

News Review

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Office Closed Monday

The News Review will be closed on Monday, September 1 for Labor Day. The office will be open on Tuesday, September 2 from 8 to 10 p.m.

The deadline for advertising and copy is 10 p.m. on Tuesday.

Non-Stop Fun Is Promised At the Labor Day Festival

by Sandy Smith

"We're all ready and just waiting for you," said Rick Ransom, president of the Greenbelt Labor Day Festival Committee, of the year-long preparations for this week's celebration. "All we need is you to add to the excitement," he said, encouraging everyone in Greenbelt to spend the weekend at the Festival and bring all their family and friends. The Greenbelt Labor Day Festival is the biggest event of its kind in Maryland and this year will be the best, he predicted. The carnival has five new rides to accompany the traditional favorites, a first-edition souvenir program covers the entire Festival, and some of the best entertainment in the area will appear on the Labor Day Festival stage. The Labor Day Festival is a unique combination of "Disney World by the Beltway" and a chance to support the community and all of its civic, youth, and charitable groups which run the food and activity booths. "Have a good time, and do a good turn," Rick suggests. And by the way, you can catch Rick performing on Sunday afternoon at 1:30 p.m. as he plays and sings on stage — a change from his usual work behind the scenes.

Souvenir Program

For the first time, a souvenir program has been produced by and for the Festival. Its 28

pages feature photos of major activities including the Miss Greenbelt Pageant participants, a guide to all of the Festival events, schedule, feature articles and a locator map. There's some his-



Friday, August 29

6:00 Carnival Midway Opens
7:30 Opening Ceremonies with presentation of Outstanding Citizen
8:15 Miss Greenbelt Pageant Opening Night
9:00 Finale—Decades of great music
For Festival Information Call 301-397-2206 Ride the Shuttle Bus, see schedule on page 3.

tory about the Festival and other information which help people find and enjoy all the events. The programs will be on sale at the Festival Information Booth and in the stage area.

Festival Kickoff

There's no time like Friday to visit the Festival and see who is this year's Outstanding Citizen. Join the reception for the 1997 and past Outstanding Citizens at the Municipal Building following the Opening Ceremonies. The concert band, under the leadership

of Tom Cherrix, will play the opening concert of the weekend and then you will meet the Miss Greenbelt Pageant participants. Later, Finale, one of the area's top bands, entertains with sounds from the 50s to the 90s — literally something for everyone. Finale is sponsored by Modell's Sporting Goods, one of the many Greenbelt business sponsors. The carnival midway opens at 6 p.m. and has rides for children, teens and brave and not-so-brave adults. For those who wish, the Festival actually starts its schedule at 6 a.m. when the Greenbelt Aquatic and Fitness Center opens. Throughout the day there's a senior citizen's swim party, table tennis tournament, and the David R.S. Craig Memorial Softball Game.

Saturday Is Kids' Day

One of the first events of Kids' day doesn't actually feature children, but their pets. All types of pets are welcome in the 27th Annual Children's Pet Show, where not only the unique but the everyday characteristics of each pet are recognized. Kids' Day has games, events, and entertainment especially designed with children in mind. There's T-ball, volleyball, golf and hockey. Games for all ages from crawlers competing in the diaper derby to tests of skill for those through ten years of age

See FESTIVAL page 11

Mayor Toni Bram Won't Seek Reelection This Fall

by Diane Oberg

Greenbelt Mayor Antoinette Bram announced her decision not to run for reelection at the City Council Meeting Monday. Nearing the end of her fourteenth year on the Greenbelt City Council, the mayor recalled her earlier decision that ten years on council would be enough. She extended that for two more terms, during which she served as Mayor.

Along with current council colleague Judith Davis, Bram first sought appointment to the council early in 1983, following Richard Castaldi's election to the county council. The remaining councilmembers deadlocked 2 - 2 between Bram and Robert Zugby. When the deadlock persisted through a worksession, a council meeting and a second worksession, Bram withdrew, putting council out of its misery and clearing the way for Zugby's appointment to council. That November, however, she defeated him at the polls, to win a seat on council.

Clearly fighting her emotions, Bram declared at the council meeting "You may have better mayors, but none who love you more." She thanked her colleagues and constituents for their support and was visibly moved when those present rose for a standing ovation.

A Greenbelt Profile

Carolyn Goff Looks Back on School Career

by Sandra A. Lange

It's easy to see why everyone was sorry to see Carolyn Goff retire as principal from Greenbelt Elementary at the end of the school year in June. Of course, she was known to be a very hard worker, often putting in 10 or 12 hour days. But, more than her conscientious performance, each child, each parent, each teacher will miss the personal bond they had formed with her.

Carolyn Goff is a woman who looks directly at you through clear blue eyes, smiles with genuine warmth and holds out her hand. Her whole persona radiates with an aura that conveys the impression that here is someone who cares deeply about children. As she says herself, being an educator was not just her job or her profession—it was her career and her life. Goff spent 23 years in the Prince George's County school system, seven at Greenbelt Elementary. She was vice principal for two years and principal for five years.

"If I could have done the job from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., I probably would have stayed on," she says wistfully. "I still had the enthusiasm." But, that wasn't her style. She could never give less



Mayor Antoinette Bram

Her council colleagues had kind words and best wishes for the retiring mayor. Rodney Roberts said "you've been an excellent mayor." Judith Davis noted that "It was probably a very difficult decision." Edward Putens thanked her and hoped the mayor and her husband would take time for each other.

