



GREENBELT PLAYS HOST TO AREA COOPERATIVE LEADERS CONFERENCE

There are over 200,000 residents of Metropolitan Washington who are served by at least one cooperative — Group Health Association, a credit union, a grocery co-op, a housing co-op, the Farm Bureau Insurance Companies, or some other type of cooperative. But the great majority of these residents use only one cooperative, and have little if any knowledge of the others.

The members of each co-op know that by working together they benefit. If they knew of all the ways they could work together, they would multiply their benefits — and all our cooperatives would be enormously strengthened. Even cooperatives in similar fields not infrequently fail to take full advantage of the opportunity to cooperate with each other, and of the savings and increased strength that such cooperation would make possible.

The Potomac Cooperative Federation, one of whose primary aims is to encourage closer relations among all types of cooperatives, is calling an important Conference with this objective in mind. The Federation is convinced that the Conference can have immediate and direct benefits for every participating society and individual.

This Cooperative Leaders Conference will be held on Saturday, April 18, at Greenbelt, Maryland. Leaders of all cooperatives in the Potomac area are urged to participate in the Conference and in the planning which will precede it. The Conference will start at 3 p.m. and will include dinner, which will be prepared by the ladies of the Evening Guild of the Greenbelt Community Church. Registration for the Conference will cost \$2.00, of which \$1.75 is for the dinner.

The Conference will present a picture of the whole range of goods and services now available through Potomac area cooperatives. There will be succinct reports of committee on cooperatives in various fields, summarizing the problems, plans and potentialities in their respective fields. These committees will have been studying their fields for many weeks, and the reports will be concise statements of their conclusions.

Potomac area cooperatives will present the story of their co-op in exhibits, charts, and pictures. The president of the Federation will present a brief statistical summary of the present status of cooperative membership, capital and income, and a review of the highlights of cooperative development in the area during the past year. Even cooperative leaders often do not realize how rapidly Potomac area cooperatives have grown and what a wide range of services they provide.

It is planned to have the following committees report at the Conference:

The committee now studying plans for opening new cooperative super-markets and for establishing a consolidated area management for grocery cooperatives in the Washington Metropolitan area.

A committee of financial experts, who will have been studying the capital needs of all Potomac area cooperatives and the possibility of developing an agency for sound central financing (as has been done by credit unions in Michigan).

A committee of representatives of Group Health Association, the Farm Bureau Insurance Companies and perhaps representatives of labor health and welfare plans, to consider further cooperative developments in the field of social security.

A committee of representatives of cooperative housing develop-

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WOMAN'S CLUB PLANS CANCER FUND DRIVE

Mrs. Ralph Webster, welfare chairman for the Woman's Club of Greenbelt, will head the 1953 Greenbelt drive for funds for prevention and cure of cancer. Assisting her in setting up plans for the drive are club members: Mrs. Abe Chasanow, Mrs. Henry McNeel, Mrs. Ralph Neuman, Mrs. Charles Orleans, Mrs. Richard White and publicity, Mrs. O. M. Slye.

With the cooperation of Charles T. McDonald, city manager, the committee is planning to concentrate all efforts towards making one collection date, the night of April 27 from 7 to 8 p.m. The city office will be used as a headquarters to handle the money turned in and workers will be transported by the city bus from Northway and Ridge roads. All workers will be equipped with a properly identified collection jar or can. Mrs. Webster is setting up a list of volunteer workers under block captains to be announced later.

Funds collected will be turned over to the American Cancer Society for use in their program of education, service to the cancer patient, and research for the control of cancer. The Society, formed in 1913, is a voluntary agency for which financial support is obtained from the public through the annual campaign in April which has been set aside as Cancer Control Month by Act of Congress and Proclamation of the President of the United States.

It is important to remember that cancer can be cured if the patient is diagnosed and treated in time. There has been remarkable progress in the treatment of cancer patients and it is entirely possible that with continued research and increased education of the public on the value of early diagnosis of the disease that in our generation cancer will no longer be the terrifying disease it is today.

Coop Sponsors Garden Clinic

What plants grow well in shade — which vegetables give the most return for space used — how should you prepare your soil for best results? These are a few of the many questions that will be answered at the lawn and garden clinic that will be held on Tuesday evening, April 14, at 8 p.m. in the Greenbelt theatre.

Eddie Mashburn from Belgians will conduct the meeting that will include the showing of two short color films. One on krillium, the new soil conditioner, covers the complete process of soil preparation. The other, issued by the National Garden Bureau, covers the development of a small vegetable garden from the spade work to the harvest.

