

# News Review

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## Public Supports Weekly Refuse Pick-up, 8-5, at City Hearing

by Diane Oberg

"I encourage you to look at the facts and have the guts to make the change because we can do it." The change referred to by Recycling Coordinator Jennifer Foley at the May 12 public hearing on refuse and recycling issues, was the proposal to reduce refuse collection for city trash customers from the current two pickups per week to a single pickup. It appears likely that the change will be approved when council adopts the budget. Based upon comments made at the hearing and at an April 24 worksession, a majority of council appears to support the change. Citizen supporters also appear to outnumber opponents. Of the 13 citizens speaking at the hearing, eight supported the change, four opposed it and one suggested that eliminating the city recycling program would eliminate the need to make the choice.

### Budget Hearing

The second public hearing of the evening was much less illuminating. Mayor Antoinette Bram began the hearing on the budget, but quickly got the impression that no one was interested. "Is there anyone here to speak on the budget?" she asked, to no response. Then, to be perfectly clear, she asked "Is there anyone in this room who came to this public hearing...to let council know how they feel on any budget issue?" Faced with a total

lack of citizen response (other than some smiles), the mayor adjourned the hearing. Citizens wishing to comment should relay their concerns to the councilmembers or the city office before Monday's worksession. While the budget will not be formally adopted until Tuesday, May 27, council will make its decisions at the May 19 final budget worksession.

### Recycling Hearing

The lively action was at that first public hearing on refuse and recycling issues. City Manager Michael McLaughlin has proposed that refuse collection be reduced to one pickup per week from the current twice weekly collection to close a deficit in the refuse and recycling budget.

Foley argued that the change would increase recycling by making residents more aware of the refuse they are putting out. She noted that already more than a third of the tonnage collected each week is recyclables and that 90 percent of city refuse customers are participating in the recycling program.

The change is not really a reduction in service, as Foley saw it. Until four years ago, city refuse customers got two trash pickups per week (plus Wednesday newspaper pickup). Now they get four collections per week — two for refuse, one for an expanded list of recyclables and one for yard debris. With the ex-

panded collections of recyclables and yard debris, twice a week refuse pickup is no longer needed, she argued.

"It would be difficult for me to see rates raised when it's really unnecessary," she said.

### Citizen Comments

The majority of those who let their views be known supported the change — 8 of the 13 speakers at the hearing, one of the two people who called the mayor, and all five of those who wrote to the city. However, there were also vocal opponents of the change, four of the 13 speakers and one caller.

Four of the eight speakers supporting the change (Freida Schieber, Barbara Gremour, Neil Barnett and Leonie Penney) are members of the Recycling Advisory Committee, which suggested the change.

Supporters of the change often cited the low volume of trash they generate, which, they argued, makes once-a-week collection sufficient. I only put out one kitchen size bag per week, said Jeanne Jones. I only put out trash once every two weeks, said Schieber.

The same type of calculations were done by opponents of the change. Rick Meetre noted that he frequently fills his Greenbelt Homes, Inc. trash closet when trash is collected twice a week. Less frequent collection could

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## Community Center Head Cathy Salgado Resigns

by Dorothy Sucher

Cathy Salgado will be leaving her position as Supervisor of the Greenbelt Community Center on May 16. She will be assuming the post of Youth and Family Services Director for the Upper Montgomery County YMCA, where she will be in charge of programs for children and families, including day camps, recreation classes, and before/after care sites.

Salgado started working for the Greenbelt Recreation Department almost exactly ten years ago, on Greenbelt Day Weekend, 1987. Her first assignment was to coordinate an aerial photograph of Greenbelters that later found its way into the book "Greenbelt: History of a New Town." She moved up in 1989 to the position of Recreation Supervisor, and in January, 1995, was named to her present position.

### A Challenging Job

Managing the Community Center has been her most challenging post, she said. She oversaw the reconstruction of the building and "learned a lot about facility management, about working with community groups, and about trying to balance everybody's wants and needs."

Salgado has seen significant changes in Greenbelt's recreation program since she began working here: more facilities, the opening of Schrom Hills Park, the building of the Aquatic and Fitness Center, and the opening of the Community Center. In addition to facilities, there have been many new programs.

"The Community Center has taken on a life of its own through all the different groups that use it," she said recently. "At first I thought I would have trouble marketing the facility, but word



Cathy Salgado will be leaving her position as Community Center supervisor this month.

photo by Prospero Zevallos

gets around about a good thing." The Center is used by all types of groups, of all ages. Participants have been 70% Greenbelters and 30% outsiders, much more local usage than at the Aquatic and Fitness Center.

### Problems

Salgado sees maintenance of the Community Center as a continuing concern, especially since new construction has been added to the old — e.g., the bathrooms have new toilets but old pipes.

The layout of the building presents other problems. There are 31 exterior doors, which can lead to security questions; and Salgado said that "the thing I hated most about this job" was the telephone calls she received in the middle of the night, when something had set off an alarm on a door. These were never caused by any-

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## Public Works Sets FY98 Goals, Seeks Refuse Pick-up Decision

by Betsy Likowski

The public works department has had a busy spring with picking up the burden of doing the city's curb-side recycling, heavy yard waste pick-up and in addition has continued to fill out its staff by hiring temporary workers. These and other issues were presented at the work session reviewing the department's pro-

posed budget for fiscal year 1998 (FY 98) starting July 1, 1997 on Wednesday, May 7. The proposed budget for FY98 for the public works department is \$1,781,100.

A business-like and concise presentation of the budget, needs, and goals was made by Kenny Hall, Superintendent of Operations. "I feel very confident that we can maintain the high standards of work," he said, and he thanked the foremen of the different work crews for their work. In the upcoming fiscal year the department especially wants to start three initiatives: semi-annual street cleaning, an annual inspection of the city's sidewalks to see where repairs are needed, and additional maintenance for the various city's buildings. This year, again, the department had a list of unmet needs not listed in the budget and wanted to hire additional personnel. Councilmembers gave these desires a polite hearing.

### Recycling

Once the recycling issue is resolved the department can get back to normal, said Hall. To reach that goal, he said the de-

partment supports the proposal in the budget going to one-day-a-week trash pick-up. He said he was just hoping for a decision one way or the other on this issue. Right now the situation of picking up trash twice-a-week and recycling once-a-week disrupts every work crew two to three days each week. The crew foremen have to decide how to put together make-shift crews in order to get the yard waste picked up. And to add to the burden the work demand is heavier this spring.

This April, the crews picked up 53 tons of yard waste, but last April, 17 tons were picked up and taken by the crews to a composting facility. And the increase in yard waste has meant the work crews have fallen behind in other areas, he said, for example, lawn mowing.

The city had hired a contractor to pick-up curbside recycling. The city was dissatisfied with the service and started using its own workers last December. City customers had been paying \$18 for recycling, versus the \$40 the county charges its customers. The

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## GATE Hires Manager

by Konrad Herling

Greenbelt Access Television, Inc. (GATE) has hired Kjell Forsting as its manager. Forsting, who was introduced at the annual membership meeting on Tuesday, May 13 at 7:30 p.m. at the new studio located on the second floor of the Community Center, has a variety of broadcast and cable experience.

