

What Goes On...

Sun., April 30, 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.
ARC Ride-A-Bike starting at Youth Center
Mon., May 1, 7:30 - 9:30 p.m.
Recycling Advisory Committee, Aquatic Center.
8 p.m. City Council Budget Work Session on FOP, Police Municipal Building.
Tues. May 2, 7:30 p.m. City Council Work Session on U.S.

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...And More

Dept. of Agriculture/National Capital Planning Commission, Municipal Building.
8 p.m. City Council Work Session on Recreation, Municipal Building
Wed., May 3, 7 p.m. Crime Prevention Committee, Police Department
7:30 p.m. Advisory Planning Board meeting, Police Station

Thursday, April 27, 1995

Council Acts on Buying Computers Building Bike Lanes, TRW Sign

by Sandy Smith

The Greenbelt City Council authorized a negotiated purchase for the construction of bike lanes on Crescent Road, approved the installation of a large TRW exterior sign on the Maryland Trade Center II Office Building, heard a report on plans of the Greenbelt Police department to update and upgrade its computer system, and approved immediate, short-term purchases of computer equipment and software at its April 10 meeting.

Council also authorized funds for the printing and mailing of invitations to an exhibit of photographs and profiles of Greenbelters which will be on display during May at the Art Gallery in the Greenbelt Library. Dorothy Sucher, project writer, and Barbara Tyroler, project photographer, described the project and the efforts being made to get this project adopted as part of the County's Tricentennial celebration. Community groups, civic leaders, and elected officials will be invited to the opening on May 6.

Early in the meeting, Daniel Hobbs, city manager, read a letter from Delegate Joan Pitkin and Senator Leo Green reporting to the city that the community center bond bill of \$400,000 has passed both houses of the Maryland Legislature and is on its way to the Governor for final signing. Hobbs expressed the city's thanks to the Greenbelt delegation and praised the mayor and council for their efforts which brought \$1.3 million of outside funds into the city for this project.

Automation Study

Craig Fraser, of the Police Executive Research Forum, gave a status report on the automation study to update and upgrade the information system of the Greenbelt Police Department. He said the goal of the project was to create an information system that would improve public safety in Greenbelt. The first step in the study was to interview all staff, to develop guiding principles and functional specifications for a system which will meet current information needs and be able to respond to future demands. The current system is no longer adequate and does not take advantage of new

and advancing technology.

The new system will be implemented in phases over a 2-3 year period. The first phase is to expand and upgrade the current system. The second phase will bring into operation systems that will electronically transmit information from headquarters to the field and make police operations more efficient. The final phase of the project would implement advanced technologies such as those to read the magnetic strip on Maryland drivers' licenses, plates which read fingerprints instantly, and utilize voice technology.

Fraser emphasized that the automation effort would utilize new, but not unproven, technology. The police department depends upon an integrated, reliable system and cannot be a testing ground for experimental approaches, he said. Councilmember Rodney Roberts asked how a system can be kept up to date and not become obsolete. Fraser said that technology is always evolving but the Greenbelt system could be designed on a modular basis to permit updating of various components. The current system must be replaced in its entirety; a new system could be updated incrementally, he proposed.

In response to a question from Mayor Antoinette Bram on the cost, Fraser indicated an estimate of \$300,000 for the entire system. He also indicated that grants for demonstration projects might be available to offset some of the costs. Asked to evaluate the current computer system, Fraser described it as early 1980s technology.

The next step is to prepare requests for proposals.

Computer Equipment

Council took immediate action to purchase computer equipment and software. It approved a resolution authorizing the purchase of computer equipment for a local area network to handle word processing in the police department command, support services, information systems and crime prevention offices, as well as providing a computer for the Beltway Plaza substation. Council was assured that this upcoming purchase would be compatible with the long-term plan for automation outlined in the study report. Funds for this

See COUNCIL, page 7, col. 5

BANK ROBBED

An armed robbery took place at 8:53 a.m. on Tuesday, April 25 at NationsBank, 103 Centerway. According to Greenbelt Police Lieutenant Michael Craddock, a lone man entered the bank displaying a silver revolver. He jumped over the counter and removed cash from two teller stations, Craddock said, adding that the suspect then jumped back over the counter, ran out the front door and was last seen turning right toward the main parking lot.

Police describe the suspect as a tall 170 pound, thin-built, black male. He wore a stocking mask and his clothing was black.

The Federal Bureau of Investigation is the primary agency investigating the case.

CARES Budget Evaluated

by Beth Alegret

Greenbelt CARES director, Carol Leventhal, met with City Council on Thursday, April 6 to review the FY 1996 CARES budget. CARES, dedicated to providing counseling and support services to families, will continue to operate with one less employee than was budgeted one year ago. A crisis intervention employee was budgeted for 1995, but the position was never filled in order to conserve approximately \$31,000. The position has not been budgeted for 1996 and the equivalent of 4.5 full-time personnel will be employed.

The proposed 1996 budget of \$262,400 is a 4.7% increase over the estimated transactions of \$250,600 in 1995. The state will contribute \$78,000, a decrease of \$2,200 or 2.7%.

Conserving funds may be an even more important factor in 1996 for Leventhal as the county may be slashing its grant to CARES by approximately 50%. The current grant is \$8,500 and could possibly fall to \$4,500 due to county budget cuts. And with funding decreases, Leventhal finds she must work harder to convince people that CARES assistance is valuable, since prevention is less costly than money spent on damage control (i.e. prison). "Prevention is hard to sell," said Leventhal.

Mayor Toni Bram praised Leventhal for the amount of work

CARES provided with the money that was available. Leventhal explained that CARES saves thousands of dollars in salary expense by its use of tutoring and counseling volunteers. She said that the volunteers' services translate into a would-be employee salary expense of \$48,035 for tutoring services and \$92,400 for counseling services. And if CARES is fortunate to recruit additional volunteers, that equivalent will rise. "We are seeing a tremendous increase in the number of people asking for tutoring assistance, to the extent that we are now maintaining a waiting list for tutors," said Leventhal.

Springhill Lake Program CARES will continue to work with
See CARES, page 2, Col. 1

BARC Plans Hit Snag When NCPC Disapproves Funding

by James Giese

The National Capital Planning Commission (NCPC) staff has recommended disapproval of funding for construction of the Department of Agriculture (USDA) Headquarters facility at the Beltsville Agricultural Research Center (BARC) as inconsistent with the Commission's policies. According to David Moran of the Greenbelt Department of Planning and Community Development, the USDA project was the only one of 200 projects not recommended for inclusion in the Federal Capital Improvements Program (FCIP) for the National Capital Region for 1996 to 2000. The Commission unanimously voted to release the FCIP as recommended by staff.

The NCPC is an advisory body established by Congress to review Federal capital projects in the Washington region. Its actions are advisory and Federal agencies can proceed with projects that receive disapproval by the Commission. However, such moves seldom happen as Commission decisions can influence Congressional actions to appropriate funds. With Congress currently reviewing capital projects with the intent of rescinding many of them, NCPC action could have a significant impact on chances for the USDA complex to be built.

The commission consists of 12 members—three appointed by the President, two appointed by the mayor of Washington and seven ex-officio members (or their representatives). The Secretaries of Defense and Interior, the Director of the General Services Administration, the D.C. Mayor, City Council Chair, and the chairs of the Senate and House Committees on the District of Columbia are ex-officio members.

Concerns

At a March 2 review of the scope of the project for information purposes, the NCPC had raised several concerns related to the project's impact on BARC, which the staff noted in support of its recommendations. In the Comprehensive Plan BARC is designated as an important regional open space resource whose green open space character should be maintained with limited building development and employment density. This designation would be violated by the proposal to build 350,000 square feet of office space to house 1,500 employees.

NCPC also questioned the need for such a facility in view of current plans to "downsize" USDA. The Commission further noted that the transfer of employees from the District of Columbia to this facility would be a move against its policy of retaining 60% of regional Federal employment in the District, the seat of the national government.