Councilmember Thomas White took a different approach. "We'll have plenty of time to thank you for your service," he said. "It is commendable for you to make such an announcement at a time when people interested in running have time to take full advantage."

The next election will be interesting, predicted Davis. Then it was back to business, as the mayor declared, "But I'm not gone yet."

than 110 percent of her time and her energy. When her energy began to wane following two serious illnesses, she realized it was time to retire.

"Celebrate with Me"

On the next-to-last day of the school year, she wrote to each member of her staff about her plans. Her letter began "Celebrate with Me." She had said nothing to anyone earlier because she had not wanted them to dwell on her leaving. Nor did she want a prolonged "good bye." She wanted to work hard until the very last day, and then leave quietly. That was her style, she affirmed.

Carolyn Goff was principal of Greenbelt Elementary for five years, taking over from John Van Schoonhoven who retired after 17 years as principal. Dr. Van, as he was affectionately known, recruited Goff from Kenmoor Middle School where she was happily teaching social studies. He wanted her to be in charge of the new After School Program. She was reluctant to become an administrator, but Dr. Van persuaded her that she would still have the personal contacts with children that she desired.

See CAROLYN GOFF page 16

County Schools Open Tuesday

by Barbara Likowski

Prince George's County public schools will open Tuesday, September 2. About 128,000 students are expected this year, up 3,000 from last year. According to Christopher Casen, media specialist for the county schools, 1,000 new teachers have been hired. Class size will vary but will be reduced as much as possible.

Reading Recovery, an early intervention program for first graders, will be targeted again this year. The objective is to see that all children are reading on grade level by the time they reach third grade.

The Magnet programs will continue. Presently there are some places open.

OASIS

The OASIS program will continue this year. Set up in 1995 under the development of Dr. Jerome Clark, twenty cluster groups have been organized, with seven to 12 schools in each cluster. These are based in each of the 20 county high schools and are headed by a Chief Educational Advisor (CEA). The CEA is assisted by an advisory board. Each cluster has its own OASIS school. Greenbelt's OASIS school is Eleanor Roosevelt High School.

These special schools provide opportunities for the whole community to participate in different activities in the schools after hours, Monday through Saturday. These might include SAT preparation, instrumental music, computer, literacy training, remediation classes, and a host of other programs.

With the help of the advisory board, special needs germane to that cluster will be identified. These will be addressed throughout the school day as well.

Continuing programs are Pacesetter and Atlas. A pilot program by the New American Schools Development Corporation, Atlas will emphasize teaching, learning and assessment for

all children. Pacesetter introduces high school students at an early age to high level math, English and social studies, creating a marriage between math and the arts, according to Casen.

Registration

State law requires school attendance for every child between the ages of five and 16. All children in the state of Maryland will be required to attend kindergarten or an alternative program setting. A law was passed four years ago that lowered the age of compulsory school attendance to five years of age; it affects all children who are five by December 31, 1997. It requires that children

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What Goes On

Friday, Aug. 29, 7:30 p.m. Opening Ceremony, Labor Day Festival, Stage Area

Saturday & Sunday, Aug. 30 and 31 - Labor Day Festival Continues

Monday, Sept. 1, 10:30 a.m. - Noon - Labor Day Parade

Wednesday, Sept. 3, 7:30 p.m. - Advisory Planning Board, Community Center

8 p.m. Council Work Session, USDA Traffic Study, Municipal Bldg.

Thursday, Sept. 4, 7:30 p.m. GHI Board Meeting, Hamilton Pl.

7:30 p.m. GEAC Meeting, Windsor Green



Greenbelt Lions new board from left to right: Emory Harman, Jack Maffay, T.J. Engram, Hashiro Shiminuki, Charmaine Davis, Dervy Lomax (incoming president), Ralph Bram, P.J. Siegal (outgoing president), Bob Lauber, Joe Wilkinson, Bill Dupree, Mayor Toni Bram and Alice Mayhew.

Greenbelt Lions Club Installs New Officers

In June, the Greenbelt Lions Club held its 47th installation dinner at the Springhill Lake Fountain Lodge. Lion's District Governor Robert Perry conducted the installation ceremony during which Dervy Lomax, who is also a member of the College Park City Council, was sworn in as president for 1997 - 1998. The District Governor also administered the oath of office to all those other Greenbelt Lions Club members elected to leadership positions in the Club for the new Lions Year including the secretary, Charmaine Davis, and the treasurer, Joe Wilkinson.

In his acceptance speech, President Lomax stressed the need for the Greenbelt Lions Club to work as a team. He indicated that the main thrusts of the new Lions Year will be to bring in new members, to sponsor a Leo Club at Eleanor Roosevelt High School, and to move forward in new activities designed to assist those with sight and hearing impairments. The Stan Hoke Spirit of Lionism Award was presented to new Lion Bob Lauber for devoted service to the Greenbelt club and to the principles of International Lions Clubs. Another Greenbelt Lion, Bud Cormack, was recognized for dedicated humanitarian service to Lions Club International by being accepted as a Melvin Jones Fellow. This unique recognition is named after the Founder of Lions Clubs International whose personal code was, "You can't get very far until you start doing something for somebody else." In addition, Lion Charles Mills was named a Life Member of Lions Clubs International.

ternational.

The Greenbelt Lions Club meets for dinner at E.J.'s Landing Restaurant, located on Route U.S. 1, on the second and fourth Mondays of each month at 6:44 p.m. All are welcome!