For 25 years, Forsting was a television director for Swedish Television in Stockholm, where he specialized in documentaries as well as cultural programs. He has written scripts for several television dramas. He served as Managing Director for Swedish Television in Karlstad, Sweden and went on to establish a cable television system throughout Sweden. He has served the United Nations as an expert in television direction and production, taught television at the Center for Educational Technology in New Delhi, India and at Allahma Iqbal Open University in

Islamabad, Pakistan.

During the last decade, Forsting has been Director of Television and Telecommunications at Dundalk Community College in Baltimore. In addition to overseeing the operation of the cable access station, Forsting also produced and directed programs spanning a wide spectrum from cultural programs to various social issues (the elderly, public health, poverty, etc.) Quite recently, three of his programs on Maryland correctional facilities were selected for the orientation of new members of Maryland's House of Delegates.

Forsting will now lead GATE in ordering and receiving the appropriate editing and camera equipment necessary to accommodate the needs of Greenbelters. Additionally, Forsting will teach classes about how to use the equipment and produce quality video.

For more information, call GATE at 301-507-6581.

### What Goes On

Mon., May 19, 8 p.m. City Council's Final Budget Work Session, Municipal Building.

Tues., May 20, 7:30 p.m. Youth Advisory Committee, Youth Center 8 p.m. City Council Worksession, Theater Task Force, Municipal Building.

Wed., May 21, 7:30 p.m. Park & Recreation Advisory Board, Community Center.

Thur., May 22, 7:30 p.m. GDC Meeting, followed by GHI Board of Directors Meeting, Hamilton Place.

# Letters to the Editor

## Keep Those Deer Out of My Yard!

The deer were back again last night, April 20, to feed on my euonymus bushes. They enter my yard by jumping over the chainlink fence surrounding the yard. This past winter, for the second year in a row, 13 euonymus bushes were chewed to the ground by foraging deer. The deer, in two winters, have also eaten away three-quarters of an arborvitae tree. Now that spring growth is returning to these shrubs, the deer are back to finish off the job.

Last year I appealed to GHI for assistance with this problem; I also wrote a letter to the News Review. GHI's answer, in a nutshell: "plant shrubs and trees which deer won't eat." This solution suggests that the hard work and expense of planting and landscaping was of minimal concern and effort. If I am forced to uproot these shrubs and trees, there will surely be no replantings.

I have done my part to enhance and beautify the grounds through landscaping and plantings. This deer problem should be OUR problem, not MY problem. At the very least GHI should erect chicken wire around my yard. I have contacted fencing companies; they do not install chicken wire. I have tried bamboo poles strung with cord as a deterrent. I have used coyote urine applied to sponge pieces on stakes. I simply cannot maintain the strict attention to detail obviously needed to address this problem.

If GHI does not offer assistance, the only solution I can see is to remove all of the bushes and trees and to plant grass. My yard would then be stark and barren but I refuse to sacrifice my expensive and lovely bushes to these hungry beasts. Animal rights groups can spare me the "poor Bambi" routine. I would like to see the animal herd decimated.

Sue Benson

## Asian Mosquito Control Needed

Jeannine M. Dorothy, a Maryland Department of Agriculture entomologist, cites an increase in complaints about the Asian tiger mosquito, a species that established itself in several Prince George's communities in 1966. Dorothy states that coordinated community clean-up is the best method for preventing the increase of this mosquito. Normal mosquito control methods are not effective.

This mosquito is an aggressive daytime biter that breeds in containers that catch and hold rainwater, such as buckets, bird baths and old tire rims. It hides in shrubs, tall grass and sheltered spots.

Residents may call the Mosquito Control Section at the Maryland Department of Agriculture office in Riverdale about mosquito problems at 301-927-8357.



## For Twice Weekly

I support the twice-per-week refuse pickup service. This service is needed to minimize clutter, foul odors and unsanitary conditions. Under the City's most optimistic estimate, less than 85 cents per household per week would be required to avoid reducing our service to once-per-week. I believe this is money very well spent.

In addition, the proposal is a very large and unfair increase in load on the employees. Let's choose the sanitary option which is considerate of our employees.

Rick Meetre

## Create-A-Logo Contest Open to All

The Greenbelt Astronomy Club is seeking a logo for use on its newsletter, letterhead, T-shirts, banners, etc. To this end the club is holding a contest open to anyone interested in making a submission. The vote for the best logo will be held at the astronomy club meeting on June 26, at 7:30 p.m., at the H.B. Owens Science Center. The winner will receive a cash prize.

### Requirements:

- \* The logo can be in black-and-white or color. However, if done in color, it must be legible when reproduced in black-and-white.

- \* It must be electronically reproducible. (Your entry can be submitted as a GIF or JPEG file, but please include a hard copy). Hard-copy entries must be scannable.

- \* It must be legible when reduced for use on letterhead (maximum size on letterhead: 2" x 2").

- \* The logo or portions thereof must not be under copyright of any other individual or organization.

- \* The winning logo will become the property of the Greenbelt Astronomy Club. (c) 1997.

- \* Losing entries will be returned.

Send your entry to: Tom Bridgman; President, Greenbelt Astronomy Club; P.O. Box 791; College Park, MD 20741-0791.

Entries must be received by the meeting time on June 26. Please include your name, address and phone number.

## PUBLIC HEARING

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force him to put trash outside of the trash closet, where it would be unsightly and may attract pests. Meetre was willing to pay the estimated \$44 per year needed to eliminate the refuse/recycling deficit while maintaining twice-a-week collection. That's less than a dollar a week and removes the problems of odor and excess trash, he said.

Patrick McAndrew shared Meetre's concerns. His four-person family generates more trash than the average household, including diapers. This makes him concerned about odor and pest problems if once-a-week collection is implemented.

Odor was a concern of several opponents. However, Eileen Peterson argued that the city code already requires that trash cans have tight fitting lids. That should eliminate the odor problem, she said.

Bonnie Brandt wanted to go a step further than proposed. Not only should once-a-week collection be implemented, but she would like to see a sliding scale so that those who generate more trash pay more for its collection. Barbara Gremour said she had "a problem with paying for services" she does not need, such as twice-a-week collection. She also argued that the proposed change would encourage more residents to recycle as much as possible.

Will Straube commended council for "looking so hard" to find ways to save money. Now that they had done so, however, he urged them "to keep looking and put this idea aside." As a GHI resident with two children, his family fills their trash closet with twice-a-week collection. He likes the current city services, he said, and does not want to see them cut. The increased cost to maintain twice-a-week collection, he said, "is insignificant."

Paul Clark had a completely different approach to the issue. He disputed claims by citizens and councilmembers that recycling programs are needed to ease the strain on landfills. There is "no landfill crisis in this

country," he argued. Through questions to McLaughlin, Clark established that the full cost of the city's recycling program is roughly \$88,000. "That's a lot of money, folks," he said. The best way to save money, he argued, is to eliminate the recycling program. When the mayor pointed out that state law requires the city to recycle a certain amount, Clark demanded to know "do you work for us or for the state?" When he repeated his question several times, the mayor made clear that she was not going to play that game. "We have to obey the law," she said. Clark urged a voluntary recycling program and suggested that Boy Scouts pulling wagons could collect newspapers more efficiently than the city. He also suggested auctioning off the right to collect recyclables to private contractors; however, the mayor noted that the city has tried that approach, unsuccessfully.

