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Council Seeks More Land for Recreation In Subdivision Plan for Tidler Tract

by Mavis Fletcher

The city council, at their meeting on November 18, once again deferred action on the preliminary plan for the Greenbrook subdivision (Tidler tract) in East Greenbelt. Action on the plan had previously been postponed on November 4. At the city's request, the Prince Georges County Planning Board had also deferred their consideration of the plan until December 5.

Council's problems with the preliminary subdivision plan came into sharp focus at a work session on November 12. At that session, two major stumbling blocks to the approval of the plan surfaced: inadequate public facilities to serve the population which would be generated by the development; and deficiencies (in the council's view) in the developer's plan to dedicate land to the city for recreational facilities.

The conflict in views between council members and the developer's representatives (attorneys Diane Leasure and Richard Reed of Fossett and Brugger) on the adequacy of public facilities hinged on the definition of what is "programmed." In order to get county planning board approval for the subdivision plan, Reed said, the developer will have to prove that four projects are programmed: 1) widening of Greenbelt Road, 2) extension of Hanover Parkway, 3) widening of Hanover Parkway, and 4) widening of the Greenbelt Road bridge over the Baltimore-Washington Parkway.

Reed said that the first three of these are "undoubtedly" programmed and that "we are confident" that funds will be available for the Parkway bridge widening. Council members, however, were not convinced. Mayor Gil Weidenfeld said that the city

would want to see a commitment that money is available and the schedule of completion dates for the improvements.

A traffic study made for the Greenbrook developer, Michael Rose and Associates also flunked with the city's Advisory Planning Board. The APB report recommended that the preliminary subdivision plan be denied because of inadequacy of public facilities to handle the traffic generated.

Recreational Facilities

When discussion at the work session turned to recreational facilities, the gap between city council and the developer's representatives appeared even wider. Under the developer's plan a little more than six acres would be dedicated to the city. However, almost three acres would be used as part of the lake and its spillway and would, therefore, be unavailable for recreation. The rest of the lake, moreover, (some four acres) would come out of Schrom Hills Park land, thus reducing usable land in that already small park. Reed pointed out that the developer is proposing to give 10% more land than required under the county's mandatory dedi-

cation provision.

Weidenfeld pointed out, however, that the lake will cause the city to lose several acres of parkland and it would be equitable for the developer to replace that land. Reed and Leasure stated that the development could be "built out" without the lake. Leasure stated that the developer could, if he wished, build on-site recreational facilities and not give any land to the city. For the population of Greenbrook, these facilities would have to comprise only a multi-purpose playing court, two tot lots, and two sitting picnic areas to satisfy the county requirement. Leasure said.

Reed pointed out that a 6-acre, 8-foot deep lake would be a much greater asset to the city than a small hole in the ground which the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission would otherwise build for stormwater management. While not disagreeing Weidenfeld and councilmember Thomas X. White expressed the view that the lake would be a greater asset to the developer, who could, Reed admitted, prob-

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CFG To Hold Zoning Forum

"Leveling off the playing field for Zoning Issues" will be the theme for next Tuesday's, December 3, meeting of Citizens for Greenbelt at the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building at 8 p.m.

The forum will present two panel discussions, the first featuring Dale Hutchison, Acting Chief, Zoning Division, of the County Planning Department and Carmen Anderson, first vice president of the Prince Georges Civic Federation and a long time activist for zoning reform.

Doris Nebel, president of the Glenn Dale Citizens Assoc., and one of the leaders in the citizen opposition to Bell Station Venture, a shopping center proposed by developer Ted Lerner for the intersection of Routes 450 and 193 in Glenn Dale; Elizabeth Maffay, former two-term Greenbelt city council member, charter member and officer of the forerunner of CFG, Citizens for a Planned Greenbelt, and a past member of Citizens for Charter Government; and a representative from the Suburban Maryland Building Industry Association of Beltsville will be the members of the second panel.

Barry Schlesinger, Zoning Chair of CFG will be the moderator.

Refreshments will be served. Members of the public are invited.

WHAT GOES ON

Thursday, November 30, 10:30 a.m., Interfaith Thanksgiving service, Mishkan Torah
Mon., Dec. 2, 8 p.m. City Council Meeting
Tues., Dec. 3, 8 p.m. CFG Meeting, Municipal Bldg.
Thurs., Dec. 5, 8 p.m. Greenbelt Homes, Inc., Board of Directors, Hamilton Place
Fri., Dec. 6, 7 p.m. Lighting of Holiday trees on Centerway and at Greenbriar
7:30 p.m. Blood drive at Beltway Plaza

Bring "Toys for Tots" To Youth Center Now

Toys for "Toys for Tots" can be brought to the Youth Center before December 7 and 8, the dates announced in last week's paper. Anyone who can deliver them to the Youth Center right now should do so.

