

540 Receive Free Polio Vaccine Shots



Free Polio Shots sponsored by Greater Bustleton Civic League at Bustleton Community Building. Carol Lee Confalone, 3 years old, receiving her Polio shot from nurse Mrs. Diring, Verree and Pecan Drive. Sister Lynn awaiting her turn. Looking on left to right, Mrs. L. Morgenstern, nurse; David Silver, President Greater Bustleton Civic League; Mrs. Ruth Brannon, Secretary and Dr. Dominic DeBias of Jefferson Hospital staff. Five hundred and forty received shots, over 100 turned away.

On Saturday, April 15, 1961, the Greater Bustleton Civic League sponsored a Free Polio Immunization project directed by Dr. Dominic De Bias, a member of the League's Executive Board. There were 540 men, women, and children who received the Salk Polio vaccine at the Municipal Building at Bowler street and Bustleton avenue. By 2:30 P. M. the supply of Polio shots were used up and 100 persons were turned away. Another hundred adults have inquired about a second inoculation.

This battle against Polio, the crippling disease, was made possible by a generous supply of Polio vaccine from the Philadelphia Health Department. Splendid professional service was given by the following:

Participating Nurses: Mrs. Mary Mangel, 1940 Grant avenue; Mrs. Florence Morgenstern, 9315 Trout road; Mrs. Jane Diring, Verree road and Pecan Drive; Mrs. Trudy Amend, 721 Millwood road; Mrs. Harriet Gleason, 9335 Rising Sun avenue.

Participating Physicians: Dr. Don Mills, 9351 Hoff street; Dr. Marvin Soffer, 9826 Hoff street; Dr. Arthur Zeglen, 2015 Welsh road; Dr. Francis Richardson, 9637 Bustleton avenue.

This was the first time the Bustleton Civic League worked with the Public Health Department in a medical venture to serve the community. David Silver, President of the Civic League, and Mrs. Ruth Brannon, secretary of the League and President of the William Jacobs Home and School Association, express their gratitude for the fine support given and the success achieved. They recommend continued and closer cooperation with the Philadelphia Board of Health and the Health and Welfare Council.

75 new members welcomed by Bustleton Civic League

Seventy-five new members joined the Greater Bustleton Civic League at the regular monthly meeting held on Tuesday evening, May 2, at the Bustleton Municipal Building, Bowler st. and Bustleton ave.

The meeting was addressed by Louis Ballard, a member of the Board of Education, and by Dr. Arden S. Turner, of the Americans for the Competitive Enterprise System, Inc., more familiarly known as the "ACES."

Ballard's main purpose for addressing the meeting was to urge voters to support the School Loan Bill that will be on the primary election ballot on Tuesday, May 16, to enable the school district of Philadelphia to increase its borrowing capacity from the present two percent of assessed real estate valuation to three percent.

He assured everyone that the bill is non-political, supported by both parties and will not, for a change, increase taxes.

The tremendous amounts of money spent in the Northeast area for the erection of new school facilities, the improvement and replacement of old buildings, and the increasing needs were outlined for the members.

Dr. Turner gave a picture of the American system of free enterprise as opposed to the Marxist and Communist systems. He appealed for greater education and increased emphasis on the American way of life, and, as a physician, defended the medical care system against government regulated or socialized medicine.

Dr. DiBias was given a standing vote of appreciation for the work of his committee on the free polio vaccine program sponsored by the civic league. Five hundred and forty received vaccine.

The zoning committee, by attending a hearing before the Zoning Board, was able to have support of 15 neighbors to have an application for a veterinary hospital in the 10000 block of Verree rd. refused.

A second reading of the by-laws of the league was given by Secretary Ruth Brannon and approved by the members.

Don Kelly and former President Gilbert Rhoads reported the activities of the Northeast Community Council and the Far Northeast Federation of Civic Leagues. The council formation was completed with the adoption of the by-laws and will be the coordinating body for all the civic leagues of the Northeast.