Although only the mayor made a definite statement at the hearing concerning her position on the proposed change (she is opposed for reasons of public health), it was clear that Clark's suggestion would not be adopted.

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thing serious — perhaps a cleaning person, or a door that had been accidentally left open.

Another challenge is the management of rentals for so many different types of events. This requires a great deal of setting up and taking down of tables and other equipment. Salgado feels that this aspect of the building needs more professional management, perhaps involving additional fees.

Salgado worries about noise from the building, feeling that the Community Center should not alienate its neighbors. Because large parties can become troublesome, as in a recent incident when several hundred young people were milling around outside the building, a new policy regarding parties at the Center was recently issued.

Was the job stressful? "Only as stressful as you make it — except for those middle of the night calls. But sometimes I'd feel strung out. Maybe I'm too involved in the building. It's like having a child. If something goes wrong you want to make it right."

Salgado was educated at Loyola, where she majored in government and politics, and at the University of Maryland, where she received a Masters in Recreation. She is married to Bruce Salgado, an engineer, and has two children, 5 and 8, both of whom were adopted in Russia. "The kids will miss Greenbelt the most," she said. "They love it here."

Salgado and her family live in Hyattsville, but are looking for a house in Montgomery County.

### New Management

Joe McNeal will become acting Community Center Supervisor after Salgado leaves. The daily activities will be managed by Stephen, Desiree, Sonja, and the part-time staff.

## No Messages!

The Voice Mail for the News Review Office is presently not working. The phone company says it may be another week before the problem can be fixed.

We apologize to anyone who has tried, unsuccessfully, to leave us a message. We are in the office Mondays and Tuesdays both in the afternoon and evening. Please call us again when we can answer the phone.

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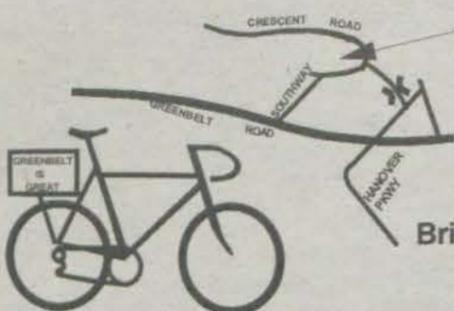
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**GREENBELT BIKE TO WORK BREAKFAST**  
TUESDAY, MAY 20, 1997



Stop at Roosevelt Center for a free bicycle commuter breakfast!

7:00- 9:00 am

Bring a friend!

Celebrate National Bike to Work Day with a free bagels, juice and coffee breakfast get-together at Roosevelt Center. Share your favorite routes and war stories.

Sponsored by the Greenbelt Bicycle Coalition. Call 474-7280 for information.

## Golden Age Club

by Dolores Capotosto  
 May birthdays will be celebrated at the Wednesday, May 21, meeting of the Golden Age Club. The Club meets at 11 a.m. in the Multi-purpose Room of the Greenbelt Community Center. All Greenbelt seniors are welcome, so come join the fun. Goldenagers are terrific cooks and Brenda Kosisky and Jane Fendley set a beautiful table.

The Flea Market Committee is still accepting donations, so it's a great time to clean out closets and garages. A "pricing" meeting will be held at the Community Center on May 20 and all help would be welcomed. The sale is scheduled for June 7 in Roosevelt Center with a rain date of June 14.

Irene Owens, Travel Committee chairperson, says there are still openings for the trip to Winchester, VA and the Belgrove Plantation on Thursday, May 29. Reports are that the food is fabulous. See a member of the committee at the meetings for reservations on all the trips.

As previously announced, the speaker for the May 28 meeting will be Greenbelter Suzanne Plogman, our representative on the Prince George's County School Board. Local attorney, Valerie Siegel, is scheduled to speak on June 25.

Keep the BenGay handy for soothing all those aches and pains brought on by current activity - both inside and out.

## Postal Advisory Council Forming

The U.S. Postal Service is seeking volunteers to serve on a customer advisory council in the Greenbelt and Glenn Dale communities. The advisory council will provide a forum for individual customers to meet with postal managers to discuss customers' concerns, ideas, and suggestions. At the same time, the Postal Service will play an active role by answering questions and informing council members of new or changing programs.

Applications are now available at the Greenbelt and Glenn Dale post offices, at the Greenbelt library, and the CITGO gas stations located in Glenn Dale and Greenbelt.

Anyone who has questions may contact Gwen Church at the Glenn Dale post office (301-390-6565), John Hyater at the Greenbelt post office (301-345-1721), or Angela Upshur (301-552-2312).

# Community Events

## Mobile Watch Seeks Members

The Greenbriar/Glen Oaks Mobile Watch Committee will host a membership drive on Sunday, May 18, 6 p.m. in the Terrace Room at the Greenbriar Community Building. Greenbriar and Glen Oaks residents are invited to join one of the most worthwhile and imitated mobile crime watch programs in the Greenbelt area.

Refreshments will be provided including shrimp, buffalo wings, vegetable platter, chips/dips, dessert, soft drinks and coffee.

For more information, call Barbara Parham at 301-441-1096.

## Recreation Review

The Greenbelt Recreation Department will sponsor an In-line Skating Demo on Tuesday, May 20, at 3:30 p.m. at the Greenbelt Youth Center. Skaters, roller hockey players, and just skater "wannabes" won't want to miss this. The pros from Caravan Skate Shop and the Greenbelt Recreation Department will present safe skating tips and clue participants in on safe places to skate in and around Greenbelt. This is a demonstration only, so there's no need to bring skates, unless, of course, participants want to practice all the cool stuff covered. All ages are invited to this free event, which will be held rain or shine. Call the Greenbelt Recreation Department for additional information.

## Little League Standings as of 5-13-97

American League		National League	
	W-L		W-L
Giants	3-1	Indians	2-2
Tigers	3-1	Lions	2-3
Athletics	2-2	Cubs	2-3
Orioles	2-3	Cards	1-2

### Schedule

Mon., May 19—6 p.m. Lions & Cards  
 Tues., May 20—6 p.m. Cubs & Giants  
 Wed., May 21—6 p.m. A's & O's  
 Thurs., May 22—6 p.m. Indians & Tigers  
 Fri., May 23—6 p.m. Giants & A's  
 Fri., May 23—7 p.m. \*Cubs & Cards  
 Sat., May 24—10 a.m. Lions & Indians  
 Sat., May 24—1 p.m. Tigers & O's  
 \*Braden #2

## Help Park Rangers Transplant Trees

Those persons who like gardening and working with trees can come out to Greenbelt Park on Saturday, May 17, and assist park rangers in transplanting trees from the rear of the Ranger Station to Park Central Road. Meet at the ranger station at 11 a.m.

## Health Fair At Greenbriar

Greenbriar will host a Health Fair on Tuesday, May 30, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Greenbriar Terrace Room. Free health screening services will be provided by Greenbelt Primary Care and Greenbelt Audiology. Handouts and refreshments will be available all day.

For additional information call Barbara Parham at (301) 441-1096.