Fishing Derby Held At Lake Artemesia

On Saturday, September 6, from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m., Oakcrest Community Center is sponsoring a fishing clinic and derby at scenic Lake Artemesia. The lake is located at 600 Cleveland Avenue in College Park.

Participants will learn to bait a hook, cast and properly reel in a catch. The derby will consist of a competition that will award prizes for various categories.

This event is sponsored by The Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission, Department of Parks and Recreation, Prince George's County, and there is a fee. For further information, call 301-736-5355; TTY 301-249-9223; <http://www.smartnet-parksrec>

Letters

Thanks Neighbors!

I would like to express publicly my very belated but most sincere thanks to my wonderful neighbors in Boxwood. Since early June they have responded to my needs above and beyond the call of duty. Ferrying me to doctors, for X-rays, hospital procedures, taking me shopping, to the library, etc., even picking up my medications. When I could no longer shop they took turns returning library books, going to the post office, even my banking and are still doing so! Their repeat visits to the hospital and nursing home were particularly welcome.

My most heartfelt appreciation goes most especially to Nancy Bagster-Collins, Rosemary Mangialardi, and the Burts of Tamarisk Ct., Martha Patton of Rosewood Dr., and Eileen Segarra of Lastner Lane. The thoughts and inquiries about me from others in Greenbelt meant more than I can say. Thank you all so much.

Elaine Nussbaum

Rabid Animal

The Greenbelt Police Department received confirmation today that a wild raccoon captured on Monday, August 25, tested positive for the presence of rabies. The animal was captured in the 7900 Block of Kara Court after the resident contacted police and advised of a sick raccoon in her back yard. Prince George's County Animal Control responded and took custody of the animal.

Any citizen who observes a domestic or wild animal that appears to be sick should remember to keep a safe distance and contact the police department at (301) 474-7200.

Bikers and Trikers Join The Parade

Come one, come all, bike and trike riders up to age 12. Decorate and beautify bikes and trikes for the Greenbelt Labor Day Parade on Monday, September 1. As in years past, the Lions Club is sponsoring this portion of the parade. Trophies will be presented for the best decorated bikes and trikes in age groups 2-4, 5-8, and 9-12. Prizes will be awarded to all entrants. Lions Club members will march with the paraders, and moms and/or dads may accompany their little ones.

Registration will take place at the statue in Roosevelt Center beginning at 9 a.m. Riders will join the parade at the Mobil station shortly after the start at 10 a.m. Trophies and prizes will be distributed at the statue following completion of the route.

Attention News Review Staff

Two calendar notes for News Review staff members:

The Annual Meeting will be held on Sunday, October 5 at 6 p.m. A light dinner (probably Chinese food) will be served.

The News Review's 60th Anniversary Dinner is tentatively scheduled for Sunday, November 16. Details will be announced later.

Try the Greenbelt Landmark Quiz

(This is one of a series of Greenbelt history questions to commemorate the city's 60th Anniversary and the designation of its historic district as a National Landmark. The answer is on page 3 of this issue.)

When did President Roosevelt officially approve the Greenbelt project?



Labor Day Holiday Greenbelt Connection Schedule

Because of the Labor Day Holiday, Monday, September 1, 1997, there will **NO** Greenbelt Connection service that day. Service will resume on Tuesday, September 2.



Labor Day Holiday Refuse/Recycling Schedule

Because of the Labor Day Holiday, Monday, September 1, 1997, there will **NOT** be refuse or recycling collection that day. The remainder of the week will be on the regular schedule.



OFFICIAL NOTICE

NOMINATIONS FOR 1997 COUNCIL ELECTION

A regular election to elect the five members of the City Council will be held in the City of Greenbelt, Maryland on Tuesday, November 4, 1997.

Any qualified voter of the City may be nominated for the office of Council Member upon filing at the Office of the City Clerk a nomination petition signed by at least fifty (50) qualified voters, a written acceptance of the nomination, and such other statements as are required by the City Charter or by law.

NOMINATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED THRU MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 1997

Required forms are available in the City Clerk's Office, Municipal Building, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. For additional information, call the City Clerk at 301-474-8000.

David Moran
City Clerk

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Community Events

Notice

The Greenbelt Museum, at 10-B Crescent Road, will be open for tours after the parade, until 3 p.m. It also will be open Sunday, 1-5 p.m.

New Deal Cafe Open On Festival Weekend

by Geff King

The New Deal Cafe is proud to announce its grand re-opening for Fall 1997. We will be running three nights of fine music and serving our characteristically luscious desserts and zesty coffees during the Greenbelt Labor Day Festival weekend.

On Friday, August 29 the New Deal Cafe's open mike returns! Sign up when we open at 8 p.m. and bring a song, a story, a poem, whatever — and come and see your friends and neighbors do the same.

Saturday, August 30 will feature the song stylings of Philadelphia's Peter Stone Brown, who combines insightful lyrics with a rocking, rough-hewn style of playing and singing.

Sunday, August 31 brings to the stage New Deal Cafe regulars "Bridges to Bliss." This songwriting trio will be featuring finely crafted originals for all ages from three to 100. Be sure to ask about their Kids' Songs!

