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Victims Complain of Juveniles Vandalism, and Police Apathy

by Hally Ahearn

A few weeks ago the *News Review* received a letter from a Greenbelt couple. The husband had been "delighted," the letter said to return to the community where he was born and raised in order to raise their two young children. That was two-and-a-half years ago. Now, discouraged by petty acts of vandalism and what they feel is apathy on the part of the police, the couple plan to leave the city. "We no longer enjoy living here," they said in the letter, "and can no longer think of bringing up our children in Greenbelt."

The husband told the *News Review* they had decided to move "mainly because of the police." His wife added, "He's been so frustrated by the police."

In the letter the couple list the kinds of harassment they and their neighbors have experienced: "So far, we have had windows shot out by a boy with a BB gun (he was caught), there have been two breaking and enterings, several of us have been cussed out by teenagers and preteenagers, many pets have been marred (ours was almost set on fire) by kids with nothing better to do with their time. . . ."

According to the wife, one neighbor in their court had an object thrown through the bathroom window; another had speakers stolen from his porch. The steps of the sliding board in a nearby playground have been sawed in half. The couple found sticks and lighters in their yard.

The night a Molotov cocktail was thrown into the court, the wife and other neighbors chased the youths who had lit and thrown the bottle of gasoline. In the course of the chase they received three confirmations of one youth's identity. Police called to the scene said the incident was the responsibility of the county fire marshal. The fire marshal told the wife that he would have to have the address and correct spelling of the name before he could take any action. The boy was identified,

but the wife was outraged by what she considered a lack of concern by both police and fire marshal.

She continued: "In another instance I was 'flashed' at by an 11-year-old boy. When we reported this, the officer who responded told us an 11-year-old was incapable of a sexual offense and that he knew the boy's parents." According to the wife, the officer said he would not write an official report on the incident and would let the boy go, but "would do so around the corner so the other kids wouldn't know."

"I didn't think it was sexual behavior," she told the *News Review* later. But the husband had asked police to take the youngster home and let his parents know of the incident. He is incensed that the parents of the child were not informed.

"In another episode, we got an object through a closed window at 11:30 at night, thrown by someone who was trying to hit our dog! Again, we were told, we'd have to catch whoever was doing this."

The husband said of this incident: "It's not bad until it happens to you. Then you wonder whether to keep your kids in the living room with you at night." Luckily, the parents told us, their young children were upstairs in bed when the object was thrown.

The husband said police told him
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No Traffic Signals at Greenbelt-Mandan Rd

City manager James Giese has recently written the State Highway Administration urging installation of traffic signals for the intersection of Mandan and Greenbelt Road. There have been five accidents at this intersection in less than a year, according to the Greenbelt Police.

The letter, which was addressed to District Engineer Eugene T. Camponeschi, was in response to a request from two members of the Windsor Green Home Owners' Association.

Camponeschi's return letter stated that data collected at this intersection revealed that because of insufficient volume, signalization should not be considered for use at this time. Before signalization can be considered at an intersection it is necessary that the traffic volumes along the affected roadway approach those set forth in the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices. The volume levels at which signalization is generally considered to be justified are 630 vehicles per hour for each of eight hours during a normal day along the major roadway and 70 vehicles per hour over the same eight hours along the side street.

According to Camponeschi, SHA will continue to review traffic operations at the location to insure safe intersection operations.

2 Spy Comedies Offered At Utopia Theatre Oct. 4-5

Two spy comedies will be featured at Utopia Theater during the weekend of October 4-5 with two feature movies.

On Friday night Woody Allen plays the lead in an international spy drama/comedy "What's Up, Tiger Lily?". Alan Arkin stars in "Inspector Clouseau" on Saturday night. Both movies begin at 8 p.m. There is a fee. For information call 474-7763.

Police Explain Procedures in Dealings With Complaints Involving Juveniles

by Hally Ahearn

Is there a juvenile problem in Greenbelt, and if so, how are the Greenbelt police handling it? What is their response to complaints voiced by citizens?

"To the public, there are three sexes — men, women, and police — but we do have to recruit from the human race." Police officers, explains Juvenile Officer Chuck Watkins, operate within a complex set of restraints and priorities not always understood by the public.

Officers are frustrated, maintains Watkins, by the system they must deal with every day, by witnesses who won't testify, by charges of doing too much or do-

ing too little. "We're caught right in the middle."

No Witnesses

Recently a witness to a breaking and entering in progress called in to the police dispatcher. Police arrived on the scene and apprehended two youths as they were leaving the scene of the crime; the witness, still on the phone, confirmed that the officers had apprehended the suspects she had seen commit the crime. She would not, however, give her name or appear as a witness. Thus the officers were forced to let the youths go. Police are certain that the same parties are responsible for 16 subsequent breakings and enterings but have been unable to apprehend the suspects in the act of committing the crime.