## Exchange Students In Need of Homes

ASSE International Student Exchange Programs is seeking host families for boys and girls from 21 countries around the world. A number of students are currently assigned to come to this area, but no host families are available for them. Host families may select their exchange student from ASSE's student applications which include biographical essays, family photos, school transcripts and health records.

Qualified students are well-screened, 15 to 18 years of age, and arrive from their home country shortly before school begins and return home at the end of the school year. Each ASSE student is fully insured, brings his or her own personal spending money, and expects to bear his or her share of household responsibilities.

For more information, call local contact Darlene Thompson, a Greenbelt resident, at 301-474-2999, or 1-800-677-2773.

## Golden Age Supports Buy a Book Program

The Greenbelt Golden Age Club is a big supporter of the Buy a Book program. This program is sponsored by the Greenbelt Advisory Committee on Education, to encourage the people of Greenbelt to purchase for local school libraries a book (or books) from lists at Crown Books and Bookland.

## City Notes

A public works crew collected 17 tons of yard debris over three days.

During the week ending May 9, the Special Details Crew collected commercial refuse on Wednesday since the regular refuse crews were collecting recycling. Details and Streets collected yard debris.

Soil was prepared and annuals planted and mulched at the City Office, Schrom Hills Park and the Recreation Center. Plants at Lake-wood, Schrom Hills Park and the Cemetery were mulched. Oak trees at Schrom Hills Park were sprayed for cankerworms, and trees on Crescent and Ridge Roads and Plateau Place were sprayed for tent caterpillars. Several adopt-a-trees were planted and shrubs were replaced around town. Grass mowing continued and chipper requests were handled. The new bollards at the Police Department were sanded and painted.

A demonstration bed of disease resistant roses was planted as a memorial at the rear of the Community Center.

Crews continued installing traffic arrows and grinding old lines on Cherrywood Lane.

Two Public Works employees were called out on the evening of Tuesday, April 29, to control a large oil spill from a Metro bus. Sand was used to contain the oil.

## At the Library

On Tuesday, May 20, the Greenbelt.com meeting will be held at 7 p.m. There will be free Internet classes: information, discussions and demonstration provided by Greenbelt Internet Access Cooperative.

The Adult Book Discussion group will meet at 2 p.m. on Wednesday, May 21. It will feature Stephen Carter's "Integrity".

Also on Wednesday, May 21, P.J. Storytime for ages 4-6 will meet at 7 p.m.

Drop-In Storytime for ages 3-5 will meet on Thursday, May 22, at 10:15 a.m.

## La Leche League

La Leche League of Greenbelt will meet on Tuesday, May 20, at 10 a.m. at the Greenbelt Maternity Center, 9811 Greenbelt Road, Suite 104. The topic of the meeting is "The How To's of Breastfeeding." Pregnant and breastfeeding mothers are invited to attend. Babies are welcome. For more information, please call Gian at (301) 604-8504.

## New Deal Cafe

Open  
 Fri-Sat  
 6-11 pm



Music  
 8:30 pm  
 No cover

FRIDAY, 16th: Last Ambulance

SATURDAY, 17th: The Estrogenics

Donations for Musicians Encouraged!

New Deal T-Shirt Special \$7.00 patrons  
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## PRELIMINARY AGENDA

GHI Board of Directors  
 Thursday, May 22, 1997 7:30 P.M.  
 GHI Board Room



### Key Agenda Items:

- First Quarter Statement
- Scheduled Stockholders Meeting

### GHI (Immediately following GDC Meeting)

- Certification of Election Action
- Election of Officers Action
- P & L Insurance package for 1997-98 Action
- Block Homes Roof Contract - Second Reading Action
- Summer Board Meeting Schedule Action

Board meetings are open to members



Greenbelt Arts Center  
 presents

## Come Blow Your Horn

by: Neil Simon  
 directed by: Ed Starr

Fri and Sat  
 May 16<sup>th</sup> -24<sup>th</sup>  
 at 8:00 pm

Tickets: \$8  
 Seniors & Students \$6

Sunday  
 May 18<sup>th</sup>  
 at 2:00 pm

Come see Mrs. Baker, her husband (the king of waxed fruit) and their two sons grow up, a little, while they clash over familiar issues in this funny/serious coming of age play.

## Flea Market

The Greenbelt Arts Center is holding a flea market on May 17<sup>th</sup> 10:00 am to 3 pm, to benefit the arts in your community. If you have anything you would like to donate to us, drop it off at the Arts Center Monday-Thursday May 12<sup>th</sup> - May 15<sup>th</sup> from 7:00pm to 9:00pm. Please put a tag on the items with the price, to speed up the process. Call Suzanne Zappasodi for information (301) 441-9020

The Greenbelt Arts Center

123 Centerway Greenbelt (next to the Post Office)  
 For more information call (301) 441-8770



## In-Line Skating Demo

Skating season is HERE!

If you are a skater, or a skater wannabe...don't miss this! The pros from CARAVAN SKATE SHOP and the Greenbelt Recreation Department will present cool ways to help you skate safe and clue you in on safe places to skate in and around Greenbelt.

Tuesday, May 20  
 3:30pm - 4:30pm  
 Greenbelt Youth Center  
 For Kids (parents welcome) FREE!

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### Brazilian Art Exhibit At District Court

An opening reception for a special exhibition of Brazilian art will be held at the U.S. District Court on Cherrywood Lane on Thursday, May 22, from 5:30-7:30 p.m. in the atrium of the courthouse.

The Prince George's Arts Council and the Joint Bar Association Advisory Committee for the Southern Division of the District of Maryland announce the opening of this special exhibition. The collection, organized by Galerie Bresil and Galpao das Artes of Sao Paulo SP Brazil, will showcase contemporary and traditional Brazilian art. It includes paintings, tapestries, paneaux, sculpture and objects. Works that will be included in this exhibit can be seen on the web site for Galpao das Artes-Equipe Eventos Especiais at [www.artonline.com.br/art](http://www.artonline.com.br/art). This event is part of an international exhibition program that is being developed by Prince George's Arts Council.

Also featured are a series of works by Prince George's County artists Irene Sylvester and Wilcox Morris. Sylvester is a former textile artist whose watercolors range in subject content from abstract to florals and are distinguished by a complex underpainting technique, often with a pattern. Morris is a Caribbean-born painter whose colorful acrylic works have explored African masks, imagery and symbols.

The U.S. District Court houses four levels of exhibition space. The Prince George's Arts Council coordinates the rotating exhibition program and presents traveling art collections, art exhibitions, and displays from five southern Maryland districts: Calvert, Charles, Montgomery, Prince George's and St. Mary's counties. All exhibits are open to the public and rotate on a quarterly basis.

### Special Olympics At Duckworth School

On Friday, May 23, from 9:45 a.m. to 1 p.m., James E. Duckworth School in Beltsville will hold its Fourth Annual Special Olympics Challenge.

Special Olympics International filmed last year's Challenge Day.

The school is located at 11201 Evans Trail in Beltsville. For more information, call 301-572-0620.



Officer Marty Parker of the Greenbelt Police Traffic Unit shows a group of students from St. Hugh's High School how a radar gun works. Officer Parker set up the speed gun at a recent Catholic Youth League practice baseball game so that pitchers from St. Hugh's and St. Bernard's could measure their pitching speeds.