The Commission staff also charged USDA with violating the National Capital Planning Act by not consulting with the Commission in its preliminary and successive stages of planning and for committing funds for the construction plans and construction of the project without formal action by the Commission. The act requires Federal agencies to follow certain procedures when

pursuing a different course of action from that recommended by the Commission.

Project Review

While deleting the USDA project from its approved Capital Improvement Plan, the NCPC has not yet formally reviewed the proposal. That will be done at its May 4 regular meeting when it will consider USDA's request for approval of the BARC location for the headquarters project and for amending the BARC Master Plan

See BARC, page 5, col. 1

Renowned Cellist to Play In Concert at ERHS

by Willard Larkin

Alban Gerhardt, who took first-prize laurels at the 1993 International Leonard Rose Cello Competition, will appear in a special benefit concert Saturday May 6, at 8 p.m., at Eleanor Roosevelt High School.

Ticket sales will benefit the Eleanor Roosevelt High School music program. The concert is being co-sponsored by Friends of the Maryland Summer Institute for the Creative and Performing Arts (MSICPA) as part of its annual membership drive.

Since his highly acclaimed New York debut at Lincoln Center in 1993, Gerhardt has won several prestigious awards, including the 1994 Young Concert Artists International Soloist Prize. In his native Germany, he took first prize in the 1990 National Music Competition in Bonn.

Friends of MSICPA is a community-based organization that supports the annual "Rossborough Festival" - a summer performance and training program at the University of Maryland in College Park. George Moquin, who heads the Festival, cites Gerhardt's rapidly growing international reputation as "our most recent success story. We are excited to be able to hear his cello again so close to home. This concert will be something of a celebration for us, and we are very pleased to be able to share the event with Greenbelt and the students of Eleanor Roosevelt."

Tickets will be available at the door. For information, call (301) 345-5393.

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Office Hours

Monday - 2-4 p.m.

- 8-10 p.m.

15 Parkway

Tuesday - 8-10 p.m.

CARES

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Springhill Lake Elementary School on the Springhill Lake Before and After School Program which provides before and after school care and engages students in interesting activities. For \$49.50 per week, parents may bring children to school at 7 a.m. and pick them up at 6 p.m. Recently, City Manager Dan Hobbs visited the program where students were learning about the weather, and thought the program was ideal. "I was very impressed with what I saw," he said. Currently, 35 children participate in the program, but according to Hobbs, the program can accommodate hundreds.

CARES will also continue its work with the Let's Make a Change Program which provides after school care and tutoring assistance for those families who qualify. Tutoring is provided by CARES volunteers and members of the Phi Gamma Delta Fraternity from the University of Maryland. The program is funded by a small grant from the Governor's office and a \$1 per day fee for parents, who must also donate four hours of volunteer work per month to the program.

In addition, council and city staff were informed by Leventhal that welfare reform legislation, or Systems Reform Initiative as it is called, had passed under Governor Schaefer. According to Leventhal, agencies are now reorganizing to comply with the new legal requirements, one of which requires welfare agencies to provide services and then be reimbursed by the state. Bram called for a legal interpretation to "see where we stand."

Record Still Open On Fare Increases

It's not too late for Greenbelters to give their opinions about the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority's (WMATA) Board of Directors proposed fare increases. If approved the increase would go into effect in late June.

Although three public hearings have been held (none in the Greenbelt area), the hearing record will remain open until May 4 during which public comments may be received about the proposed fare increases.

The proposals include: a 10-cent increase in all Metrobus and Metrorail base fares; extension of weekday peak period from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m., a five-cent increase in the senior citizens and persons with disabilities Metrorail fare, and a 10-cent bus-to-bus transfer charge.

Also elimination of the five percent bonus on farecard purchases between \$10 and \$19.95 while retaining the 10 percent bonus on farecard purchases of \$20 and elimination of the token discount which is currently 10 percent. (Tokens would be priced at 10 for \$11, and 20 for \$22.)

SUBSCRIPTIONS AND DEADLINE INFORMATION
 MAIL SUBSCRIPTIONS: \$30 per year. Advertising and news articles may be mailed (Box 66, Greenbelt), deposited in our box at the Greenbelt Co-op grocery store before 7 p.m. Tuesday or delivered to the editorial office in the basement of 15 Parkway (474-4131). The office is open Monday from 2-4 and 8-10 pm for display advertising; deadline is 10 pm. News articles and classified ads are accepted Monday from 2-4 and 8-10 pm and Tuesday from 8-10 pm.

Letters

Open Letter

To City Council Members:

I have no doubt that Councilmember Roberts, his wife, Ms. Siegel and Mr. Downs are sincere in their belief that mountain bikers from outside of Greenbelt are responsible for the damage to Parcels One and Two and that banning mountain bikes will reverse the damage. Unfortunately they are incorrect on both points.


My family and I, on foot and on bicycle have used the area over the past 12 years. Contrary to the Committee to Save the Green Belt's opinion that mountain bikes are the main source of erosion, most of the damage to the trails is a result of poorly planned and placed trails. Since the trails were 'planned' by Greenbelt's children a generation ago, this is not surprising. The trails often serve as drainage, especially off the Plateau Place parking lot, or they intersect streams which then follow the path of the trail. This condition could easily and inexpensively be corrected by simple trail maintenance and if necessary by limited trail closings.

While in the area we have seen a variety of uses made of it. Most frequently seen are children building forts, constructing dams, playing games amongst the trees, riding their bicycles, and people walking. The trails are by no means a "mountain bike highway" and on most days mountain bikers are outnumbered by other users three to one.

From my observations I don't believe the problem was caused by outside mountain bikers — or even inside ones. But more importantly merely banning them will not cure the problem. Even if no one rides another bike in Parcel One and Two, water (currently the main erosion culprit) will continue to erode the trails until nothing but a gully is left. New trails will be made around the gullies and these in turn will become gullies until the woods are gone.

The trails must be maintained. If you allow mountain biking you can expect free maintenance from people like me, experienced and educated trail maintenance workers.

Andrew Farris



Tentative Agenda Advisory Planning Board Meeting
 Wednesday, May 3, 1995
 7:30 p.m.
 Greenbelt Police Station Classroom

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of Agenda
3. Approval of Minutes
4. Discussion of Development Concepts - South-Ewing Lot 2
5. Report on the LPA National Conference
6. Review for May 17 Worksession on METRO

Choice Needed

As of the end of February, Greenbelt had a wonderful recycling facility, conveniently located, where one could deposit all recyclable materials. The downsizing of the drop-off facility to force the use of curbside pickup is not only inconvenient for many users but will probably result in much recyclable material ending up in the landfill. I am a conscientious recycler who has cut disposable trash to one medium bag per week, but I find it difficult and inconvenient to separate materials in my garage recycling center. On the other hand, it was straightforward to simply load all items once per month and take them to the dropoff. Why do we have to be forced to use curbside service when we can just as easily be given a choice?

Wayne H. Warren Jr.


Concerts at PGCC

The Concert Choir of Prince Georges Community College will perform "Requiem" by John Rutter at its Spring Choral Concert, Tuesday, May 2 at 8 p.m. in Queen Anne Auditorium. It will feature soprano Mary Carrigan and a chamber orchestra.

The free concert will be directed by Gary Kirkeby, music coordinator of the college's Art and Music Department.

On Wednesday, May 3 the sophomore honor students will present a free recital at 8 p.m., also in Queen Anne Auditorium.

For information call (301) 322-0955 or TDD (301) 322-0122.




The Arc
 Prince George's County

23rd Annual Ride-A-Bike



1995 Take-A-Hike



Sunday April 30, 1995
 (Rain Date May 7)
 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Greenbelt Youth Center

For More info call 474-6878

Student Needs Help

Shane Simpson, a fifth grader at Peterson Elementary School in Klamath Falls, Oregon, has chosen Maryland as the subject for a state report. The report is to include information on our state government, geography, climate, history, people and tourist attractions. Information sent on postcards portraying the state will make the report more interesting. Anyone wishing to respond should do so to Shane Simpson, c/o Peterson School,

Legal Aid Volunteers

The Legal Aid Bureau, located in the Calvert Building on Kenilworth Ave., would welcome volunteers, especially senior citizens. Volunteers are needed to do clerical work involving legal issues. The Bureau will train volunteers and make assignments to fit the convenience of the volunteers. Call 699-2806.