The Law

A "juvenile" offender, as defined by law, is between the ages of 7

and 17. In July of last year, legislation extended adult criminal charges to persons over 16 alleged to have committed robbery or attempted robbery with a deadly weapon. Only in July of this year, a county ordinance made it unlawful for any juvenile to refuse to give his correct name and address to a law enforcement officer. A record of this contact with police is kept in confidence at the Juvenile Bureau of the County Police Department, but destroyed when the juvenile reaches 18. The Juvenile Bureau is required to specify the details of such contact in a personal family conference with the parent or guardian of the juvenile.

As a result of this ordinance, juveniles found loitering may be arrested. For a period of one year, the parent or guardian who allows
See POLICE, p. 8, col. 1

Phase I Owners Get Notices Overpass Condemnation Suit

by Hally Ahearn

Six weeks after a last minute motion stalled the overpass condemnation trial, the city has almost completed the task of notifying property owners. The city is seeking an easement of less than one acre for a path leading to the proposed pedestrian overpass to span the Baltimore-Washington Parkway. Phase I owners who have opposed the overpass asked in a pre-trial motion on August 7 that all 252 Phase I owners and their mortgagees be officially notified of the condemnation so that each may have the opportunity to enter the case as a defendant. Circuit Court Judge Jacob Levin granted the motion.

For the city, this has meant that notices of the condemnation had to be served to each owner or co-owner—husband and wife—and to the mortgaging companies who hold loans on the condominium properties. This task is being carried out under the direction of assistant city manager.

As of this week, 131 apartment owners have been personally contacted and served with the notice. Fifty notices were returned and are being reissued by the court with new names because residents were renters, not owners, or ownership had been transferred. Ten notices were mailed by registered mail (at a cost to the city of about \$5 each) to owners who live out of the county and as far away as California.

After three attempts by process servers, 43 of the individual notices have not been served. The

court requires at least two attempts, after which notice must be given publicly in a newspaper of record.

For 18 of the residential units, a title search did not reveal the name of owner(s). The firm hired to search titles for the city has been notified and will reopen the search for these owners.

Of 23 separate mortgage companies and financial institutions, only 2 have not been served notice. Three notices were mailed to out-of-county firms.

After all owners have been identified, mailed notices have been returned, and three attempts have been made to serve those newly identified, the city will publish the names of those owners whom the city was unable to serve with notices. A new trial date will be set 30 days after public notice has been published for three consecutive weeks.

Discrimination Complaint Against GHI Is Dismissed

by Virginia Beauchamp

A two-year-old complaint against GHI for alleged "unlawful discriminatory housing practices" was settled on August 28 when Irving N. Tranen, Hearing Examiner of the State Commission on Human Relations, ordered the matter dismissed. The decision favoring GHI was received on September 2 by GHI attorney Albert Ginsberg in a letter from Tranen's office.

The complaint against the cooperative was brought by GHI resident C. Lynn Kuhr on the basis that she had been discriminated against "because of her unmarried status." Such discrimination, she charged, violated Article 49B of the Maryland Code.

Kuhr occupied a GHI home purchased in November 1976 by her parents, Raymond and Margaret Burgess, for use by Kuhr and her son. Some time later another person, an unrelated adult male, also took up occupancy in the home. This action, Kuhr was notified by GHI, violated the mutual ownership contract restricting occupancy in a single residence to persons related by blood, marriage or adoption. Although the matter was resolved when the male occupant moved out in October 1978, Kuhr had already filed her complaint with the Human Relations Commission.

In an earlier, similar case (Green vs. Greenbelt Homes, Inc.) the Maryland Court of Appeals had ruled that GHI members were merely holders of a leasehold interest rather than owners of realty. For this reason the corporation has the right, the court ruled, to terminate a contract with a member who has not abided by its terms. On that basis, the contract of Mrs. Green, who was then living in a common law relationship, was revoked. (This was in the early 1960's, long before such living arrangements were publicly acknowledged.)

Since that time, however, the Annotated Code of Maryland was changed in what was considered "a remedial statute." Section 19 (a) of Article 49B defines state

policy as providing for "fair housing . . . to all its citizens, regardless of . . . marital status . . ." On the basis of this revised code the Human Relations Commission staff in October 1978 agreed with Kuhr that she had been discriminated against.

GHI, however, maintained that violation of a contract was involved and that Kuhr had "misrepresented her intent" in listing only herself and her son as the future occupants. Oral argument brought out that an unrelated occupant joining the household, female as well as male, would violate the contract.

Tranen's decision concurred with the GHI position. "The Complainant," his finding reads, "did violate the provisions of her contract in that she allowed the occupancy of her unit by someone not listed on her application and in addition someone for whom a waiver had not been sought. Had a waiver been sought . . . and had said waiver been refused solely on the grounds that the individual sought to be added to the lease was not married to the Complainant, in that event there would be before me a different issue."

The contract which all GHI applicants sign, permitting occupancy "as residence only . . . for the member and the member's family," was taken over in 1952, when the cooperative was established, from earlier regulations established by the Public Housing Administration, which operated the original Greenbelt community that is now GHI. The corporation has taken the position that getting the written agreement of 1608 members to a contract change would be virtually impossible.