### Senior Health Day

National Senior Health and Fitness Day will be held on Wednesday, May 28 at Watkins Regional Park, 301 Watkins Park Drive, Upper Marlboro. Sponsored by the Maryland-National Capital Parks and Planning Commission, the event will celebrate Older American's Month. Prince George's County Seniors (55+) can participate in a variety of activities, including basketball, tennis, walking, chair exercises, line dancing, horseshoes, volleyball, badminton, roller skating, weight training, croquet, Tai Chi, and health screenings. Pre-registration deadline is May 23. For further information, call 301-773-8881.

### Bike or Walk For the Arc

The Arc, a non-profit organization helping Prince Georgians with mental retardation, will hold its 25th Annual Ride-A-Bike/Take A Hike on May 18 at Lake Artemesia Park in College Park. Participants will either bike or hike the trail along the Anacostia River or Lake Artemesia. The person who raises the most money will win a weekend in Ocean City.

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### Rosenzweig Honored By Group He Served

by Eileen Farnham

Greenbelt pioneer Ben Rosenzweig, who died in March, was honored by the Consumer Credit Counseling Service of Greater Southeast Maryland at its May 13 Annual Board Awards dinner meeting. The area non-profit consumer credit counseling service, of which Rosenzweig was an officer and board member from its founding until his death, has established an annual client achievement award in Rosenzweig's memory.

The award goes to a graduate of the program, one who is debt-free, having successfully completed the debt repayment plan arranged and administered by the agency. The first award was made to a Waldorf client of the service who fell into debt while starting her own business. She spoke eloquently of her experience at the dinner, which was held at Martin's Crosswinds.

Ethel Rosenzweig was at the dinner to see the award presented in her husband's memory. She, her daughter Phyllis Kolmus and granddaughter Betsy, also received a plaque in tribute to Rosenzweig's many years on the agency's board.

### FOGM Receives Conservation Grant

by Sandra Lange

The Friends of the Greenbelt Museum (FOGM) was recently notified that it has received a 1997 Conservation Assessment Program (CAP) grant from the Institute of Museum and Library Services in Washington, D.C. This prestigious grant funds both a collections and an architectural assessor who will conduct surveys dealing with conservation issues. This specialist will advise FOGM on environmental conditions; policies and facilities for exhibits and storage; museum staffing and training; loan policies; and the care and preservation of the museum structure.

The CAP is a highly sought-after grant by museums across the country. It will bring the Greenbelt Museum one step closer to receiving accreditation by the American Association of Museums. Museum curator Ann Denkler applied for the grant on behalf of FOGM.

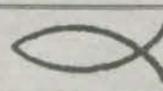
Video tape copies of the Greenbelt play, "Maryland Special Project #1: The Greenbelt Story," will soon be available for sale by FOGM. To order a copy, call the FOGM office, 301-507-6582, and leave a message.

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### The City, Depression Films at Archives II

The National Archives II at 8601 Adelphi Road will feature the following films on Wednesday, May 21, at noon: "The City", 1939 (33 minutes) directed by Ralph Steiner and Willard Van Dyke, is a call to rebuild America's cities in the form of planned communities. Greenbelt is extensively featured in this film with music composed by Aaron Copland; and "Valley Town", 1940 (25 minutes) directed by Willard Van Dyke, is a study of unemployment during the Depression. At 7 p.m., "Heroes for Sale", 1933 (73 minutes), in which Richard Barthelmess stars as Everyman who manages to survive the hardships brought on by the Depression. Directed by William Wellman, the film also stars Loretta Young and Ward Bond. For information, call 202-501-5000. All films are shown free to the public.

### A Review Planetarium Show Informs, Pleases

The planetarium at the Howard B. Owens Science Center is currently showing a filmed program, "More Than Meets the Eye." The program explores what can be seen in the night sky with the naked eye, how much more can be seen with an amateur telescope, and the greater detail visible with a large telescope or the space telescope. The show is informative, entertaining, and well put together. It also raises questions about what can be seen in the night sky, questions about what it means, and questions about the fundamental nature of time, matter, and the universe.

After the film, there is a live discussion of the current night sky which points out stars and constellations, making them easy to learn. The knowledgeable staff also tells stories from many cultures explaining the constellations.

Altogether, the program is well worthwhile. It's perfect for the whole family, and it's an entertainment bargain. Don't miss it. Fridays at 7:30 p.m. thru May 30. There is a fee. For information, call 301-918-8750.

## Legislative Wrap-Up, Ace Awards Occupy Council

by Betsy Likowski

State legislators were on hand to review the recent legislative session and outstanding local students received awards at the April 28 regular city council meeting. The short businesslike meeting also included awarding a bid to do road work on Crescent and Edmonston Roads.

### Legislative Wrap-Up

Three of the four legislators who represent Greenbelt at the statehouse were on hand to present council and citizens a review of the just finished legislative session at Annapolis. Senator Leo Green and Delegates James Hubbard and Joan Pitkin gave a rundown of the various bills that did and did not pass.

Prince George's County got \$2 million for libraries, which is more library money than any other jurisdiction in the state, said Green. The school facilities tax passed, said Pitkin, which will permit both a surcharge on developers for schools and an adequate public facilities test to make sure there is enough school capacity to support more development (in a given area). Unfortunately, we lost on some health issues, Pitkin reported. The tobacco tax and ban on cigarette vending machines failed. Notification to parents of children's exposure to pesticides at day care centers, which she sponsored, also failed.

Hubbard said he had a good year on the bills on which he had worked. A high point of the session is that the wild lands legislation will be signed into law. A lot of work was put into reorganizing the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission, he continued.

Sheldon Goldberg asked about the status of a bill sponsored by homeowner associations to get more equity for them so that in cases of bankruptcy, the bank will not take everything. Pitkin said she co-sponsored it and Green reported that the two bills on

this subject were killed in the committee on the Senate side.

### Education Awards

The city's Advisory Committee on Education (ACE) made its third annual presentation of the ACE Student Awards. Two students who embody the Greenbelt spirit and serve the community were chosen from seven schools that serve the Greenbelt community. Winners received the award and a \$20 book certificate from Bookland at the council meeting. The award winners are as follows: from Greenbelt Elementary School, Kristina Kerdock and Madison Calebaugh; from Springhill Lake Elementary School, Selina Gooding and Charles Cummings; from Magnolia Elementary School, Nikki Coates and Adrian Zein; from St. Hugh's School, Clare Storck and William Whelan; from Greenbelt Middle School, Sharronda Brice and Shawn Payne; from Robert Goddard Middle School, Marquita Briscoe and Jonathan Dent; and from Eleanor Roosevelt High School, Sara Rashkin and Karim Fadli.

### Miscellaneous

Road work is projected to start in mid-May and be complete by mid-August on Crescent and Edmonston Roads. Council approved the low bid for the work of \$165,755 from NZI Construction.

The proposed cut back of refuse pick up to one day a week was scheduled by council to be the topic of a public hearing at the next council meeting, May 12.

Terry Kucera presented council with a request from the Greenbelt Bicycle Coalition to declare May 20 National Bike to Work Day. Cyclist Bill Clarke reported that three Greenbelters participated in the bike caravan from Greenbelt to Washington on April 26.