The New Deal Cafe is located in the Greenbelt Community Center at 15 Crescent Road. We're open from 8 to 11 p.m. For more information, call the Community Center Office at 301-397-2208 or stop by our internet home page at www.greenbelt.com/new-deal-cafe/

Hearing and Vision Tests to Be Given

The Greenbelt Lions Club will be administering hearing and vision tests, as well as tests for glaucoma, on Monday, September 1, from noon to 4 p.m. The tests, which are free, will be conducted at the corner of Crescent Road and the entrance to the Community Center and the Municipal Building parking lot.

Dance at Legion

The Greenbelt American Legion, Post 136 will hold a dance on Friday, September 5, 8:30 p.m.-1 a.m. in the main ballroom at the rear of the Legion building. All groups are welcome. There is a fee.

The program will include music from the top 40 popular songs, modern, oldies, country, big band and line dances. There will be mixes for singles and love songs for couples. Dress: comfortable, party attire.

A smoking section will be available. There will be door prizes and treats. For information call 301-937-2312, 301-552-1776 or 301-937-2896.

At the Library

Monday, September 1, the library is closed.

Children's Programs

Wednesday, September 3, at 7 p.m., PJ Storytime is for children ages 4-6.

Thursday, September 4, at 10:15 a.m., the new Drop-In Storytime series begins. While older children are beginning school, children ages 3 - 5 have their own special time at the library.

Adult Program

Saturday, September 6, at 10:30 a.m., the poetry discussion group Poetry Plus will meet.

Pets on Wheels Volunteers Needed

Volunteers will be recruited for the Pets on Wheels during the city of Greenbelt's Labor Day Festival on August 30, and at their Labor Day Parade on Monday, September 1. Representatives will be available to discuss the program and recruit pet owners and their pets. Call Elaine Goad, program coordinator, for more information, 301-577-0673.

Golden Age Club

by Dolores Capotosto

It's hard to believe, but the next Greenbelt Golden Age Club meeting will be the monthly business meeting on September 3. Where has the summer gone? Hope to see many clubmembers around town this Labor Day Festival weekend. Members should join the parade at the Community Church wearing the Golden Age Club Tee shirts if possible, though it's not necessary. Come join in the fun.

This reporter has an apology to make to Verna Maree, as her name was left off the list of the Golden Age past presidents when the picture appeared in the News Review in July. Verna is a very active member of the club and serves as the official photographer and historian.

The weather cooperated when Goldenagers visited the Shrine and the Cathedral. The guides at both places were terrific! Some members went to the top of the Cathedral bell tower where the view of Washington was magnificent!

Next on the agenda is the trip to Lake George and Montreal scheduled for September 22 - 26. The Travel Committee also has the list for the October trip to Cumberland, MD. Be sure to sign up at the meetings.

Business items have been dispensed with at the monthly birthday celebrations. However, Joe McNeal, director of the Community Center, encouraged everyone to make reservations for Greenbelt's 60th Anniversary Dinner and Dance, to be held at Martin's Crosswinds on Sunday, October 19. The birthday prize was won by Rachel Algaze and the 50/50 was split by John Taylor and Betty Beers.

Be thinking of members to nominate for next year's officers; there is a lot of talent in the club.

Portrait Fund Raiser

The Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Dept. Ladies Auxiliary will again be holding their annual portrait fund raiser to benefit the Ladies Auxiliary.

Summit Productions will be coming to neighborhoods within the next couple of weeks. All permits have been secured from the city of Greenbelt. This fund raiser has been approved by Council and the Police Dept.

This is not a Fire Dept. project. All profits benefit the Ladies Auxiliary to the Fire Dept.

For further information or questions, please call the Fire Dept., 301-345-7000 or Theresa, 301-441-8651.

GHI Notes

GHI offices will be closed Monday, September 1, for Labor Day. For emergency maintenance that day, please call 301-474-6011.

Blood pressure testing will take place on Wednesday, September 3, 2 - 4 p.m. in the Board Room.

The regular board meeting next month will be held on September 4 and 18 at 7:30 p.m. in the Board Room. The preliminary agenda for the September 4 meeting will be posted at GHI and the Co-op supermarket on August 29. Members are encouraged to attend.

Gallery To Hold Pottery Exhibit

The Greenbelt Community Center Gallery will be exhibiting work by pottery instructors Katie Scott-Childress, Gina Main Denn, Sarah Garcia, Ann Potter and Barbara Simon. The exhibit will open Sunday, August 24, from 4 - 6 p.m. The gallery is open Saturdays from 7 - 10 p.m. and Sundays from 1 - 5 p.m.

Genealogical Society To Meet Wednesday

The Prince George's County Genealogical Society will meet Wednesday, September 3, at 7 p.m. in the Greenbelt Library. The meeting is open to the public, and there is no charge.

James Oliver will speak on restoration of the Congressional Cemetery. His talk will include information on the history of the Washington cemetery, where famous people are buried. He will also have a complete listing of those buried there.

Home and Garden Club To Meet

The Greenbelt Home and Garden Club will meet on Tuesday, September 2, at 7 p.m. in the media center of Greenbelt Elementary School. The featured speaker will be Dr. Bob Howell, president of the Potomac Chrysanthemum Society, whose topic will be "Color Your Autumn with Chrysanthemums." Members and guests are invited to attend. For more information call Diane Kremer at 301-345-5356 or Julia Eichhorst at 301-345-5508.

Greenbelt Landmark Quiz Answer:

In September 1935 the funds for Greenbelt were officially approved by the President. But he stipulated the project had to be approved as a work-relief project to the WPA (Works Projects Administration). That agency approved the project the same month, but required that work must begin before the end of the year (at that time, plans for the town were not prepared). Roosevelt also ordered that the project be complete by June, 1936.

