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# Come On In!

Our office is located in the Greenbelt Community Center. Use the entrance facing the Municipal Building, go up the inside steps to the first door on the left (Room 100).

Thursday, October 10, 1996

## **Council Safari's Through Taxes Are Main Focus Of Citizens for Greenbelt Indian Creek Wetlands** by Konrad Herling

by Virginia Beauchamp "Watch out for the poison ivy," said Greenbelt City Councilmember Ed Putens:

'And be sure to check yourself over for ticks when you get home," said Mayor Antoinette Bram, referring to deer ticks, which can carry the lyme disease that has been cropping up more frequently in and around Greenbelt in the last couple of years,

We were on a council field trip with Kevin Kelly, president of Environmental Systems Analysts, Inc., and his assistant, biologist Drew Koslow, to check out the impact on nearby wetlands of the new construction on the Beltsville Agricultural Research Center (BARC) tract. The specific region we were moving into was a stretch of woodlands on the eastern side of Edmonston Rd. between Cherrywood and Sunnyside.

This land would be directly affected when Edmonston Rd. is change already approved by the State Highway Administration (SHA). Increasing the number of lanes on Edmonston is intended to support the heavier traffic anticipated when the new building

#### A certain type of sedge was another give-away that this was a seasonally saturated wetland.

opens.

Besides concern for the kinds of parasitic agents and organisms which may be present in soil on the tract just south of the woods (where research on animal parasites has been carried out for decades), councilmembers are distressed that this stretch of wetlands will be seriously disturbed. Present to check out the woods on-site were members of the city council (except for Tom White,

widened between those streets, a away in Australia), City Manager Michael McLaughlin and this reporter.

#### Wetlands-a Definition

The region we were looking at had already been marked off with flags by an earlier team representing SHA. We had briefly studied the layout on paper from a colored map charting the elevations and water saturation levels. Now we were going to step inside the woodland itself, which was overgrown with brush.

We had to hold branches aside or climb over fallen limbs just to penetrate the tract.

Koslow was carrying a longhandled tool meant to cut deeply into the earth for taking soil samples. Kelly showed us how, with a booklet of color samples, rather like those a painter might use, one could match up the soil sample to get a reading on whether or not the soil was hydrophytic; that is, whether it shows the presence of plants that See SAFARI, page 16

Should citizens be asked to approve tax or fee increases each time one is proposed? Citizens for Greenbelt's forum of October 17, at 8 p.m. at City Council Chambers, provides two contrasting viewpoints regarding these two questions which will appear on the election ballot next month.

The forum, co-sponsored by The Gray Panthers and the Peace & Justice Caucus, should engender a lively discussion between four distinguished panelists and Greenbelt's citizenry.

Representing a lifting or repeal of TRIM, (Question B on the ballot) which established a cap on the property tax rate, will be County Councilmember Steven Del Giudice and Walter Planet, former Bowie City Council member and current member of PRIDE, a newly formed organization consisting of members of the County police and fire departments as well as the Chamber of Commerce. Del Giudice and Planet also oppose Question I

Should TRIM be Repealed? which, if approved, would require voter referenda on fee and tax increases. Presenting the case from the opposing side will be County Councilmember Walter Maloney and Robert Callahan, former President of the County's Civic Federation and current leader of the "Truth-N-Taxation" organization.

> Moderating the forum will be Barry Schlesinger, a veteran participant in CFG. CFG President Jim Inzeo projects a "good turnout" for the forum, as the topic of taxes usually sparks a high level of interest. As usual, Inzeo urges citizens to take a little time to formulate their questions to the panelists and to refrain from making long commentaries. Schlesinger adds, "we want both sides' panelists to have a chance to be fully responsive to questions from the floor. Concise, thoughtful questions will help keep the discussion flowing."

> Refreshments will be served at the conclusion of the evening's forum.

# **Option One Requires Minimal Renovation for Roosevelt**

#### by James Giese

(This is the second in a series of articles concerning the revised plans proposed to the city council for renovating the Roosevelt Center Mall by consultant Sharon Bradley-Papp. In the first article, published on October 3, the objectives for the mall renovation project were set forth and a comparison made of the current mall design with the original design of 1937

Bradley-Papp states that the Bradford pear trees have outlived their useful life and are now highly subject to splitting and dropping branches, creating a hazard to pedestrians. They also obscure the mother and child statue, the focal point of the mall, and business signs.

Bradley-Papp has prepared ree alternative

rate and costly plan. At its October 7 meeting, the city council formally received the new, revised plans for the mall. The members plan to discuss the proposals at a future worksession. This article explains the proposals contained in the first design option plan. A future article will discuss the other two proposals.)

#### **Option 1**

In this minimal plan, Sharon Bradley-Papp proposes replacing only those elements in disrepair the pavement, trees and site furnishings. The imitation brick Bomanite pavement is lifting and cracked in many places. Necessary tree removals will further damage the pavement. Some areas of pavement around trees have already been removed after they were pushed up by free roots. Bradley-Papp recommends replacing the Bomanite paving with aggregate concrete similar to the paving along Centerway. Aggregate concrete is regular concrete in which gravel and stone is worked up to the surface to provide a textured look. She recommends six-foot square openings around the new trees, to prevent the roots from damaging the pavement. Because the pear trees are nearing the end of their life span and present a hazard to pedestrians, Bradley-Papp recommends that all of them be removed. She proposes replacing the trees with London plane trees, which have historic significance in Greenbelt and which will match the trees along Centerway. Because London planes are high-branching, they can provide shade without obscuring the buildings and

statue, according to Bradley-Papp.

#### Street Furnishings

The landscape architect also finds that the benches and trash receptacles, which are scarred and broken, do not fit with the historic character of the mall. Although nothing is said as to what the original trash receptacles looked like, the original benches had wooden seats and back boards set between large, thick cement arm blocks. The plans do not state what is to be done about the flower planters or small chess tables and chairs now placed in the mall. (At the Oc-

#### Design Option One-Replace only elements that are in disrepair

tober 5 council meeting, Bradley-Papp agreed with Councilmember Judith Davis' observation that the chess tables are being used fairly regularly and should be retained.)

In addition, Bradley-Papp proposes replacing the evergreen trees behind the statue with six star magnolia trees. These small, almost shrub-like trees are deciduous and noted for their early spring blooms of white, starshaped flowers. She further recommends that a chain link fence above a retaining wall at the rear of the upper mall be removed. (See plan, on page 7).



first requests only minimal work that the landscape architect believes essential to maintain the mall; the third is the most elabo-

## What Goes On

Wed., Oct. 16, 7:30 p.m. Park and Recreation Advisory Board, Aquatic and Fitness Center

7:30 p.m. Advisory Planning Board, Community Center

Thurs., Oct. 17, 7 p.m. Reception for new Recycling Coordinator, Jennifer Foley, Dining Hall, Greenbelt Community Center

7:30 p.m. Citizens for Greenbelt Meeting on TRIM, Municipal Building

7:30 p.m. GHI Board of Directors, Hamilton Place

This sketch represents how the mall might look after the existing trees have been replaced with others having higher branches and with new benches installed. The plan would allow pedestrians to obtain better views of the statue and the theater marguee.

-Pian rendering prepared by Bradley-Papp Landscape Architecture, Inc. for the City of Greenbelt

# Letters to the Editor

# Heartfelt Thanks

On Monday, October 7, the Greenbelt City Council appointed me City Manager of Greenbelt. I am most honored and grateful for this opportunity. Greenbelt has been a great community for me to work in and my family to grow up in. To be able to continue in this community in my profession is my good fortune.

Many friends, neighbors and acquaintances have offered me their support over the last few months. To all those people, you have my heartfelt thanks. Those expressions of support will be with me always. Thanks also to my family for their love and understanding.

Greenbelt is a leader in local government in Maryland and in providing a high quality of life for its residents. It is also a model of the council-manager form of government. I pledge to support this and future councils to continue and enhance these traditions.

Michael McLaughlin

#### Attend TRIM Forum

On October 17 the Citizens for Greenbelt will hold a forum at 8 p.m. in the city council chambers on whether TRIM should be repealed and whether future county tax increases should require approval by referendum. The Friends of the Greenbelt Library urges everyone to attend this forum in preparation for the upcoming election.

At its September meeting the Friends unanimously agreed to support the repeal of TRIM and to work with PRIDE, the main grass-roots organization devoted to this effort. Greenbelters have shown great support for our library over the past two years when the Friends of the Greenbelt Library provided the leadership for library patrons throughout Prince George's County to protest cuts in the library system's budget. Once again we ask for your support. In the past two years a \$2 million shortfall in the county library's budget each year has been met by the Governor with last-minute appropriations. These will not be forthcoming in 1997. If the \$2 million gap is not closed, library branch hours will be cut, public services will be reduced and some branches will be closed.

In the coming years, fami-

# Hits GHI Board's "Wavering" on Ivy

The Greenbelt Homes, Inc. (GHI) Board of Directors has ordered the staff to cease cleaning ivy from the outside walls of masonry homes and garages until the Board can review its policy. The current policy, which has been in effect since October 1995, provided staff assistance to homeowners for the removal of existing ivy, and prohibited ivy or any other creeping vine on the outside walls of homes and garages.

The ban on ivy was in response to concerns about the damage that ivy might cause. In the professional opinion of the staff engineer, ivy can damage mortar, windows, screens, gutters, downspouts, vinyl siding, and if left unchecked, can damage shingles and actually enter attics.

The Board by its action showed that it had no profound commitment to the maintenance of the homes and garages. If word of this gets to the mortgage companies, this ambivalent ivy policy may have serious consequences - possibly raising interest rates and making loans harder to get.