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CORRECTION

In the Greenbelt Homes, Inc. Board meeting of September 11, Bobbi McCarthy made no reference to any union related matters. Her statement that she was "opposed" referred only to the process involved in the recent employee terminations.

Vapor Barrier Importance

To the Editor:

All people who are about to receive insulation in their homes should know that a vapor barrier may need to be added to protect the insulation and the house structure. Adding two coats of a vapor barrier paint is the least expensive method of ensuring that moisture generated inside the home from breathing, washing and cooking does not become trapped in the insulation in the wall cavity. This will be especially important if GHI homes are to be covered with vinyl siding, which makes escape of this moisture extremely difficult.

Without this vapor barrier, there is a strong likelihood of: a) damage to the basic house structure from rot and mildew, b) moisture-laden insulation which will conduct heat and cold more rapidly than no insulation at all, and c) blistering of paint on the window walls as the trapped moisture tries to escape.

Information about the need for and proper application of vapor barriers appears more often now in the newspapers as more people are interested in adding insulation to existing homes. Previously vapor barriers were more the concern of people involved with construction of new buildings and preservation of historic buildings.

Manufacturers of cellulose insulation and vinyl siding usually ignore or deny the need for the application of a vapor barrier, while government researchers feel it is usually a necessity. Some people claim there is enough build-up of paint over the years to provide an adequate vapor barrier; others claim two coats of an oil-base paint is sufficient. With this much disagreement, no one can tell you you must apply this paint. It is, after all, your home.

The cautious approach would be to apply two coats of a vapor barrier paint on the inside of all window walls in your home. (Then paint over or paint to match the other walls.) You will reap the additional benefit of more moist and comfortable air inside your home in the winter, with a possible reduction in colds.

For more information about vinyl siding and the need for an adequate vapor barrier, contact the Technical Preservation Services Division of the Department of the Interior (343-6384). You may want a copy of their free pamphlet No. 8.

Lois Gorman

Disgusted With Play

To the Editor:

I attended last night's performance of "The Owl and the Pussycat" at the Utopia Theater — and left at the intermission thoroughly disgusted. If this be an example of present-day "cultural arts," then the words have changed their meanings since my dictionary was published.

I went partly because Craig Mooring and his wife and family are personal friends and I had never seen him act. I still don't know whether he would make a good actor because I'm sure no one would wish that play as the medium.

I admit that I am not very theater-conscious. I have seen some plays—my first was in November 1931 with Ethel Barrymore in a play about a mother with an overdeveloped maternal instinct. Then I saw Walter Hampden in "Capansacchi" in January 1933. I am not sure of the spelling of the name of the play, but I do know it was the highlight of theater for my whole lifetime.

I wonder what Craig Mooring would do as Capansacchi. He might really be all right, and if the script were found and he did do it, all of us who can remember when the theater was more than a medium for filth and profanity might well flock to it. What about the young moderns who profess to like "The Owl and the Pussycat"? If they could throw off their mask of modernity and become themselves, they might even understand it and like it. Surely human nature hasn't deteriorated so much in the past forty years that they would prefer "The Owl and the Pussycat" to the moral and spiritual values of Capansacchi.

Janet M. James

More on Street Lights

To the Editor:

I read with great interest the article about "New Street Lights Being Installed."

The article suggests that "residents who desire to have a removed light restored should notify the City Offices."

What this policy (the city's) says is that not calling the City Offices means that the people who don't complain are all happy about the city's street light policy. That is not true. As someone said to me, "I think that we need more lights, not less." To my knowledge, there was no public hearing about the matter as there is with some other issues.

When the next City Council meeting convenes, I intend to go before them to rap about the topic. It would be great if citizens who have something to say would also attend the meeting and voice their opinion.

To "passively acquiesce" does not mean to condone.

Irene Hensel

William Davis

William "Billy" Davis, 27, died in an automobile accident Saturday night, September 20. Davis, also known as "Frisbee," lived at 11-D Parkway with his Malamut Samoyed dog, King. Davis had grown up in Greenbelt, attending Center School and Greenbelt Junior High. He completed high school after joining the Marines and was currently stationed at Quantico.

Davis is survived by his wife Susan and his sister Christine Beall of Laurel. He was the son of the late Dorothy Wright Davis.

"BILLY"

I cried today—

Because I remembered an eleven-year-old who "insisted" he carry my groceries,

An imp of a teenager who got into his share of mischief, A boy who went into the Marine Corps and came home a grown man,

A son whose open love and devotion for his mom was a joy to behold,

A "big" brother to Christine, the sister he adored,

A gentle master to his beloved King,

A friend whose short life I was privileged to share,

And because I remember Billy—with love—

I cried today.

Lori Beard

September 21, 1980

Bag Them

To the Editor:

WHY DON'T YOU JUST BAG IT?