Remember that toys should be in good condition so that poor and needy children can have a happy Christmas.

"Toys for Tots" is sponsored by the U.S. Marines and the Lion's Club.

GHI Bylaws Meeting To Be Rescheduled

The meeting scheduled to consider changes in the bylaws of Greenbelt Homes, Inc., was postponed by the board of directors when the December 10 date was found to conflict with religious holidays. The board did not set another date immediately but instructed the management staff to suggest open dates so that the meeting can be rescheduled when the board next meets on December 5.

COUNCIL AGREES ON GUIDELINES FOR RENOVATION OF THE CENTER

by Diane Oberg

In preparation for a November 26 work session, the Greenbelt City Council at its November 19 meeting adopted a general plan for Roosevelt Center. The goal of the work session is to have the charette professionals translate council's plan for the center into a design.

The plan had been developed by the council at a work session on November 5, working from a general plan based on the results of the charette and prepared by the city staff.

The plan adopted presents four general objectives to govern the design, and several more specific planning objectives to guide the designers. The general objectives are: 1) to maintain the Roosevelt Center as the community center of the city; 2) to maintain and improve the economic vitality of Roosevelt Center; 3) to upgrade and improve the buildings and grounds while preserving and strengthening the original design and planning concepts; and 4) to restore, preserve and enhance through sympathetic additions the original character and details of the center, making necessary provisions for human life and safety.

The planning objectives include: 1) rehabilitate the buildings and restore the art deco facades; 2) preserve the theater as a cultural arts center; 3) rehabilitate Centerway and the adjacent sidewalk, possibly enlarging the parking area; 4) strengthen the pedestrian approaches to the center; 5) consider minor expansion, while retaining the character of the center, to the extent allowed by the available parking; and 6) provide an entrance sign on Centerway and directional signs on other city streets.

The objective concerning pedestrian approaches has been amplified to extension of the mall to both the east (between the Co-op and the medical center) with the possibility of additional shops in both areas.

Mayor pro tem Thomas White, who was out of town on business, had provided comments to the city manager on the agenda items. White requested that council defer action until he was present and asked that council refer the matter to the advisory boards. He also recommended that council schedule information sessions and a public hearing before the plan's adoption.

Mayor Gil Weidenfeld commented that council had already provided many opportunities for citizen input. He noted that if council were to "re-invent the wheel," the renovation would never get done. He stressed that at the upcoming work session council needs to give the planners goals and guidelines.

In addition, the city has received a plan to renovate the center from George Cristacos, owner of the Greenbelt Center. (Cristacos owns the original buildings in the center and the land on which they are built, and the adjacent sidewalks. The city owns the mall area and the parking lots). Weidenfeld noted that Cristacos, who has an architectural concept plan, has indicated his intention to proceed quickly. Weidenfeld stated that the council must be prepared if they want to have any input on this plan. He also noted that the Cristacos plan is not inconsistent with the charette concepts.

Council formalized the request, made at the November 5 work session, that the Advisory Planning Board review the Cristacos

plan. Bill Wilkerson, chairman of the APB, requested guidance from the council on reviewing the Cristacos plan. He said the board wanted to work with the charette group but that he was not sure "exactly how we fit in." Wilkerson reported that the APB was having a special meeting on November 20, to be brought up to date on the charette. Bram suggested that the charette co-ordinating committee send a representative to the meeting.

Calvert Road

Another issue at the council meeting related to the December 12 public hearing on two proposals for the relocation of Calvert Road, to be required by the construction of the College Park

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FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS STARTS NEXT FRIDAY

The 14th annual Festival of Lights begins with the lighting of the holiday tree located between the Municipal Building and Suburban Bank at 7 p.m. on Friday, December 6. At the same time the Greenbelt East Tree will be lit at the Greenbriar Community Center. Festivities will continue throughout the holiday season.

The Holiday Craft Show will open at 10 a.m. on Saturday, December 7 with some seventy exhibitors from Maryland and Virginia showing a wide variety of crafts. In a change from previous years, the show will not open on Friday night. It will close on both Saturday and Sunday at 4 p.m.

Several musical events will be part of the Festival, all but one taking place on Sunday, December 8. At 2 p.m. the Greenbelt Concert Band will perform at the Utopia Theater. At 3 p.m. Handel's Messiah will be presented at Holy Cross Lutheran Church by the Greenbelt-Lanham Chorale, and at 8 p.m. the combined choirs of Community, Mowatt Memorial, St. Hugh's and the Baptist churches will give a concert at the Community Church.

The Central Maryland Ballet will again perform *Nutcracker*, the delightful ballet of a child's dream set to music by Tchaikovsky at the Utopia on December 13 and 14 at 7:30 p.m. and again on December 15 at 2:30 p.m. Community caroling while strolling through the Mall and up to Green Ridge House will be on December 20 at 7:30 pm.