4856 Clinton Ave., Klamath Falls, OR 97603.

Greenbelt Municipal Access Channel B-10 Schedule

Tuesday, May 2 & Thursday, May 4

6:00pm Children's Drama Class Performance
 6:30pm "It's Municipal Government!" (Final)
 7:00pm Greenbelt Elementary School presents "Tom Sawyer"



COUNCIL MEETINGS AND WORK SESSIONS

APRIL 25, 1995 - MAY 30, 1995

Meeting	Day and Date
Budget work session - FOP/Police	Monday, May 1
Work session USDA/NCPC	Tuesday, May 2 7:30 p.m.
Budget work session - Recreation	Tuesday, May 2 8:00 p.m.
Regular meeting and Public Hearing on Budget	Monday, May 8
Budget work session - Green Ridge House at Green Ridge House	Tuesday, May 9 7:30 p.m.
Budget Work Session - Wrap-up Conference Room	Wednesday, May 10
Work session - Lakewood storm drainage	Monday, May 15
Work session - Metro Goals	Wednesday, May 17
Regular meeting and Budget Adoption	Monday, May 22
4-Cities meeting	Wednesday, May 24
Work session with CRAB on conflict resolution	Tuesday, May 30

Unless otherwise noted, all meetings will be held at 8:00 p.m. in the Council Room of the Municipal Building.

Regular meetings and work sessions are open to the public; all interested citizens are invited to attend. If special accommodations are required to make this meeting accessible to any disabled person, please call 474-8000 or 474-1811 (TTY) before 10:00 a.m. on the day of the meeting.

Dorothy Lauber, City Clerk

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Learn the History Of Greenbelt Park

Learn about the history of Greenbelt Park on Sunday, April 30 at 7:30 p.m. at the campfire circle. A park ranger will tell how native Americans, colonial farms, and urban dwellers have used the land that is Greenbelt Park.

Family Math Night At Greenbelt Elem.

A Family Math Night for students and parents will be sponsored by the Greenbelt Elementary School PTA on Tuesday, May 2, from 7:30 - 9 p.m., at the school. There will be a variety of hands-on activities for everyone and the computer lab will be open. A brief business meeting including elections of next year's officers will begin at 7:30 p.m. Anyone interested in serving may call Kathy Kerdock at 345-6387.

Astronomy Day

The Greenbelt Astronomy Club will host free events open to the public for Astronomy Day, Sat., May 6 from 4 to 10 p.m. Telescopes will be set up for viewing the moon, Mars, and various stars and nebulas (weather permitting). Planetarium shows and slide shows by professional and amateur astronomers will also be included. Indoor events will be held regardless of the weather. The events will take place at Howard B. Owens Science Center, 9601 Greenbelt Road, (adjacent to Duval High School, and near NASA Goddard). Call (301) 918-8750 or (301) 552-1851 for information.

Community Events

Elementary School To Hold Spring Fair

Greenbelt Elementary School PTA Spring Fair will be held on Saturday, April 29, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the school. There will be games, face painting, balloons, raffles and food.

Genealogical Society

The Prince Georges County Genealogical Society will meet Wednesday, May 3, at 7 p.m. in the Greenbelt Library. The meeting is open to the public. Visitors are welcome and there is no charge.

The speaker will be Sean O. Suilleabhain, an Irish genealogist and librarian, who will speak on "Doing Genealogical Research in Ireland."

At the Library

J. J. (pajama) Storytime for children ages 4-6 will be held at the Greenbelt Library, 11 Crescent Road, on Wednesday, May 3 at 7 p.m. On the next day, Thursday, May 4, the library will hold Drop-In Storytime for ages 3-5 at 10:15 a.m. For information, call 345-5800.

Recycling Discussion

The Recycling Advisory Committee will have its monthly meeting on Monday, May 1 from 7:30-9:30 p.m. at the Aquatic Center. The committee will be discussing educational needs of the community. Everyone interested in participating in improving recycling in Greenbelt is encouraged to attend. For more information, call the Recycling Coordinator at 474-8308.

Golden Age Club

by Dolores Capotosto

The Golden Age Club meeting will be the business meeting for May. The Executive Committee meets at 10 a.m. in the Morrison Lounge. We need to get down to business after all the socializing last week!

The annual luncheon (39th!) was delightful, thanks to the Committee, Phyllis Budin (chair-lady), Pearl Siegal, and Doretha Leslie. Jim Maher did his usual best on the April trip, John Wilkes Booth's Escape Route — that was a full day. I must mention what a terrific job was done by Rudy Pugliese on his presentation on the background of John Wilkes Booth—thanks, Professor!

At the meeting last Wednesday, we had a speaker from the Bowie Health Center. We'll have the Australian travel film at a later date.

The attendance and participation has been great — keep up the good work!

Talk about the Arts

The Greenbelt Visual Arts Coalition will host a meeting Wednesday, May 3, 7:30 p.m., at the Youth Center, to discuss art programs at the new community center. Also to be discussed are plans for the Labor Day Art Festival and Photography Shows. For information, call Barbara Simon, 474-2192.

Personal Injury Seminar

A seminar will be hosted at the Greenbriar Terrace Room on Wednesday, May 3, at 7:30 p.m. on the topic: "Personal Injury." The guest speaker will be the prominent attorney, Douglas M. Bregman. He will discuss personal injury from auto accidents, medical malpractice, and product liability.

In addition to practicing law, Bregman is an Adjunct Professor at Georgetown University Law Center. In the past, he has been a law clerk for the Maryland Clerk of Appeals, an instructor at the University of Maryland, and White House Intern for the Office of Consumer Affairs.

Because of the importance of the topic, Greenbriar will open the seminar to the public as a community service. There is no admission fee, but interested persons should register by May 1 by contacting Linda Evans at 301/441-1096. The location of the seminar is 7600 Hanover Parkway.

Ride-A-Bike

Sunday, April 30 is The Association for Retarded Children (ARC) of Prince Georges County's 23rd annual Ride-A-Bike. This year's event will once again be held in Greenbelt from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. The event begins and ends at the Greenbelt Youth Center. Participants may choose to walk around the lake or ride their bikes 16KM through the Beltsville Agricultural Research Center (BARC).

Ride-A-Bike, Take-A-Hike is The ARC's major annual fundraiser. The ARC is a non-profit membership organization dedicated to making Prince Georges County a great place to live, learn, work and play for people with mental retardation and their families. All participants who bring in a pledge sheet with at least \$50 in pledges will receive a commemorative T-shirt. A free lunch is provided for all participants for those who raise \$100 or more, special prizes will be awarded.

Everyone is invited to come on out and enjoy the fun, exercise and lunch while helping to support their community. For more information or a pledge form call 474-6878.

Elementary School Science Fair May 6

An elementary school science fair for Prince Georges County public schools will be held Saturday, May 6 at Eleanor Roosevelt High School. The exhibit area will be open to the public at 3 p.m. and an awards assembly will be held at 4 p.m. The participants are winners of their own elementary school science fairs.

First, second, third and honorable mention prizes will be awarded at each grade level (3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th).

The public is invited to attend.

Faces of Greenbelt Show Opens May 6

"Faces of Greenbelt," an exhibit of photographs of Greenbelters, will be on view at The Gallery, on the lower level of the Greenbelt library from May 1 to 26. An opening reception will take place on Saturday, May 6, from 1 to 3 p.m.

Conceived by photographer Barbara Tyroler, the show will feature photographs of some of Greenbelt's liveliest citizens, in settings that are especially meaningful to them. The "Faces" project also involved a series of profiles by Dorothy Sucher, some of which have already appeared in the News Review. Quotations from the profiles will form part of the exhibit.