Have you ever noticed that no matter how long the lines may be at the Co-op check-out counters (or at any other grocery store), most of the customers just stand there and watch the clerk ring up the items and then bag all the groceries! Has it ever occurred to you that YOU can bag groceries just as well as the clerk, and that it might even help the clerk, and help you, and help the others in line if you did this? Very few people seem willing to make this effort. But think about it the next time you are in a mile-long supermarket line and can watch the person at the head of the line go into a pleasant trance while the clerk bags and bags and bags and bags . . .

Gerry Gurvitch

CARES Starts Parent Discussion Group

by Jim Holmes

Raising children, especially adolescents, can be an extremely frustrating task. Drug use, unwanted pregnancy, chronic truancy and an assortment of other issues can easily reach crisis proportions. In these situations, the young person's inability to hear parental advice or follow mandates, helps escalate the conflict. Before long, parent and young person are not communicating effectively about anything. The generation gap becomes an ocean of anger, rejection, threats and tears.

Greenbelt CARES Youth Services Bureau is now accepting applications for a Parent Discussion Group to begin October 21. The group will be co-led by Jim Holmes and Wendy Wexler, CARES' family counselors, and will meet every Tuesday at 8 p.m. Single persons or couples are welcome to apply by calling Greenbelt CARES at 345-6660. This will be offered free of charge to interested parents.

The tentative agenda for this Parent Discussion Group includes such topics as values clarification, communication, drug abuse, and sexuality. If demand exceeds limited space, other groups will be organized. Closing date for applications is October 15.

Mitchell - Hibbs

Lt. (jg.) Steve Hibbs was married to Sheryl Ann Mitchell on July 19 in the First Baptist Church of Jacksonville, Florida. The parents of the groom, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Hibbs, are Greenbelt residents. Steve's four brothers, Brad, Tom, Gary and Jeff; his brother-in-law, David Newell; and Rick Greenspan, a former Greenbelt resident, were ushers. The father of the groom served as the best man. Debbie Newell, Steve's sister, was one of the bride's attendants, and also one of the soloists. Steve, a Naval aviator and his wife are now residing in Brunswick Maine.

Festiv'l Booths Asked For Financial Report

booths or other profit-making activities at the Greenbelt Labor Day Festival are reminded that a financial statement must be completed and sent to the Festival treasurer no later than December 1. However, in order to facilitate the bookkeeping, and close out the Festival books at the end of the year, the Festival Steering Committee is asking that organizations file their report by October 15. Food booths pay a 20% commission on the net receipts and non-food booths pay 30%. Statements should be mailed to the treasurer, Hans Jorgensen, P. O. Box 2, Greenbelt, Md. The prompt cooperation by the organizations in this matter will be greatly appreciated.

The Festival photographer, Jay Hensen, has numerous pictures of the parade, pageant, pet show, and other special events. Anyone who is interested in ordering prints from Jay may contact him at 441-9231.

Greenbelt Choir Rehearsal

The Greenbelt Combined Choir will begin rehearsal for the annual Christmas concert on Thursday, Oct. 2, at 7:30 p.m. in the Greenbelt Community Church. The concert is part of the Festival of Lights celebrated each December in Greenbelt.

The Combined Choir is made up of singers from the various church choirs in Greenbelt, as well as singers who are not choir members. Membership is open to anyone eager to sing for a special event. Rehearsals will continue on Thursday evenings until the concert.

The Combined Choir welcomes new members. For further information call Jean Cook at 345-2597.

Golden Age Club

by Blanche Lee

There is still space available for the St. Mary's County tour on Saturday, September 27, for members and non-members as well. This is an interesting all-day trip, with lunch at the Belvedere Restaurant at Lexington Park. For reservations call Travel Chairman Zelpha Parsons, 345-3904, as soon as possible.

Special guest at the September 17 meeting was Greenbelt Mayor Gil Weidenfeld, who presented a Proclamation from the City of Greenbelt to William and Rose Hennessy on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, August 24. Mayor Weidenfeld expressed warm congratulations to the couple, and Bill and Rose responded in kind.

Incidentally, the September 17 meeting was the 1,269th meeting of Greenbelt Golden Age Club as announced by President Henry Buese.

Baha'i Memorial Service

The Baha'is of Greenbelt will hold a memorial service, Saturday, Sept. 27, 8:00 p.m. at 7980 Lakecrest Drive for seven members of the Baha'i faith who were executed in Yazd, Iran, Monday, Sept. 8, 1980.

Gregory Billington, Chairman of the Local Spiritual Assembly, the governing body of the Greenbelt Baha'i Community, said that the memorial service would be held throughout the United States in more than 1,800 localities where there are organized Baha'i communities and groups of Baha'is. According to Mr. Billington, Baha'is in Iran are being persecuted because of their religious beliefs. The public is invited.

Mowatt Memorial

United Methodist Church

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Church School 9:30 - 10:30 a.m.

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474-1924

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10:30 a.m. Sunday School

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10 A.M.