Council declared May 4-10 "Be Kind to Animals Week."



by Linda Savaryn  
301-474-5285

Greenbelters were saddened to hear of the death of Ruth D. Taylor. Mrs. Taylor, a Greenbelt pioneer, was the first woman elected to Greenbelt City Council. Our condolences to her son James Taylor of Hillside Road, and family.

Nancy DePlatchett was one of 38 educators in the D.C. area awarded the Kennedy Center Certificate of Study. The certificate recognizes educators who have continued their professional development in the arts by participating in 30 or more hours of study during a two-year period in the Kennedy Center's "Professional Development Opportunities for Teachers" program. DePlatchett teaches at Thomas Pullen Arts Magnet School.

Mairead Cordelia Alexander was born May 2, weighing 8 lbs. 10 1/2 oz. Happy parents are David and Rachel Alexander of Greenhill Road. Her grandmothers are Jan Jackson of Salem, OR, and former Greenbelt Jean Turkiewicz, now of College Park. Mairead has several relatives who used to live in Greenbelt. One of her aunts who still does is Diana Turkiewicz.

It's a baby girl for Joey and Holly Dobbin, formerly of Westway, now of Laurel. Ashley Corrine was born April 30, weighing 6 lbs., 2 oz. at Holy Cross Hospital at 9:02 p.m. Proud grandparents are Linda and Bill Dobbin, Jr., of Lanham and Elsie and Andy Hedgedus of Seabrook. Great-grandparents are Jan E. Osler of Laurel and Mariam Lingenfelter of PA. Other great-grandparents were Shirley and Bill Dobbin, Sr., Greenbelt residents for 55 years, who are now deceased.

Our best wishes to Kevin

Matovitch of the 11 Court of Ridge Road. Kevin was in an accident and had to be admitted to Children's Hospital for liver surgery.

A speedy recovery to Donald Brooks, Empire Place. The night supervisor at Greenbelt Elementary School, Brooks has been battling pneumonia.



Kiloma Wiggins

Kiloma Wiggins, daughter of John Wiggins, appeared last month in Salisbury State University's spring dance concert.

Wiggins is a senior at Salisbury, majoring in liberal arts studies. She participates in track and field and is a member of the Maryland Governor's Commission on Service, the Campus Outreach Opportunity League, the Maryland Youth Service Action Committee and the Union of African-American Students.

Recently Wiggins presented a workshop at the 1997 Campus Outreach Opportunity League National Conference on Student Community Service held in Cleveland.

Linda Evans, who formerly worked at Independence Court, is now at Sycamore Hill Senior Assisted Living Residence in Mitchellville.



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<p><b>Toddler Gym - II</b> 212501-4 ages 2.5-3.5 Fridays/9:30-10:15 am R: \$7.50 NR: \$9.50 4 weeks, begins 5/23</p>	<p><b>Advanced Gymnastics</b> 232502-5 ages 6-12 Thursdays/5:30-6:15 pm R: \$12.50 NR: \$15.75 4 weeks, begins 5/29</p>	<p><b>Tumbling Tots</b> 223501-3 ages 2-4 Thursdays/10:00-10:30 am R: \$9.00 NR: \$11.00 4 weeks, begins 5/20</p>

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# Pine Tree Dilemma Nonplusses Outgoing GHI Board at Wrap-up

by Suzanne Krofchik

When the current Greenbelt Homes, Inc. (GHI) Board of Directors met for the last time this term on May 8, for the second meeting in a row almost all seats in the audience were filled with GHI members. The board worked through 13 agenda items, and for more than an hour struggled with an issue concerning a 45-foot-tall white pine tree. With GHI elections looming on May 15 and 16, and five of the nine board spots up for election, the current board worked diligently to end this board year by disposing of all pending items.

Three different facets of replacement reserves were discussed—an in-house evaluation, a study done by a consultant, and the formula used to determine how much is collected from members for the replacement reserve funds. Other highlights included the block home siding policy, a working capital update, and first readings for the block homes roof contract and renewal of the co-op's property and liability insurance. This was the last board meeting for Directors Ray Stevens, Nat Shinderman and Bill Phelan, who are not seeking re-election. Directors Betty Deitch and Keith Jahoda, however, both seek another term.

### Tree Exemption?

"We're damned if we do and damned if we don't." These words of Nat Shinderman best describe the dilemma caused by a white pine tree growing in the service side yard of 4-A Plateau. Currently 45 feet tall, the tree is higher than the roofline, and so wide that it overhangs the adjacent yard at 4-C, whose owner first began complaining about it 12 years ago. The tree can be expected to grow to 75 feet.

Dripping sap damages paint on cars and porches. Sap drips on clothes, making the yard unusable, and sap is carried into the home on shoes, ruining flooring and carpeting. The branches beat upon roof shingles during high winds, and there may be some type of sinkhole or other ground damage occurring. Members from two other adjacent yards, also present, complained about damage from the tree and support its removal.

The other side of the story is equally compelling. The member at 4-A who recently moved to GHI, chose to buy this particular home because of this particular white pine tree, unaware of the complaints about it. She thought Greenbelt "respected nature," noting that the flag of Greenbelt includes a tree. Her win-win solution was to have pine cones removed each year to stop sap production. This tactic was found to be unworkable, however, because sap would drip from other places and because of

the logistics and cost of removing pine cones each year.

Two issues were paramount. Over the years people have planted the wrong trees in the wrong places; thus similar situations will likely come before the board, raising the question of how the board can act fairly and consistently. Secondly, members affected by this particular tree are themselves divided in opinion. After 70 minutes of discussion, a motion to remove the tree and replace it with one appropriate for the location was made by Betty Deitch, seconded by Ray Stevens and supported by Dorothy Lauber. The motion was then voted down (5-3) by John Taylor, Alan Turnbull, Keith Jahoda, Chuck Hess and Nat Shinderman. Bill Phelan was absent. With no resolution in sight, the matter was referred to both the Woodlands Committee and the Architecture and Environment Committee for recommendations to the new board taking office on May 16.

### Replacement Reserves

How to pay for replacing structural items without again having to borrow large sums of money is a major issue the co-op will face in the next few years. Two of the loans taken out to pay for rehab done in the 1980s will be paid off in the years 2000 and 2003. While some members look forward to lower co-op fees once these loans are paid off, others recommend keeping all or part of the rehab fee that members have been accustomed to paying, and putting it into reserves to avoid the additional future expense of borrowing money.

The Director of Technical Services, Jay Freedman, summarized

the in-house Replacement Reserve Study, which projects various scenarios to the year 2033, based on a 2.5% inflation adjustment and 5% interest income. First, he cautioned that these are projections only and should be used as a planning tool. Changes of a half or one percent in inflation and interest could make a projected sufficient amount become a \$3 million deficit. Second, he recommended minimum balances for each reserve fund: \$500,000 for frame units, \$300,000 for masonry units and \$50,000 for larger homes. Lastly, reserves are underfunded, he said, and the amounts now being collected will not meet GHI's needs in a few years. The reserves study done by consultants' Reserves Advisors has been completed. They will meet later in the summer with the board and interested members to discuss recommendations.

The amounts currently being collected for reserves are based on the type of home, but do not take into account the different sizes of homes within each category. The Finance Committee is working on developing a more equitable formula.