(Historical information contained in this answer is taken from the Greenbelt Application for recognition as a National Landmark prepared by Elizabeth Jo Lampl.)

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 Shuttle buses will pick up and drop off Festival goers from three locations: Ridge Road at Ivy Lane (R/IL), Greenbelt Elementary (GE), and Eleanor Roosevelt High School (ERHS).

Friday	6:00 pm-12:00 am
Saturday	11:00 am-12:00 am
Sunday	12:00 pm-12:00 am
Monday	9:00 am-4:00 pm*

 ERHS every hour at :05 min past
 R/IL every hour at :30 min past
 GE every hour at :40 min past
 * From 9:00 am until Noon the shuttle will run between ERHS & the Festival only. — Come Watch the Parade!
 Avoid Parking Worries ---- Ride the Shuttle!

New Deal Cafe
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 Music 8:30 pm
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 Saturday, August 30:
 Peter Stone Brown
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GREENBELT LABOR DAY
SOUVENIR PROGRAM
 A complete guide to the Festival

- Photos
- Feature Articles
- Locator Map

 Available at the Festival Information Booth for only \$3.
Don't miss this first edition!

Wishing a happy Labor Day Festival to all of our Greenbelt friends and neighbors, as we enjoy the fleeting days of summer.
Mayor Toni Bram and family



OBITUARIES

Louise McCoy

Louise Adeline McCoy, 84, died on Tuesday, August 26. She had been living in the Greenbelt Nursing Center.

Mrs. McCoy is survived by her daughter, Patricia McCoy of Greenbelt, and her son, Allan James McCoy. Her daughter Barbara Deleonibus died in April.

The funeral will be held at noon on Friday, August 29, at Gasch's Funeral Home, Hyattsville. Interment will be at Ft. Lincoln Cemetery.

Crisis Counselors Needed by Agency

For those who have thought about helping others in a crisis situation, now is a chance to act on that desire. Crisis counselors are needed to respond to callers in difficult situations. Duties include a 48-hour mandatory initial training session, and three hours a week as a typical block of time for volunteering. The training is excellent, and the team is helpful and fun. Details are available as close as the phone. For more information, please contact Richard Reap at 301-731-4922.

Learn about Bonsai

See a bonsai expert transform a nursery plant into a young bonsai or style and repot a mature bonsai in the National Bonsai & Penjing Museum at the U.S. National Arboretum. This free demonstration will be held Saturday, August 30, from 1 - 2 p.m.

Paint Branch Unitarian Universalist Church

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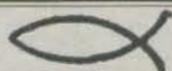
10:30 a.m. Only
August 31, 1997

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With Summer Fun Care
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Stop by our table
Saturday, August 30 at the
Greenbelt Labor Day Festival!



CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF GREENBELT

**SUNDAY MASS
10:00 A.M.**

MUNICIPAL BUILDING

Serve Breakfast at S.O.M.E.

Sunday, August 31
(Meet at St. Hugh's School
Parking lot, 6:00 A.M.)

Nature Trail Will Open to Public

Patuxent Research Refuge in Laurel announces the opening of a new nature trail. The 2 1/2 mile "Forest Habitats Nature Trail" on the North Tract of the refuge will open on Sunday, August 31. The trail, constructed by refuge volunteers, features several forest habitats - a pine stand, a beech stand, a holly stand, large oaks and poplars, as well as a newly emerging forest area. The trail will be used for the refuge's educational programs such as bird walks and children's discovery hikes, as well as a walking area for the public. Wildlife that may be viewed from the trail includes red-tailed hawks, barred owls, grey squirrels, wild turkeys, white-tailed deer, and a variety of songbirds. The North Tract is located off Route 198 between the Baltimore-Washington Parkway and Route 32. For information call 410-674-3304, TDD 410-674-4625.

Sleep Disorders Program Offered

Laurel Regional Hospital is offering a free program on sleep disorders on Tuesday, September 23, from 7 to 8:30 p.m. in the hospital's J. Russell Jones Room.

Dr. Lawrence Whicker will talk about all forms of sleep disorders, including insomnia, apnea, snoring and narcolepsy.

To register, call HEALTH-MATCH at 301-604-7300 or 888-222-2254.

Classes on Doing One's Own History

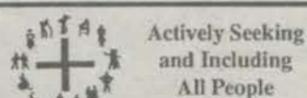
This is an excellent time for Greenbelt residents to think about history. The town of Greenbelt turns 60 years old this October, and the occasion will be marked by various town celebrations, including a reprise of "Maryland Special Project #1," the original play about the town's history that debuted in January at the Greenbelt Arts Center. People can also turn their attention from stories about Greenbelt's past to their own history.

On Saturdays this fall, historian Julie McCullough (who served as assistant director/stage manager for the January 1997 run of "Maryland Special Project #1") will teach a morning autobiographical writing class (10-11:30 a.m.) about memoir writing, and an afternoon class (1-2:30 p.m.) about oral history interviewing.

In "Autobiographical Writing," students will look at ways to

write stories about their own past experiences. In "Oral History: Research Through Interviewing," students will learn how to use interviews to gather and present other people's history. Both courses start September 20, and both will rely on a workshop format including lots of practice and hands-on experience. "Autobiographical Writing" will meet for eight weeks, and "Oral History: Research Through Interviewing" will meet for six weeks. Both are open to anyone 16 years or older. There is a fee.