A question and answer period will follow and light refreshments will be served. Free pamphlets on krillium, insecticides and lawn care will be distributed and several door prizes given away.

Still Another Group Forms To Buy Lots

A new housing group, as yet unnamed, was formed last Monday night, to buy and develop land bordering the Greenbelt lake with the purpose of building individual, privately-owned homes. Meeting in the social room of the community building, the group elected Ben Goldfaden president and Mrs. Al Ellerin acting secretary, and appointed a committee of twelve members to work on the details.

About 28 residents have put up \$10 apiece for a membership fee, which will take care of initial expenses of organizing. It is anticipated that \$90 will be required from members when surveying and division of the property into lots is undertaken.

The intention of the group is to purchase 25 acres from Greenbelt Veteran Housing Corporation, which in turn will get it "released" from Public Housing Administration. Cost of land to the group will average about \$1,500 to \$1,800 an acre, although GVHC will get it for about \$1,200 to \$1,500 an acre. Individual lots, about ¼ acre in size, are estimated to cost from \$1,500 to \$2,000; this cost is based on expenses of surveying, installation of streets and utilities, and other development charges. The organization is set up on a non-profit basis.

Residents or non-residents may sign up by contacting Ben Goldfaden, 3-A Ridge, 2381; Mrs. Al Ellerin, 7-A Hillside, 7437; or Mrs. L. Alexander, GVHC office receptionist. Goldfaden declared that there will only be 75 lots available, and the membership will be held to that number.

Located from Westway in a semi-circle to the intersection of Ridge and Crescent (sloping down to the lake), the lots are considered by many to be the most desirable in Greenbelt for individual homes. The sloping site is suitable to attractive 2-level homes.

GCS Members Meet, Elect 9 Directors

Members of Greenbelt Consumer Services assembled at the Greenbelt theatre last Wednesday night, April first, for their annual meeting, and elected nine directors and election and audit committee members. Five hundred twenty-two ballots were cast; the number of proxies has not been released by the GCS office.

Board members for the coming year will be Walter Bierwagen, George Davidsen, Sam Schwimer, Harry Zubkoff, and Roy Lewis, all re-elected. Lewis, representing Takoma Park, will have as colleagues newly-elected Max Fisher and Larry Oosterhous. Freshman Greenbelters will be Ben Rosenzweig, who has previously served on the board, and Keith Gamble.

Elected to the auditing committee were George Eshbaugh, Rev. Robert C. Hull, and Jane Hunt. The five candidates proposed for the nominations and elections committee were elected by a unanimous ballot. They are Anita Bickford, Norman Granims, Jeanne Maynard (Takoma), Elsie Reeves and Henry Walter. The usual reports were presented by the officers and management. No mention was made, however, of the amount to be distributed in patronage refund, or of the percentage to be repaid to members on their purchases during the 13-month fiscal year just concluded. None of the by-law amendments

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PHA, City Council Negotiations Reach Bottleneck In Battle of Budget

The "battle of the budget" between Greenbelt's city council and Public Housing Administration has been renewed with a small skirmish reported from the municipal front at last Monday night's council meeting. The city levelled its guns at PHA at a special council meeting held last Thursday, when the city manager was instructed to halt all services to federally-owned apartments and commercial buildings unless PHA agrees to pay the \$47,000 requested in the city budget for the government's share of taxes. PHA had offered \$32,000, but it was not acceptable to the city council.

SHOWDOWN

Last Tuesday, Mayor Lastner received a letter from PHA explaining in detail the federal government's method of determining the value of land to be taxed. It still called for a \$32,000 payment in lieu of taxes. Lastner declared that the city of Greenbelt will go ahead with its plans to curtail services to federally-owned property, and called the entire affair a "showdown" between the city and PHA.

Sanitary Fill Area Proposed Near Lake

Moving the sanitary fill area from its present site to the low land on the "dry" side of the lake dam was proposed by Greenbelt Veteran Housing Corporation to the city council in a letter at last Monday night's council meeting. GVHC claims that the area now used is in the middle of land which the housing corporation wishes to develop, and the site is ideal for a school building. GVHC proposes that the city sell the site to the county board of education, which promises to pay a fair price.

The new area proposed is low and needs filling. According to the letter, the prevailing winds are away from the lake, (and only 12% of the time towards the lake. McDonald agreed that the proposed site was suitable, that it would not be unsightly if kept properly, and that the present sanitary fill area is not too desirable for that purpose.

(Sanitary fill is a method where garbage and refuse is deposited in a trench and covered over with earth. It is recommended by sanitary commissions and public health authorities.)