Santa Claus has made some special arrangements for Greenbelt children. He will telephone them from the North Pole, provided only that parents call the Recreation Department to help him get the phone numbers right before 5 p.m. on Friday, December 13.

As usual the Festival will end with the holiday races, which are being run for the 18th consecutive year. This event is sponsored by D.C. Road Runners and the Greenbelt Running Club and will have 10 and 20 mile runs as well as a 1.75 marathon around the lake. Further details on this and other Festival events are given in the Recreation Department's ad in this issue.

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News Review Staff to Meet

The annual membership meeting of the Greenbelt News Review will be held on Sunday, December 8 at 7:30 p.m. at the home of Elaine Skolnik, 2-E Northway. This is a business meeting which will include election of members of the Board of Directors. All staff members are urged to attend.

Thanksgiving at Holy Cross

Holy Cross Lutheran Church has scheduled two Thanksgiving services this week, in addition to its annual homestyle Thanksgiving dinner. The Thanksgiving Eve service will begin at 7:30 p.m. and the Thanksgiving morning service at 10 a.m. All are invited. The church will provide a dinner at noon on Thanksgiving Day for those who are away from family and friends. For information on the services or the dinner, call Pastor Birner at 345-5111.

The church also sponsors an active youth group. Scott Wycherley, Director of Christian Education, and Wendy Goldsmith of Berwyn Heights will accompany Stephanie Bennett of Lanham, Marianne Daniels of Cheverly, and Nancy Pendleton of Berwyn Heights, to the 1985 Southeastern Youth Gathering. Held in Winston-Salem, N.C., the gathering will feature workshops, music and other activities. For more information about the youth group, call Scott Wycherley at 345-5111.

Algie Grace

Algie Grace, 85 years old and a long-time resident of Greenbelt, died Saturday, November 23 at Carroll Manor Nursing Home. The burial will be private. A memorial mass will be celebrated at St. Hugh's Catholic Church on Monday, December 2 at 10 a.m.

Recreation Review

City Use Gym Schedule Set
 Gymnasium schedules are posted in both the city recreation centers with full details on youth, adult and open age hours of basketball court use. All participants should take note that permits for the Boys and Girls Club reserved court use and city sponsored programs are now in effect for the 1985/86 season. To insure a healthy, safe and fun indoor gym season, consult the posted rules on recreation facility use and refer to the schedules at each center to avoid unnecessary delay to participate in the gym activities.

City Christmas Tree Lighting
 The City Christmas Tree Lighting will take place on Friday, December 6 at 7 p.m. in the Roosevelt Mall near Suburban Bank.

INTERFAITH SERVICE

The annual inter-faith Thanksgiving service will be held at the Mishkan Torah Synagogue, Westway and Ridge Road. The service, with music provided by the Greenbelt Community Choir, will begin at 10:30 a.m. on November 28.


Participants include members of the Greenbelt Community Church, Mishkan Torah Synagogue, Mowatt Memorial United Methodist Church, Greenbelt Baha'i Community and Berwyn Presbyterian Church. Rabbi Steven Bayar of Mishkan Torah will present the Thanksgiving message. Everyone is welcome.

Legion Auxiliary to Hold Annual Christmas Bazaar

Greenbelt Unit 136, American Legion Auxiliary, will hold its third annual Christmas Bazaar on Saturday, November 30 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Post home on Greenbelt Road.

Over 40 tables of handmade items will be available for easy gift shopping. There will be woodwork including toys, duck decoys and boxes, shell art, needlework, Cabbage Patch doll clothes, tree ornaments and a variety of decorative ideas. The Unit will also have a baked goods table!

Door prizes will be given on the half hour beginning at 10:30 a.m. Refreshments are available.



Catholic Community of Greenbelt
 Utopia
 Sunday
 10 a.m.

Potluck Brunch
 Dec. 8 474-7280

AGENDA



Regular Meeting of City Council MONDAY, DECEMBER 2, 1985 8:00 p.m.

- I. ORGANIZATION
 1. Call to Order
 2. Roll Call
 3. Meditation
 4. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag
 5. Minutes of Council Meetings
 6. Additions to Agenda by Council and Manager
 - II. COMMUNICATIONS
 6. Petitions and Requests
 7. Administrative Reports
 8. Committee Reports -
 - Advisory Planning Board Report #378 Plan for Roosevelt Center
 - Advisory Planning Board Report #379 Proposal to Renovate and Expand Roosevelt Center (Presentation)
 - III. OLD BUSINESS
 9. Preliminary Plan of Subdivision Greenbrook Parts One and Two and Greenbrook (Tidler) Part Three and Smith-Ewing
 10. Combined Location Design - Calvert Road Route 1 to Route 201
 - IV. NEW BUSINESS
 11. Ridge Road Improvements (Ordinance #901) Agreement
 12. Acceptance of Audit Report
 13. Request for Funds - Greenbelt Cultural Arts Center
 14. Greenbelt Cost for Insurance Study - Maryland Municipal League
 15. 1987 Legislative Conference
 16. Acceptance of Streets - Permit #235
 17. Leasing of Office Trailer
 18. Proposals for Workshops 1986 Maryland Municipal League Convention
 19. 50th Anniversary Committee Appointments for Anniversary Ball
 20. Re-Utilization of North End School
 21. Meetings
 - V. MISCELLANEOUS
- NOTE: This is a preliminary agenda — subject to change