Pre-registration for both classes is required. For more information, please call the Greenbelt Community Center at 301-397-2208.



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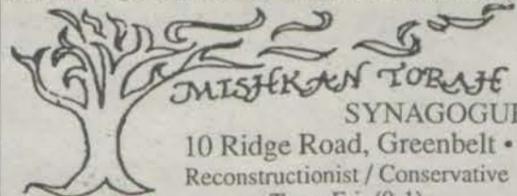
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SCHOOLS OPEN

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attend kindergarten before entering first grade.

The law permits some exemptions. Five-year-olds may be enrolled in a child care center or Head Start program or home schooling. When appropriate, a child may be granted a one-year level of maturity waiver.

Children cannot be enrolled in first grade unless they have completed a kindergarten or one of the alternative programs.

A parent or guardian of a child who attended an alternative program must register the child for first grade prior to the opening of school of the year in which the child becomes six years old and must provide documentation showing proof of attendance in the alternate setting. Documentation includes the date the child was enrolled and the number of days the child was absent.

A six-year-old child who moves into Maryland who has not had a kindergarten experience may be enrolled in kindergarten or first grade. The local school system will determine the appropriate grade placement.

Newcomers to the school system should bring their child's birth certificate, proof of residence in Prince George's County (deed, rental contract), record of immunization and the child's last report card if entering first grade or above.

Lunch Prices

Lunch and breakfast prices have gone up slightly.

Lunch for elementary school children will cost \$1.75 this year; reduced price lunches will be \$.40. Lunch for middle and high schoolers will be \$1.85; reduced lunches \$.40. Adult lunches will be \$2.50, excluding a beverage. Breakfast in elementary schools will be \$1.10; reduced price breakfasts, \$.30. Middle and high school breakfast will be \$1.25. Adult breakfasts will be \$1.50. Milk prices will stay the same - \$.40.

Children will be bringing home new information about reduced cost lunches on the first day of school. Parents who think they qualify for these should contact their child's school.

Safety

In this the fourth year of a security maintenance program additional security staff has been hired. Also additional technological surveillance cameras have been added to schools and school buses. Photo IDs will be used at the high school level.

Extra-curricular Activities

Students will still need to have a 2.0 or better grade average in order to participate in sports or activities; averages will be computed each quarter.

Expulsion Policy

Strict standards will continue to be upheld for drug, alcohol and weapons (including knives) abuse. Students need to be aware that none of these may be brought to school at any time and that expulsion will result should this rule be broken. According to the Code of Student Conduct, students will be expelled for the first offense involving the use of or possession of weapons. For incidents involving drugs or alcohol, the students will be expelled for the first offense involving dis-

tribution and the second offense involving possession. Most of these students are not eligible for readmission to the Prince George's County school system. Students who are readmitted must remain expelled for at least the remainder of the semester in which the incident occurred and the following full semester. They must also present documentation of satisfactory participation in the alcohol/drug treatment program. Should a child bring a loaded weapon to school, the parent will be prosecuted under state law.

Policy on Medication

The Department of Health Services within the Prince George's County Public Schools, acting on a recommendation from the state of Maryland, changed school policy four years ago regarding the dispensing of prescription and non-prescription medicine to students.

No medicines will be given to students without a physician's medication authorization form PS-51 or PS51-EPIPEN. Forms are available at all schools.

Parents are asked to inform the school principal, health services staff and the classroom teacher of any known allergy or serious health problem their child(ren) may have. Every effort will be made to protect all students from injury and to provide a healthful environment.

Students will be transported by ambulance to the nearest medical facility should he/she require any emergency treatment that cannot be provided at the school site. Parents will be notified as soon as possible.

Dress Code

A dress code for students was initiated last year. The goal is not to embarrass children but to encourage them to come to school dressed in good taste.



St. Hugh's School To Open Wednesday

St. Hugh's school will open on Wednesday, September 3, a day later than usual. Teachers will have an opening celebration with the Cardinal on Tuesday.

Half days will be held on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Uniforms will be required. Half of the kindergarten children will attend on Wednesday, the other half will attend on Thursday, and all kindergarten children will attend Friday. Families have been notified about this schedule.

According to Principal Mariann Walker, teachers are excited and ready to start a new school year. Two new full-time teachers and a new librarian have been hired. Volunteers have been working all summer to upgrade the computers and have the internet ready to go.

County Schools Dress Code

Head

Headress can be worn indoors for religious or health reasons only.

Shirts and Blouses

Shirts and blouses should be continuous from neckline to waist. The entire mid-section should not show. No tank tops or muscle shirts.

No clothing with vulgar language, obscene pictures, weapons, drug/alcohol or drug paraphernalia, or tobacco products.

No identifiable gang/crew clothing or paraphernalia.

No see-through clothing.

Skirts, Dresses and Shorts

Skirts, dresses, shorts, and spandex skirts should be approximately 6 inches below the buttocks, or no shorter than fingertip level.

Pants

Pants should be secured at waist — no sagging below waist to expose undergarments.

Tights, stretch pants, leggings, and spandex body suits must be worn with clothing long enough to cover buttocks.

Shoes

Shoes must be worn.

Campaign Targets School Zone Safety

Approximately 634,000 area students ages three to eighteen return to school this fall as area police departments start "Back to School," a four-week intensive traffic safety campaign to protect children. From September 2 to 26, police throughout the region will increase patrols in school zones and along bus routes. The annual campaign, sponsored by the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG), targets motorists violating school bus or school zone driving laws. The stepped-up enforcement effort includes public service announcements stressing the importance of stopping for school buses and observing speed limits in or near school zones.