GOOD FOR 15 YEARS

McDonald estimated that the area below the dam would take care of the city's needs for fifteen years at the present population, and proportionately less as the city grows. He disclosed that many property owners request that their land be used for such a purpose to reclaim the land and enhance its value.

One citizen protested that a sanitary fill area near a recreation and picnic area was not too attractive from his personal point of view.

Women Voters To Meet Wed.

The Greenbelt Unit of the Prince Georges County League of Women Voters will hold its next meeting on Wednesday, April 15, 8:30 p.m. at the home of Mrs. George Reeves 1 Forestway.

International Economic Advancement will be discussed under the leadership of Mrs. William Hoff. The meeting is open to all.

County Formula Used

The city's claim is based on assessment formulas used by the county, upon which Greenbelt Veterans Housing Corporation taxes are based. This formula calls for 55% of assessed value of commercial property (value: \$628,000, as offered to GVHC by PHA for sale purposes), and 4 1/2% of gross annual income of apartments (\$133,000, as stated in sales brochure of PHA) plus 780 acres of government land at \$200 an acre assessed valuation. The city tax rate for real property is \$3.5415 per \$100 assessed valuation.

Last Monday a telegram from PHA official Roy Little was read, stating that government "payments in lieu of taxes" were determined by the Bankhead-Black Act and not the county assessor's office. It threatened to deduct from such payment any cost of services not provided by the city. Also, PHA promised to inform the city definitely by April 8, the deadline date, what it actually intends to do. Receipt of the telegram brought no reaction from the council and city manager Charles McDonald stated, "I have no alternative but to follow the council's directive and curtail services as scheduled."

Hot Controversy

The amount of money in controversy between the city and PHA amounts to \$15,000; however, PHA announced that it will transfer title of the apartment buildings to new purchasers on April 30. This makes PHA responsible for about four-twelfths of the \$15,000 (or \$5,000). Whether the new owners will pay the PHA rate or the city rate may be the basis of a hot legal controversy. Most important, though, is that GVHC members may have to make up the difference in increased tax payments in order to provide enough funds to operate the city as planned according to the budget, according to Mayor Lastner. However, this would require approval of a higher tax rate by ordinance, which is not likely.

Advance Taxes OK'ed

The city treasurer was formally authorized by the council to accept from GVHC "advance" monthly payments of taxes. This formal resolution was requested by GVHC board members to clarify their position in regard to charter provisions and PHA agreements. The charter and the PHA contract call for payment of taxes in full by September. Late collection of taxes would put a "financial strain" on the city until September, with the borrowing of money involved, and the city asked that advance payments be made. PHA made such monthly payments when the government owned the city. An opinion from city solicitor Ralph Powers affirming the legality of the resolution was also included in the minutes.

Off the cuff - The council will discuss swimming pool rates at its next meeting; McDonald and most council members want to maintain

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Litterbugs and Vandalbugs

It has remained for the Portland, Oregon chapter of the Izaak Walton League of America to propose a campaign against "litterbugs" and "vandalbugs." Sam Moment of the Portland chapter points out that no picnicking, no hunting, no fishing and no trespassing signs are becoming more frequent and reducing areas for recreation.

He says, "The twin menace to outdoor America has been well known for years but nobody has yet done enough about it. The litterbug, wherever he stops or travels by car, still leaves his trail of eggshells, watermelon rinds, worn-out Kleenex, beer cans, broken pop bottles, or even unmentionables. The vandalbug still is at large in great numbers. The hunting vandal still aims his rifle anywhere for fun, shoots holes in farmers' milk cans, makes signs unreadable, shatters power line insulators, and spreads wreckage across the country from broken windows to dead prize bulls. Other vandals still set forests on fire with a flip of a cigarette or with a deliberate match. Many families still go wild once they get out-of-doors. They cut down wild flowers and shrubs, and write initials happily on the walls of rest rooms and public grounds. . . . The highways and roadsides have become the wastebaskets of the automobile users."

Mr. Moment suggests that automobile manufacturers, the automobile accessory industry and petroleum companies can well consider selling low-priced waste containers for cars which can be emptied at approved places along highways, in public parks, and at gasoline stations. This is an idea that deserves the support and cooperation of everyone who is interested in preserving the beauties and attractions of the American outdoors.

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To the Editor

Minority views at GVHC board meetings are not a rarity nor are they always held by one person. Even as president of GVHC, I've found myself in with the minority, or all alone, on a particular viewpoint. But the purpose of having a board of directors, in the first place, is to hear all viewpoints — including divergent ones — and then, on the basis of facts, the majority of the board makes the decision as to the best course to follow.