Relaxing the ban on ivy may have consequences in the current attempt to have GHI Greenbelt considered as an historic district. Ivy covered walls are fine for Harvard, but ivy covered walls are at variance with the clean-lined, spare, art deco look of original Greenbelt. The Board by wavering on the ivy issue has lost a measure of authority. Why bother to follow the rules in the Member's Handbook when you know that the Board is granting "feel good" exceptions to the rules to favored members and

rules to favored members and not using the rules for the "common good"?

#### Isaac Robinson

#### AMI To Meet

On Thursday, October 17, at 7 p.m., the Alliance for the Mentally III (AMI) of Prince George's County will meet at the Laurel Mental Health Clinic, 8101 Sandy Spring Road, Laurel.

For further information contact Donna at (301) 839-0253 or Jane at (301) 577-6026.

# Absentee Ballots

Registered voters may write or call the Board of Elections and request an application for an absentee ballot. A letter must contain name and address as it appears on the voter registration record, the reason for requesting an absentee ballot, and an address where the ballot should be sent.

A request for an absentee ballot to be mailed cannot be accepted by the election office later than seven days before the election, Oct. 29. Voted ballots must be received in the election office no later than 8 p.m. on election day, November 5.

Registered voters who are full time students attending a college outside their precinct but within the county or attending an out-of-the-county college, or a voter absent for any reason on election day, may vote by absentee ballot.

Requests should be mailed to the Board of Election Supervisors, 14701 Governor Oden Bowie Drive, Suite 101, Upper Marlboro. The office is open from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m.

After the Tuesday preceding an election and election day prior to the time the polls close, any person registered and otherwise qualified to vote may apply in person or through a duly authorized agent, for an emergency absentee ballot.

#### **Fire Prevention Month**

October is Fire Prevention Month and October 7 - 12 is National Fire Protection Week. The National Safety Council reports that fire kills 4,500 people each year and 50 times more are seriously injured annually. "Fire injuries can be some of the most painful and debilitating injuries one can suffer," remarked Gene Davis, GVFDRS Fire Chief. He asks all residents and business owners to "fireproof" their homes and businesses and further commented "Please have a safe and fire-free winter."

#### Toastmasters

Spring Speakers Toastmasters meets regularly the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month in Greenbelt Library at 7 p.m. The next meeting will be held Oct. 22. Meetings are open to the public.

For further information, call Cathy Yaworsky at 301-552-4109.

#### **Postal Service Visit**

Greenbelters can visit the Southern Maryland plant of the United States Post Office on Wednesday, October 23 at 6:30 p.m. Those participating should wear comfortable clothing and shoes (no high heels). For reservations, call Customer Advisory Council Member Angela Upshur at (301) 552-3312.

To find the facility, take 495 South to Exit 15 West (Route 214 Central Avenue exit). After coming off the exit, get into the far left lane. Make a left turn at the first traffic light (Hampton Park Drive) and continue to the end (Edgeworth Drive). Make a left turn onto Edgeworth Drive and a quick right into the employees' parking lot. Walk through the parking lot towards the red building.

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# Gray Panthers Cancel Meeting

The Gray Panthers will not hold their regular meeting in October. Along with Citizens for Greenbelt, Inc. and the Prince George's Peace and Justice Caucus, they will sponsor an informational meeting on TRIM and Question I (both of which affect how the county taxes its citizens) on October 17 at 8 p.m. in the Greenbelt City Council Chambers. There will be position statements followed by a question and answer period. Members of the Gray Panthers are urged to attend.



# COUNCIL MEETINGS AND WORK SESSIONS OCTOBER 1996

Meeting	Date	Time
Work Session with Fraternal Order of Police	10/22	8:00 p.m.
Work Session on Fire House Lease	10/22	9:30 p.m.
Meeting with MNCPPC	10/23	8:00 p.m.
Dog Park Dédication	10/27	4:00 p.m.
Regular Meeting	10/28	8:00 p.m.
Work Session with Arts Advisory Committee	10/29	8:00 p.m.

**PLEASE NOTE:** A WORK SESSION ON TRAFFIC CALMING HAD BEEN SCHEDULED FOR 10/25. DUE TO SCHEDULING CONFLICTS, THIS WORK SESSION HAS BEEN POSTPOMED.

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 am on the day of the meeting. Unless otherwise noted, all meetings will be held in the Council Room of the Municipal Building.

David E. Moran City Clerk



lies, students and businesses will require information more than ever; our neighborhood libraries, equipped with the latest technology, books and staff, will make it accessible to every resident and business in Prince George's County. But they will need adequate funding to do this. Overturning TRIM is the essential first step toward funding our public libraries to meet lifelong learning needs.

Barbara Simon, Chair Friends of the Greenbelt Library

# Volunteers Needed At Nursing Center

Golden Oaks Nursing Center in Laurel has a need for volunteers. Volunteers make a very big difference in the world of those confined to a nursing home. Call 301-699-2800. Friends of the Greenbelt Museum Presents a FREE Program 7:30 p.m. Friday, October 18, 1996 National Archives II, College Park

"The WPA in Prince George's County"

## and "The Fabric of Life During the Great Depression"

Speakers: Kenneth Heger, Historian and Archivist, National Archives Dr. Jo Paoletti, Dir. of Graduate Studies Dept. of American Studies, University of Maryland

The National Archives II is located at 8601 Adelphi Road , College Park. For information, call FOGM at (301) 507-6582 Asst. Editor: Barbara Likowski, 474-8483 News Editor: Elaine Skolnik, 982-9758

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Windsor Green Notes

Watch volunteers will partici-

pate in a special Halloween

mobile patrol on October 31. Volunteers, who can sign up for

a one or two hour tour on Hal-

loween night, should call Betty

at the Windsor Green on-site

office (301-345-4837) as soon

hold an open hearing on the

The Finance Committee will

as possible.

Windsor Green Mobile

**Community Events** 

#### **Free Movie**

It's movie time again! On the third Thursday of the month, October 17, at 1 p.m., the show will be "Grumpy Old Men" in the classroom/gallery room of the Community Center.

This is a funny movie about two mateless retirees whose lifelong feud escalates when an attractive widow moves into the neighborhood. The movie is free of charge.

On Friday, October 18, Patricia Vornberger of NASA will present a talk about Antited. The talk will be followed by a slide presentation and questions.

Explorations Unlimited is a speaker series held every Friday from 1 - 3 p.m. at the Community Center. This presentation will be held in the Senior Classroom. Everyone is welcome to attend and questions are always encouraged. Please call 397-2208 for more information.

# View the Stars

Come to Northway Fields for a close-up view of the wonders of the autumn night sky, including Comet Hall-Bopp, with The Greenbelt Astronomy Club Saturday, Oct. 12, 8 to 10 p.m. Club members will provide telescopes.

Center.

# **Exploring Antarctica**

arctica and its importance to NASA at Explorations Unlim-

# With Astronomers

The club will hold its monthly meeting Thursday, Oct. 24 at 7:30 p.m. in the Owens Science



Club) of Bowie. This event will take place in the Terrace Room of the Greenbriar Community Building at 8 p.m. on Friday, October 18. It is an opportunity for newlyregistered voters or members of the general public to meet Mr. Hoyer who is running for re-election on Tuesday, November 5.

**Rep. Hoyer Meets** 

The October meeting of the

Eleanor & Franklin Roosevelt

Local Democrats

Light refreshments will be served during a social hour. Anyone needing transportation should call Janet Parker at 301-474-6668.

The Eleanor & Franklin Democratic Club urges the public to attend an important informational meeting on TRIM, Thursday, October 17, at 8 p.m. in the Greenbelt City Council chambers.

#### **GHI Notes**

GHI Offices will be closed on Monday, October 14, in honor of Columbus Day. For emergency maintenance that day call 301-464-6011.

The next regular Board meeting will be October 19 at 7:30 p.m. in the board room.

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Come in this weekend and meet your friends for a coffee, espresso drink, or a pot of tea. Splurge with one of our delicious pastries or homemade muffins, and enjoy free live music

Fri., Oct. 11: Jeff Felsher Sat., Oct. 12: Melinda Root & Fanny Z

Fri., Oct. 18: Dave Goodrich Sat., Oct. 19: Stan Brown

Also stop by to see paintings and drawings by Bob Snyder Open Fri-Sat 6PM-11PM, 15 Crescent Rd., Greenbelt, MD 474-5642

# **Recycling Reception**

The public is invited to an informal reception for the city's new Recycling Coordinator, Jennifer Foley, on Thursday, October 17, at 7 p.m., in the Dining Hall of the Greenbelt Community Center.

The event will also include a short talk by Joan Rohlfs. Recyling Coordinator for COG, entitled "Closing the Circle," on COG's campaign to promote recycling in the Washington metropolitan area. The event is sponsored by the Greenbelt Recycling Advisory Committee.

# **Donation Drop-off** Is this Saturday.

The October donation drop-off, co-sponsored by the American Rescue Workers and the City of Greenbelt, will be held this Saturday, October 12 behind the Municipal building from 9 a.m. until noon. Bring clean, usable clothing, curtains, towels, bedding sheets, small household items, toys, puzzles and books. Unwanted items would very happily be reused by someone else. Remember - donation drop-off is the second Saturday of every month. To arrange for a pickup of larger items including furniture, mattresses, and automobiles, call the American Rescue Workers directly at 301-336-6200.

For more information, call Jennifer Foley, Greenbelt Recycling Coordinator at 301-474-8308.

## Boxwood Civic Assn.

The Boxwood Civic Association will hold a general meeting on Tuesday, October 15, at 7:30 p.m. The meeting will be held in the conference room at the police station on Ridge Road. On the agenda will be the nomination and election of officers, a discussion about re-instituting the Neighborhood Crime Watch, and a report on the Boxwood Village Zoo Dip booth at the Labor Day

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Also on the agenda will be discussion of future social events, homeowners directory, and the refurbishing of the entrance to Boxwood. For further informa-

#### Saturday, October 12 is absolutely the last chance for resi-

**Bulb Sale Deadline** 

dents of GHI (Greenbelt Homes Inc.) to buy landscape size bulbs at near wholesale prices. Any bulbs not sold will be donated to our cooperative, GHI, for planting in the headquarters gardens on Hamilton Place.

