$1,000 for a band director and \$1,000 in contributions. Last year, the city gave the band \$500 for a director and \$600 in contributions. According to the band spokesman, the group needs more money for instruments.

At the meeting the Greenbelt Soccer Association requested \$1,532, \$500 more than last year. The soccer club expects over 140 members next year and needs additional money for expansion of its teams, according to the club spokesman.

Other requests made by organizations at the meeting were: \$400 for a winter swim coach; \$3800 for the Boys and Girls Club; \$1330 for the Aquatic Boosters Club; \$2500 for the Greenbelt Little League; and \$900 for Springhill Lake Baseball. Also, \$200 for the Greenbelt Running Club; \$500 for the Greenbelt Tennis Association; \$4300 in city services for the Greenbelt Labor Day Festival; and \$350 for Washington Ear, a radio service for the blind and visually handicapped.

At the Library

On Sat., May 21 On-Again-Off Again films will show "One Wish Too Many" a film in which a magic pebble brings trouble to the boy who found it. It begins at 2 p.m. for ages 6-12.

"Arsenic and Old Lace" featuring Cary Grant is the May 24 presentation of Feature Films. The film will begin at 7:30 p.m. in the Meeting Room.

Wed., May 25, Greenbelt Morning Theatre will present "Zoo;" "Man: the Incredible Machine;" and "Star Spangled Banner". The show begins at 10:30 a.m. in the Meeting Room.

After School Laughs at the Libe offers "Felix in Hollywood" and "Two Tars" starring Laurel and Hardy. The two showings are at 3:15 p.m. and at 4:30 p.m. for ages 6-12 in the Children's Program Room.

Drop-in Stories are every Thursday at 2 p.m. for ages 3-5 in the Children's Program Room.

GHI ENDS YEAR IN THE BLACK

by Mary Lou Williamson

For the second year in a row Greenbelt Homes, Inc., has finished its operations in the black. The 1976 financial statements prepared by GHI comptroller Don McGinn show that the corporation had an excess of income over expenditures of \$65,700 — with the help of reserves. This outcome was slightly better than the 1975 figure of \$37,600. In 1974 and 1973, the reverse was true with deficits of \$82,100 and \$37,200, respectively, mainly due to the fuel oil crisis.

The 1976 fuel oil story for GHI showed considerable real savings in consumption due to the heating-conservation programs of the past several years. Projects completed during 1976 include: 1. conversion of South End frame home heating plants from steam to hot water; 2. conversion of #23 Plant in the North End of town to hot water; 3. insulation of floors of almost half of the frame homes; and, 4. increase in heating personnel for preventive maintenance. However, the other side of the story showed more money was expended than had been budgeted due to the extreme cold during the middle of the winter. Heating costs for the frame homes exceeded their budgeted amount by \$25,500. This kind of fluctuation should be cut considerably after the conversion during 1977 of the three remaining large steam plants. (The 1976/77 fuel oil savings from the conversion of #23 Plant was 41% over the 1975/76 season.) The brick heating costs were slightly below budget (\$5,100), perhaps due in part to the preventive maintenance.

Maintenance

The brick home maintenance costs ran above the budget (\$8,600), largely due to the rising cost of material. Maintenance costs for the frame homes also were above the budget (\$26,000). In this case increased labor, water line problems and materials were the responsible factors.

Administrative costs outran the budget by \$10,700. Primary expense was the hiring for the first time of a full-time inspector. Increased postal, paper and related office expenses were also causes.

Utilities

Some of the largest deficits occurred for such uncontrollable costs such as real estate taxes (county) \$33,100; waste collection (city) \$3,200; and water and sewer (sanitary commission) \$43,900.

Helping the favorable position was \$9,500 in earnings from GDC (Greenbelt Development Corporation, GHI's wholly owned subsidiary which manages the Parkway apartments). The needed \$33,100 in real estate taxes came from the real estate tax reserves. Monies not spent from the capital improvement loan, \$31,000, will go toward amortization of the loan in fiscal 1977.

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Congratulations to Greenbelt's three police officers who completed the Basic Entrance Level Training Class last week at the Sparrows Point Police Academy. Officers Craddock, Sappington and Watkins all ranked at the top of their class, finishing third, fourth and fifth, respectively. In addition, Officer Watkins was honored by his instructors as being the top student and was also president of the class. Officer Sappington received a trophy for qualifying highest on the shooting range, and served as class vice president.

Airman George W. Hatfield Jr., whose parents are retired USAF Master Sergeant and Mrs. George W. Hatfield, 7820 Lakecrest Drive, has been assigned to Chanute AFB, Ill., after completing Air Force basic training. He will now receive specialized training in the fire protection field.

Olga E. Penney, 127 Northway Road, received her Master's Degree in Computer Science from the University of Maryland. Olga was a Teaching Assistant with the Computer Science Center and is spending the summer with friends in Salem, Georgia.

Congratulations to Laura and Bill Walker, first place winners at the May 20 Duplicate Bridge game. In second place were Shirley Bryant and Clare Jacobs.