Barbara Tyroler, who moved to Greenbelt in 1994, brings to the project the freshness of a newcomer's eye, as well as 20 years of experience as a photographer and photography teacher. She is the manager of the photography department of the University of Maryland Art Center. Dorothy Sucher, a writer and psychotherapist, has lived in Greenbelt for almost four decades and been active in a number of local organizations, most recently the Arts Advisory Committee, the Greenbelt museum, and the Greenbelt writers' Group. She has been a member of the News Review staff for 35 years and was Editor for two years.

The gallery is open Monday-Thursday 2-5 p.m., 5:30-9 p.m. and Thursday - Saturday 2-5 p.m.

Back from Iraq Fund Raiser/Dance

WELCOME HOME QUSSAY!

Saturday, April 29, 1995 8 - 11 p.m.

* Springhill Lake Recreation Center

6101 Cherrywood Lane

Tickets - \$10 Adults

\$ 2 Children 12 and under

Donations gratefully accepted. Please make checks payable to Qussay Nuaimy P.O. Box 845, Greenbelt, MD 20768.

*Donated by the City of Greenbelt Recreation Center.

OLD GREENBELT THEATRE

474-9744

Week of April 28
CIRCLE OF FRIENDS

Fri. & Sat. 5:00 (bargain show \$3.00) 7:25, 9:40
Sun. 5:00 (bargain show \$3.00) 7:25

Mon. Bargain Day
All Seats \$3.00 - 7:30
Tues., Wed., Thurs. - 7:30



Chris O'Donnell Minnie Driver
Circle of Friends
Sometimes dreams do come true.

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LIVE at the Greenbelt Arts Center

(123 Centerway, next to the Post Office)

APRIL	
29, 30	Dark
MAY	
5, 6, 12, 13, 19, 20 at 8 PM 7 at 2 PM	Play: Time of Your Life by William Saroyan, dir. Dan Young, prod. Laura Seng. Get a beer and eavesdrop on the action at Nick's Bar, Saloon and Entertainment Palace. \$8/\$6
30, 31 at 7 PM	Auditions: Caught in the Villains Web dir. A. C. Mendenhall, perf. July 21-29
JUNE	
2, 3	Play: As The Bard Turns Youth's annual theater production. dir. Ginny Zanner

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Representatives of organizations receiving awards from the St. Hugh's Council of the Knights of Columbus are (l. to r.) Dick Jubert, administrator, Centers for the Handicapped; Knight Mike Rousseau, Tootsie Roll Co-chairman; Bob Janus, Director of Prince Georges County Special Olympics; Joyce Henderson, Executive Director of Vocational Services, Inc., and Bill Halloran, President of Christian Assisted Living for Mentally Retarded Adults.

KC's Give Awards

The Knights of Columbus of St. Hugh's Council participated in a recent Prince Georges County Council Tootsie Roll Proceeds awards program. Monetary awards were presented to 23 organizations with programs in the county that benefit children and adults with mental retardation.

The St. Hugh's Council presented awards to four organizations: Centers for the Handicapped, Prince Georges County Special Olympics, Vocational Services Inc. (VSI), and Christian Assisted Living for Mentally Retarded Adults (CALMRA).

The Knights are especially thankful to the Greenbelt community for their generous donations, and to the Co-op and Safeway stores for use of their facilities.

Awareness Bike Ride

Recreational Equipment Inc. (REI), College Park, and the College Park Area Bicycle Coalition (CPABC) will co-host the seventh annual Maryland 500 Awareness Ride on April 29. This year's ride follows the newly completed Anacostia River trail system.

This year REI and CPABC offer a 22 mile loop and a 10 mile loop to make the ride family friendly as well as entertaining. The Anacostia River trail sys-

Wild Wednesdays

During the month of May, the Patuxent Environmental Science Center is wild about Wednesdays! They are offering an after-school environmental education adventure for children ages 8-12 at the North Tract Visitor Contact Station, Bald Eagle Drive, Laurel. Come discover the mysteries of forests, rivers and wetlands while taking part in field experiments and outdoor activities geared toward understanding the basic principles of ecology. The program begins Wed. May 3 and runs for five consecutive Wednesdays. Hours are 4 - 5 p.m. Kids should wear long pants and outdoor shoes suitable for potentially wet conditions.

Advanced registration is required and space is limited. For more information, or to register, call 410-674-3304.

tem is mostly off-road and on level terrain to more easily accommodate commuters and all levels of riders. The name of the ride comes from the number of participants that CPABC hopes to attract.

Interested riders should meet at REI, located at 9801 Rhode Island Ave. in College Park, at 9 a.m. that day to register. There is no registration fee. For further information and a map of the route, contact Bill Kelly of CPABC at 441-2740 or Customer Service at REI at 982-9681.

Joan Marie Dunn

Joan Marie Dunn, 64, of Edmonston Rd. died of lung cancer on April 17 at her home.

Mrs. Dunn was a 1948 graduate of Central High School and attended Strayer Business College. She was an instruction aide in special education in the Prince Georges County public schools for 20 years, retiring in 1993. She had worked for the Princess Garden and Margaret Brent Centers.

Mrs. Dunn was a member of Holy Redeemer Catholic Church in College Park. A writer for the Springhill Lake Social Whirl, she also performed volunteer work at Doctors Community Hospital in Lanham.

Survivors include her husband J. Joseph Dunn of Greenbelt; sons Michael of Derwood and Kevin of Crofton, a daughter, Sharon Boyd of Olney, a sister, Sharon Koontz of Mount Jackson, VA and eight grandchildren.

A Mass of Christian Burial was offered at Holy Redeemer Church on Thursday, April 20. Interment was at Gate of Heaven Cemetery.

Creative Recycling Honored by COG

Starbucks Coffee Company offers its customers reusable coffee mugs and a discount for purchasing and using mugs. The Alexandria Animal Hospital uses a unique bathing system for pets that reduces the amount of water and shampoo needed. It also recycles x-ray film and purchases kitty litter made from recycled newspapers. At its Greenbelt Park the National Park Service finds innovative ways to use recycled materials by purchasing picnic tables and automobile wheel stops made from recycled plastic. The park also incorporates recycling education into its Junior Ranger program.

These three organizations were among 23 honored for their outstanding achievements in recycling, reusing, and reducing solid waste by the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments. The awards, which promote and raise awareness of the importance of recycling by the private sector, was held at the National Press Club and co-sponsored by The Washington Post.

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A Greenbelt Gardener

by Rosie Rhubarb

The many shrubs and trees that are in bloom make this one of the most beautiful times of the year in the garden. Especially stunning are the white or pink flowered dogwood trees and the azalea shrubs that come in a rainbow of colors. To see them planted together in one yard is quite a sight.

Dogwood and wild azaleas also are blooming in our woods right now. I think the white dogwood flowers in a sea of spring green leaves is truly one of the best sights of spring in our woodlands. They are in bloom in the lake park along Crescent Road and north of Northway on the way to the ball fields.

Take time to smell the lilacs now that they are in bloom. Their cluster of flowers shaped like upside down cones are one of the best smelling flowers in the garden. No wonder they are an old time favorite.

Most of the spring flowering bulbs have finished blooming. Resist the temptation to cut off their leaves. The leaves are now producing food to supply next year's flowers. Wait till the leaves turn yellow to cut them off.

Soon the warm weather will come to stay and the summer flowers and vegetables can be planted. If you have not yet prepared the soil for planting it would be a good idea to do so soon. The idea is to add nutrients to the soil so that the plants will do well. Add manure, compost, or fertilizer into the soil by rototilling or working the nutrients in with a shovel, spade or mattock.

Our Neighbors

by

Linda Savaryn
474-5285

Our deepest sympathy to Irma Hobbs and family on the death of her father Justo Canchasto of Peru. Mr. Canchasto was visiting family members in the area when he became ill. Mrs. Hobbs is the wife of Greenbelt City Manager Dan Hobbs.