When a member of the board later says "See, we should have done thus and so," he sets his individual judgment up on a pedestal. When he does so without actually being right in the first place, he may be trying to throw his weight around.

Vacancy losses have not been excessive. During January, 39 dwelling units were vacant for an average of 14 days each. During February, 43 dwelling units were vacant for an average of 14 days.

In the process of moving families into Greenbelt, certain vacancy losses must be absorbed. But the important point to remember is that such losses were anticipated, and adequate funds were allocated. In addition, the 2½ percent that GVHC collects on sales, after deducting sales expenses, in itself covers these losses. Since February 8, GVHC has sold over 110 houses in Greenbelt, for which it collected the 2½ percent fee.

GVHC is increasing in financial strength each month. Our cash position as of January 1 was approximately \$12,200; on February 1, approximately \$85,900; and on March 1, approximately \$104,900.

MIKE SALZMAN, President

Greenbelt Veteran Housing Corporation.

In your issue of April 2, 1953, in reporting on the recent activities of Greenbelt Veteran Housing Corporation you made the statement that the Auditing Committee had submitted a report criticizing the alleged too rapid development of the undeveloped land. That statement is inaccurate.

The report of the Auditing Committee was submitted to the GVHC Board at its meeting of March 26, 1953 and was read into the minutes of the meeting in full by action of the Board. The report in no way criticized the "too rapid development" of the undeveloped land. The Auditing Committee as well as the Board fully realizes the need for rapid development of the land. The report of the Auditing Committee was, however, critical of the procedure followed by the Board in connection with the development of the land. Such criticism was directed at the action of the Board in virtually assuring that the two tracts of land proposed to be developed during the year 1953 would be developed by two builders who were selected without benefit of competitive bidding. The Board justified its action on the grounds that it was impractical to obtain bids for the type of projects being considered for the reason, among others, that there was not sufficient time to do so. The Auditing Committee, on the other hand, believes that bids could have been requested at the time the decision to develop these two areas was made, that such a procedure would not have delayed the projects, would have afforded the Board a better basis for making its decision, and would have been a more business-like procedure.

The Auditing Committee had considered the advisability of publishing its report in the Cooperator but had decided not to do so for two reasons: first because it believes that the two builders in question will put up good houses at reasonable prices; second because the action of the Board in this matter will not create any liability on the membership of GVHC.

Auditing Committee, GVHC
HERBERT HERTZ,
Chairman.

Lastner - Austin

Mayor and Mrs. Francis J. Lastner, of 19-P Ridge, announce the engagement of their daughter, Angela May, to Pvt. Raymond F. Austin. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Fairbanks Austin of Warrenton, Virginia, formerly of Berwyn, Maryland.



The bride-elect is a secretary with General Services Administration and Pvt. Austin is serving with the United States Army.

The wedding will take place in May.

Boys Club Activities

By C. Link

The basketball coaches of Greenbelt played the Senior team Tuesday evening. The coaches with only 6 men defeated the Seniors 56-42 in an even contest at the half time. The coaches pulled away to a commanding lead in the third period and held on to it for the remainder of the game. It was the first time the coaches had been on a basketball court together. Score and time was kept by Roland Taylor.

The Juniors of Greenbelt in an exhibition basketball game suffered their first defeat of the season to the Riverdale Tigers, 50-46. The half time score was 30-25 giving the Juniors a 5 point lead. The third and fourth periods found both clubs nip and tuck up to the last few minutes of play when the Riverdale Tigers pulled away to give them the 4 points they needed to win the game. Buddy Attick and Joe Ashley were high scorers for the Juniors with 10 points apiece, followed by Bill Molds with 6.

Attention Baseball Players

All boys who are interested in playing Midget baseball, report to Mr. Baker Saturday, April 11 at 10 a.m. at Braden Field.

I want to take this opportunity to thank all those who voted for me for their confidence and help in electing me to another term as a member of the Board of Directors of GCS. I want to assure all the members of GCS that I will do all I can to advance their interests and to keep them informed of the Board's activities. I should also like to urge all members to take a more active interest in their co-op by attendance at Board meetings, participation in committee activities and by communicating suggestions and opinions to the Board.

I should also like to pay tribute to Morris Solomon, who, unfortunately, was not re-elected. In my opinion, Morris was the best informed and hardest working member of the Board. He did much to keep the Board and management on its toes, and played a major role in promoting more friendly relations with other cooperatives in the Metropolitan Area.