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Rev. Harry Taylor co-pastors



Our Neighbors

Navy Ensign Kevin J. Shaughnessy, son of James P. and Constance L. Shaughnessy, Hedgewood Drive, recently returned from a deployment to the Mediterranean Sea. He is an officer assigned aboard the oiler USS Caloosahatchee, homeported in Norfolk, Va.

Elizabeth A. O'Keeffe, daughter of Dr. David O'Keeffe, Lakeside Drive, is attending St. Anselm's College in Manchester, N.H. She will major in business and economics.

Winners at the following bridge games were: Aug 22, 1st-Doris & Bob Johnson, 2nd, Lucille and Lou Lushine; August 29, 1st, Bill and Laura Walker, 2nd, Doris and Bob Johnson; Sept. 5, 1st, Doris and Bob Johnson, 2nd Lucille and Lou Lushine; and Sept. 12, 1st, Ann & Tony Pisano, 2nd, Laura and Bill Walker.

Best wishes to Clyde and Pauline Hitt, Green Ridge House, who celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary September 20. They have three children, nine grandchildren and five great grandsons. The oldest, 9, and the youngest, 3 months, were born on Mr. Hitt's birthday. The Hitts resided at 5-E Ridge for 26 years.

It's a girl for Patrick and Patricia Flynn. Their first child, Anne Marie, was born at Washington Adventist Hospital on September 15, weighing 6 lbs., 5 ozs. The proud grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Rexon and Mr. and Mrs. John Flynn, are residents of Greenbelt.

Alan Amberg is an apprentice disc jockey on the University of Maryland's classical music show, Sundays on WMUC, FM 88.1 from 8 to 11 a.m.

Susan Payne of Springhill Lake, who sings and plays guitar for Buck Ryan and the Wildcats performed Sept. 13, at presidential-candidate Ronald Reagan's campaign fund-raising party at Senator John Warner's estate in Middleburg, Va.

At the 65th annual meeting of the National Association of County Agricultural Agents in Okla-

homa City, Roy D. Porter of Greenbelt was named Maryland winner of the Distinguished Service Award for Extension agents with less than 10 years of service. Porter has been employed by the Maryland Cooperative Extension Service since 1954. He was formerly an assistant Extension agent in Queen Anne and Worcester counties, and he served as Extension agricultural agent in the latter county for seven years, starting in 1960. Since 1971 he has been the Extension Coordinator of special communications at the University of Maryland at College Park. In 1974 Porter was a winner of the NACAA career guidance award and the National Farm-City Council award for urban relations. Earlier this year, he was honored by the University of Maryland's College of Agriculture Alumni chapter as recipient of the Excellence in Extension award.

Airman John N. Chatham, son of Bobby L. Chatam of 7702 Hanover Parkway, has been assigned to Lowry Air Force Base, Colo., after completing Air Force basic training. He will now receive specialized instruction in the munitions and weapons maintenance field.

Wrapping up the summer with fun-filled picnics were the Golden Age Club and the Little League. Members of the Golden Age Club enjoyed good food, entertainment, and fellowship at Watkin's Park on September 3. The picnic, sponsored by the Division of Aging, had over 3,000 senior citizens in attendance. Little League's picnic was at Greenbelt Lake Park on September 6.

Mayor Gil Weidenfeld has been appointed to the Joint County Municipal Study Committee of the Maryland Municipal League. This committee will explore areas in which the counties and municipalities can reach joint policy positions. The MML is particularly interested in pursuing a tax differential for municipal taxpayers.

Greenbelters Colette Zanin and Laura Millman had poems published in the summer edition of "Thought Waves," a publication of

SPELLMAN OFFICE OPENS AT BELTWAY PLAZA

Citizens for Spellman, the reelection committee for Maryland Congresswoman Gladys Noon Spellman, officially opened its campaign headquarters in the east end of the Beltway Plaza mall, opposite Basco's department store.

Congresswoman Spellman is seeking her fourth term as Representative of Maryland's 5th Congressional District. Greenbelters are invited to drop in at headquarters. Volunteers are also needed. Call 441-9500.

the Young Adult Services Office of the county library system.

Marine Pfc Roderick K. Johnson, son of Patricia A. Blackman of Springhill Lane, was designated Honorman of his training unit during graduation ceremonies at the Marine Corps Recruit Depot, Parris Island, S.C.

Navy Aviation Boatswain's Mate Airman Recruit Robert F. Lewis, son of Nancy Furioso of Northway Road, recently participated in exercise "Multiplex 1-80" in the Indian Ocean. He is a crewmember aboard the aircraft carrier U.S.S. Constellation, homeported in San Diego.

Richard Santos, 62 E Ridge Rd., is eligible to win a free trip to Scotland and \$1,000 as a result of scoring a hole-in-one at the Ocean City Club. Santos' ace qualified him for the 20th annual Rusty Nail Hole-in-one Sweepstakes, a national competition sponsored by the Drambuie Liqueur Company of Edinburgh, Scotland. The winner will be announced early next year.