Condolences to J. Joseph Dunn and family on the death of his wife, Joan Marie.

Congratulations to ERHS student Aaron Roth, who was recently awarded a National Merit \$2,000 Scholarship.

"Maryland Greens," a series of paintings by Barbara Stevens, will be exhibited May 4-25 at the Montpelier Cultural Arts Center in Laurel where Stevens is a resident artist.

Helen and Harvey Nichols, Phil Brandis, Mafalda Fusco and Dorothy Marquis will participate in the Seasoned Players' production of "The Best of Twenty Years" at the Publick Playhouse in Cheverly on May 10-12 and 17.

Margaret Warner, Hillside Road, has a new grandchild, Sarah Tsuang Warner, born March 14. Her parents, Jason and Jane live in Boston. Sarah joins sister, Melissa, aged 3.

Johanna Morgan, daughter of Debbie and Greg Davis of Laurel Hill, made her debut on April 8. Tipping the scales at 9 lbs. 12 oz., she joins a sister, Rebecca, age 3. The newcomer's grandparents are James and Johanna Oliver of Beltsville and Jerrold and Leahdell Davis of Danbury, Conn.

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BARC

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accordingly. It is expected that city officials will attend that meeting to present additional information about the negative anticipated impact of this project.

According to the NCPD staff, the total project cost for the campus-type office complex will be \$51 million. Four low rise buildings are planned on the 115-acre site located on the south side of Sunnyside Ave. between the Agricultural Research Library on US 1 and the CSX railroad tracks. There would be parking for 878 automobiles.

The proposed complex would be used as "swing space" for the modernization of the USDA's South Building in the District during the time that a modernization project is undertaken for that building. It would then house personnel from leased space in buildings in the Washington area. All employees of the complex would be transferred from other USDA facilities.

Construction was expected to begin in June 1995 and should be completed by September 1996, according to the USDA's schedule.

Wildflower Walk

Join James Adams, horticulturist and assistant curator of Fern Valley, for a seasonal walk through the U.S. National Arboretum's wildflower and native plant collections. He will discuss some of the many spring wildflowers in their varied habitats. Starts at 10 a.m. from the Fern Valley parking lot on Saturday, April 29.

The U.S. National Arboretum is located at 3501 New York Avenue, NE, Washington, DC 20002. Telephone number for general information 202-245-2726.

Retreat Invitation

The Ladies of Charity of St. Hugh's invite all Senior Citizens, men and women, to spend a Day of Spiritual Refreshment at the Washington Retreat House, 4000 Harewood Road, N.E., Washington, on Wednesday, May 17 from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Transportation can be provided. For details call 474-7951 before May 10.

Gospel Choir

The University of Maryland Gospel Choir will present their Spring Concert on Saturday evening, May 6, at 5 p.m., in the Colony Ballroom of the Stamp Student Union. The program will include music by black composers, such as spirituals, anthems, and gospel music. Admission is free and the public is invited to attend. For information please call (301) 314-7758.

"I Can Cope" Cancer Classes

Tuesdays, May 2 - June 20, 6:30 - 8 p.m.: "I Can Cope," an educational series for people with cancer, their families and friends, will be offered at Washington Adventist Hospital in cooperation with the American Cancer Society, Montgomery County Chapter. The classes offer information on cancer treatment, treatment side effects, daily health concerns, community resources, and addresses patients' feelings and fears about their illness. The classes are free but pre-registration is requested. Call (301) 891-5465.

City Notes

Spring brings out the ball-players and the Parks Crew keeps busy maintaining the softball, baseball and soccer fields and lining them for games. Braden Field tennis courts were also patched and the patches painted to match the rest of the court surface.

The extensive repair and patching of Crescent Road in preparation for the widening of the road for bicycle lanes continued. Bicycle route signage was procured.

An ornamental fence was installed at Greenbelt Cemetery. A covered picnic table at 73 Court Ridge Road was repaired. Landscape irrigation piping was installed on Mandan Road. Spring animals in various playgrounds were repainted.

Work continues on improvements to the Police gun range and its new control tower.

Recycling Coordinator Tracy Vincent and Public Works Director Carl Hirsch attended meetings concerning the proposed assessment of fees by the county for landfill and solid waste disposal operations.

Spring Fair Features Art, Crafts, Auction

The Greenbelt Nursery School and Kindergarten will host a Spring Fair on May 13, from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m., at the school, which is located behind the Greenbelt Community Church.

All are welcome to the fair that will feature children's games and art projects, a school-wide yard sale, plants, books, crafts, food and drinks.

In addition, there will be a large silent auction which has donations from many contributors. For information, call 474-5570.



Fire Dept. President Jay Remenick presents plaque to Mayor Antoinette Bram, Councilman Tom White and Councilwoman Judith Davis.

Greenbelt VFD and LA Hold Awards Ceremony

by Kathy Reynolds

On Saturday, April 8, the Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Dept. and Rescue Squad, Inc., and Ladies Auxiliary held their Annual Anniversary Banquet and Awards Ceremony for the year of 1994.

This year the department celebrated its 40th anniversary, and the banquet was dedicated to James and Pauline Bordas for their combined 85 years of service.

During 1994, the squad responded to a total of 1,087 fires and 1,077 rescue calls. Chief John R. Wynkoop recognized the top ten members who have answered these calls. They are: Brian Rudy (962), Brian Tayman (888), John Browne (844), A.E. "Gene" Davis, Jr. (803), Micheal Burt (658), Matthew Palmerton (568), Ted Sacra (544), Chris Rawley (386), Jack "Randy" Krob (376), and Anthony Sluder (358).

Master of Ceremonies and Department President Jay A. Remenick

presented Mayor Antoinette Bram with a plaque thanking City Council for their assistance in obtaining a much-needed new fire truck.

The Ladies Auxillary President Nancy Remenick presented a life membership award to Faye Zoellner. To achieve this award, a member contributes at least 15 years of dedicated service.

A much surprised Nancy Remenick was presented with the "Fire Lady of the Year" award, an honor bestowed upon a member who has gone above and beyond the call of dedication to the auxiliary during the year.

President Nancy Remenick presented Service Year awards to: Diane Ronchi (5), Teresa Crisman and Kathy McAndrew (10), Faye Zoellner (15), Kathy Reynolds (20), Margaret McKenney (30), Pauline Bordas, Cleo Dutton, and Betty Wynkoop (40). Nancy Remenick was recognized for her 25 years of service.

Dinner was catered by Cozy's Restaurant of Thurmont, Md., and music provided by Kenny Stack of Nite Life II.

Greenbelters are fortunate to have a fire department and Ladies Auxiliary who, day by day, year after year, volunteer their time and dedicate their Lives to helping the Community.

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Greenbelt's Crime Statistics Show Increase over 1993's

by James Giese

Crimes increased in Greenbelt by eight percent in 1994 as compared to 1993, according to Greenbelt Police Department statistics included with the Proposed City Budget for Fiscal Year 1996. Arrests by the department increased by nine percent in the same period. For every three crimes committed, two arrests were made in 1994.

Three murders were committed in 1994, as compared to two in 1993, one each in 1992 and 1991 and none in 1990. In other crimes against persons, robberies increased by 12 percent and assaults by 15 percent. Only the number of reported rapes decreased, down 73 percent from 11 in 1993 to three in 1994.

Property crimes also reflected increased numbers for 1994. Breaking and enterings/burglaries were up by 41 percent to 211. Thefts were up six percent. Only auto thefts went down, from 220 to 213 for a three percent decline.

One out of every four persons arrested was a juvenile. Overall, 1,176 persons were arrested in 1994 as compared to a total of 1,740 class I offenses (major crimes) than had been committed.

The police department did less in the way of traffic enforcement in 1994. Traffic summons were down by 16 percent. However, the number of parking tickets zoomed by 41 percent as this function was taken over by the city's code enforcement operation. Motor vehicle accidents were down slightly (two percent) to 1,130.