I am sure that Morris will continue his active interest in the affairs of GCS and be ready to help in any capacity in which he is asked to serve.

Again I urge you — come to Board meetings, serve on committees, write to the Board. It's up to you to keep us alive to your demands.

SAM SCHWIMMER.

HEBREW SERVICES

Rabbi C. H. Waldman

Services will be held in the home economics room of the Greenbelt Center School on Friday at 8 p.m. Candlelighting time 6:23.

LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Friday, April 10 - 6:30 p.m., Ninth anniversary dinner at the Center School. Everyone welcome.

Sunday, April 12 - 9:45 a.m., Sunday School and Adult discussion. 11 a.m., Divine Worship with the celebration of Holy Communion. Sermon on I Kings 19, 9-15 "What Doest Thou Here?" 2:30, Walther League picnic at Greenbelt Lake. All parents and friends welcome.

PROTESTANT COMMUNITY CHURCH

Eric T. Braund, Minister

Sunday, April 12 - Morning Worship 9 and 11; sermon by the Rev. Clifford O. Simpson, of the Congregational Church in Manchester, Conn. Church School as follows: (Both Social Hall and Fellowship Center) 9 and 11 a.m. Nursery, Kindergarten, Primary. 10 a.m., Juniors through Adults; Men's Bible Class; Fidelis Bible Class.

ST. HUGHS CATHOLIC CHURCH

Rev. Victor J. Dowgiallo, Pastor

Confessions: Saturday afternoon from 3 to 5:30 for children and in the evening from 7 to 9:30 p.m. for adults.

Sunday: Masses: 7:30, 8:30, 9:30 and 11 a.m. Nursery care for preschool children during the 11 a.m. Mass. Religious instructions will resume this Sunday immediately following the 8:30 a.m. Mass, for all children both grade and high attending public schools. This is Holy Communion Sunday for all members of the St. Hugh's Holy Name Society, at the 7:30 Mass.

Baptisms: Sunday, 1 p.m. Anyone desiring to have a baby baptized should notify Father Dowgiallo beforehand.

Wednesday: Novena Services followed by Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament at 8 p.m.

Holy Name Group Hears Eire Attache

Robert McDonagh, second secretary of the Irish Embassy, will be the principal speaker at the monthly meeting of St. Hugh's Holy Name Society on Wednesday, April 15 at 8:30.

McDonagh, who will speak on "Eire Today," was born in County Kerry, educated at Trinity College University of Dublin, and entered the Irish diplomatic service in 1949. In 1951 he went to Madrid, Spain, as first secretary of the Embassy, was transferred to Washington in July, 1952, and has served here since as second secretary.

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WCFM Schedule

Monday - April 13
9:00 p.m. Reger: Serenade for Orchestra. Rimsky-Korsakov: Concerto for Trombone, Shuman. Moussorgsky: Entre'acte from "Khovantchina."

Tuesday - April 14
9:00 p.m. Telemann: Overture in Six Movements. Haydn: Flute Concerto. Roussel: Bacchus et Ariane, Opus 43.

Northwestern News

Several students and a choral group represented Northwestern High School at the annual festival held recently at Catholic University.

Clarence Beale played a modern piece for clarinet, and Anita Shadel played Debussy's "Clair de Lune" on the piano. Among the numbers performed by the chorus were: "Let Us Now Praise Famous Men" by Ralph Vaughn Williams and the spiritual, "Ride the Chariot." The choral group was directed by Miss Ellen Beckman.

The festival was not a competition. Each performer was given a rating by a panel of judges. Among the judges were Dr. Dachstader, head of the choral department of Columbia University, and Dr. Revelli, director of the band at Michigan State University. A representative was present from Julliard to help decide the ratings.

GYMKHANA TROUPE
Introducing Northwestern's gymkhana troupe in its second performance of the year, a colorful array of acrobatic talent was given at Surrattsville School on Friday, March 20.

Coaches Palumbo and Murphy led the troupe in a performance on sturdy horse and parallel bar tumbling.

It was the team's first appearance since All-Northwestern Night at Ritchie Coliseum.

WRESTLING

Intramural wrestling started March 24 at the gym under the supervision of "Mac" McNellis, coach of Northwestern High School champion wrestling team.

With help from varsity members as referees—Bob Clemmer, Charlie Bowler, Big Roll, and Buddy Offenbacher—Mr. McNellis will originate a new intramural sport at Northwestern in hope of getting material for his '54 wrestling squad.

About 30 entries will bid an elimination tourney ranging in weight classes from 95 lbs. to heavyweight.