Jordy Truesdell and Joe Fulton were awarded trophies recently for being members of the winning bowling team of the Maryland National Parks and Planning Little Folks League. Congratulations, boys! Jordy was also awarded a trophy for high spares.

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Some 120 youngsters from Lakeside North, Boxwood, Charlestowne Village and University Square are based to John Carroll.

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E. Roosevelt PTSA

by Patricia Brown

The final PTSA meeting for this year was held in the guidance center of Eleanor Roosevelt High School on April 19. Dr. Wheeler, guidance department chairman, described the strategy they have developed for reaching all the students. They have a guidance staff/pupil ratio of 350 to 1. This year they have had one counsellor on general duty each day available to students on a walk-in basis. Group meetings were held by grade level to demonstrate materials, check CR cards and schedules, and answer questions. This year, each student was scheduled into a guidance group session once or twice each semester. The staff relies on the fact that students must help themselves use the facility. There is a large career-college-information center set up as a self-help unit. This is open to anyone in the community when the building is open. The public is encouraged to come in and use it so long as they do not seek time from the staff.

The school has a guidance advisory committee composed of 4 staff, 4 students, 4 parents, 1 administrator, and 1 guidance staff member. They are recruiting additional volunteers for such projects as a speakers' bureau for faculty to draw on for career information. Additional goals are to continue maintaining the open guidance center and to fuse guidance resources into the teachers curriculum. All the counsellors were present and met with parents individually following the meeting.

In addition to the program, PTSA members discussed goals for next year. A committee was formed to plan projects supporting non-athletic organizations. The group would also like to work on needs as identified by the faculty.

Ray Ogden, principal, answered questions, discussed current activities and announced that all are welcome to attend an evening orientation to be held tonight for next year's incoming students and parents.

Officers for 77-78 were installed. All people who have paid dues thus far will be counted as members for next year. They are the charter members of the organization.



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Police Blotter

Officers responded to 12 domestic complaints during the week. One arrest was made by Officer Cancelese for a subject disturbing the peace after he disrupted an entire apartment building in the middle of the night.

Six breaking and enterings and one attempt were reported. Three cases were reported from Greenbriar and four from Springhill Lake. Three juveniles from Springhill Lake were charged by Officer Watkins after they were apprehended in an apartment they had just entered.

Fourteen accidents were reported during the week. None resulted in serious injury. In one instance an unoccupied runaway vehicle ran through a yard and demolished a swing set in the side yard of a residence on Ridge Road. The operator of the vehicle had been chased from it by a bee.

A total of 26 juvenile complaints were received this month. Cpl. Stair assisted Youth Center employees with a juvenile who was intoxicated and causing a problem at the Center. The youth was turned over to the custody of his father. Officer Sappington apprehended a youth who had allegedly vandalized a truck parked at Beltway Plaza. He was returned to his parents. PFC Lann removed a juvenile from a local school who was causing a problem during a Boy Scout meeting; he was returned to his parents. PFC Lann also spoke with the parents of two junior high school age boys who had allegedly assaulted an elementary school boy. Punitive action will be taken by the parents.

Officer Watkins assisted two classes of kindergarten children from Springhill Lake Elementary School on a field trip to MacDonald's on Greenbelt Road.

City Tennis Tournament Starts Friday at 6 p.m.

The opening rounds of the Memorial Day City Open Tennis Tournament will take place on the Braden field tennis courts Friday, May 20 at 6 p.m. The season's first tournament is co-sponsored by the Recreation Department and the Greenbelt Tennis Association.

Action should be fast as many of the top players in the area are expected to participate. Matches will begin at 8 a.m. Saturday and continue Sunday.

Anti-Rabies Campaign

Citing Maryland's first human rabies death since 1945 as a warning, Dr. Donald K. Wallace, county health officer, announced plans for the Health Department's 1977 rabies immunization clinics.

The law now requires that all dogs and cats be vaccinated against rabies. Dogs between three and 12 months of age will be protected for one year. Dogs over one year will be protected for three years. Cats require protection every year. No other pets will be immunized at the public clinics.

Maryland has experienced a dramatic rise in the number of cases of animal rabies, with 47 cases confirmed in 1976 compared to only 16 in 1975.

A Cecil County resident, bitten last May by a bat, died despite receiving the recommended treatment. She was the first rabies fatality in Maryland in 31 years.

A total of 16,780 animal bites were reported across the State last year. Eight of these involved bats that had bitten humans. Prince George's county residents reported about 2,500 animal bites in 1976.

To offset the medical costs involved in the rabies program, a donation of \$2 is requested for each pet vaccinated.

A rabies clinic will be held Wednesday, May 25, for Greenbelt at Greenbelt Jr. Hi. at Greenbelt & Edmonston Rds.

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Refreshments will be served and babysitting will be available. For information call Betty Hyghes at 474-8458.

Concert at Roosevelt

A spring concert will be held at Eleanor Roosevelt High School on Saturday, May 21, at 8 p.m.

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