The sale is from 9 a.m. until noon. Grass seed and straw will also be available. A few tulips and several hundred daffodil bulbs have not been sold. These include four varieties, one of which is fragrant. They were selected by the city horticulturist, Bill Phelan, based on color and the ability to hang on and spread, year after year. They are claimed to be squirrel-proof.

# Fall Festival at Park

Greenbelt Park will hold the 1996 annual Fall Festival on Saturday, October 19, from noon to 4 p.m. Talk to the United States Park Police and see their displays of horses. motorcycles and cars. There will be a helicopter landing. Activities and games will be led by the United States Park Police Explorer post including pumpkin painting and hay rides.

Meet at the Sweetgum picnic area. For more information, call 301=344-3944 or 301-344-3948.

#### Golden Age Club by Bernie McGee

Regular reporter, Dolores Capotosto, is temporarily "under the weather" so yours truly will try to fill her shoes.

The Wednesday, October 16, 11 a.m. meeting will be a celebration for all those members having October birthdays. Finger foods are always welcomed.

Trips coming up soon are "The Islands of New York Harbor" scheduled for Monday and Tuesday, October 21 and 22, and "Passport Into History, Part III" set for Tuesday, October 29. Check with a member of the Travel Committee to see if there are still openings available.

Good news for Winchester, VA trippers who may not have heard: Dolores' wallet was recovered and Nick's ring found.

Come out to the meetings and join in the fun.



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#### proposed 1997 budget, Thursday, October 17, 7 p.m., at the Windsor Green Community Center. Questions will be answered and comments heard by the committee during the open

hearing. The October Board of Directors meeting will be held on Thursday, October 17, at 7:30 p.m. All residents are welcome to attend.

The Recreation Committee is preparing for Windsor Green's annual children's Halloween party. Bob Brown Puppets will entertain the children with their popular production of "Clowning Around" on Saturday, October 26, 11 a.m., at the Windsor Green Community Center.

Windsor Green residents will be participating in a Canned Food Drive. Residents are invited to bring their canned food donations to the Windsor Green Community Center, no later than noon, Saturday, November 9, and place them in the special marked boxes. The Greenbelt Lions Club will distribute all items, to be given to needy families in the Greenbelt area.

# **Reiki Holds Healing Clinic**

A Reiki Clinic will be held in the Multipurpose Room at the Greenbelt Community Center on Sunday, October 13, 2 - 5 p.m. The clinic will be conducted on a "walk-in" basis, so there may be some waiting. For further information, call Tom Bartlett at 301-345-0410.

# **GAC Holds Auditions** For Words Alive

The Greenbelt Arts Center is holding open auditions for Words Alive a new series of dramatic readings. Auditions are by appointment only. Please call Dennis at 301-220-0552, or 301-441-8770 for further information.

The next performance is the Halloween Hair Raiser, featuring the works of Edgar Allen Poe and other scary stuff on Monday, October 28, at 8 p.m. Come in costume! Perfor-

# New



mances in the series are free.

**OLD GREENBELT** THEATRE 474-9744 WEEK OF OCTOBER 11 TIN CUP (R) FRI: 7:20; 9:50 SAT: (4:50 ALL SEATS \$3.00) 7:20; 9:50 SUN: (4:50 ALL SEATS \$3.00) 7:20 MON: (ALL SEATS \$3.00) 7:20 TUES, WED, THUR: 7:30

Eleanor and Franklin Roosevell Democratic Club

invites voters to meet Congressman **Steny Hoyer Congressman from 5th Congressional District** Friday, Oct. 18th, 8:00 p.m. Terrace Room, Greenbriar Comm. Bldg.

Light Refreshments\*\*\*\*Social Hour Rides/Information 474-6668

Exec. Bd meets Sunday. Nov. 3rd, 7:30 p.m. home of Pat Unger 474-1052

**Civil War Talk** 

# OBITUARIES

#### Evelyn F. Babbitt

Evelyn F. Babbitt, 87, of 1 Eastway, died on Tuesday, October 1.

Mrs. Babbitt was a telephone operator at Air Products in Riverdale until her retirement. A former resident of Lanham, she moved to Greenbelt three years ago to live with her son. American Legion members will remember her as a bingo fan who was a regular at Legion bingo games.

She is survived by a son Earl A. Babbitt of Greenbelt, a sister Blanche Derickson of Wyoming, Delaware; four grandchildren, one great-granddaughter, and devoted friend, Kathy Reynolds. She was preceded in death by her husband Earl Schuyler Babbitt and two daughters, Shirley Ann Babbitt, in infancy and Eloise Wrenn, a long time Greenbelt resident.

A funeral service was held at Borgwardt Funeral Home in Beltsville on Friday, October 4. Interment was in the Maryland National Memorial Park, Laurel.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society, Prince George's County Unit 210, P.O. Box 992, College Park, MD 20741.

# Writers Group Holds Open Reading

The Greenbelt Writers Group will hold its next monthly open reading on Friday, October 18, in the Multipurpose Room of the Community Center. Signup to read will begin at 7:15 p.m., and the reading will begin at 7:30 p.m. Poetry, fiction, personal essays, nature writing, humor, and other creative genres are welcome. Readers of poetry will be limited to five minutes; readers of prose will be limited to ten minutes.

The reading will be followed by refreshments and conversation, after which the Writers Group will hold an open discussion on any topics concerning writing which participants wish to address. All are invited to participate. For more information, call Robert at (301) 474-2809 or Marsha at (301) 982-0365.

# At The Library

The adult book discussion group will meet to discuss Carson McCuller's The Heart is a Lonely

# Methodists Celebrate Annual Homecoming

by Betty Kolbe Moore The annual Homecoming anni- 19:

versary will be held at Mowatt Memorial United Methodist Church, 40 Ridge Road, on Sunday, October 13 at 11 a.m.

Festivities will include a special service of worship conducted by Rev. Whit Hutchison, the new pastor, followed by a luncheon program with guest speaker Rev. Walter Smith, pastor from 1956 -1959. Afterward, music and memories will be shared. Displays of church history with earlier photographs will be shown. Mowatt UMC is a congregation with deep roots in biblical teaching and a long history of activism in the community. The Homecoming celebrates 50 years of ministry and service in Greenbelt.

The organizational meeting was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Featherby on August 2, 1945. The Rev. Elmer Reno presided over the first worship service on September 9, 1945, at Center School. On December 8, 1946, a chapel was purchased from the University of Maryland and located at Woodland Way and Forestway, with the generous donations of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Mowatt in memory of their son, Lieutenant Frank G. Mowatt, who was killed in World War II.

In April 1952, services were transferred to North End School while money was raised for a new building. The Mowatts donated money for the land at 40 Ridge Road. The new building was consecrated on October 9,

# Family Bike Ride To Airport Museum

Adults and children (10 years and older) are invited to join The Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission's Park Rangers for a five mile bicycle tour along the scenic bike trail from Lake Artemesia to the College Park Airport Museum. The ride will take place on Saturday, October 19, from 10 a.m. to noon. The group will meet at the Lake Artemesia parking lot in Berwyn Heights and also visit the College Park Airport Museum.

Participants are asked to bring their own bikes; helmets, snacks and plenty of fluids. The activity is free, and pre-registration is required. For information and registration, call 301-627-7755; TTY, 301-699-2544.

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Groundbreaking for an additional sanctuary was on August 1, 1980. Mowatt is a friendly neighborhood church with a strong sense of extended family and welcome for all people who would join us in work for love and community well-being. The church heartily invites friends in the Greenbelt community to join them for the 50th Anniversary Homecoming.

For more information/RSVP, call Betty Kolbe Moore at 301-577-4673.

# Free Band Concert At UM Stamp Union

The University of Maryland School of Music is pleased to present the Symphonic Wind Ensemble in concert on Thursday, October 17, at 8 p.m., in the Grand Ballroom of the Stamp Student Union, at the College Park Campus. Admission is free and the public is invited to attend. For information, please call the Band office at 301-405-5542.

# Oktoberfest

Behnke Nurseries, 11300 Baltimore Avenue (Rte. 1), in Beltsville, will hold its 10th annual Oktoberfest Sunday, October 13, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. There will be traditional Bavarian folkdance and music by Alt Washingtonian Dancers, real German fare including German bratwurst, sauerkraut, and more. Children's activities include pumpkin painting, moon bounce, scarecrow building, palm reader, planting activities, gourd critters, haunted hoops, junior clowns, and lots of games and prizes for every participant. There will also be displays of fall decorating ideas including wreaths, centerpieces, cornucopias and mum and pansy baskets.



assisted listening devices

# National Herb Garden Discovery Kits

Enjoy the sunshine and learn about the many uses of herbs. National Herb Garden Discovery Kits explore herbs used for cooking fragrance, and dying fabrics; herbs with industrial uses; and herbs used by Native Americans. One of the five Discovery Kits will be featured at these free programs on Saturday, October 12, and Sunday, October 13 from 1 -3 p.m.

The U.S. National Arboretum is located in Northeast Washington. The main visitor's entrance is located on New York Avenue, Northeast. Another entrance is located at the end of R Street, Northeast, off of Bladensburg Road. For general information, call 202-245-2726.

# Battles and Medieval Fare Are Offered

Markland Medieval Mercenary Militia and Marietta Mansion present the Annual Hastings Medieval Faire on Saturday and Sunday, October 12 and 13, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. on the grounds of historical Marietta Mansion, 5626 Bell Station Road, Glenn Dale, off of Rte. 193 just north of Rte. 450/Annapolis Road. Featured are reenactments of the battles of Stamford Bridge and Hastings, living history camps, and other period activities. There is a fee. For more information, call (301) 464-5291 or TTY (301) 779-5321.