St. Hugh's Women's Christmas Social

The Women of St. Hugh's Annual Christmas Social will be held on Wednesday, December 4. Following Mass at 7:30 p.m. will be a social evening with refreshments in Grenoble Hall. Each year the Women of St. Hugh's take up a collection for Ann Ryan's Christmas Party at Great Oaks. Those new in the parish and long time members are invited to come to the social.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH Episcopal

Baltimore Blvd. at Powder Mill Rd., Beltsville

8:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist
 10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist
 First Three Sundays
 10:30 a.m. Morning Prayer
 Fourth Sunday
 10:30 a.m. Sunday School
 Rev. John G. Bals, Rector
 422-8057

Mowatt Memorial United Methodist Church

40 Ridge Rd. 474-9410
 Sunday School 11:00 A.M.
 Morning Worship 11:00 A.M.
 Rev. Dr. James Chong Park
 Pastor
 474-1924

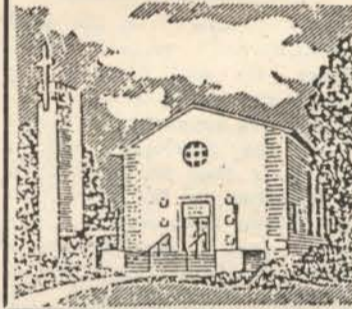
Paint Branch Unitarian Church

3215 Powder Mill Road
 (near Cherry Hill Road)
 Sun., Dec. 1, 10:45 a.m.
 Service: "Giving and Receiving"
 Church School 10:45 a.m.
 Rev. R. W. Kelley 937-3666

Baha'i Faith

"The reality of man is his thought, not his material body"
 —from the Baha'i Sacred Writings
Greenbelt Baha'i Community
 P.O. Box 245
 Greenbelt, MD 20770
 345-2918 / 474-4090

Greenbelt Community Church



(United Church of Christ)
 Hillside and Crescent Roads
 Phone 474-6171 mornings
 11 am Sunday Morning Worship and
 Church School for Children
 Infant Care Provided at
 Fellowship Center behind Church
 The Rev. Daniel Hamlin,
 Pastor

ST. HUGH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

Rev. John P. Stack, Pastor
 Rev. Thomas S. Schaefer, Associate Pastor

MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday 6 p.m.
Sunday 8, 9:30, 11 a.m., 12:30 p.m.

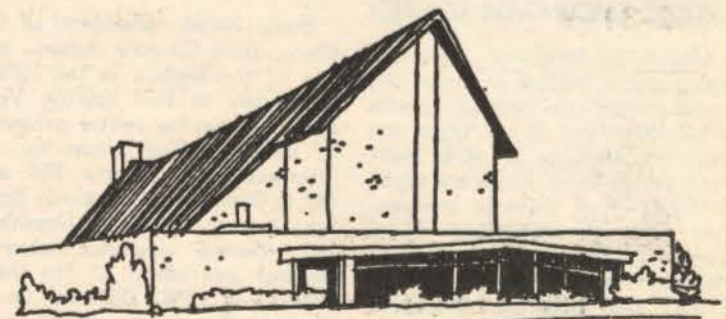
Daily Mass: 7:30 a.m. Monday - Friday, 9 a.m. Monday - Saturday
 Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 4-5 p.m.

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Utopia's "Charlie Brown" Solid, Doghouse Shaky

by Katherine Keene

Seeing "You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown" at the Utopia is a most pleasant way to spend an evening. Actually it is not a play as we normally think of a play. There is no plot, and the scenes do not progress from one to another. The musical selections, while contributing much to the enjoyment of the performance, do not contribute to the plot, since there is none.

What we have is a series of vignettes, much like the comic strip itself. Each one features just one situation. They are given coherence because the characters return over and over, at times one is the main actor, at other times a minor figure. However, just as in the Peanuts cartoons, each character is consistent. Charlie Brown always lacks self confidence; Lucy is always abrasive; Linus is never without his blanket, Schroeder his Beethoven and Snoopy his doghouse.