Greenbelt William K. Smythe, Jr., has been appointed Director of Member Services of the National Printing Equipment and Supply Association, Inc., McLean, Va. A graduate of the University of Maryland, he received his Bachelor of Science and Master of Business Administration degrees. Upon graduation from the MBA program, he was elected to membership in Beta Gamma Sigma, the National Business Honorary Society.

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- 3 br. brick, cor. loc., with very lg. fenced yd., new kitchen & modern appl., many extras and good pkg., \$55,000
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- 3 br. fr., has lg. kitchen & dinette; fenced yds., appl. included - \$32,000
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Clayton McCarl: Old Greenbelter, New Dental Association President

by Mar-Lyn Weiner

Cavities tend to run in families, but fortunately, so do dentists. Or at least this is true of the McCarl family. Dr. Clayton S. McCarl is the son of a dentist, brother of a dentist, and father of four children — three of whom are in the dental profession. Dr. McCarl has recently been elected the 98th president of the Maryland State Dental Association.

"Years back it used to be that the main duty of the President was to pick the colors of the tablecloths for the annual meeting," McCarl laughs, relaxing on the floral sofa of his screened-in patio. But today, as a policy maker, one of the major concerns of his new office will be to protect the public from fraudulent dental advertising.

Although born in Baltimore, McCarl considers himself a native of Greenbelt. His family moved here in 1938, a year after the new community opened. Clayton was 9. His father, Dr. James Walter McCarl, became Greenbelt's first private practitioner.

After graduating from Greenbelt High School, Clayton McCarl served two years in the army. He received his B.S. degree from the University of Maryland and was awarded his D.D.S. degree from the Baltimore College of Dental Surgery in 1956. He has since been in general practice in Greenbelt with his brother James.

McCarl recalls the early years of Greenbelt. "We were poor, everyone was; it was a community for low income families, but that didn't stop us from having a good time."

In those first years the lake was open for swimming. There was a floating dock on oil drums, rope swings and lifeguards. As the lake could not be closed, the children went swimming all the time, day and night. "The only problem was sneaking out of the



Clayton in 1941 as "Tom Sawyer."



Dr. Clayton McCarl

house," McCarl says. There were also softball teams organized by blocks. The blocks gave one "a sense of belonging." Families on the same block got together for social functions.

The police force at the time consisted solely of the chief and his lieutenant. "We didn't have any crime outside of maybe stealing gum from the drugstore. That was the most serious crime there was. It never occurred to anybody to commit a crime. The only crimes were Halloween pranks. Painting the statue down at the Center, setting it on fire, things like that. Most of the work of the police was public relations."

Buddy Attick, the police lieutenant, patrolled Greenbelt on a horse. "We used to play a lot of tricks on Buddy," McCarl admitted. "He is such a good natured man." He remembers one time when he and friends took Buddy's horse for a joy ride around the lake.

Laughing easily and smiling often, Clayton McCarl generates an air of self-contentment. He good naturedly attempts to answer questions that reach back 40 years. If there were any comfort to be found in sitting in a dentist chair, it would come from his presence as the dentist.

"I had second thoughts about coming back to Greenbelt to practice, because I grew up there. I was a fun loving teenager, and I used to think: Would anyone really come to me?" Scrunching-up his nose, raising his voice an octave and imitating an old lady he says "Clayty, you think I'll bring my teeth to you!" His laugh is so enthusiastic it compels one to laugh with him. Clayty is a boyhood nickname. "Some patients still call me Clayty."

But he did come back to Greenbelt and has been practicing here for 25 years. Being elected president of the Maryland Dental Association is a measure of his success.

Recreation Review

Festival of Lights—1980
Craft Show

This year will mark the Ninth Annual Festival of Lights sponsored by the Greenbelt Recreation Department. Highlighting the Festival is the Craft Show held at the Greenbelt Youth Center on the first weekend in December.

Friday, December 5, Saturday, December 6, and Sunday, December 7, the Youth Center will be filled with craftspeople showing and selling their wares.

Persons wishing to participate in the Show should contact the Youth Center for an informational brochure and application. Hours for the Show are Friday, 7 p.m.-10 p.m.; Saturday and Sunday 11 a.m.-5 p.m.

All organizations and groups are encouraged to participate in this event by helping or selling.

For additional information, call 474-6878.

Recreation Centers' Fall Hours

With the beginning of a new Fall season, city recreation centers will be operating on their 1980 Drop-In Schedule. After school and weekend hours, for both the Greenbelt Youth Center and the Springhill Lake Recreation Center are as follows: Monday thru Thursday, 3 p.m.-10 p.m.; Friday, 3 p.m.-11 p.m.; Saturday, 9 a.m.-11 p.m.; and Sunday, 1 p.m.-10 p.m.

Roller Skating

Roller skating is being held at Center School Gym from 4 p.m. - 6 p.m. on the following days beginning Wedns., Sept. 24. Kindergarten - 3 graders will be skating on Wednesdays and 4 - 6 graders on Fridays. A nominal fee will be charged at the door for skate rental. Those who own rink skates should bring them.