Two of America's leading Civil War historians, Robert K. Krick (Chief Historian, Fredericksburg National Military Park) and Gary Gallagher (Chairman of the History Dept., Pennsylvania State University), will be at Clio's History Bookshop, at 103 Loudoun Street SW, in the historic district of Leesburg, Virginia, on Sunday afternoon, October 13. between 1 - 3 p.m., for a talk and book signing. The subject of the talk will be Lee and Jackson at the battle of Chancellorsville.

Kričk and Gallagher will answer questions and sign copies of their latest books, "Lee the Soldier," "Chancellorsville: The Battle & Its Aftermath," and "Conquering the Valley: Stonewall Jackson at Port Republic." Refreshments will be served and there is free parking in the town garage one block east of the store.

For directions and further information, those wishing to attend should call Clio's at 1-703-777-1815. The store is open Wednesday - Saturday, 11 - 6, Sunday, 12 - 5.



#### SELF REALIZATION FELLOWSHIP

On October 25th at 8:00 p.m. a free public lecture will be presented on "The Teachings of Paramahansa Yogananda" by Brother Anandamoy (direct disciple of Paramahansa Yogananda) of the Self Realization Fellowship at the Holiday Inn-Capitol (550 C Street, SW).

On October 27th at 3:00 p.m. a free 90 minute documentary video entitled "Paramahansa Yogananda: Glimpses of Life Divine" will be shown at the Holiday Inn-Capitol. This biographical presentation features archival stills, restored film footage, and first-hand accounts of those who knew him, including George Harrison and Ravi Shankar. Please call DC-SRF Center devotees at 703-528-4635, 301-345-4172, or 800-329-8416 for more information



Hunter on Wednesday, October 16 at 2 p.m.

P.J. Storytime for ages 4 to 6 on Wednesday, October 16 at 7 p.m.

Drop-In Storytime for ages 3-5 on Thursday October 17, at 10:15 a.m.

# Baha'i Faith

"Strive thou with heart and soul; see to it that the children are raised up to embody the highest perfection of humankind, to such a degree that every one of them will be trained in the use of the mind, in acquiring knowledge, in humility, and lowliness, in dignity, in ardor and love." -Baha'i Sacred Writings Greenbelt Baha'i Community P.O. Box 245 Greenbelt, MD 20770

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Thursday, October 10, 1996



Friday, October 18, 8 p.m. and runs through Saturday evening, November 9. It includes two Sunday matinee performances, October 27 and November 3 at 2 p.m

Vidal's "Best Man", originally written in 1960, centers on two candidates, former Governor William Russell and Senator Joe Cantwell, each vying for his party's presidential nomination.

Vidal updates the play periodically, with references to Jesse Jackson, Ross Perot, Pat Buchanan and even Lamar Alexander, and these make the play that much more pertinent. However, it is Vidal's portrayal of the two major candidates and their respective "chess" moves against the other which create the tension. Director Bob Thompson and Assistant Director Mary Seng, along with stage and tech crew, have worked "both ends of the candle" to make sure the audience will have a greater sense of the battles that go on behind the scenes before the speeches are

Playing Governor Russell, whose private life has been the subject of tabloids and his opponents, is Leonard Cohen, a long time resident of Greenbelt and of the Arts Center's theater program.

Russell's opponent is the crafty, sometimes underhanded Senator Cantwell, played by Mak Nichols, who played "Banjo" in the Arts Center's "The Man Who Came to Dinner." As different as the two candidates are from each other, their respective spouses also reveal two contrasting life styles. Kate Blackburn as Alice Russell, is a well-bred, analytical and intelligent woman, yet somewhat diffident. Sandy Hamlin as Mabel Cantwell, portrays her as a southern belle of yesteryear, whose zeal for power is only surpassed by her perpetual search for "one more

The candidates are well supported by ex-President Hofstadter, played by Phil

Catholic Community of Greenbelt MASS Municipal Building Sundays 10 A.M.

Brandis, who may remind you Christian Coalition. Can she of a number of politicians.

Brandis, who has performed in a variety of roles with the Arts Center, reminds me of Lyndon Johnson, a character who sees himself as the large, dominating force, whose influence could make or break political contenders.

The timing couldn't be more perfect as we turn our attention to the upcoming election in November, as this play mirrors what each of us will experience: making choices and how we make them.

Who will he endorse? Senator Carlin (Norma Ozur, who performed in "The Cemetery Club" and "Don Juan in Hell") offers the following advice: "Lay off things like social security and the national debt .... " Have you heard political pundits make this observation as to how certain political candidates avoid discussing the real issues? And then there's Ms. Gamadge, the national committee woman who's putting the 'big show," the convention together. Played by Cheryl Collins, featured in the role of Sojourner Truth in the world premiere of "Sisters of Free-dom," her challenge is to soothe frayed nerves and make pleasantries with groups so diverse as the Teamsters and the

Sunday School

make friends out of the leading candidates so they don't tear the party apart at the convention?

Providing strategic advice for the candidates are campaign managers Dick Jensen (Addison Switzer) and Donna Blades (Dawn Cooper).

Roger Blankenship serves as understudy for Switzer. What kind of political "damage" will they have to control? What bumps on the road to the White House will take Russell and Cantwell off course?

Sheldon Marcus (Patrick Ready) and Dr. Artinian (Jack Wibbe) make the course for both candidates even more treacherous. And reporters (Lauren Zambreny, and Sarah Denning) badger the respective candidates, spouses and campaign managers, doing their best to hype any controversy while overlooking more substantive issues.

Assisting Thompson and Seng are: Marie Tousignant (producer), Mary Lou Fisher (stage manager), John Marketon (lighting designer and technician), Jeannette Connors and Megan Thomas (lighting & sound) and Elise Larsen (props) who make this production work in a fluid, cohesive manner. And helping to create a pleasant, warm atmosphere, as you enter the lobby will be Gene Duarte. To make reservations, call 301-441-8770.



9:30 a.m.



drink.'



- photo by Mary Moien

# Discover the World Wide Web at Deli

by Doug Love

GREENBELT.COM is having another Cyber Cafe to invite people to discover the Internet. This one starts at 2 p.m. on Columbus Day Monday, and goes until we get tired of it. It will take place at Joe's Deli in the Center. Everyone is welcome to stop by and cruise the Web. Try it out yourself, but don't get spaghetti sauce on the keyboard!

Since health rules won't allow us to bring a mouse into a restaurant, we'll use the trackball. We will be keeping track of how many countries we visit and some of the amazing sites we find. Perhaps we'll contact a computerized New York Deli. Come and find out!

For further information, call Doug Love at 301-474-8663.

**Keith Gary Publishes Book on Civil War** 

Greenbelter Keith O. Gary with his newly-published Civil War

#### by Mary Moien

book.

Greenbelt resident Keith O. Gary has just published an historical work on Maryland aspects of the Civil War. Answering the Call: The Organization and Recruiting of the Potomac Home Brigade, Maryland Volunteers, Summer and Fall, 1861 provides a unique look at the people throughout Maryland who answered the government's call for volunteers. The book, which is based on Gary's personal collection of original Civil War letters and documents, includes copies of actual correspondence during this period, as well as a series of biographical sketches of the letter writers. This correspondence has never been published before.

The letters and their settings are enhanced by Gary through the addition of collateral letters, documents, diary entries, and contemporary newspaper articles found in various archives and collections. Many of these additional documents are also published in this book for the first time.

Gary, who lives on Ridge Road, is an historian with degrees from Frostburg State University and the University of

# **Orchid Show & Sale**

There will be thousands of orchids on display and for sale when the National Capital Orchid Society presents its 49th Maryland at College Park. He formerly was a Reading Re-

Annual Orchid Show at the National Arboretum, 24th and R Streets, NE, Washington, D.C., from Saturday, October 12 through Monday, October 14 (Columbus Day weekend), in cooperation with the Friends of the National Arboretum. The show and sale are open to the public from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. each day. Admission is free.

# Head Start Program **Needs Volunteers**

The Prince George's County Public Schools, Head Start Division, is in need of volunteers to work with four-year-old children from low income families. Needed are tutors, healthcare assistants, clerical help and other assistance. Call 301-699-2800.





Where there is welcome for the stranger and community with others who seek love and justice.



# Tree Tour Sponsored By Nature Center

Watkin's Nature Center, located in Watkin's Regional Park, 301 Watkins Park Drive, Upper Marlboro, will sponsor a "Colors of Autumn" tree tour on Wednesday, October 16, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. This day trip will offer participants a unique opportunity to experience the beauty of fall foliage, while taking a journey through the history of Prince George's County. The trip will include a tour of county and state champion trees and a tour of two Prince George's County sites: Belair Mansion in Bowie and Montpelier Mansion in Laurel.

There is a fee which includes transportation and mansion entrance fees. Participants should also bring funds for lunch at a local restaurant.

For further information, call 301-249-6202; TTY 301-699-2544.

Dr. Stoetzel did her graduate research in the Department of Entomology, University of Maryland, 1968-72. She and her husband, Faran, moved to



Dr. Manya B. Stoetzel

Maryland in 1964 when he was transferred by the Census Bureau from Indiana. He retired from the Bureau in 1989.

The Stoetzels have two sons. The oldest, Frank, graduated as a history major from the University of Maryland, Calvert County, and Kevin graduated from the University of Maryland, Salisbury, and then received his MBA from Notre Dame. This year, Kevin married Felicia Thomas, who grew up in Greenbelt.

Planting in Existing Beds Bulbs can also be planted in

Locations for Bulb Planting All bulbs like good soil drainage, so don't locate them in an area where water stands after a rain. Tulips are best planted in an area where they will receive more than 6 hours of full sun daily, daffodils are best with at least 3 hours of sun but will tolerate less, English bluebells are your best choice if you have an area that is completely shaded.