In early October, COG will release information on the results of the four-week campaign, including the number of summonses issued. During the 1996 campaign, area police had ticketed 183 drivers for passing stopped school buses and 5,328 drivers for speeding in school zones. For more information on the "Back to School" campaign, contact Joe Zelinka at COG, 202-962-3270.

Non-credit Languages Offered at PGCC

Prince George's Community College's Continuing Education office is offering a series of courses entitled "Learn a Language for the Global Marketplace." Courses are geared toward improving one's employment prospects by starting a new language or brushing up on an old one during the fall months. Short non-credit courses are offered in French, German, Russian, Spanish and sign language in the evenings or on weekends, starting September and October. Classes are taught by native speakers and emphasize listening and speaking skills. Call 301-322-0788 for additional information or a brochure.

Resident Soprano Presents Concert

Greenbelt resident, concert soprano Martha von Herman, will perform her annual concert in Ward Hall at Catholic University of America on Sunday, September 7 at 3 p.m. Performing with her will be her former student Terry Eberhardt, a bass/baritone on scholarship in his final year at the Peabody Conservatory of Music in Baltimore.

Martha von Herman has been Music Director for the past two summers for the Prince George's Summer Teen Theatre, including "Annie" and "Bye Bye Birdie." Noted area-wide as a voice teacher and conductor, she recently completed four years of choral directing and voice instruction at DeMatha Catholic High School in Hyattsville. She now holds the positions of Parish Music Director and cantor for St. Hugh's Catholic Church and music teacher/choral director for St. Hugh's Elementary/Junior High School.

Von Herman's professional career spans many areas, including opera, oratorio, recitals, radio, television, music theatre and concert tours. She has performed in major concert halls, including New York's Lincoln Center and Washington's Kennedy Center. She was a soloist for Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and later sang for Coretta Scott King.

The concert, accompanied by Leah Maloney, will feature operatic arias, lieder, selections from "Porgy and Bess," plus music theater selections. Sponsored by the non-profit Gallery Performers, Ltd., the program is free and open to the public.



Coldwell Banker Stevens, Realtors announces the start of its next *Principles and Practices of Real Estate Class*, on Monday, September 8, 1997. The class will be held on Monday and Wednesday nights, from 6:00-9:30 P.M. The cost of the class is \$199 including books and materials. For more information about a career in Real Estate and to enroll in the class, call Adele Lewis, Sales Manager, at the

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Whittling	Sa/9:30-11am	CC-Child Art	R:\$25; NR:\$31.25; 10 weeks
Jewelry Making with sculpey	Su/Sept. 21, 1-3pm & Su/Oct. 5, 2-4pm	CC-Child Art	R:\$25; NR:\$31.25; 2 weeks
Pine Pillow For The Holidays	Su/Nov. 16/2-4pm	CC-Adult Art	R:\$20; NR:\$25; 1 week
Pine Pillow For The Holidays	W/Dec. 10/1-3pm	CC-Adult Art	R:\$20; NR:\$25; 1 week
Autobiographical Writing	Sa/10-11:30am	CC-Sr. Classroom	R:\$40; NR:\$50; 8 weeks
Oral History: Research thru Interviewing	Sa/1-2:30pm	CC-Sr. Classroom	R:\$30; NR:\$37.50; 6 weeks

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POLICE BLOTTER

Based on Information Released by the Greenbelt Police Department

Suspects have been arrested and charged in two separate armed robbery and assault cases that happened in mid-July and in early August. Two nonresident youths and two Greenbelt male youths have been charged as adults in reference to the home invasion robbery in the 6200 block of Breezewood Dr. on July 19. One of the same nonresident youths has also been charged in relation to the armed robbery in the 6200 block of Springhill Court on August 11.

In the 200 block of Lastner Lane a Greenbelt man, Marcel Julien Astier, Jr., was arrested and charged on August 18 with assault. He was held on \$10,000 bond. Similar arrests and charges were made on August 16 in the 5800 block of Cherrywood Terrace and the 6100 block of Breezewood Dr. Suspects in both incidents are nonresident males.

A suspect described as a white male, approximately 40 years of age, 6'11", with a thin build and gray hair, is wanted in connection with a burglary on August 19 at an unoccupied residence in the 6100 block of Breezewood Dr. A stereo and a video game player were taken in a burglary at a residence in the 6000 block of Springhill Dr. on August 18. Another burglary was reported on August 21 to a residence in the 7 Court of Plateau Place. An alarm clock was taken.

A 15-year-old Greenbelt youth was charged with theft after allegedly stealing a doll collection from a Crescent Road residence. At

Beltway Plaza KB toy store, money was taken from an unattended cash register.

Two nonresident males were arrested and charged in relation to marijuana possession and possession of paraphernalia.

On August 17 a green 1992 Jeep Cherokee four-door, New York tags K479DX was reported stolen from the 5900 block of Cherrywood Terrace.

Other Incidents

A gray men's Rock Hopper brand 20" mountain bike was reported stolen from the 7600 block of Mandan Road and a blue Magna brand boy's bike was reported stolen from the 5900 block of Cherrywood Terrace.