Chucks 'n' Lassies

On Saturday mornings, a free program of organized games and activities for boys and girls ages 6 - 10. The program is under the supervision of our recreation leaders. Shirts are provided for those who show regular attendance. Sessions are held at both

Greenbelt Festival Races

On Sunday evening, Aug. 31, Dan Rincon set a new course record for the 15 kilometer footrace. Rincon's time of 47:44 nipped ten seconds off the previous record which was set by Jack Fultz in 1973 when the National Junior Open Championship was held here. Neither the heat nor humidity, nor the absence of tough competition slowed Rincon. He and the second place finisher, Charles Cvrk, were tied at the turn-around point about ten seconds off the record pace. Rincon pulled away finishing the uphill part of the course faster than out-bound downhill part. Cvrk finished almost two minutes behind in 49:36.

Mary Walsh, 19, shattered the woman's record, lowering that mark to 55:23, over three minutes better than Marilyn Bevins' 1977 record of 58:47. Walsh was also first in the nineteen-and-under category.

Lee Aulisio led a dozen Greenbelters with a time of 53:47, good enough to place him eighth overall and third in the tough 30-39 age group. Other top Greenbelters were Larry Noel, III (58:07), Alfred Morris (58:48), Matthew Tuz (59:24), Kevin Brown (67:05), Shalom Fisher (69:26), and Bill Bishop (71:40).

The three kilometer run around the lake saw the first three runners crossing the finish line within one second of each other. First across was Robert Weiner in 11:04, closely followed by J. J. Wind and Larry Burch. First Greenbelter was Thomas Reich in 11:42. Other top Greenbelters were Karl Hess (12:45), Milton Greenbaum (12:51), Ted Reich (13:03), Paul Torres (13:10), Stephen Jascourt, 15 (13:11), George James (13:32), Vincent Morris, 12 (14:14), Cary Cowell (15:27), Donny Kingsbury, 12 (16:00), and David Barnes, 11 (16:45).

the Youth Center and SHL Rec. Center. Fall classes begin 9 a.m. Sat., Sept. 27.

UM Math Competition For High Schoolers

The 2nd Annual University of Maryland Mathematics Competition for high school students will be held on Wednesday, Nov. 19, from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. The Competition is open to all Maryland high school students, grades 9 through 12. Nominal prizes of \$100, \$75 and \$50 will be awarded and the three highest scorers among those participants who plan to attend college full time in 1981-82 will be offered a \$1000 scholarship and two \$500 scholarships to the University of Maryland.

Students must register before October 10 with the chairman of his/her high school mathematics department. For further information call (301) 454-4882.

COFFEE HOUSE LECTURE

A free program of coffee hour lectures are being offered at the Greenbelt Library under the auspices of the library and Prince Georges Community College.

Lectures are held Tuesday mornings from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. A pre-registration form must be submitted. On September 30 the subject will be "Collectable Dolls." Bring favorites to share and identify.

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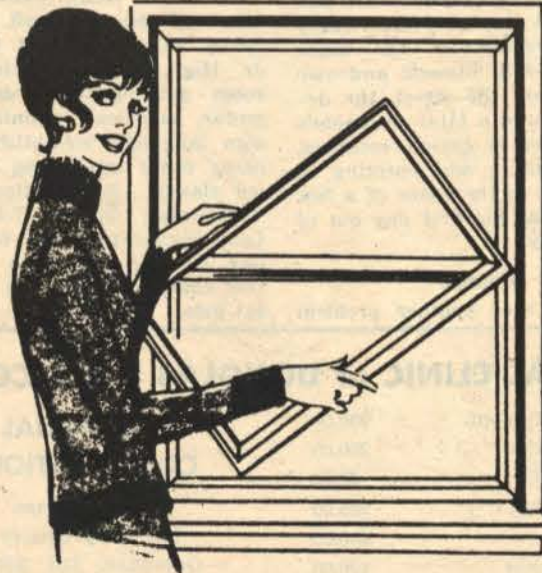
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Counseling

With a parent's permission, police officers can provide counseling for juveniles who commit "mischievous acts." Counseling consists of a tour of the police station, a visit to the lock-up, and some information about the consequences of the law.

"Is it worth bringing him in for two hours?" asks Watkins. Those who are detained and then released become heroes on the street. They become street wise about the law and pass this information along to their peers. "Peer pressure is now one of the strongest attractions to doing things," said Watkins.

From Watkins' report on juvenile crime in Greenbelt: "In 1979, the Greenbelt Police made 136 juvenile arrests for alleged offenses ranging from curfew violation through assault with a deadly weapon, burglary, larceny and shoplifting, and possession of controlled substances and alcohol abuse. . . . As distinct from trends in other suburban areas in the metropolitan area, and as compared to previous years in Greenbelt, juveniles are less restless than in many other parts of Prince Georges County."