Bill Phelan, City Horticulturist

**Planting and Growing Bulbs** 

#### Soil Preparation for New Beds

Select an area with good drainage that receives the proper amount of sunlight for the bulbs you will be planting. Plant the bulbs as soon as possible. They will begin growing roots almost immediately. It is important that they have good root growth before the soil freezes.

If the area to be planted is in a new bed covered with grass, the first step is to get rid of the grass. This can be done by spraying the lawn with an herbicide such as Roundup and waiting a week before cultivating the soil. Another, quicker method is to slice the sod off just below the roots and remove it. Don't get lazy and simply spade up untreated sod. You will be fighting grass forever.

After the grass has been eliminated, spade the entire area to 9-12 inches deep with a shovel and turn over the soil. If the soil is clay, it is a good idea to spread a couple inches of sand on top and rototil or hand blend this in with the existing soil. After that, spread 2 to 3 inches of leaf compost (available at the end of Northway) and Plantone fertilizer (5 lbs per 100 sq ft) over the soil and rototil again to blend with the existing soil.

If you take the time to prepare the soil properly, you are guaranteed good results. It is better to prepare a small area properly and add a little more each year than to get in a rush and plant without proper prepa-

Spread the bulbs out over the soil surface. Generally, the taller bulbs should be to the rear of the shorter bulbs. Plant them in clusters of 5, 7, 9, etc. How far apart you space them depends on how fine a show you want the first year. For the best show, plant large bulbs 6 inches apart and small bulbs like crocus 1-2 inches apart. If you are willing to wait a few for the the large bulbs 8-12 inches apart and the small bulbs about 4 inches apart. Tulips only last 3-4 years at most, and I believe they are best planted about 6 inches apart. Groups of an odd number look best. Resist the temptation to plant them in straight lines unless your garden is very formal. In well-prepared soil, bulbs are planted easily with a hand trowel. A general rule of thumb is to cover bulbs with soil 3 times their height. Thus if the bulb was 2 inches tall, cover it with 6 inches of soil. Smaller bulbs would be planted more shallowly. After planting, cover the bed with a 1-2 inch layer of mulch. This will control weeds and prevent rapid temperature changes that could heave bulbs out of the soil or injure their roots.

existing beds with ground covers or perennial flowers that die to the ground in the winter. Plant shorter bulbs like the Tete-a-Tete daffodil in very low growing plants and the larger daffodils around taller perennials. As the foliage of the perennial grows in the spring, it well help hide the yellowing daffodil foliage. Some good companions for the larger daffodils are daylilies, asters, black-eyed Susans, Siberian iris, peonies, etc. For smaller bulbs such as the Tete-a-Tete daffodil, plant Ceratostigma, moss phlox, Dianthus and other low growing ground covers. The English Bluebells work well in the shade in ground covers like Vinca minor or Pachysandra. It is best when planting in existing beds to add a tablespoon or so of an organic fertilizer to the hole when you plant. Rules for depth of planting are the same as in a new bed. I generally plant bulbs spaced 8-12 inches apart with existing plants so they will take longer to overcrowd.

The smaller bulbs like Crocus thomasianus and Tete-a-Tete daffodils can be planted in lawns and they will spread over the years. Be sure to fertilize with an organic fertilizer when you plant and thereafter fertilize your lawn as recommended in the fall. It is best to hold off mowing your lawn in the spring until mid-May or June and cut the lawn at the highest setting of your lawn mower. Cutting a lawn at 3-4 inches tall is also best for the grass since it discourages weed germination.

#### After Care

Regardless of where you plant the bulbs, be sure to fertilize each fall. This is very important if you want bloom for many years. Use either a slow release or organic fertilizer with a formula ranging from 5-10-10 to 5-10-20 and apply 5 to 10 lbs per 100 sq ft. I have seen beds of daffodils that have not been divided for 50 years that are still blooming strong because they were fertilized properly each fall.

In the spring be sure to let the foliage of bulbs yellow naturally before removing. Cutting back the foliage while still green or braiding, rubber banding, or pinning down the foliage is not a good idea since this inhibits the plant's ability to make food for next year's Tormation. Failure to let the foliage die naturally can result in no bloom the following year.



The Angels Trumpet, disappointed there was but a single fresh bloom when our photographer arrived several weeks ago to capture its beauty, trumpeted a full blast of beauty to lure her back this week. - photo by Lisa Goldman

# **Students Plant Garden To Attract Butterflies**

A Prince George's Community College biology professor and his students are doing their part to reverse the worldwide decline of butterflies by creating a butterfly garden.

Biology professor Peter Panyon and his biology 104 class started the garden last year, selecting flowers and shrubs attractive to butterflies and pleasing to the human eye.

No one is exactly sure why butterfly numbers are dropping, but loss of habitat and proliferation of pesticides are considered major factors, Panyon said.

Panyon's students were charged with researching which plants butterflies like best, then narrowing down the list to plants also attractive to humans. Once plant types were selected, the students then had to comparison shop, checking with nurseries throughout the area for the best deals,

When the garden is complete, it will have several hundred plants, Panyon said. Purple asters are very popular with the guests, as are butterfly bush and butterfly weed, cone flowers, including black-eyed susans, cardinal flowers, a local wildflower called bee balm, and milkweed. The latter is important because it is the only plant on which monarch butterflies will lay their eggs.

Although the garden was started just a year ago, it is a popular spot for butterflies. Panyon said at its peak around August and September he was sometimes surrounded by dozens of butterflies at a time.

# Local Woman Heads Entomology Society by Millie O'Dea

Dr. Manya B. Stoetzel of Hunting Ridge, who was elected president of the Entomological Society of America (ESA) in August, recently returned from an ESA international conference held in Florence, Italy. ESA is a not-forprofit organization with 8,500 members in the United States and 92 foreign countries. It serves the scientific and professional needs of entomologists and individuals in related disciplines throughout the world. Of the three thousand entomologists who attended the conference, 551 were from the USA.

Dr. Stoetzel has been research leader of the USDA-ARS Systematic Entomology Laboratory (SEL) at the Beltsville Research Center since 1993. She has been a research entomologist with SEL since 1974 and has published on the phylloxeran pests of pecan trees, the Russian wheat aphid and other aphid pests of small grains and pasture grasses, and aphid pests of citrus. Dr. Stoetzel explained that "aphids are like mosquitos to plants." The study of insects serves as the basis for developments in biological and chemical pest control, food and product storage, pharmaceuticals, epidemiology, biological diversity, and a variety of other fields.

# Office Help Needed

The American Lung Association of Maryland's office located in the Calverton/Beltsville area is in need of office volunteers to assist with phones and

For information contact Michael Pritchard, 301-322-0157.

light clerical duties.

For more information and/or to volunteer call the Prince George's Voluntary Action Center, Inc., at 301-699-2800.







kove our scary costumes at home. Be a Bible or stary book character, wear backwards or mued-up clothes, other friendly costumes or have your face painted when you arrive, Games, Refreshments and Candy Galoret Questions? Call Greenbelt Baptist 474-4212



Lauren and Jessica Hall

# Sisters Win Firsts In Beauty Pageant

Sisters Lauren and Jessica Hall took first place in their respective age divisions in the Sunburst Beauty Pageant held September . luscious desserts in the region 21 at Beltway Plaza mall.

Lauren also won "Prettiest Eyes" in the Little Miss division, and Jessica won "Best Attire" in the Little Miss Pee Wee division. Part of their prizes included \$200 to pay their entry fees to the state finals, which will be held in May.

Lauren and Jessica reside in Greenbelt with their parents, Larry and Jordanna Hall.

## Philly Overnight

The Greenbelt Recreation De-Forge) on November 14 and 15. show at Lilly Langtry's, breakshopping and more. Transporta-

# New Deal Cafe Offers Music

Be sure to save some time this weekend to stop by the New Deal Cafe, where the most await patrons, not to mention a decent cup of coffee!

This Friday, October 11, Greenbelt resident and jazz guitarist Jeff Felsher will be at the New Deal Cafe to entertain you. Jeff will be preceded at 8 p.m. by Geff King.

On Saturday, October 12, the New Deal Cafe welcomes two fine singers from Northern Virginia. Melinda Root and Fanny Zolicoffer (aka Fanny Z) have been working together for sev-



While Design Option 1 essentially leaves the Roosevelt Center mall much as it is now, it would replace the imitation brick pavement with aggregate concrete, replace existing trees with London plane trees and Star

Magnolias and replace existing benches with concrete and wood benches similar to those originally in the mall.

> -Plan rendering prepared by Bradley-Papp Landscape Architecture, Inc. for the City of Greenbelt

#### Marionni and Velichansky Are Merit Scholar Semifinalists

Two Greenbelt students at Eleanor Roosevelt High School (ERHS) were named semifinalists in the 1997 Merit Scholarship competition. Aurore Claire Marionni, Ridge Road and Grygory Velichansky, Edmonston Road, along with seven other ERHS students will now have the opportunity to continue in the competition for approximately 7,000 scholarship awards, worth about \$27 million, to be offered next spring. Semifinalists were among more

than 1.1 million students in 20,000 U. S. High schools who entered the 1995 Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT/ NMSQT). The highest scorers in each state were designated semifinalists, in numbers representing about one half percent of one percent of the state's high school graduating class.

Semifinalists must advance to the finalist level of the competition by fulfilling additional requirements. These include

having an outstanding academic record throughout high school, being endorsed by the high school principal and submitting SAT I scores that confirm the earlier PSAT/NMSQT performance.

Other Roosevelt student semifinalists include: Christopher Bowling, Daniel J. Dwiggins, Kyle R. Freeny, Kate Golden, Christopher K. Grybauskas, Ronald G. Pichel and Laura Jean Torgerson.