SPECIAL EDITION

April Fools' Day was honored by a special edition of the Northwestern High School's newspaper. This edition, sponsored by Miss Eugenia Balsley, was put out by the fourth period journalism class and sold for ten cents a copy in the cafeteria during lunch hour. Latest fashions, complete graduation plans, happenings in chemistry class, and jokes were just a few of the articles found in the issue.

BAND CONCERT

Master of Ceremonies John Rhodes introduced Northwestern High School's band under the direction of Mike Ronca at the concert held March 25 in the gymnasium.

Conductor Ronca, to the mass enjoyment of the school, gave the students a variety of music including a serious overture, a polka, and Sabre Silhouette to start.

To the students' delight came Jam Session, the familiar "Comedians" Gallop, and Sousa's Washington Post Overture by the practice teacher, Mr. Brown.

John Speicher gave a speech on the expected favorable response of the visiting evaluators.

An awards assembly, also to be put on during the concert, was postponed until after Easter.

RIFLE MATCH

In its first competitive meet on March 25, the Northwestern High School Rifle Club lost to Montgomery Blair at the Blair range.

Both schools had a team of five boys and another team of five girls. Don Webster had a score of 197 and Barbara Flick had a score of 185 of a possible 200 points, for the top scores on the Northwestern boys' and girls' teams respectively.

Lorton Layman, sponsor of the Rifle Club, has arranged for a rematch sometime in April.

CO'ED GYM

Northwestern's physical education department experimented with a three-week co-educational program, March 9 through 27. Girls and boys participated in volleyball, ping pong, shuffleboard and quiet games.

In an attempt to see how the boys and girls got along having their recreation classes together, the physical education teachers and classes enjoyed the test.

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presented for approval were approved. These included proposals to eliminate quarterly membership meetings; to hold all-day voting for directors of the organization; and to limit terms of directors and audit committee to two consecutive years, with a year between service.

The retirement plan proposed by the board for GCS employees came in for some criticism in that the payments on the part of the organization represent a percentage of the annual net savings. Several members stated that such a method of calculating GCS payments would put customers at a disadvantage, and suggested some other procedure. It was also pointed out that use of the net savings for such a purpose should require a by-law amendment, since distribution of the net savings is presently outlined in the by-laws. However, it was moved and voted to leave details of the plan in the hands of the new board rather than consume the time of the meeting in debate.

The meeting also voted to increase compensation of the board members from \$3 per meeting to \$10 per meeting, with a ceiling of \$240 per year.

Garden Club Elects Officers, Meets Mon.

The Greenbelt Garden Club has been reorganized with L. W. Brezina as president, L. A. Robinson, secretary, and Sam Cress, treasurer. The next meeting will be at the Center School on Monday, April 13, when plans will be made to secure discounts for club members at seed stores.

All garden space is being assigned by the club's manager of garden plots, Hans Jorgenson. Membership in the club is not a prerequisite for a plot.

Lions Club Sponsors Men's Social Affair

The Greenbelt Lions Club is sponsoring a coffee, ice cream and cake social for all the men of the community on Monday, April 27, 1953, at 7:45 p.m. in the basement of the Community Church.

Mr. Caldwell Baker, prominent in local athletics, is providing the entertainment for the evening, and is hoping to have as the main speaker, a member of the front office of the Washington Senators Baseball team, and several members of the Senators and the New York Yankee Baseball teams as guests.

This affair is open to the men of the community and it provides an opportunity to get together with the other men, for an evening of fellowship and entertainment.

If your young son is interested in baseball, here is an opportunity to obtain first-hand information on the current baseball season. Tickets will be fifty (50) cents, and are available from any member of the Lions Club, or by calling Frank Barrick, GR. 3-4556. Ticket sales will be limited, so get yours early.

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The Co-op Department Store has started off its promotion of Spring and Summer fabrics for home sewing. Featured is "Cracked Ice" the Everglaze finish, which requires little or no ironing, for only 79c a yard. Crisp rayon suitings priced as low as 89c a yard. Novelty cotton broadcloths and percales at 49c a yard. Puckered Nylon and Acetate only 89c a yard. Simplicity Patterns are recommended for both the beginner and the experienced sewer.

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the same rates for Greenbelters and up the charges for out-of-towners. Hard nut to crack - enforcement. (How you gonna prove who is in-or-out-of-towner?) . . . The city will soon move its offices to the second floor over the variety store; more space, same rent.