The league was assured that there would be no public housing on the land back of the Northeast Shopping Center at Welsh rd. and the Boulevard.

Conditions caused by the widening of Verree rd. between Welsh and Red Lion rds. were discussed at length and President David Silver, along with Robert Cohen, legal adviser of the league, assured the residents that the problem would be given immediate attention.

William Clare, of Haldeman ave., appealed for action on the condition that exists in his area and the need of a phone at the recreation field at Conwell ave. and the Boulevard for emergencies was expressed.

James Malone, of the Bustleton Boys Club, spoke of the growth of the youth program in Bustleton and urged that the league and other community organizations initiate an overall program to handle the recreation needs of the ever-increasing number of boys and girls in the community. He was supported in his appeal by past president Bill Litzke, an organizer of the boys club.

Bus. Civic League Holds Final Meeting

The final meeting of the Greater Bustleton Civic League until the Fall was held on Tuesday, June 6, in the Bustleton Municipal Building, Bustleton avenue and Bowler streets. President David Silver conducted the meeting.

Many matters of concern to the residents and the community were discussed and progress reports given by the various committees. The granting of a Liquor License at 9400 Bustleton avenue is before the Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board and the League will be informed of hearing so that the residents who oppose the application can be heard.

The need for fire alarm boxes in the Woodbrook Park and Sun Valley areas is being investigated and Commissioner Crawford, of the City Recreation Department, informed the League that three new sites are planned for the area at Bustleton avenue and Verree road, Welsh and Verree roads, and a third to be purchased.

President David Silver and Mr. Chance, Safety and Plant Security Manager of Yale and Towne Mfg. Co., are cooperating in the correction of a soot problem at the plant on Haldeman avenue. Satisfactory progress is being made.

Several Zoning matters were discussed. Zoning in the Verree road, Red Lion road area presents a problem. Four types are on the Zoning map and it will necessitate an Ordinance of Council to straighten out the confusion.

Haldeman avenue, with such an increase in traffic, is badly in need of improvements. A footwalk is necessary, adequate lighting needed and the roadway should be rebuilt and widened to meet the present traffic problems.

Many complaints of faulty construction of new homes in the area were reported to the League.

Residents in the Red Lion, Verree road area are so pleased with the present detoured route of the 59 B bus that they would like to see the present route continued after the opening of the 10,000 block on Bustleton avenue. Mr. Lieberman, of the Transportation Committee, will discuss the request with Mr. Hamilton.

A film entitled Man in Space was presented by the Entertainment Committee and refreshments were served.

Greater Bustleton Civic League Defeats Zoning Change

After a summer recess the Greater Bustleton Civic League resumed its monthly meetings on Tuesday evening, September 5, at the Bustleton Municipal Building. President David Silver welcomed over one hundred members and guests.

On Thursday, September 7, the League was informed that City Councils Committee on Zoning Board turned down an application by Food Fair for a change in zoning on the property at Red Lion road adjacent to the Red Lion Shopping Center. This constituted another victory in the League's continual fight to prevent downgrading of zoning in the Bustleton area. Members of the League accompanied by Councilman Knauer, William Meehan and the League's legal counsel attended the hearing on September 6.

Mr. Jacobs, from the Social Security Administration, gave a very interesting and informative talk on "You and Your Social Security Benefits." A question and answer discussion followed.

Many items of interest to the Community were reviewed, among them the re-routing of 59B bus after completion of the Bustleton avenue paving. A plan for providing direct service for Verree road residents is being considered. A later schedule for Route 86 whose last run now is at 9:05 P. M. is also under consideration.

Many seemingly unfair trash violations and speeding on Welsh road between Alton street and the bridge were reported. Commissioner Smallwood notified the League that necessary lighting has been ordered for Haldeman avenue. Paving and the other problems created by the dust and dirt from the Pipe Company operation are still unsolved.