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# **POLICE BLOTTER**

# Based on Information Released by the Greenbelt Police Department

Greenbelt Metro Station on the officer requested some iden-Tuesday, October 1, around 12:40 a.m. was shot in an armed robbery attempt. The man was approached by the suspect, described as a black man, 6'2", 220 lbs., brown eyes and black hair in "cornrows," wearing a dark shirt. The suspect told the man he was going to take his property. As the man turned and ran from the scene, he was shot in the back of his right leg. The man was treated at Prince George's General Hospital for the injury.

A man entered the Beijing Restaurant in Roosevelt Center on Wednesday evening, October 2, around 8:15 p.m., went into the restroom and walked back to the cashier area, handed the cashier a paper bag and demanded money. He revealed a dark semi-automatic handgun tucked in his waistband under his shirt. The cashier handed the bag with the money to the man who left the restaurant toward the Post Office.

The Criminal Investigation Unit, as a result of the investigation, has obtained a warrant on October 3, charging a 17year-old resident male with armed robbery. The warrant has been given to the Prince George's Sheriff's Department for service.

An officer noticed a wooden club on the floorboard of a vehicle stopped for a traffic violation on Thursday, October 3, just before midnight, in the area of Cherrywood Lane and Breezewood Drive. The driver and passenger drivers' licenses had been suspended. A search of the vehicle yielded a .22 caliber semi-automatic and a .22 caliber revolver. Both men, 23-year-old and 25-year-old nonresidents, were arrested, charged with transporting a handgun in a vehicle. The men were released pending trial after appearing before a District Court Commissioner.

A 15-year-old nonresident youth was arrested, charged with possession of a deadly weapon on school property on Thursday afternoon, October 3. A "box cutter" type razor was found in the Roosevelt student's possession. The youth was re- tended purse at Bennigan's Resleased on citation into a taurant, Beltway Plaza, on parent's custody pending action by the Juvenile Justice System. Police responded to the 11 Court of Plateau Place Thursday morning, October 3, around 2:45 a.m. on a report of a group of disorderly people. After investigating the incident, a 26-year-old resident man was arrested, charged with disorderly intoxication, and released on citation pending trial. A 40-year-old nonresident man began shouting profanities after his vehicle had been cited for a parking violation. The man was arrested in the parking lot of Beltway Plaza on Friday afternoon, September 27, charged with disorderly intoxication, and released on citation pending trial. An officer on foot patrol in Beltway Plaza on Tuesday morning, October 1, stopped a youth suspected of being truant.

A man, walking from the The youth began yelling after tification, and struck the officer with his fist. The youth, an 18-year-old nonresident, was arrested, charged with assault, and released pending trial after appearing before a District Court Commissioner.

> Officers arrested a 37-yearold nonresident man on Thursday, October 3 around 5 p.m., charging him with trespass and disorderly conduct. The man was walking into traffic in the 7500 block of Greenbelt Road, stopping cars and begging for money. The man was held on \$1,500 bond pending trial.

> The concession stand at McDonald Ballfield, 7 Court of Southway was reported vandalized on Friday morning, September 27, around 11 a.m.

> > Thefts and Burglaries

Several people left Jasper's Restaurant, 7401 Greenbelt Road, on Saturday night, September 28, without paying their bill. Their vehicle was stopped in the area of Hanover Parkway and Ora Glen Drive, and the occupants identified by a witness. The four nonresidents were arrested on a charge of theft. All four were released on citation pending trial, though one was taken into custody by the Prince George's Sheriff's Department for service of an open warrant.

A diner at Chevy's Restau-rant, Greenway Center, had her purse stolen on Wednesday. September 25, around noon. Two days later, the woman was notified an unknown female attempted to make a purchase

## Hotline on Drugs

The Greenbelt Police Department needs the help of residents. Any citizen with information about possible drug activity in the city is encouraged to call the Greenbelt Narcotics Hot Line at 507-6524. Callers may remain anonymous.

with one of her credit cards.

Other thefts reported include: a rototiller from a toolshed in the backyard of a residence in the 5 Court of Eastway on Sunday afternoon, September 29; and a wallet from an unat-Tuesday evening, October 1. Auto Thefts and Recoveries An officer patrolling the 7700 block of Hanover Parkway on Friday, October 4 around 12:10 a.m. noticed a yehicle being driven in an unsafe manner. The officer followed the vehicle to the BW Parkway and attempted to stop the vehicle as it entered the southbound lanes. The vehicle, 1979 Chevrolet Camaro, had been reported stolen to Prince George's County Police. The vehicle was followed to the area of the parkway and New York Avenue, where the driver left and fled on foot. A-K-9 unit attempted unsuccessfully to locate the driver. A passenger in the vehicle was released on the scene without charges. The driver is described as a white man, with possible first name of "Danny," about 32 years old,

# **BARC to Permit Hunting To Control Deer Population**

To control its deer population, the Beltsville Agricultural Research Center (BARC) has implemented a wildlife management plan that includes controlled public and employee hunting. BARC says the hunt conforms to all Maryland Department of Natural Resources (DNR) regulations and is designed to protect the safety of BARC employees, hunters, and the surrounding community.

BARC officials say deer have destroyed 95 acres of corn

6', 180 lbs., brown hair, wearing a white T-shirt and dark shorts.

Prince George's County Police recovered a 1991 Honda Accord four-door reported stolen from the 6200 block of Springhill Court on Friday, September 27. The recovery, occurring the same day the vehicle was stolen, was made in the area of Greenbelt Road and Baltimore Avenue, College Park. No arrests were made.

A gold 1989 Honda Prelude two-door was reported stolen from the 6000 block of Greenbelt Road on Friday evening, September 27, around 10 p.m. The vehicle was recovered by Prince George's County Police on September 30, in the 6800 block of 20th Street, Hyattsville. No arrests were made.

As an officer pulled into a parking lot in the 7700 block of Hanover Parkway to investigate a suspicious vehicle, the vehicle exited the parking lot onto Hanover Parkway and crossed Greenbelt Road at high speed. The vehicle was located a short time later in the area of Goodluck Road and Princess Garden Parkway. A computer check identified the vehicle, a 1995 Honda Accord station wagon as reported stolen to Fairfax County Police. The driver of the vehicle is described as a black male, 15 -20 years old, with closely cropped hair and a dark sweatshirt.

Other vehicle thefts reported include: a red 1989 Geo Metro two-door, DC tags 743027, from the 7700 block of Hanover Parkway on Tuesday evening, October 1; and a burgundy 1992 Honda Accord four-door, MD tags ACX233. from the 9 Court of Southway on Friday morning, October 4.

and soybeans so far this year. In addition, the high deer population supports an increased population of the ticks that transmit Lyme disease and Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever. So far, there have been four confirmed cases of Lyme disease among BARC employees.

Public hunting will only be allowed in 25 specifically designated and controlled tracts east of the Baltimore-Washington Parkway. Employee hunters will be limited to specifically designated areas west of the BW Parkway. Free-roaming hunting is prohibited. Areas near housing and buildings will not be hunted. All hunters are to hunt from tree stands equipped with safety straps. None of the designated areas are open to the public for any type of use, and entry is forbidden without a permit issued by BARC.

All hunters must have a valid Maryland hunting license, have taken a hunters' safety course, and pass a proficiency test administered by BARC. People and cars not displaying an official BARC permit will be removed and subject to prosecution as trespassers.

Hunting will be allowed in the designated zones during the

State of Maryland deer hunting seasons as follows: bow season - Sept. 14 - Oct. 16, Oct. 21 -Nov. 29, Dec. 20 - Jan. 31; muzzle loader season - Oct. 17 Oct. 19, Dec. 16 - Dec. 28; and shotgun season - Nov. 30 -Dec. 14.

Public hunting will begin half an hour before sunrise and continue until half an hour after sunset Monday through Saturday. Employee hunting will occur after 3:30 p.m. Monday through Friday and from half an hour before sunrise until half an hour after sunset on Saturdays and holidays. No hunting is allowed on Sunday under Maryland law. Hunting with rifles is not permitted.

DNR, U.S. Park Police, and BARC personnel will monitor hunting to ensure safety is maintained. All deer taken will be reported to a deer check station as required by DNR regulations.

Applications for hunting and reservations will be handled on a first come, first serve basis or by a lottery, depending on demand. Dates and times for the proficiency test will be determined as needed.

For information call Kim Kaplan, 301-344-2446.



#### Substation-East The new Greenbelt Police

substation phone number is 474-4992. This number is for non-emergency calls only. The substation may not be staffed 24 hours per day, but there is an answering machine. Emergency police calls should be directed to the regular emergency number, 474-5454.