As juvenile officer, Watkins follows up on juvenile court cases for other officers when they must meet conflicting obligations to appear in criminal, drug, and traffic court; he handles runaway cases and problems with chronic offenders, as well as child abuse cases not involving sexual assault. As a member of the community relations/crime prevention team, he also presents programs on crime prevention and alcohol and drug abuse to schools, businesses, clubs, and community centers.

Priorities

"People see us as involved in community relations," not as actively intervening while crimes are being committed, said Watkins. But "The police department operates on priorities," he said. "Loss of life is to be avoided, (and) crimes of violence against people, collaring suspects," are also top priority. Patrol Officer Terry McGrath remembers the night that, with only himself and two other men on the street, the department faced a fatal automobile accident, armed prison escapees, and a breaking and entering in progress all in the space of a few hours. It was his first day out of the academy.

Change

McGrath sees another problem

which both the police and the community must come to grips with. Greenbelt has grown and changed. "Some people think we still have the same five officers that started here." In fact, none of the patrol officers has been on the force more than five years. "They don't have that sacred attitude about Greenbelt," said McGrath.

In the old days, cites Watkins, the GHI homes were subject to federal ordinances. "You weren't allowed to hang wash on Sunday. If you did, the police would come along and cut down the line." But this small neighborhood community has vanished, say the officers. Things are different today, he indicated.

Police officers are often called to mediate neighborhood disputes. Whoever calls police first thinks he has the official stamp of approval. "We don't mind when we can help settle neighborhood difficulties, but oftentimes we don't have that luxury," said McGrath.

Lt. John Krob recalled the flashing incident cited in a citizen's letter. An 11-year-old boy admitted to harassing the family's dog, and when told to stop, pulled his zipper down as an act of defiance. According to the police, the boy told them he did these things to make the victim mad.

"You can't lock people up for using abusive language," said Krob.

Liability

Legally, an adult can detain a juvenile, providing he calls the police and does not use excessive force. He is liable, however, to a civil suit by the parents of the juvenile for payment of any damages. Such a case would depend upon how the state's attorney's office would define "excessive," in that particular case.

A police officer, even off duty, is under more restraint than the average citizen. He is subject to the federal charge of "acting under color of law"—a violation of the civil rights statute.

A juvenile and his parents may be held liable for his destroying property or inflicting injury and ordered to pay restitution of up to \$5,000.

"There are many different kinds of drugs and narcotics that cause unpredictable behavior. We have juveniles stealing money and jewelry in broad daylight now," said Watkins. "A police department has to take priority calls first," he said.

Teen and Adult Classes at Greenbelt Jr. High

Teen and adult classes sponsored by the Greenbelt Jr. High Co-op will be held at Greenbelt Jr. High. Classes include ballroom dancing, cake decorating, guitar, macrame, running clinic, sign language, weightlifting, and many other interesting and varied classes. Registration will be Wednesday, Oct. 1, 7-8:30 p.m. Late registration will be Thursday, Oct. 2. For more information contact Mary Ellen Baker at 953-9595.

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this was a minor incident compared to what goes on.

In the most recent incident, the husband chased four boys into the woods after they had been banging on the fence and aggravating the dog. His wife called the police. It took police ten minutes to arrive because, the officer told him, the closest patrol was on the other side of the city. This "seemed like a lot of baloney to me," said the husband.

The police stopped two boys, sweaty and panting, as they emerged from the woods. One was wearing a red shirt, the other carried his white shirt. The husband told police that he was reluctant to positively identify the boys because he had not seen their faces; however, he could identify their red and white shirts and the circumstances in which they were found seemed self-evident. But the officer responded, "There's not much I can do, then."

The wife told the News Review that her court is very dark and is surrounded by many pathways. "They can run in every direction," she said.

"We tried to get patrols stepped up, safety lights put up. We were told we would have to put up our own lights and that they must meet GHI requirements," they continued in the letter.

"We are so totally disillusioned and frustrated that we have recently put our house on the market and hope to move soon."

CHILDREN TO VOTE

While county adults are thinking politics, some 100,000 county children are invited to participate in their very own election.

To select the favorite book of county children, an election with all the elements of the political process, will be held at the 20 branches of the Prince Georges County Memorial Library System.

A child can register at Greenbelt Library to vote between October 1 and 31. November 3-8 is election week. Polls will be open at all branch libraries during regular hours.

During National Children's Book Week, November 17-22, the favorite book will be announced to the media and the public.

Genealogical Society To Meet October 1

Instructions in "Using Court House Records" will be provided at the Wednesday, October 1 meeting of the Prince Georges County Genealogical Society at 7:30 p.m. at Greenbelt Library. Olive Kniesche Jones, a specialist in Maryland and Pennsylvania Research, and Don Wilson, Collector of Local History and Genealogy, Prince William County Public Library, Manassas, Va., will be panelists.

Amateur genealogists, and visitors, are welcome. For additional information, please call President Catherine Merwin Mayhew at 262-8692 or write Box 819, Bowie, Md. 20715.

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