### Other Matters

The change in the working

capital assessment from 3% to 1% since October 1994, was reviewed by the board. This fee is charged to the buyer as a percentage of the buying price and refunded to the member without interest when the home is sold. The lower fee decreases up-front money needed to buy into GHI, thus helping with the resale of homes. The working capital balance as of January 1, 1996, was \$1,718,268; at year's end it was \$1,644,916, amounting to a decrease of \$73,252. The board agreed to leave the fee at 1%.

A first reading was made to change property and liability insurance from Aetna to Fireman's Insurance Company through the former agent, Polkes and Greenberg.

### Auditions to be Held

Auditions will be held for the musical "Anything Goes" on May 19 and 21 at 6:30 p.m. by the Prince George's County Teen Theater. The auditions will be at the High Point High School auditorium, 3601 Powder Mill Road, Beltsville. Singing, dancing, speaking and technical roles will be available. Auditioners should bring sheet music and a recent photograph and be prepared to perform 16 bars of an upbeat song (excluding songs from "Anything Goes") and be ready to move. Callbacks will be held on May 22. For further information, call 301-384-5797.

Also for first reading, the board authorized a contract with Shen Valley Roofing to replace 13 roofs in three rows of block homes at 39 H-M Ridge, 58 J-M Crescent, and 4 E-H Crescent at a cost not to exceed \$85,500.

### Stream Discovery Day

Watkins Nature Center, located in Watkins Regional Park, 301 Watkins Park Drive, Upper Marlboro, is sponsoring Stream Discovery Day on Saturday, May 24, 1-3 p.m. Participating children, ages 5 and older, and their parents will discover wetland wildlife, view and learn about watersheds, plant grasses and trees, and create a fish kite. There is a fee. For information or to register, call 301-249-6202.

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## Two Fights in the Center Raise Citizen Concerns

by Dorothy Sucher

Police were called to two separate incidents at the Roosevelt Center on Monday night, May 12, both involving unruly groups of young people. An argument around 10:25 p.m. ended when a 20-year-old man was pushed through the plate glass window of the Beijing Restaurant by two other men with whom he had been arguing. The victim staggered off in the direction of Domino's Pizza, where he collapsed. An ambulance transported him to the hospital.

The two suspects who pushed him through the window are known to the victim, and the investigation is continuing. All three are Greenbelt residents.

### Unloaded Gun Found

In an incident three-quarters of an hour earlier, a police officer observed a fight in progress at the Center. Before he could intervene, a citizen pointed to two individuals near Crescent Road and Southway, saying that they had been involved in the fight and that one of them had pulled a gun.

As the officer approached, the two men ran away behind the apartments on Crescent Road. After a chase near 24 Court of Ridge Road, one of them was caught by the officer and found to be armed with a baseball bat.

A few minutes later, the second fugitive was caught nearby. A search by a K-9 police dog resulted in the discovery of an unloaded, .380 semi-automatic handgun near 21 Court.

Two non-resident youths, ages 16 and 17, were arrested for disorderly conduct and resisting arrest. They were later released to parents, pending action by the Juvenile Justice System.

Investigation revealed that a third person, not the two who were arrested, had been in possession of the handgun; charges are pending against him.

### Center Merchants' Concerns

The following morning, one of the Roosevelt Center merchants met with City Manager Mike McLaughlin and Police Chief James Craze to express his concerns about the effect on businesses in the Center, as well as on the community as a whole, if such incidents are allowed to continue. McLaughlin said that the Center merchants will probably bring their concerns to the City Council at upcoming meetings, stating, "And that's appropriate."

The manager himself, he said, had seen a group in the Center late Monday afternoon. "It was larger than I had seen for awhile, maybe 15 or 20 people, which I attributed to the good weather."

McLaughlin noted that the Center is designed for people to use. However, if some of them don't behave appropriately, the Greenbelt Police will be making it clear to them that they will not be welcome there. "We want this area to be safe for shopping and other peaceful pursuits," the manager stated.

A police officer will be assigned to the Center as his primary beat, he said. However, if an emergency occurs elsewhere in the city, the officer will be able to respond to it.

### Crowd Control Methods

The police have various tools at their disposal for dealing with those who behave inappropriately in public places. For example, anti-littering policies can be used effectively, as was done on

# POLICE BLOTTER

Based on Information Released by the Greenbelt Police Department

An Eleanor Roosevelt High School student was walking to school from Greenway Center on April 30, about 5 p.m. when a man in a car stopped to ask directions. The man exposed himself when the girl was giving him directions. She turned and walked away and so did not see which way he went. The man was Asian, 20 to 30 years old, with black hair and wearing a dark blue or black suit and dark glasses. He drove a "box-shaped" black, four-door vehicle.

### Arrests

Three Greenbelt residents were arrested in the parking lot

Wednesday evening, May 7, when officers in the Roosevelt Center observed a large group of disorderly juveniles and trash strewn on the ground. One of the officers told the group that if they were going to congregate in the Center every evening, they were going to have to behave properly and pick up the trash.

When a 19-year-old resident female refused and said in a profane manner they were not picking up the trash, the officer told her to leave because she was being disorderly. She refused, was placed under arrest, and was charged with Trespass on Public Grounds.

Another tool the police have used, said McLaughlin, is the zero tolerance policy for smoking by minors. This provides "due cause," enabling police to approach underage smokers if they are engaging in undesirable behavior. If appropriate, the police can then send the individuals on their way.

near Denny's restaurant on Sunday, May 4, at 2:30 a.m. for disorderly conduct. Following an argument, the three yelled and shouted profanities. All refused requests by police to stop being disorderly. All were residents of the same apartment in the 7700 block of Hanover Parkway.

A domestic dispute outside of a car in the 6300 block of Greenbelt Road on Saturday night after midnight attracted the attention of others, who called the police on their cell phones. They advised that the woman had been assaulted and forced into the car, which then headed south on Kenilworth Avenue. Police found and stopped the car and arrested the driver.

A non-resident man was arrested on Thursday, May 8, at 5:45 p.m. in the 9100 block of Springhill Lane. A woman told police the man she was arguing with had grabbed her by the neck and choked her, causing bruises.

An unwanted guest in the 9100 block of Springhill Court was arrested on Monday, May 5, at 9:30 p.m. When asked to leave the hallway of the apartment building, she began to yell. She was asked to keep her voice down, but instead continued to yell. Other residents began opening their doors.

Two young women were arrested for leaving children unattended in a car in the parking lot at Beltway Plaza. The children were ages 6, 1 and 2 months.

### Thefts, Burglaries

Police responded to a burglar alarm at CVS on Sunday at 4:30 a.m. A window had been broken

out; cigarettes were taken.

Traffic cones were taken from a work site near Greenbelt and Mandan Roads.

Jewelry was reported taken from a residence in the 6200 block of Springhill Court on May 2, method of entry unknown.

Unattended wallets or purses were taken from an office suite in the 6400 Block of Ivy Lane on May 1, 10:30 a.m.; during a social function at the Marriott Hotel on May 4, 1 a.m. (two incidents); from an office suite, 7500 block of Greenway Center Drive on May 5, 10:15 a.m.