In other activities, the number of calls for police service by citizens increased in 1994 by 10 percent. The

number of reports taken by police officers of crimes and incidents increased by 19 percent.

Budget Proposals

For the new fiscal year, City Manager Daniel Hobbs has recommended the same number of police officers, 47. However, one non-sworn position, is recommended to be cut, that of police cadet. Police cadets have been underage persons who are later to become officers and who receive their training at lower wages. The manager proposes maintaining 15 other non-sworn positions in the department, plus one full-time and one half-time animal warden. Hobbs also recommended that the council should review the potential savings and pros/cons of "civilianization" of administrative positions.

In another recommendation, Hobbs asked the council to assess the cost/benefit of the Narcotics Unit in light of other city public safety needs. This unit will cost \$225,000 in salaries and benefits for fiscal year 1996. A computer-aided dispatch system that was recommended by the Police Executive Research Forum is planned for implementation over a three year period if council approves the budget proposal.



Greenbelt Museum Flea Market

by Sandra Lange

The Friends of the Greenbelt Museum (FOGM) will hold their next flea market on Saturday, May 13, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Roosevelt Center Mall. Donations of jewelry, household items, toys and crafts are now being accepted and may be dropped off at 2-G Gardenway. For pick up of large items, call Lee Shields at 474-5321.

FOGM has three new interns who are assisting curator Ann Denkler. Marybeth Kavanagh is a graduate student from the University of Maryland; Rebecca Jubon and Ginger Crockett are George Washington University students. The three are working on accessing the artifacts. In addition, Marybeth will be developing activities for children and performing research on Lenore Thomas Straus who sculpted the Mother and Child statue at the Center and the friezes on the Community Center. Rebecca is doing research on the furniture and Ginger will be working on conservation care and accessioning of the textiles in the museum collection.

The family of Lorene Hanna recently donated three pieces of original Greenbelt furniture to the Museum. These include a couch and two matching chairs. The furniture belonged to Mrs. Hanna's mother, Greenbelt pioneer Berniece Nelson.

Recent visitors to the Museum included six Japanese students escorted by two Eleanor Roosevelt High School teachers, and 70 kindergarten children from local schools. The kindergartners toured the Museum in small groups. Afterwards, their teachers sent FOGM the children's drawings of their visit.

In celebration of Prince George County's Tricentennial, a "Passport to History" brochure is being planned featuring all of the County's museums including the Greenbelt Museum. Visitors to each of the museums will have their "passport" stamped, with prizes awarded to those visiting the most county museums.

The Greenbelt Museum is located at 10-B Crescent Road, and is open every Sunday, 1-5 p.m. Special tours may be arranged by calling 474-1936.

Come to Nick's Saloon For the Time of Your Life

by Sammy White

The Greenbelt Arts Center theater has been transformed into Nick's Place, a waterfront bar, for the May presentation of William Saroyan's Pulitzer prize winning play, "Time of Your Life." Nick's will be open May 5, 6, 12, 13, 19, and 20 at 8 p.m.; Sunday May 7 at 2 p.m. The play is directed by Dan Young who directed "Philadelphia, Here I Come" last year, produced by Laura Seng.

The audience will be seated at tables in the bar and be able to order beer, wine and soft drinks from the real bar set up in the theater. The action takes place all around the audience. It will be a step back in time to 1939 (the same year as the War of the Worlds production last fall) in the last vestiges of the Depression and just before the Great War. The audience is invited to dress in period clothing.

Nick's Place is on the waterfront in San Francisco during a longshoreman's strike and is filled with wonderful characters with interesting stories. There is Willie, the pinball wizard; and Dudley, who yearns for Elsie over the pay phone; and Tom, the big, happy-go-lucky truck driver; and McCarthy, the philosophizing longshoreman.

They are all there at Nick's Place along with many more characters and stories. Come see them all at Nick's Place in the Greenbelt Arts Center. Arrive early because in

Nick's Place, it's first-come, first-served for the limited seating at the tables, and no seating at the bar. Reservations are suggested. Call 441-8770.

Symphony Concert

The University of Maryland Department of Music will present the University of Maryland Symphony Orchestra in concert on Wednesday, May 3, at 8 p.m., in the Ulrich Recital Hall of the Tawes Fine Arts Building. The program of Romantic music includes Schumann's Symphony No. 2, as well as Rachmaninov's Rhapsody on a Theme of Paganini, featuring faculty pianist Anne Koscielny.

Tickets will go on sale at the box office, one hour prior to the performance. For additional information please call (301) 405-1150.

City of Greenbelt Police Department Five Year Crime and Other Statistics

Class I Offenses	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	% of Change
Homicide	0	1	1	2	3	+50%
Rape	15	14	3	11	3	-73%
Robbery	58	75	58	49	55	+12%
Assault	123	125	122	102	117	+15%
B&E/Burglary	207	198	139	150	211	+41%
Theft	816	861	960	1,075	1,138	+6%
Auto Theft	282	282	280	220	213	-3%
Total Offenses	1,501	1,563	1,563	1,609	1,740	+8%
Criminal Arrests						
Adults	917	986	906	789	864	+10%
Juveniles	216	227	220	269	292	+9%
Calls for Service	12,904	12,768	12,936	13,590	14,966	+10%
Police Reports	2,190	2,680	3,483	3,284	3,918	+19%
Motor Vehicle Accidents	289	655	1,145	1,151	1,130	-2%
Traffic Summonses	3,683	4,317	3,490	2,914	2,456	-16%
Parking Tickets	3,691	2,756	2,897	2,238	3,160	+41%

Archives Special Showing For World War II Vets

On Friday, May 5, the National Archives invited veterans of World War II and their families to a special preview of the major exhibition, "World War II: Personal Accounts - Pearl Harbor to V-J Day." The special preview is one way in which the National Archives is honoring World War II veterans. This will be a day-long event in the Circular Gallery of the National Archives, Constitution Avenue between 7th and 9th Streets, NW. The exhibition opens to the public on Saturday, May 6.

On May 5, veterans and their families may preview the exhibition from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. They may also take advantage of a number of special activities during the day, including a film and lecture program. In addition, the National Archives has planned a series of programs during the month of May to honor veterans of World War II. The exhibition and public programs are free and open to the public.

To gain admission to the preview, veterans or their families

may show a memento or souvenir of their World War II service or simply identify themselves to the volunteer hosts at the Constitution Avenue entrance. (Please note that the National Archives will not be collecting these materials from visitors.)

"Personal Accounts" will be on display in the circular gallery through November 12. It includes original letters, photographs and three-dimensional objects on loan from veterans and their families that describe firsthand the experience of World War II. "Personal Accounts" brings to life the drama of the war from the personal perspective of the Allied and Axis servicemen and women and from the perspective of their military leaders — Eisenhower, MacArthur, Patton, Montgomery, Rommel and others.

The exhibition was made possible by a generous grant from USAA. Additional funding for the Washington venue has been provided by PEPCO and Lockheed Martin.

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Drop in City Property Assessments Next Year

by James Giese

Greenbelt was one of only six municipalities in Prince Georges County to have a drop in assessed valuation this year, according to data published by Department of Assessments and Taxation. Greenbelt's decrease was the greatest of any of the 28 county municipalities, with its property values declining 2.92 percent. The unincorporated area of the county also had a drop in property assessments of .1 percent, while property values for the entire county in the past year increased only .02 percent.

City Finance Director Michael P. McLaughlin believes that the decline occurred in residential

properties, not commercial. He cannot be certain, however, until city staff can analyze the new assessment rolls. He notes that while assessments on some homes have dropped in the triennial assessment review completed last year for Greenbelt, others were increased.

Even though the City Manager has proposed a four-cent increase in the tax rates, the average taxpayer who has received an assessment reduction will be pleased to have his or her property tax payments go down next September. According to the Department of Assessments and Taxation, the county would have to levy taxes at the rate

of \$2.12 and the city at the rate of \$1.396 for a combined rate of \$3.516 to earn as much money as it got last year from property taxes (excluding new construction).