The actors are all adults, a fact which poses some problems, since they must convince us they are children. Linus (Tom Zanner) tells us he is Lucy's little brother. Since he towers over her, this relationship is a trifle unconvincing. However, none of the actors found it necessary to simper about, use baby talk or otherwise try to behave as adults making believe they are children. They instead achieve their roles through their costumes and acting.

For example, Karen True as Lucy wore a short bright red dress tied with a sash, knee socks and Mary Jane shoes. With this appearance, plus giving her lines in the positive manner appropriate to Lucy, she was convincing.

On the other hand, neither Jeanette Wagner (Violet) nor Ronnie Watson (Frieda) were dressed in a childlike manner, particularly Watson. Instead of being costumed like a child, she was wearing what appeared to be

an old high school cheerleader's uniform. Unfortunately, the skirt was several inches longer in front than in back, giving the audience a large exposure of a part normally left covered.

The best over-all performance was by Randy Jones as Snoopy. Dressed in a tight white garment, he acted wonderfully like a dog. He was particularly impressive as the enemy of the Red Baron and, toward the end, in a wonderful tap dance. Another well choreographed and well executed dance was that of Linus with his blanket. Charlie Brown (Joseph Smith) likewise had a beautiful scene, more mime than dancing, flying his kite. As with so many of the scenes, it captured the universality of being human. Each of us has had every experience recreated in this drama.

As is unfortunately typical with amateur productions, voice projection, particularly by Violet and Frieda, could have been improved, as well as articulation. A general problem was dropping voices too much at the end of a line.

The musical accompaniment was consistently good. The cast never failed to coordinate with the music, whether singing, dancing, entering or leaving the stage. The set was extremely simple—Snoopy's house and several brightly colored boxes plus a small piano for Schroeder—but very adequate. The dog house could have been more sturdily built since it trembled when Snoopy got on it.



14TH ANNUAL Festival of Lights



GREENBELT, MARYLAND

- **HOLIDAY CRAFT SHOW AND SALE WITH CHILDREN'S ROOM - GREENBELT YOUTH CENTER, SATURDAY & SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7 & 8, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Need help with your gift giving? Over 70 craftsmen are exhibiting a full complement of handicrafts. Children, pre-school and over can make and buy all kinds of crafts in the Children's Room. The concession stand is operated by the Greenbelt Boys and Girls Club. Proceeds go towards their city's youth program.
- **TREE LIGHTING - DECEMBER 6, 7 p.m., EVERGREEN BETWEEN MUNICIPAL BUILDING AND SUBURBAN BANK. Holiday lights adorning the tree in the traditional spirit of the Festival of Lights season. Christmas caroling under the direction of Elizabeth Beer-Schilling and a tree decorating contest. In conjunction, the Greenbelt East Tree will be lit at the Greenbriar Community Center.
- **TOYS FOR TOTS - YOUTH CENTER LOBBY, SATURDAY & SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7 & 8, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Donate new or used toys for the Greenbelt Lions Club and U.S. Marine Corps drive.
- **GREENBELT CONCERT BAND OF PRINCE GEORGES COUNTY - UTOPIA THEATER, SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2 p.m. John DelHomme, Conductor. Open to the public free of charge for an enjoyable afternoon of holiday music.
- **GREENBELT COMBINED CHOIR CONCERT - GREENBELT COMMUNITY CHURCH, SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8, 7:30 p.m. Community, Mowatt Memorial, St. Hugh's and Baptist Church Choirs performing in a memorable evening of song.
- **YOU'RE A GOOD MAN CHARLIE BROWN - UTOPIA THEATER, NOVEMBER 29, 30, DECEMBER 6 & 7, 8 p.m. AND DECEMBER 1, 2 p.m. A musical comedy based on the cartoon strip. Tickets \$5; senior citizen, students and group discounts. Call 474-7763.
- **ANNUAL LIVE CHRISTMAS TREE SALE - MUNICIPAL SWIMMING POOL AREA, DECEMBER 7 - 24. Saturdays 9 - 9; Sundays 9 - 6; Monday-Friday 6 - 9 p.m. Benefitting Cub Scout Pack 202 and Boy Scout Troop 1746.
- **GOLDEN AGE CLUB CHRISTMAS PARTY. AMERICAN LEGION POST #136, WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 11, 11 a.m. Club members will share good fellowship and good cheer at the Greenbelt Home Post.
- **THE MESSIAH, G. F. HANDEL'S ORATORIO - HOLY CROSS LUTHERAN CHURCH, DECEMBER 8, 3 p.m. Conducted by Edmond Lewis, director of the Greenbelt-Lanham Chorale. Public invited.
- **THE NUTCRACKER - UTOPIA THEATER, DECEMBER 13 & 14, 7:30 p.m. AND DECEMBER 15, 2:30 p.m. Danced by the Central Maryland Ballet Company. Tickets \$6 and \$3. Call 474-7763 or Ticketron 1-800-233-4050.
- **CHILDREN'S HOLIDAY PARTY - GREENBRIAR COMMUNITY CENTER, DECEMBER 15, 4:30 p.m. Fun and entertainment for Greenbriar children of all ages only. Call 441-1096.
- **NORTH POLE CALLING GREENBELT CHILDREN - DECEMBER 17 - 20. Contact the Recreation Department Business Office before 5 p.m., Friday, December 13 to arrange for Santa's call.
- **CAROLING - MEET AT CENTER MALL STATUE, FRIDAY, DECEMBER 20, 7:30 p.m. Stroll with us through the Mall and up to Green Ridge House, singing the old favorite carols. Refreshments will follow.
- **SANTA VISITS YOUTH CENTER - SATURDAY, DECEMBER 21, 10 a.m. - 12 noon. Santa and helpers make their annual stop to hear all the Greenbelt good little boys and girls Christmas lists. Movies and treats for all.
- **18TH ANNUAL HOLIDAY RACE - BRADEN FIELD TENNIS COURTS, DECEMBER 28, 10 a.m. D.C. Road Runners/Greenbelt Running Club, 10 and 20 miles; 1.75 mile around Lake at 10:15 a.m. Fee charged, sign-up one (1) hour before. Contact Larry Noel, 474-9362.
- **HOLIDAY EVENTS, SPRINGHILL LAKE RESIDENTS ONLY, FOUNTAIN LODGE. Consult THE FOUNTAIN PEN or dial 474-4555.