### Vehicle Thefts

A red, black and silver Team PR, 20 inch, boy's bike was reported stolen from a balcony in the 9100 block of Edmonston Road on Saturday, May 3 at 12:45 a.m. A silver, 21 inch, Trek mountain bike was reported stolen from the 6400 block of Ivy Lane on Sunday, May 4 at 5:30 p.m. The bike was not locked.

Vandalisms to and thefts and attempted thefts to and from vehicles were reported in the following areas last week: 6000 and 7500 blocks of Greenbelt Road, 6200 block of Breezewood Drive, 6900 block of Hanover Parkway (three incidents), Golden Triangle Drive, Laurel Hill Road, 6200 block of Springhill Drive and 6100 block of Springhill Terrace.

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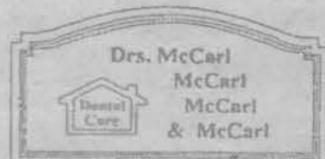


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## PUBLIC WORKS

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city residents who use city service for refuse pick-up are paying \$168. And if the city decides to keep two-day-a-week trash pick-up and pick-up recycling curbside then each customer will have to pay an additional \$41 in order to hire a crew of workmen to do the recycling.

### Fees

Most of the costs of waste collection are offset by service fees. Of the \$463,700 it is expected that waste collection and recycling will cost in FY98, it is estimated \$398,500 will be brought in by service fees. After adding in the \$57,300 landfill disposal rebate, \$3,900 recycling fee, and an estimated \$4,000 from the sale of recyclable materials only a deficit of \$17,300 is estimated in FY98. This deficit could be reduced if the market for recycled goods, which has been poor recently, improves.

### Statistics

The city collects refuse from 2,384 customers, and collects almost one-ton of refuse per customer. Curb side pick-up of recycling will be done to 2,650 households. This year's pick-up is estimated to be close to last year's at 700 tons of paper and 285 tons of glass, plastic, aluminum and steel combined.

The figures for recycling at the drop-off center are expected to be similar to last year's with an estimated 64 tons of newspaper; six tons glass, aluminum, and plastic combined; 47 tons cardboard; 60 tons mixed paper; and 4,300 gallons of oil recycled. The estimated 600 gallons of 'antifreeze' recycled is a large drop from last year's 750 gallons. It is estimated that 350 tons of yard waste will be composted.

Council has already had a public meeting on the subject and was to have another on May 12, but still could not resist commenting on the subject again. Mayor Antoinette Bram was clearly against the proposal. Councilmembers Judith Davis and Rodney Roberts thought that it would be equitable that those who use the service should pay. Roberts said he would vote for one day a week service just to try something, but he personally did not think a \$41 increase to hire the additional crew was that much. "I don't believe that going to one day a week will (result in) recycling more," said councilmember Edward Putens.

### Goals

The department regularly does a survey of the condition of streets to determine which need work but sidewalk inspection has never been done. This is proposed for next fiscal year with the view of doing it more than once a year in the future.

Another initiative for FY98 is to begin a program of semi-annual cleaning of streets. In the past it has been done by hand and on an irregular basis. The department looks to borrow or contract the use of a street-sweeping machine.

A third initiative for FY98 is to look at whether additional building maintenance is needed. The cleaning of the Community Center by city staff (which began during the last year) puts an additional work load on the maintenance crew.

Hall seemed proud of the many accomplishments of the department during the previous fiscal year, especially when money

was saved. Re-lining Cherrywood Lane to establish bicycle lanes saved the city about \$15,000 it would have cost to have a contractor do the work. Taking the compactor off an old refuse truck and installing it on a new truck chassis saved the city the cost of a new truck, \$48,000. A display cabinet was created in-house to exhibit headstones of the colonial era Hamilton cemetery. The public works department also helped out those in need, such as moving families after a fire in Springhill Lake and sharing equipment with neighboring towns.

### Unmet Needs

The public works department has used temporary workers for several years to fill out its work force, for, as Hall said, it has been four to six years since the department hired new staff. In order to hire two temporary workers who have worked for the city for a long time, \$14,000 is requested.

Hall said he could use three new employees. When pressed by council to state his wish, Hall said he could use five to seven more workers. His placement priority for those workers is cleaning buildings, building maintenance, three parks and horticultural, and streets. These are all workers the department lost, said Hall, not entirely new positions.

There is also equipment the department would like to purchase that are not budgeted. These items include: a large tractor mower for cutting grass quicker, \$45,000; computer and CD-ROM for the mechanics shop, \$3,000; computer and scanner for the horticulturalist; and an automatic floor-scrubber so one person can do the job that now takes two to three persons, \$2,939.

### Parks

The city's parks are maintained by ten parks crewmen and five horticultural crewmen and for FY98 \$694,700 is proposed to maintain the city's parks. This is down from last year's budget but is about what will be spent during this fiscal year. Personnel expenses, at \$493,000, is the biggest part of the parks budget.

The city has 487.23 acres of



Mr. Baker, right, played by Irv Friedman, reminds son Alan, played by Keith Mervine, who's the boss in the Art's Center production of Neil Simon's "Come Blow Your Horn."

parks, 30 playgrounds, four athletic field complexes and helps take care of five more, ten tennis courts and three public fitness courses.

Once again, it is projected that city funds will pay the majority of the expenses for the intra-city transit service with cost projected at \$64,000, with city revenues covering \$58,300 and \$6,300 in bus fares. The Greenbelt Connection uses a van and auto to provide dial-a-ride service six days a week. Some of the signing and marking of sidewalks and streets is done by city workers and for FY98 \$86,900 is proposed for the purpose.

### Streets

The Public Works Department services and maintains equipment used by all the city departments and in FY98 \$262,100 is budgeted for this purpose.

The city maintains over 24 miles of streets, including construction, repair and snow removal. Though the total cost of street maintenance is estimated at \$564,800 only \$58,800 is projected to come from general city revenues. State-shared highway user fees and gasoline tax revenues is estimated to pay for \$506,000 of street maintenance.

Next fiscal year, resurfacing is proposed for Pinecrest, Mandan Road (from Greenbelt Road to Hanover Parkway), part of Ora Glen Drive, and the road to MacDonald Field.

Maintaining the Municipal

## Wildlife Programs For Kids & Families

The Patuxent Research Refuge - North Tract will hold the following programs for children and families in May:

"Wild Wetlands" - ages 5 and older with parent. May 25, 2 - 3 p.m. Discover the wildlife that live in wetlands by dipnetting and looking for clues. Wear boots.

"Wildlife Signs Hike" - ages 5 and older with parent. May 18, 2 - 3 p.m. Discover the tracks and signs that wildlife leaves behind on this guided trail hike.

"Amazing Arachnids" - ages 8 and older with parent. May 22, 7 - 8 p.m. Join Lloyd Tydings and his live critters as he discusses the adaptations and importance of spiders. Call 1-410-674-3304, TDD 1-410-674-4625.

Building for FY98 is budgeted at \$73,900. The city cemetery is \$1,300. Care and upkeep of the parking and sidewalk areas in Roosevelt Center Mall is \$38,200 for FY98.

The administration of the public works department is budgeted at \$468,300 in FY98. This includes the personnel expenses to run the department and maintenance of the public works building.

## Humane Society Needs Volunteers

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