Instead, the county is proposing a tax rate in Greenbelt of \$2.053 and the city a rate of \$1.395 for a combined rate of \$3.44—6.8 cents per \$100 valuation less than the rates that would yield the same dollar amount as last year.

For existing property, Greenbelt's net assessable base as of July 1, 1995 will be \$537,025,445 as compared to \$553,392,577 as of July 1, 1994. To this amount, \$3,019,830 in new construction has been added, for a total estimated assessable base of \$540,-

Volunteer Store Help

Independence Court of Hyattsville, an assisted living community for the aging, needs help with its small convenience store. Volunteers, sixteen years or older, may choose from a schedule of volunteer hours.

To volunteer, or for more information, call the Prince Georges Voluntary Action Council at 699-2800.

035,275.

Because the proposed tax rate for the city is just under the constant yield tax rate determined by the state, the city is not required by state law to advertise that it is proposing a tax rate increase for the new fiscal year.

COUNCIL

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purchase would come from monies the city received from forfeited drug money from the Federal government for assistance on drug cases. Council also approved the purchase of software to facilitate registrations for recreation programs and the scheduling of recreation facilities. This will make registration easier for both participants and staff.

TRW Sign

Council gave its approval to a 3' by 10' illuminated TRW sign to be placed on the exterior of the Maryland Trade Center II office building. The Advisory Planning Board previously had recommended approval of the sign. TRW is opening a major office in the trade center and will employ over 200 people at this location. The building already has two large signs identifying NationsBank and the total amount of signage on the building may exceed county zoning standards. If so, a departure from sign and design standards will be needed. Council's approval is a recommendation for approval by the county.

Bike Lanes

Council suspended rules and adopted a resolution authorizing the negotiated contract for the construction of bike lanes on Crescent Road from Lastner Lane to Northway. After staff scaled back the project to reduce costs, the contract was awarded to Maryland Paving and Sealing for a total cost of \$75,345.

USDA Office Complex

City Solicitor, Robert Manzi, reported on a meeting of the National Capital Planning Commission (NCPC) where plans for Federal Capital Improvement Projects, including a proposed USDA Office Complex to be built within the Beltsville Agricultural Research Center (BARC) were reviewed. The BARC construction was the only project opposed by the NCPC according to Manzi.

County Legislation

Council members opposed proposed County Council legislation as adverse to municipalities in the county. One act would allow the county to charge annual fees for refuse service and recycling. These are new fees, over and above the monthly collection user fees. The legislation does this by amending the county's definition of an urban area to include incorporated cities and towns. Another measure would freeze the municipal tax differential rate. This would amount to tax duplication for municipalities.

Greenbelt City Council will send a letter to the county Council objecting both proposals.

Help Counsel Seniors

The Prince Georges County Department of Family Services needs volunteers to counsel seniors regarding Medicare and other health insurance issues. An interest in helping seniors sort through sometimes complex issues is essential, and daytime availability is important.

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A man with a handgun robbed a person about to enter the Nations Bank at the Beltway Plaza around 9:30 a.m. on Friday, April 14. He had approached the victim from behind, displayed a black semi-automatic handgun, demanded and received money, then ran across Greenbelt Rd. toward Berwyn Heights. He is described as black, about 21 years old, 6'2", 160 lbs., wearing a tan windbreaker jacket, blue jeans, black tennis shoes and a black skull cap.

A vehicle chase ensued when a man who was initially stopped for an equipment violation struck an officer with his vehicle. The incident began in the parking lot of Greenway Center, continued east onto Greenbelt Rd., and ended in the area of Hanover Pkwy. and Ora Glen Dr. During the chase, the man threw a quantity of suspected marijuana from his window. A 22-year-old nonresident, the man was arrested and charged with assault with intent to murder, assault and battery, possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia, with intent to distribute, driving with a suspended license, and fleeing and eluding a police officer. He appeared before a District Court Commissioner and was held on \$35,000 bond pending trial. The struck officer was taken to the hospital and released after being treated for minor injuries. The incident occurred around 10:30 p.m. on Friday, April 14.

A 24-year-old nonresident man was found to be transporting a loaded .45 caliber handgun in the 6000 block of Greenbelt Rd. around 9:15 a.m. on Wednesday, April 19. An officer had stopped his vehicle for an equipment violation and found that there was an open warrant on the driver for a traffic violation. The man was accordingly arrested, and then the officer found the loaded gun in the vehicle and charged the man with transporting a handgun in a vehicle. The man appeared before a District Court Commissioner, was held on a \$2,500 bond for the handgun violation, and then was released to the Prince Georges County Sheriff's Office for service of the open warrant.

A 44-year-old nonresident man was arrested for possession of drug paraphernalia around 1:15 a.m. on Sunday, April 16; and a 22-year-old nonresident man was arrested for possession around 3 p.m. on Tuesday, April 18. Both arrests were made after officers stopped the persons' vehicles for traffic violations and found hypodermic syringes and other drug paraphernalia. The men were released on citation pending trial.

Trespassing

A 22-year-old nonresident man was arrested and charged with trespassing on Friday, April 14, after he was seen by the Beltway Plaza Security personnel selling stereo speakers from a van in the Beltway Plaza parking lot. The police had already asked the occupants of the van to not sell stereos in the lot three weeks ago in response to the same complaints. The man was released on citation pending trial. A 24-year-old resident man was arrested and charged with disorderly intoxication around 7 p.m. on Wednesday, April 19, after officers responded to two complaints about the man: First the man was loudly using obscene language in the Co-op supermarket and was asked to leave; then he was yelling obscenities in front of 11 Parkway as well as possessing an open container of an alcoholic beverage. After his arrest he was released on citation pending trial.

A 53-year-old resident woman

created a disturbance in Safeway around 1:30 p.m. on Tuesday, April 18. She began by asking for some coupons that the store does not provide, then she ran yelling from one cashier stand to another with the same request. She tried to leave the store with merchandise under her coat that she hadn't paid for, and finally tried to strike with her fists the cashier who stopped her from leaving. She was arrested and charged with disorderly conduct. She was released on citation pending trial.

A 36-year-old resident man was arrested and charged with leaving children unattended after his four- and one-year-old children were found walking alone in an apartment hallway without supervision in the 6000 block of Springhill Dr. around 1:30 p.m. on Sunday, April 16. The father was released on citation pending trial.

Burglaries

A burglary was reported at a residence at 71 Court Ridge Rd. on Saturday, April 15. Entry seems to have been attained by opening an unsecured door. Food was stolen.

A burglary was reported at a residence in the 7600 block of Mandan Rd. on Saturday, April 15. Entry was gained by forcing open a sliding glass door. A VCR and a briefcase were stolen.

A burglary was reported at a residence in the 9200 block of Edmonston Rd. on Tuesday, April 18. The thieves entered by smashing in the front door. Home electronic, computer, and photographic equipment, as well as jewelry, were stolen.

Someone stole two pieces of jewelry from a jacket inside a locked locker at Holiday Spa around 7:45 p.m. on Tuesday, April 18. Wallets were stolen from the purse of a woman eating at Three Brothers Restaurant around 10:45 a.m. on Saturday, April 15 and from an unattended purse in an office suite in the 6400 block of Ivy Lane on Friday, April 14.

Several landscaping plants were dug up and stolen from a parking lot area of Beltway Plaza around 10:45 a.m. on Friday, April 14. A witness described the thief as male, white, 25 years old, 5'8", 170 lbs, blond hair, driving a white Ford Ranger, MD tags 591432.

Someone broke out the glass front door of the Curiosity Shoppe with a cinder block and set off the burglar alarm around 2:15 a.m. on Monday, April 17. Entry had not been gained. Someone tried to get into an office suite in the 7700 block of Greenbelt Rd. on Tuesday, April 18, by prying open the door to the office. A burglary of an office suite in the 7700 block of Greenbelt Rd. was reported on Tuesday, April 18. Currency had been stolen from a cash register.