Hard nut to crack - how to get all city departments under one roof. Lastner hopes to get fire engines in GVHC maintenance building (give up, Frank. . .) Idea is to get out of police and fire house and save the rent. The county board of education has offered the city \$20,000 for rent of the community building. It's acceptable to the council as soon as some details are ironed out. One detail: long-term lease? . . . Councilman Ben Goldfaden read a motion to change some of the words of the Pepco franchise. Changed wording to permit city to end franchise inside of six months prior to end of 30-year franchise. Anyway, reading of the resolution with "whereas", and "first party" etc. sounded like the text of an insurance policy. . . Incidentally, at the end of the meeting, Goldfaden was notified by his wife that he was elected president of a new organization to develop and buy vacant land around lake for new homes at another meeting held that night.

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ments and cooperative apartments, to consider the possibilities for joint buying and other joint activities and steps toward further expansion in the housing field.

A committee of representatives of cultural, recreational and educational cooperatives (such as co-op nursery schools), to consider mutual activities and possibilities for expansion.

The reports will be 15-minute capsules of the conclusions of the committees, and they should contain information of importance to all cooperative leaders. There will be a 15-minute discussion period after each report.

The meeting will be chaired by Jesse B. Yaukey, president of the Potomac Cooperative Federation. The proposed agenda follows:

3:00 p.m. - "Potomac Co-ops Working Together in the Year Past and the Year to Come", Walter R. Volckhausen, Executive Secretary of the Federation. Discussion.

3:30 p.m. - "The Combined Power of Our Potomac Area Cooperators", Jesse B. Yaukey, President of the Federation. Discussion.

4:00 p.m. - Summary report and recommendations of the grocery expansion committee. Discussion.

4:30 p.m. - Summary report and recommendations of the health services and insurance committee. Discussion.

5:00 p.m. - Summary report and recommendations of the committee on centralized financing. Discussion.

5:30 p.m. - Registration, seeing exhibits, tour of Greenbelt (community and co-op), informal visiting and discussion.

6:30 p.m. - Dinner

7:45 p.m. - Summary report and recommendations of the committee on cooperative housing. Discussion.

8:15 p.m. - Summary report and recommendations of the committee on cooperative cultural, recreational, and educational activities. Discussion.

8:45 p.m. - Inspirational address. (We shall try to have Jerry Voorhis.)

The Conference will give leaders of each cooperative an opportunity to meet the leaders of other cooperatives, with the objective of promoting mutually helpful projects.

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Our Neighbors

By Dorothy McGee, phone 8083
Mr. and Mrs. George Neumann, 20-F Parkway, became the parents of a daughter April 3 at Prince Georges Hospital.

New residents in town are Mr. and Mrs. Moe Hoffman, and their children, Paula and Henry, who moved from Mt. Rainier to 33-A Ridge. Mrs. Hoffman is the sister of Mrs. Elliot Gelberg, 4-P Gardenway.

Miss Dorothy Cain, Center School teacher was honor guest at a luncheon last Wednesday at the home of Mrs. Irving Gerring, 3-A Gardenway. Miss Cain was married Saturday to Roger Sawtell at the Baptist church in Hyattsville. Mr. Sawtell is being graduated from Maryland University in June. Guests at the luncheon were Mrs. Bob Davenport, 58-M Crescent, Mrs. David Falter, 1-H Gardenway, Miss Hannah Long, Center school principal and teachers, Mrs. Crockett, Mrs. Legenhauser and Mrs. Gormley.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Klein have moved from 2-J Northway to 2-F Northway. Their new phone number is 8681.

So sorry we printed the wrong number last week for the Ralph G. Millers. Their correct number is 4892.

Dick Palmer came down from New York to spend the Easter weekend with his mother, Mrs. Lydalu Palmer 1-D Eastway. Dick has been in New York since the fall where he has resumed his position with Wellington Funds Inc., held prior to his army service.

Doris Mednick is busy these days rehearsing her part in the production of Rogers and Hart's musical, The Connecticut Yankee, to be presented in the Central auditorium at Maryland University from April 14 through 18 Doris sings the role of the sorceress, Morgan Le Fay. It will be an elaborate production with a dancing chorus as well as a singing chorus, authentic armor, and a stage set replete with everything to convey the medieval atmosphere. Tickets, at 80 cents, can be purchased at the auditorium during the week from 9 to 4 or on the night of the performance.

Nice to learn that Mrs. Helen Cowell who makes her home with her daughter, Mrs. Anna Lewis, 48-D Crescent is on the mend after the illness which has confined her to the house for several weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Danish, 36-L Ridge have as house guests, her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Abe Leibick and their small son of ew York City. The Leibicks will be here for about two weeks, enjoying Greenbelt and sightseeing in Washington.