This schedule was prepared by the Greenbelt Recreation Department. Except where noted, programs are open to the public free of charge. Dial 474-6878 for further information. The Recreation Department Staff extends its thanks for your support and wish you and yours — —



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Citizens willing to serve are encouraged to submit an application or resume to the City Clerk, 25 Crescent Road
 For information, please call 474-3870
 Gudrun H. Mills, CMC
 City Clerk

HOLIDAY METRO HOURS

Metrorail service hours will be extended during the Thanksgiving holiday period. Metrorail service will remain open until midnight on Sunday, December 1, to serve local residents who will be returning to the area after the Thanksgiving holiday. Bus and rail service will run on Sunday schedule Thanksgiving day and on weekday schedule Friday.

Golden Age Club

by Mary Gardner

The Golden Age Halloween party was a great success, thanks to Gertrude Law and the members who helped her, and to Hank Irving and the Recreation Department staff for setting up the meeting room and the decorations.

The judges had a difficult time choosing among the unique and colorful costumes for prizes. Their final choice for most original costume went to Betty and Keith Petroff who came as a penniless Savings and Loan Crisis couple. Their award was dinner for two at the Fireside. Honorable mention in this category went to Harry and Dot Merryman. Louise Murphy as a Polka Dot Lady was selected as having the funniest costume, winning a Giant Food gift certificate. Eleanor Rimar received honorable mention. The prettiest costume was Hilda Yontz's as a bunny. She won lunch for two at Chef's Secret. Honorable mention went to Gertrude Law. The People's Choice award, lunch for two at Chi-Chi's, went to Mary and Joe Gardner as Jack and Jill. The judges were Ethel Gerring, Mike Burchik, Barbara Havekost, Vera Wisner and Dorothea Leslie.

All those in costume got to play the "Pass the Hot Potato" game, with prizes going to Gertrude Law and Louise Smith, who got gift certificates from Co-op Food Store, and to Ruth Lee Kolbe who got a certificate from Giant Food. Everybody, in costume or not, got to have the cider and gingerbread.

The club thanks Fireside Beef House, Chef's Secret, Chi-Chi's, Co-op and Giant for their donation of prizes, and to the Rolling Pin Bakery for the gingerbread and to all the members who contributed door prizes. No one went away empty handed.

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Metro Station. Previously five alternatives were under consideration but three of those have been dropped, including the one supported by both College Park and Riverdale. Giese noted that although College Park has not yet taken a position, the College Park city administrator felt they would be strongly opposed to all of the proposals.

Giese reported that White felt that both Riverdale and College Park would be opposed to all the alternatives and that Greenbelt should not yet take a position. White warned that if a proposal acceptable to both cities is not adopted, the matter could go to court. Further delaying the E route. Giese noted that there would be little effect on Greenbelt, although individual Greenbelters might be affected.

Since another council meeting is scheduled before the public hearing, Weidenfeld suggested, and council agreed, that they defer action until then, when they could take a position if they chose, perhaps to support the position of neighboring municipalities that are more directly affected.

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ably charge more for the homes with a view of the lake.

But the attorneys pointed out that the developer had already reduced the density of the project by 12 units below the 232-unit cap mandated by the covenants. He noted also that the developer had already agreed to supply amenities such as a trail and sitting areas suggested by APB.