The Bell Telephone Company is negotiating with the City for the installation of Public Phone service at the Recreation Field at Red Lion road and the Boulevard. This was requested by the League for emergency use.

A traffic light at the intersection of Red Lion road and Haldeman avenue, was requested along with traffic direction sign on the West end of the island in the center of Alburger street and Ferndale.

The League is fully in accord with securing additional recreational facilities for the boys and girls of the Bustleton area. Mr. James Malone, President of the Bustleton Boys' Club, spoke of the acute need of a building in the area from which a program for the youth of Bustleton could be carried on.

A letter from the Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board advised the League that the applicant for transfer of a restaurant liquor license to the property at Welsh road and Bustleton avenue had withdrawn his application. The store was formerly Furlows 5 and 10.

Civil Defense Night at Bus. Civic League



Mr. Grundke reads Philadelphia Civil Defense Volunteer Application and becomes Survival Officer for Woodbrook Park area in Bustleton, as Den May, left, Deputy District Director and Russell E. Brown, District Director, give their hearty approval.

A special film entitled "Seconds for Survival" was shown as the highlight of the Civil Defense program at the Greater Bustleton Civic League on Tuesday evening, October 3. Mr. Russell Brown, from the Civil Defense Headquarters, was the principal speaker and conducted a very informative question and answer period. Mr. Otto Knopf, of 9980 Haldeman avenue, and Mr. Paul Grundke, of 1021 Grant avenue, were appointed to act as liason officers between Civil Defense Headquarters and the Civic League, to keep the community informed on all activity.

Several letters of appreciation were received for the efforts expended by the officers and members of the League in successfully defending the existing Zoning at the Red Lion Shopping Center.

Once again the many inconveniences caused by the operation of the Price Pipe Company at Haldeman avenue and Bustleton avenue were aired and a Committee will seek the cooperation of the Company in eliminating the present conditions. Black soot, dust, broken pavements and a squak box operating 24 hours a day are some of the unpleasant things that the home owners

must contend with.

A complaint Committee consisting of Chairman Paul Grundke, Mr. Lieberman and Mr. Dieckmann was formed to list and channel all references to the proper authorities for investigation. Overgrown hedge at Bustleton and Haldeman avenues, high weeds on Graymont street, were referred to the above committee.

Mr. Scalzi, of the Community Facilities Committee, reported that Police cars will patrol Welsh road in an effort to halt both speeding and vandalism in that area and that litter tickets will be issued in the future with more discretion.

A letter to Mr. Louis Schneider, Deputy Commissioner of Streets, requesting temporary pavement at Bustleton and Haldeman avenues for the convenience of residents and bus passengers was authorized.

President David Silver appointed a Nominating Committee consisting of Paul Grundke, Chairman, William Clair, Edward Snyder, W. Williams Crawford and Otto Knopf.

Mr. Gilbert Rhoads, former President of the Greater Bustleton Civic League, was recommended by the League to Judge Griffiths as an appointee to the Philadelphia School Board.

Miss Virginia Brown, representing the Y.W.C.A., outlined the activities planned for the "Y" for the coming year.

Because of Election Day the November meeting of the League will be held on the second Tuesday at 8 P. M. at the Bustleton Municipal Building.

Bustleton Civic League Gets Action On Haldeman Ave. Problems

The Bustleton Civic League with the cooperation of Highway Commissioner Louis Schneider, Managing Director Donald Wagner, Commissioner Gillis, Captain Brewer and the management of the Price Company, located at Bustleton and Haldeman avenues, are making progress on the many problems in this area. Resurfacing of the sidewalk where necessary and the completion of the unimproved sections in the 1962 program will be accomplished. The speeding of trucks has been curtailed and management at the Pipe Company will use sprinklers daily, fill unpaved routes with crushed stone to eliminate dust, the public address system will not be used at night and gas fired units will replace present oil units.