Auto Thefts

An officer recovered a stolen tag on an unoccupied vehicle in the 6000 block of Greenbelt Rd. on Wednesday April 19. A grey, two-door, 1989 Nissan 240SX, MD tags CEV983, was reported stolen from the 5900 block of Cherrywood Terr. on Friday, April 14. A burgundy, four-door, 1993 Pontiac Grand Am, MD tags CES050, was reported stolen from the 6200 block of Springhill Dr. on Saturday, April 15.

A 1982 Pontiac Trans Am was reported stolen from the 5900 block of Cherrywood Terr. on Tuesday, April 18 and recovered the next day. A white 1989 Chevrolet Caprice, MD tags CBT703, was reported stolen from the 9100 block of Edmonston Rd. on Wednesday, April 19. A 1989 Oldsmobile Cutlass was reported stolen from the 6900 block of Hanover Pkwy. on Wednesday, April 19 and recovered the next morning.

Vandalisms to, thefts from, and attempted thefts of vehicles were reported in the following areas: the 9100 block of Edmonston Rd., the 6400 block of Golden Triangle Dr., the 6000 block of Greenbelt Rd., the 7800 block of Hanover Pkwy., the 6400 block of Ivy Lane, the 7200 block of Morrison Dr., 100 block of Northway, the 400 block of Ridge Rd., the 6200 block of Springhill Dr., and the 9100 block of Springhill Lane.

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Maryland State Comptroller Louis L. Goldstein says a change in federal law signed by President Clinton April 11, 1995, will reinstate a federal income tax deduction for 25% of the health insurance premium paid by self-employed individuals on behalf of themselves, their spouses and dependents.

"This is an adjustment to income on the federal income tax return which flows through to the Maryland return as well," Goldstein said.

Individuals who have already filed their federal and Maryland income tax returns must file amended returns to take advantage of the benefit. However, taxpayers should wait until after they have received their original refund before filing the amended Form 502X. Taxpayers not expecting a refund should wait at least six weeks after filing their original tax return before filing the amended return.

Taxpayers have three years from the due date of the original return to file amended forms, meaning that amendments to 1994 tax year forms must be filed by April 17, 1998.

The statewide toll-free number for free tax assistance is 1-800-MD TAXES. The statewide 24-hour number for refund inquiries is 1-800-218-8160.

Organizations Seek Funds

by Philip Kornreich

Representatives of Greenbelt recreational organizations met with city councilmembers at a budget work session on April 19, seeking a total of \$53,940 to help finance their organizations. It appears that all of these requests will be granted, pending a final discussion at the budget wrap-up session on May 10.

Golden Age Club

The Golden Age Club is asking for \$5,040 to benefit Greenbelt senior citizens with transportation for trips, educational programs and social events. This request is a \$240 decrease from last year.

Aquatic Boosters Club

The Aquatic Boosters Club is requesting \$6,500: \$5,500 for coaches' salaries, and \$1,000 for equipment to support the Greenbelt Swim Team. This represents no increase over last year.

Greenbelt Tennis Association

The Greenbelt Tennis Association requested no money, but the Public Works Department is planning on repairs this spring for a crack which has developed on Court #7.

Labor Day Festival Committee

The Greenbelt Labor Day Festival Committee has asked for in-kind services and staff support contributions from the city. Greenbelt's Park and Recreation Advisory Board recommended to the council on February 21, to charge the Festival a fee to recover some of city's costs connected with the festival, such as public works labor and police overtime.

Senior Softball

Greenbelt Senior Softball is asking for \$1,000 for supplies, \$850 less than it requested last year.

Little League

The Greenbelt Little League, which involves nearly 300 children from pre-school through junior high school is requesting \$6,600 for supplies, the

same as last year.

Babe Ruth Baseball

The Babe Ruth Association offers 16 to 18 year olds the opportunity to play baseball. The group is requesting \$1,300 for supplies and equipment, possibly a batting cage. The request is the same as last year.

Boys and Girls Club

The Boys and Girls Club involves over 400 children ranging from elementary to high school and over 300 parents. The group is requesting \$13,200, a decrease of \$800 from last year, for equipment and supplies for football, basketball, softball, soccer and cheerleading.

Double Dutch Club

Double Dutch is a game consisting of jumping two ropes at the same time. The group is requesting \$3,500 and in-kind support from the city, \$1,000 less than last year.

Arts Center

The Greenbelt Arts Center is asking for \$12,000, an increase of \$500 from last year. The money will pay for directors and musicians salaries, costumes and supplies, lighting equipment and computer software.

Concert Band

The Greenbelt Concert Band is requesting \$4,800, a \$200 increase from last year, to purchase two heavy-duty, five drawer, legal-sized filing cabinets for the storage and protection of music and other materials.

GHI Seeks Members For its Garden Tour

The 1995 Greenbelt Homes, Inc. House & Garden Tour will be held on Saturday, May 20. The Architecture & Environment Committee is currently seeking members who would like to be a part of the tour.

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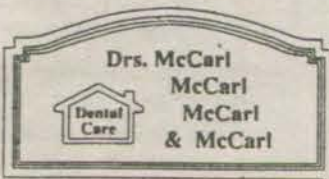
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The Nuaimy family above includes cub scout Paul, mother Lucy and recently returned Qussay.

Celebration Fundraiser Welcomes Home Qussay

by Millie O'Dea

On Saturday, April 29, 8 - 11 p.m. at the Springhill Lake Recreation Center a fundraiser will be held to celebrate the return of Qussay Nuaimy from Iraq and to help defray the overwhelming expenses that were incurred over the almost three years it has taken to bring him back to Greenbelt. Tickets may be obtained in advance by calling Lucy Nuaimy at 345-5325 or may be purchased at the door.

There will be games for children and face painting. Boy Scout Troop 298 of College Park will attend.

A 50-50 raffle will be part of the evening's events. A cake has been donated by the Severn Pentecostal Church and Mowatt United Methodist Church is furnishing tables and chairs. There will be refreshments for all.

Honored Guests

Detective sergeant Doug Sappington of the Greenbelt Police Department; James Schuler, Council of Children's Affairs, State Department; and Dr. Paul O'Neil, Psychologist, will speak and also be honored. Among invited guests will be Mitch Rogovin, Esq. and Bill Cowan, who wrote the letter to Iraq that was instrumental in getting Qussay home; Leslie Sorkhe from Spotsylvania, Va., who came to Lucy's support after she heard her story on TV, and the main force behind the fundraiser; Channel 5's Diana Winthrop, reporter who listened to Lucy from the beginning; Debbie Guinn and Shelly Johnson, who have supported Lucy through her entire ordeal; Police Chief James Craze, Coach D.C., Coach Bob Green and Coach Rick Baden; and Dana Ballester, Sentinel Greenbelt section staff writer.

Lucy shared the information that her telephone bills over the months for calls to Iraq, Jordan and London, legal fees, airline tickets, and psychological treatment to cope with the ordeal are what she is in need of paying.

During the almost three years, Lucy attended and spoke at worship

services at 18 churches, hoping through her experience and her faith to allow someone to be drawn closer to God. She asked the members of each congregation and everyone she met for prayers and she unhesitatingly exclaims, "The power of prayer is what brought him back." When asked if there was anything that

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Tennis Court Use

Tennis court users are reminded to check the posted rules for the city's tennis courts. Greenbelt residents have priority use of the courts.

Roller Skating

Roller skating is held on Tuesday afternoons, 3:30 - 5 p.m., on the Springhill Lake Recreation Center Parking Lot. This program is co-sponsored by M-NC-PPC. Skates will be provided free of charge. For additional information, dial 345-2770.

perhaps has not been said that she would like others to know, she replied: "If I have offended anyone over the past three years, I am sorry. I really didn't know how to behave as a mother with a child internationally abducted."

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Uphoff's works are based on

playing cards and a personal psychological journey. These pieces were created with a reed stick, feathers, bamboo brushes, and sumi ink. Subjects include self-portraits, "bits" of friends faces, and various symbols. Call (410) 740-8249 for further information.

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