Weidenfeld, however, insisted that the proposed subdivision would eventually cost the city a great deal for recreational facilities. The proposed 220 town-houses and 109 single-family homes would, Weidenfeld predicted, generate pressure for recreational facilities, which the city would eventually provide. "It is only fair," Weidenfeld said, "that the developer should share some of the initial burden for these costs."

Compensatory Land

At the November 18 meeting the city council voted to communicate to the developer council's position that compensation should be made for the unusable land and that such compensation should be in the form of joint acquisition of additional park land or payment of a sum of money in the \$100,000 range. Two properties adjoining Schrom Hills Park (the Schimmel and Steiner properties) were mentioned as the tracts to be acquired.

During discussion at the work session and the council meeting, council members made it clear that the subdivision plan would have to meet the public facilities test in order to get a favorable recommendation from the city. After council had voted to ask the developer to bear an increased part of the recreation facilities burden, Council member Antoinette Bram pointedly asked whether this action "conveys the idea that council will approve the plan with the public facilities study as it is." Weidenfeld assured her that it would not. He said that the council was not "taking a position on denial of the plan because of the public facilities test" at that time.

The subdivision plan is expected to be on the agenda for further action at the council meeting of December 2.

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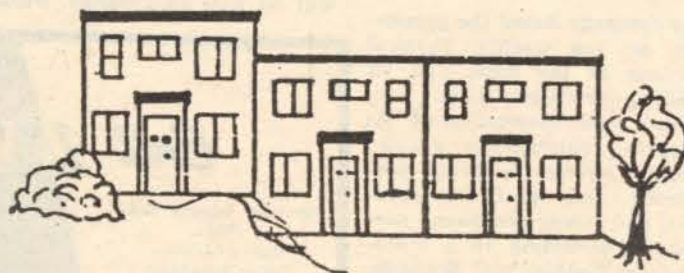
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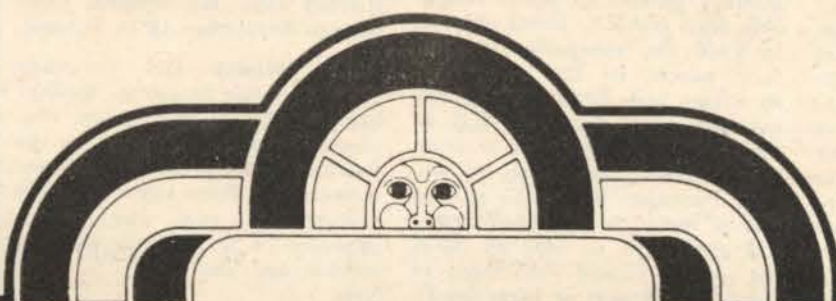
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Sponsored by Bell's United Methodist Church, the group is collecting both money and materials. All the work is being done by volunteers, there is no administrative overhead. According to a group of spokespersons, bedding, blankets, towels and clothing are needed by families in the flooded areas. There is also a need for appliances, both large and small, and basic furniture as households are still being salvaged and restored. Any money donated is tax-deductible and will be channeled through the state relief co-ordinators in Charleston.

There is a pressing need for vehicles and people to transport the collected materials to the affected areas. Some local merchants and moving companies have donated their services but the lack of transportation remains a major obstacle. Anyone interested in contributing to this effort or willing to help with transportation is urged to call Peggy Hudson at 449-1630 after 6 p.m.

Early Mailing Urged For Holiday Packages

For those with relatives in the armed services overseas, and those who wish to mail holiday greetings and packages to others living in foreign countries, now is the time to plan for holiday mailings, according to Washington, D.C. Postmaster John R. Cochran.

November is the month when most parcels shipped via Parcel Airlift Mail (PAL) should be sent. PAL packages are airlifted domestically to a gateway facility, then airlifted on a space available basis from the gateway to the Army or Air Force Post Office.

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Coakley and Williams Chairman of the Board Neil T. Coakley and Executive Vice President Gary Williams, together with Holiday Inn Greenbelt general manager James C. Hoyt, received the award at the annual Holiday Inns, Inc. System Conference September 18 in Toronto.

The Holiday Inn Greenbelt celebrated this honor on November 24 by inviting every employee to a gala jubilee in the Celebrations Restaurant. Commemorative brass key tags were presented to each employee in appreciation for their outstanding service and dedication to their jobs.

Coping with Depression

A series of free monthly lectures and discussions on a variety of health topics are being held in Greenbelt. This month's topic, Recognizing and Coping With Depression, will be presented by Linda J. Cimarusti, Ph.D., a clinical psychologist. The program will be held on Tuesday, Decem-

ber 3 at 8 p.m. at Behavior Service Consultants, Inc., 133 Centerway. The presentation will focus on feelings and behaviors associated with depression.

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GHI NOTES

Free blood pressure testing will be offered from 2-4 p.m. on Wednesday, December 4.