The program for the monthly meeting held at the Municipal Building on Tuesday, November 14 was highlighted by the showing of a United Fund film entitled the World We Make. Mr. Gilbert Rhoads spoke briefly on the establishment of the United Fund and its activities.

A request has been made to the Health Department by Councilman Knauer for enough disposable syringes for the Civic League to repeat the free Polio shots which were so successful.

Mr. Emerson Greenaway, Director of the Free Library of Phila. informed the League that lack of personnel makes it impossible to maintain the former Library hours at the Bustleton Branch necessitating the closing on Thursdays.

A report by Mr. Lieberman Transportation Chairman, disclosed that Route 86 is back on the old schedule with the last bus at 9:05 P. M. because of the lack of passengers in the later hours. Since Red Lion road in the Haldeman avenue section is not dedicated buses cannot operate over it. The City and the PTC are attempting to work out a solution for the Red Lion-Verree road residents since Bus Route 59B has been returned to Bustleton avenue the main artery. A combining of Routes W and WA would give residents direct service to Frankford.

Mr. Grundke, Chairman of the Nominating Committee presented the following candidates for office:

President, Mr. David Silver;
1st Vice President, Mr. Robert

Enders; 2nd Vice President, Mr. Robert G. Hess; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Ruth V. Brannon; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Stanley Gittleman; Treasurer, Mr. Otto Knopf.

Mr. David Silver Reelected President Of Greater Bustleton Civic League



Officers elected for 1962 Bustleton Civic League: Left to right are Mrs. Stanley Gittleman, 1929 Bowler street, corresponding secretary; Robert Enders, 10155 Verree road, first vice president; David Silver, 9991 Verree road, president; Mrs. Ruth V. Brannon, 9121 Verree road, recording secretary; Otto Knopf, 9980 Haldeman avenue, treasurer.

On Tuesday evening, December 5, the members of the Greater Bustleton Civic League re-elected Mr. David Silver president for another year. It was an expression of confidence and appreciation for the untiring effort he expended as the group leader in 1961. His supporting officers are Robert Enders, 1st Vice President; Robert G. Hess, 2nd Vice President; Ruth V. Brannon, Recording Secretary; Barbara Gittleman, Corresponding Secretary, and Otto Knopf, Treasurer.

Mr. Albert S. Barnes, of the Bell Telephone Company, was the guest of the evening and presented a very interesting program entitled "Glimpse of Tomorrow."

A most successful meeting with Recreation Commissioner Robert Crawford was held at which the Recreation problems of the Bustleton area were discussed. Mr. Silver, Mrs. Sider, Mr. Paul Goodman, President of the Bustleton Boys' Club and two other representatives of the Boys' Club attended. In the future the Boys' Club will have the use of two baseball diamonds

at the Recreation Field on the Boulevard and arrangements for another night at the Farrell School for the basketball program are being considered. Two additional sites are also being planned in the West Bustleton area. Upon the completion of the new Junior Senior High at Bustleton avenue and Verree road, additional facilities will be available.

A membership drive under the direction of Mr. Dierkmann will get underway and with the cooperation of the members a complete coverage of the ever growing community will be accomplished.

Letters of thanks were sent to Mr. Emerson Greenaway, of the Philadelphia Library, and the Managing Director, Donald Wagner, for their cooperation with the League. A request for fire alarm boxes in the Sun Valley and Woodbrook Park areas was directed to Commissioner Edgar P. Grim.

Mr. Robert Enders was appointed Delegate to the Far Northeast Federation of Civic Leagues in place of Mr. Don Kelly who asked to be relieved.

Other matters of concern discussed were the widening of Roosevelt boulevard, Public Housing sites in the area, the Northeast Freeway and the 1960-65 Budget of the City. The parking of cars along Bustleton avenue in the vicinity of the Chestnut Lane Apartment development was also considered. Apparently the developer ignored the parking area requirements of the City for apartments and hence traffic up and down Bustleton Hill is complicated by the parked cars. Mr. Silver assured action by the League for the residents involved.