Vandalism to, thefts from, and attempted thefts from vehicles were reported in the following areas: 6000 block of Cherrywood Court, 500 block of Crescent Road, 9100 block of Edmonston Road, 6200 block of Greenbelt Road, 7700 and 7800 blocks of Hanover Parkway, 7900 block of Mandan Road, 9100 block of Springhill Court, and 2 Court of Westway.

area, remodeled see-thru kitchen & decor. Updated bath, \$593 monthly \$39,900 SPLENDID 2BR backs to woods! Private deep backyard & landscaped front. Secluded location is on a no-thru street. Superior condition includes new carpet, modern kitchen, upgraded oak & ceramic bath. \$555 monthly \$34,900 LOWER LEVEL END! 1BR w/huge comer yand! Modern interior, open kit., breakfast bar, paint & neutral carpet. \$441 monthly \$26,900 3BR BLOCK END UNIT! Highly desirable large corner lot. Great location is within walking distance to the center. Updated kitchen & bath. Separate dining room. \$745 monthly \$59,900 2BR WIDE END UNIT! Full length family m addition has a HALF BATH. Sliding glass door views private, wooded yard w/sculptured patio. Renovated kitchen has full size washer & dryer, dishwasher & fridge w/ Ice & water In the door. Ceramic tile bath. Refinished hardwood floors are blond & beautiful. \$709 monthly \$54,900 BRICK 2BR home has unusual floor plan and an extremely desirable location. Quiet court is near the library. Mud/aundry rm addition. Experity maintained. Serene, tandscaped & shaded yard. \$765 monthly \$64,900 COUNTRY DECOR 3BR with clear view kitchen & stairway. Enlarged dining area with ceiling fan. Extra large capacity W/D, decorative wood

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by Linda Savaryn 474-5285

Condolences are extended to the family of Evelyn Babbitt, of Eastway, who died on October

Christopher J. Linstrom, MD, was among 55 ear, nose and throat specialists who received a prestigious Honor Award at the opening ceremony of the 100th Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery Foundation. The scientific meeting was held in Washington, DC, September 27 - October 2. The academy has a membership of 10,000 physicians. The award recognizes those who have contributed service to the Academy by presenting an instructional course or scientific paper or by participating on a continuing education committee or faculty.

Dr. Linstrom, the son of Mary L. Linstrom, Ridge Road, is a graduate of McGill University. He currently practices at the New York Eye and Ear Infirmary in New York City.

Former News Review staffer, Corinne Comulada received two blue ribbons at the Maryland State Fair this summer: one for "his and her" socks knitted from yarn she had spun and dyed and the second for a doll's cap she crocheted out of a blend of Samoyed (dog) hair and Merino (sheep) wool she had also spun and dyed. Corrine also reports that her son, Anthony, now living in Colorado, recently finished high school through the G.E.D. program. Corinne and her husband live in Frederick, MD.

The October issue of Moment Magazine, in cooperation with Tara Publications, selected a local Washington/Baltimore Klezmer group, the Machaya Klezmer Band, as one of the country's 10 finest Klezmer bands. Brian Choper of Northway is the band's drummer. Formed in 1988, the band performs at weddings, Bar Mitzvahs and concerts.

# **The Great Depression Subject of Lectures**

by Sandra Lange

A program on the legacies of the Great Depression and the New Deal is the subject of two lectures sponsored by the Friends of the Greenbelt Museum (FOGM), Friday, October 18, at 7:30 p.m., in the auditorium of the National Archives II, 8601 Adelphi

Road, College Park. In "The WPA in Prince 'George's County", historian

and archivist Ken-neth Heger will explore the public projects created locally by the Works Progress Administration. The Great Depression af-

fected the state of Maryland profoundly, putting thousands

of people out of work. The state was able to benefit from the agencies of Franklin Delano Roosevelt's New Deal administration in order to put people back to work and to provide numerous projects of local governments.

ok full advantage of these "and received aid from the Federal Emergency Relief Administration, the WPA, the Public information, contact the FOGM. Works Administration, the Trea- 301-507-6582.

sury Section of Fine Arts, and other agencies of the federal government. Through these programs, the County was able to upgrade roads, build schools, install sewer systems, improve the county airport and embellish county post offices." The murals in the old Upper Marlboro Post Office, which is now the library, and the friezes on the side of the Greenbelt Community Center are just a few of the examples of WPA activities in Prince George's County,

Dr. Jo Paoletti, director of Graduate Studies, Dept. of American Stud-

ies, Univ. of Maryland, uses clothing and textiles to examine

the personal side of the Great Depression. How do corduroy knickers and flowered dresses reflect cultural values? Paoletti will explore the relationship between clothing of the 1930s to regional and national history.

The program is free and "Prince George's County open to the public. It is cosponsored by the National Arprograms," commented Heger, chives, and is made possible, in part, by a grant from the Maryland Humanities. For further



Former Greenbelt City Manager Jim Giese leads a group of city managers, assistants and other ICMA conference attendees from the museum to the community center. The approximately 60 visitors were divided into three groups in order to tour city facilities. Mayor Toni Bram, City Manager Mike McLaughlin, GHI General Manager Gretchen Overdurff, former GHI President Don Volk, Community Planner Terri Hruby and M-NCPPC Architectural Historian Howard Berger also served as group leaders. The visitors from the United States, Canada, England and other countries showed great interest in the city's planning features and appreciation for the city's hospitality. One English visitor, however, a former manager of an English garden city, was not impressed by the museum. It looked too much like the house he lived in, he said.

> -photo by Beverly Palau, City of Greenbelt



Community Center Director Cathy Delgado (far right) takes a group of people attending the International City/County Management Association (ICMA) conference in Washington on a tour of the Greenbelt Community Center. The center tour was a part of a Field Demonstration for conference attendees on October 7. They also visited the Greenbelt Museum, The Municipal Building, Roosevelt Center and took a short walk around town. The purpose of the field demonstration was to show the historic planned community and what the city and its residents have done to preserve and rehabilitate it.

> -photo by Beverly Palau, City of Greenbelt

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**GHI Board of Directors** Thursday, October 17, 1996 7:30 p.m. **GHI Board Room** 

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Thursday, October 10, 1996



The class picture. These Japanese visitors are municipal officials at home. - photos by Beverly Palau

# Japanese Delegation Visits Greenbelt

City of Greenbelt was visited by members of the Japanese National Association of Chairmen of Town and Village Assemblies. Members of this organization were in the United States to study and research how local municipalities operate. The group visiting Greenbelt consisted of

On Thursday, October 3, the chairmen and counselors of various towns in Japan.

> The 23 members present were given presentations by City Clerk David Moran, Administrative Assistant Bo Ferguson and City Planner Terri Hruby. They discussed issues such as the roles of the mayor, city council, city manager and staff. Hruby addressed

planning issues. Through the assistance of an interpreter, the Greenbelt representatives answered many questions.

The Japanese delegation presented the City of Greenbelt with several gifts. One was a beautiful example of "Shippo Yaki" art depicting a Japanese mountain. Also presented were an ornate fan and several needlecraft mats. Following the presentations, the

Japanese visitors were treated to an American style cookout including hamburgers and hot dogs, provided by the Greenbelt Recreation Department at Schrom Hills Park. Mayor Antoinette Bram and City Manager Michael McLaughlin arrived at the cookout to greet the visitors and answer questions.

The visitors ended their day with a tour of the city led by Moran,



Mayor Toni Bram chats with visitors in the Schrom Hills Park picnic pavilion.



Hamburgers with ketchup and mustard and cans of coke at an outdoor bar-be-que is an American tradition.



Presenting beautiful gifts is a Japanese tradition. City Clerk David Moran receives the "Shippo Yaki," art depicting a Japanese mountain.

# Calling Recycling? Dial with Care

This is a reminder for all city residents that the Greenbelt Recycling phone number is 301-474-8308. Some Greenbelt residents have been dialing a variation of the number, much to the chagrin of the College Park resident at the other end. The city staff wants to make sure to talk to people directly and resolve recycling questions right away, so check the phone number twice before dialing. For questions, call Jennifer Foley, City of Greenbelt Recycling Coordinator at 301-474-8308.



Class time requires taking notes.



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# **GREENBELT DOG PARK** DEDICATION

The Greenbelt Dog Park located on Hanover Drive will be dedicated on Sunday, October 27 at 4:00 pm. The park will officially open on Monday, Oct. 28. The hours of use will be from sunrise to 11:00 pm.

Dog owners wishing to use the park must obtain a permit for each dog. Permits are \$5.00 each. Permit applications are available at the Department of Planning and Community Development located at the Community Center, 15 Crescent Road, Suite 200. Dog owners must provide proof of vaccinations and P.G. County license.

For further information or questions, please call 345-5417.

Thursday, October 10, 1996

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Christina O'Boyle by Christina O'Boyle **Collecting Frogs** 

from

Judging by the swiftness with which the frog-catching stage made its appearance, I bet it won't last long. But it is serious right now. Every frog in this neck of the woods better hide: Our eight year old son has his eyes out for "pets"turtles, snakes, toads and frogs.

Yesterday, and I'm not making this up, he caught two green frogs (male and female according to his frog and fish friend, Imogen) and one something-or-other frog. The two green frogs went home with Imogen because her parents have a pond. The other stayed here for a couple days and then was released. The green frogs will join forces with the pickerel frog Michael caught Labor Day weekend and Imogen set free in her pond. We now have weekly phone calls between Michael and Imogen, the "Frog Report" her mother and I call it. Michael gets very loud when he's talking about his frogs; Imogen gets on the phone, which she normally doesn't do. Last night Michael said to me and John that he "gets all shaky" when he sees frogs or even thinks about them. As I said, this is serious.

Today after school, he and Josh, his best friend, dropped their backpacks and without even a pause for a snack, dashed out to the frog place. A few weeks ago he invited me and John to come watch him catch frogs at "the lake". He led us a few hundred yards from the house to a large puddle where he almost caught two more frogs. I was glad he didn't get them; we already had a frog and toad sharing the small aquarium cum amphibianholding-tank Imogen's mother loaned us. But today's foray to "the pond" was successful. I could hear Michael and Josh announcing, "We got another one!" as they ran out of the woods with it.

For the first time, I can feel what other parents meant when they told me to enjoy the children while they're young, for it goes by in a flash. With each day and year being so packed and passing by somehow both in a flash and at a crawl, I could only intellectualize what they were trying to help me ap preciate. But this frog-catching thing is different. Michael goes about it with his entire being, changing each time he comes out of the woods. In there, alone most of the time, Michael probably connects with the earth and his inner voice. He's a self-taught Master Frog-Nabber. All this has begun to mark time moving through me, pushing me, tugging me forward. This has all happened before. Ten or twelve years ago a pack of neighborhood boys ran into the woods beside our house to catch frogs. For one short summer they went into the woods for frogs and often came out victorious. I think they began to yearn for the protection of the woods because after a few weeks they hauled nails, hammers and wooden leftovers

from who-knows-where into a corner of the woods not far from our windows. They tried to build a cabin or clubhouse, forgetting about frogs altogether. One of those boys still lives in the neighborhood. He's probably twenty now.