GHI will also hold a clinic on December 4 at 7:30 p.m. in the board room. The clinic will focus on energy management.

Police Blotter

Based on Information Released by the Greenbelt Police Department

About 4:30 a.m., November 19 a man entered an apartment at 9160 Springhill Lane by breaking a window and exposed himself to one of the residents. He was described as a white male, 25 years, 6'2", 165 lbs., with curly brown hair, wearing a dark blue trench coat, blue jeans and tennis shoes.

About 3 a.m., November 15 there was an attempt to burglarize an apartment at 6215 Springhill Road. The suspect, who was frightened away by the occupant, was described as a white male, 20-30 years, 5'11", 185 lbs., brown hair, wearing a black leather jacket with a fur collar, dark pants and dark shoes.

On November 20 an attempt was made to break into an apartment at 5993 Springhill Drive by trying to force the door lock and deadbolt. Entry was not gained.

About 5 p.m. November 15 a wallet was stolen from a shopping cart at the A. & P. supermarket at Beltway Plaza. A man and woman, working together, tricked the victim when one diverted the owner's attention while the other stole the wallet. The police advise that this kind of theft is a frequent occurrence. They urge shoppers not to leave their purses in the shopping carts.

About 4 p.m., November 20 a Beltsville juvenile was arrested for stealing an auto at 7500 Hanover Parkway.

About 4:30 p.m., November 21 a young woman resident of Greenbelt Road was arrested at the Safeway pharmacy in Greenway Center for fraudulently obtaining prescription drugs.

A white 1984 Chevrolet Monte Carlo SS, Md. HVT 726 was stolen from the 7800 block of Hanover Parkway on November 16.

A brown 1977 Oldsmobile Cutlass, Md. HVH 027, was stolen on November 15 from the parking lot at Jasper's in Greenway Center.

A brown 1981 Oldsmobile Cutlass was stolen November 16 from 126 Westway and later recovered in Washington, D.C. The car had minor damage and missing equipment when found.

A brick was thrown through the window of the Co-op Supermarket about 10:30 p.m., November 16.

Financial Firm Opens

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Greenbelt Grab Bag

by Punchin' Judy

Open Letter to Halley's Comet

Dear Comet:

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All the heavenly bodies enthralled me, but the star of the book, as far as I was concerned, was none other than you. How far distant was the time of your next appearance — decades and decades — an unimaginable span to a child to whom the intervals between birthdays seemed like an eternity!

But even eternities are finite, and time suddenly sped up. First it was the Bicentennial, then auspicious 1984, and suddenly you, old faithful, are on the way.

That brings me to my point: A great deal of hoopla is beginning to be promoted. Your image is on books and T shirts and toys and no doubt you will make the cover of Time. Very well, you don't make frequent public appearances and you are entitled to a little publicity. However, since you've been around a number of times, you must remember the saying "make new friends but keep the old." Where were those Johnny-come-lately types when you were out of sight? They never gave you a thought while I loved you with a steady devotion. It's bad enough that you will be side-swiping us low on the horizon; at least be careful not to keep low company. Most of these people will forget you as soon as you are gone, and you have your reputation to think of.

I'm asking you to keep the faith, comet. These cometose newcomers may look, but they may not touch. Mr. Halley is gone, and you are my comet now. And don't you forget it.

Your star-struck pal,
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Association Plans Meetings

The Roosevelt Center Association discussed joint advertising in the News Review, an association budget, and meeting schedule adjustments at its meeting Thursday, Nov. 14, at 7:30 a.m. The association plans to meet on the second Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m. at the offices of Behavior Service Consultants, Inc., and on the fourth Thursday of each month at 7:30 a.m. at the City Council room.

All organizations within the Roosevelt Center area are invited to participate in the meetings.

BUSINESS NOTES

Cindy Williams has been appointed Human Resource Director for Coakley & Williams, Inc. Williams will manage training, policy development and personal counseling for the firm.

Developers of the Maryland Trade Center Park in Greenbelt, Coakley & Williams currently employs over 1,000 persons throughout their hotel and commercial operations.

Oxford Development has topped out their 80,000 square foot corporate headquarters building in the Golden Triangle.

West & Brady Advertising, based in Greenbelt, continues to expand its client-base with the addition of Igen, Inc. and Nova Pharmaceutical, both biotech firms. In addition Maryland National Mortgage Corp., The Carley Capital Group, Kenneth H. Michael Cos. have also been signed.

Eastern Business Machines, headquartered in Greenbelt, has opened a fifth branch office in Boston. The 30-year-old firm is listed by Inc. Magazine as one of the country's 500 fastest growing privately owned companies.

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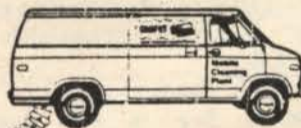
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