Mrs. Harry Stage, 4-H Hillside and her son, Terry left Monday for Alabama to visit her folks.

Visiting relatives in New York for the holidays were Ruth and Leo Newman, 6-D Crescent, Nat and Florence Shinderman, 10-D Southway, Gladys and Abe Chasnoff, 45-N Ridge and Mrs. Rae Algaze, 4-B Hillside. The Algaze

My Daze

GOING ALONG WITH JOHN D. ANDERSON'S ideas about our hedges will take some doing, but the results ought to be spectacular. His long-cherished wish is to see all hedges here cut to a uniform height of three feet, twenty-four inches across the top, sloping out to thirty inches on bottom. He urges that we at least keep hedges of one court the same height. "Many hedges are too high, are straggly and thin on bottom, with big heavy branches growing out. Overgrown hedges are impeding some walks, brushing against the clothing of passersby."

MR. ANDERSON GIVES THIS PRESCRIPTION for hedges that are far gone: "Cut them down to from eighteen inches to two feet, and then start trimming regularly in the desired manner, i.e. wider on bottom than on top, etc. The old, heavy wood, which will harm an electric clipper, should first be removed with hand clipper or bulldog pruner. This treatment will produce perfect hedges in three or four years. Even by summer the improvement will be apparent enough to give the amateur gardener immense satisfaction, proof that all the hard work involved really pays off."

I WONDERED ABOUT HOW TO PREPARE FLOWER BEDS, and got this warning: "It's still too chilly and wet for working the ground. Working the soil while it's wet and clayey makes lumps that bake hard as the sun hits. Then the soil is ruined for the rest of the summer." (It's good to hear of something I SHOULD-N'T be doing!)

-DAISY.

children did some sightseeing and enjoyed particularly the whirling, brief-skirted ice-skaters on the outdoor rink at Radio City. This is one of the most colorful spots in New York, with its interesting little shops and the skating rink surrounded by a stone terrace, flanked with borders and boxes of flowers.

Mrs. Ralph K. Converse, 5-B Ridge is enjoying the company of her mother, Mrs. Winifred Jensen of Cambridge, Massachusetts, who is here for a two weeks' visit, before leaving for England on May 1 to spend the summer with her two sisters.

Many Greenbelters will remember Dena Dworsky who lived for many years on Parkway. Her mother used to visit her and was known as one who had "a genius for friendships." They are now both in India, and this charming thing was said of the mother.

"She has adjusted herself to life in India and is in fact doing a better job than many of the younger people. Both those working at the hotel and living here have become very fond of her, and it does not make any difference whether people are Hindus, Moslems, Europeans or Americans, she reminds each of his own mother."

Nursing Classes

The local Red Cross Chapter is accepting applications for home nursing classes. Nurses are now receiving their training in order to teach the "Six Lessons in the Care of the Sick." This course is integrated with the Civil Defense and qualifies the person taking the home nursing course as a "nurse assistant" for Civil Defense. Telephone WARfield 7-4400 to register.

Tickets Available Here For Woman's Retreat

Retreat Captain Peg Baldovin has tickets available for the annual Communion Mass and Breakfast of the Washington Laywomen's Retreat League. This affair is to be held on Saturday, April 11 with Mass at St. Patrick's Church, Washington, at 8 o'clock. The breakfast will follow at the Willard Hotel. Mrs. Baldovin can be reached at Granite 3-7402.



Rescue Squad Forms Auxiliary

The Greenbelt Rescue Squad is now forming a women's auxiliary. Any Greenbelt woman who would like to join should telephone Mrs. Jack Katz, wife of the Squad's chief, at 8986.

All auxiliary members will be taught first aid and will gain the satisfaction of doing a worthwhile and necessary volunteer job for the benefit of the entire community.

The squad now numbers about 30 members. Other officers are: Wilmer Kluth, assistant chief; Lowell Fundom, recording secretary; John McLaughlin, corresponding secretary; Tom Snoddy, lieutenant; Jim Williams, treasurer, and Jack Pugh, captain.

The State of Maryland recently gave the squad a 20-year lease to a one-acre plot of land at the corner of Greenbelt and Glenn Dale Roads, on which the squad plans to build its headquarters. The two ambulances it now owns, a Cadillac and Pontiac, are now inadequately housed in a double garage near the Center.

Members are called to duty by the sirens, but after midnight, when the sirens are not used, three members are on telephone duty every night of the week to receive emergency calls which are channeled through the Greenbelt Police Department.

The squad is an honorary member of the Prince Georges Rescue Squad Association.

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