I'm guessing this is the path my Michael will follow, and all of his emotions will be sucked into the next project-cabinbuilding, basketball, girls. He'll grow older and his interests will multiply, using up his concentration as he releases me. It's all as it should be, but I'm still surprised. Because up until Michael's frog-catching stage, I wasn't able to grasp how time repeats and yet changes everything.

Lifetime feels long when I'm living it. But when I watch life move through my children-and there's no stopping it-I become desperate to write it down, get it into ink, and make it stand still.

# **Historical Society Plans Meeting**

On Saturday, October 12, as part of the county's celebration of the Tricentennial, the Prince George's County Historical Society will present a program featuring several Prince George's County authors. Arranged and moderated by Greenbelter Virginia Beauchamp, the program will showcase a variety of types of literature as well as a diverse group of writers.

Among these will be a poet, Edgar Silex, who draws on and illuminates his Native American

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Caribbean and professor at the University of Maryland; and Uma Krishnaswami, author of books for children, of which the latest retells an important story from her Hindu culture.

College Park native Mary Downing Hahn, who once worked at the Greenbelt Library, is also well known for her many books for children, as is Lanham resident Vera Rollo, publisher and author of several books with Maryland historical themes. Finally, Jane Donawerth, a specialist on utopias and science fiction by worten, will share her knowledge of these genres.

These writers will talk informally about what it means to write and work in Prince George's County. All are expected to bring copies of their books for sale and signing. The program, which is free and open to the public, will be held at 2 p.m. in Room 2309 of the Art/Sociology Building on the College Park campus of the University of Maryland. Refreshments will be served. The building is adjacent to Tawes Theater on the south and can be reached from Parking Lot 1. The room is on the second floor opposite the freight



Pioneers Kathleen McFarland, right, and Shirley Morrison Clute, relive some cherished memories of Greenbelt in the 1930s. Clute's father, Allan Morrison, was on Greenbelt's first town Council, and was a former Mayor. The exhibit, "Images and Voices of Greenbelt" is in the Gallery, Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Road. It is sponsored by the Friends of the Greenbelt Museum.

- photo by Sandra Lange

# City Notes

For the week ending October 4, Public Works Crews weeded and cleaned landscaping and clipped dead flowers on Southway and at the Greenbelt Museum, the Municipal Building, and Roosevelt, Center. Three trees in the way of new storm drain construction were moved and replanted. The crews also removed a stormdamaged tree at Roosevelt Center, serviced yard waste chipping requests on Thursday, prepared fields for softball, football, and soccer league play, and made several road improvements.

The Auto Shop crew maintained and/or repaired 22 city vehicles, besides overhauling and adapting two police car lighting systems in-house, saving \$1,400 of the cost of new systems, and tested snow removal equipment on two trucks.

New projects included a presentation cabinet being constructed to display the historic headstones near the old Hamilton Cemetery, and installation of benches and waste receptacles at the Greenbelt Dog Park.

Recycling procedures were established for the Recreation Center and the Youth Center and were initiated at Roosevelt Center.



# **Refund Deadline** Nears for Spa Lady

Maryland Attorney General J. Joseph Curran, Jr., reminded consumers today that the deadline for filing claims for a refund from the Greenbelt area Spa Lady is November 1.

Consumers who paid for services they did not receive after the gym closed November 1, 1995, may request refunds from a bond posted by the owner of that facility with the Consumer Protection Division of Curran's office. The gym was located at 7401-C Forbes Boulevard, Seabrook.

Consumers seeking refunds should send a copy of their membership agreement, proof of payment, and social security number to Spa Lady Claims, c/o Consumer Protection Division, 200 St. Paul Place, 16th Floor, Baltimore, MD 21202.

Curran reminds consumers to call (410) 576-6350 before joining any health club, weight loss center, or self-defense school, to make sure it is complying with Maryland's registration and bonding laws.

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# **County Arts Council Needs Volunteers**

The Prince George's Art Council needs volunteers to help with general office duties. For instance, help is needed in the office with bulk mailings, computer work and other administrative tasks. Also, since there are several special events coming up, assistance is needed to prepare for these events. Hours are flexible.

For more information and/or to volunteer call the Prince George's Voluntary Action Center, Inc., at 301-699-2800.





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# DO YOU KNOW A WIZARD OF OZ?

Since GHI's presence in this year's Labor Day Festival was so well received, the Board of Directors has begun forming a 1997 GHI Labor Day Festival Committee. We now are seeking a "Wizard of Oz" to head up the committee. If you know anyone that remotely resembles this character, or someone who has the tenacity of Dorothy, the get up and go of the Tin Man, or the bravery of the Scarecrow, please share your knowledge by calling the Member Services Department at 474-4161 by October 30.

The Board is anxious to have the committee up and running down the Yellow Brick Road preparing for next year's event.

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#### (Continued from page 1) grow in water.

Hydrophytic soil, hydrophilic (or water-loving) plants and standing water constitute the definition of a wetland. Since this was already October, one did not expect to find standing water. But in the spring much of the land lies under several inches of water, as regular travelers along Edmonston Rd. can well attest.

The soil itself reveals that that is the case. A sandy loam below the surface, the light tan of the lower inches of our sample had been penetrated by darker vertical streaks, carried down from the vegetative material on the surface as water had moved downward. The root structures of nearby trees, which had built up broad platform-like bases at the bottom of the trunks-a necessary development to bring oxygen to the tree-showed as well that the trees had been standing in water. A certain type of sedge was another give-away that this was a seasonally saturated wetland.

#### Impact on Sunnyside

Although the actual construction of the projected new administration building for the U. S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) is occurring west of the CSX railroad tracks, the building and adjacent parking lots-and especially necessary road improvements-are expected to cause changes in the drainage basin along Indian Creek. This stream flows between the north-south line of the railroad tracks and Edmonston Rd., which parallels it. As all of us knew, the creek

floods after every heavy rain. The stream crosses under Sunnyside Ave. beneath a twobig voice," Kelly said.

lane bridge, not currently un-

dergoing plans for change.

Thus, the short stretch of

Sunnyside connecting a wid-

ened Edmonston Rd. and a wid-

ened Sunnyside Ave. west of

the tracks will continue as a

two-lane road. It can only

serve as a major bottleneck for

anyone approaching the new

**Application Process** 

looked at by the Army Corps of

Engineers, which must rule on

the effect of any new develop-

ment on nearby wetlands, Ap-

parently through pre-application

meetings between USDA and

SHA officials, USDA had been

assured that the further widen-

ing of Sunnyside was to be part

of a larger projected roads de-

velopment and therefore did not

need to be dealt with at this

about, and opposed, creation of

a major north-south highway

using the Edmonston Rd.-

Kenilworth Ave. right-of-way,

which according to SHA plans

would hook up with an inter-

county connector (or ICC) link-

ing Montgomery and Prince

George's Counties at about

where Muirkirk Rd. and U.S. 1

According to Kelly, changing

the Sunnyside Ave. section

where it crosses Indian Creek

will require a permit from the

Corps of Engineers, since the

area impacted drains a total re-

gion of at least five square

miles and since the stream it-

self flows at over five cubic

feet per second. (Maryland

Corps officials have since con-

firmed this estimate, Kelly

said.) Before such a permit

can be issued, open public

"It gives the public a very

hearings are mandated.

(The city has long known

point.

intersect.)

This eventuality has not been

building from Edmonston Rd.

"As I understand it," said McLaughlin, "the building is contingent on the road, which is contingent on the wetland." That is, before approval could be reached to construct the USDA building, a study of the need to widen Sunnyside to support this construction should have been carried out, and approval of such widening would have depended on whether mitigation for disruption of the wetlands was satisfactorily addressed. Yet this process has not yet been carried out.

To require a tougher level of scrutiny, a traffic study would be crucial. If it can be shown that traffic projections are "grossly different" from those previously carried out by USDA, Kelly said, then the Corps would have to look closely at the application, when it comes in. The Corps does not accept "piecemeal" development to circumvent the more rigorous approval process.

If the city conducts the needed traffic study, and if its results differ markedly from those from the earlier study, Kelly promised to arrange for 'pre-application" meetings between the city and relevant Corps officials.

# Craft Show and Sale

The Greenbelt Recreation Department will be hosting Greenbelt's Twenty-fifth Annual Craft Show and Sale on December 7 and 8. This year's event will be showcased in the newly renovated Greenbelt Community Center. Applications for vendor space are currently being accepted. Contact the Greenbelt Recreation Department for application procedure at 397-2200.

# Laurel Museum **Makes History Fun**

The focus will be on history as fun for children at the Laurel Museum during its special opening for Riverfest '96 October 12 from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. A treasure hunt, corn grinding on an antique grinder, and "What is It" discoveries from the past are just a few of the activities planned to entice youngsters - and adults to learn a little more about the area's history and the way people used to live. The event will mark the official inauguration of special

Amer Surger County child-oriented, fun-but-educational programming at the museum, which is Prince George's

County's newest. After the inaugural event, the children's exhibit will be available to visitors and to special school tour groups.

Located at Main Street at 9th in Laurel, The Laurel Museum is also one of the Passport to History sites. The museum's opening exhibit is "From Millhouse to Museum." It traces the transformation of an abandoned and dilapidated 1840's millworkers' house into a museum, and is scheduled to run through December. The Museum's regular hours are the first Sunday of the month from 1-4 p.m. and on Wednesdays from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Admission to the museum is free. Donations are welcomed, and there is a gift shop featuring items related to Laurel, the county and state history. For information or to schedule a group tour call 301-725-7975.

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