A nonresident attempted to cash forged checks at Suburban Bank at Greenway Center Dr. On Cherrywood Lane a Greenbelt male was arrested and charged with possession of an alcoholic beverage. On August 16 a resident of Edmonston Rd. reported a peeping tom. The suspect, who fled on foot, is described as a 30 to 40 year old black male, 5'5", 170 pounds, with black thinning hair and brown eyes. The owner of a dog was arrested and charged for leaving his animal unattended in a vehicle.

Vandalisms to, thefts from, and attempted thefts were reported in the 100 block of Northway, 7500 block of Greenbelt Rd., 7500 block of Greenway Center Drive, 6500 block of Capitol Dr. and the 9200 block of Edmonston Rd.



Wanted For Rape

The Greenbelt Police Department reports that at 11:30 p.m. on Sunday, August 17, a woman was abducted at the intersection of Cherrywood Lane and Springhill Drive. The assailant is described as a dark skinned black male between 29 - 34 years old, 6' 1" and with a thin build. According to a police press release, the victim was held at gunpoint and ordered to drive her car to the Greenbelt Metro parking lot, where she was sexually assaulted. The suspect fled on foot in an unknown direction.

Anyone with information should contact Detective Marie Triesky of the Greenbelt Police Department Criminal Investigation Unit, at 301-507-6530. Refer to case #972935.

Register to Vote

Our Neighbors

by Linda Savaryn
301-474-5285

Our condolences to News Review staffer Pat McCoy on the death of her mother, Louise McCoy, on August 26

Philip G. Brandis recently participated in the 1997 Elderhostel Program at Bates College in Lewiston, ME. Elderhostel offers courses and programs that provide diverse and challenging experiences for older adults.

Erin and Alex Szachnowicz are proud parents of twin girls born on July 7. Emily Kendrick weighed in at 5 lb. 3 oz., and Brooke Anne weighed 5 lb. 7 oz. The babies' mother, a former Miss Greenbelt contestant, is a resource teacher at Greenbelt Elementary School. The babies' father is a volunteer fireman with the Greenbelt Fire Department. Congratulations to all.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe McDonald are pleased to announce the birth of their daughter Rebecca Ann on August 16. Rebecca Ann joins older sister Sarah, aged 3 1/2, and grandparents Beverly and David Lynch of Greenbelt.

Congratulations to Mary and Dale Lehman of Laurel on the birth of their daughter Allison Michelle on August 21. Allison weighed in at 8 lb. 4 oz. Her grandparents are Irene and Richard Hensel of Greenbelt, and Pat and Ray Lehman of Newville, PA.

Ebony Nicole Gordon recently earned a Bachelor of Science from Gardner-Webb University in North Carolina.

Marine Lance Cpl. Jerome Gary, son of Jerome and Cora M. Gary of Mandan Road, recently returned to Camp Pendleton, CA from a six-month deployment

with Battalion Landing Team 2/4 as part of the 31st Marine Expeditionary Unit (Special Operation Capable). The 1995 graduate of ERHS joined the Marine Corps in July 1995.

August 20 was the farewell lunch for Liza Linder, who is leaving Greenbelt CARES at the end of August to do substitute teaching in the Prince George's County schools.

Volunteers Needed At Epilepsy Center

The Epilepsy Foundation located in Landover needs general office/clerical volunteers. Computer experience helpful, but not required. Interested in making a difference in the lives of people with epilepsy? Contact Alexis Garber in Human Resources, at 301-459-3700.

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Lions Club President P. J. Siegel presents Charles "Bud" Cormack with a plaque in recognition of his being named a Melvin Jones Fellow.

Lions Club Member Awarded Top Honor

Charles M. "Bud" Cormack, Jr. of the Greenbelt Lions Club has been named a Melvin Jones Fellow by Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF), in recognition of his commitment to serving the world community. Named for the founder of Lions Clubs International, the fellowship is the foundation's highest

honor. It is a recognition of a commitment to humanitarian service. As a Melvin Jones fellow, Cormack becomes a part of a growing network of individuals who are committed to improving the quality of life for people locally and in communities around the world. A former Greenbelter, Cormack resides in Seabrook.

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Linda S. Evans
Regional Director

ACE Features Book Program at Festival

by Rebecca Brune

Did you know that the more books a school has, the higher the reading proficiency of the students? (Studies have shown it.) It's the same for the home: the more books present, the better the children read. It makes sense, but it's sometimes easier said than done. Based on statistics from the Maryland Department of Education, the funding for school media centers in Prince George's County is below the State's average. If a Prince George's school does have a media center, chances are it is limited in resources, both in books and staff.

What is a town like Greenbelt, so committed to excellence in its schools, to do? That's easy. And the Greenbelt City Council members have set the example. Led by Mayor Antoinette Bram, each member has participated in the Buy-a-Book program sponsored by the Council's Advisory Committee on Education (ACE). They did this by going to Greenbelt bookstores (Crown in Greenway Center and Bookland in Beltway Plaza) and buying over 30 books for Greenbelt schools. Anyone can do the same. Just ask for the Buy-a-Book lists at either one of the stores, select the school to support, and buy one or more books on that school's "wish list." Usually participation would also mean taking the books to the school, where a bookplate with the donor's name is affixed to the book.

This weekend, however, participants can bring the books to the ACE table at the Community Exhibits on Saturday, Aug. 30, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. ACE members will have the bookplates and offer to deliver the books to the respective schools. After 5 p.m. Saturday, books can be dropped into the ACE Buy-a-Book box at the information booth. (Be sure to indicate what school the books are for.)

Besides the City Council, other groups have also stepped forward, notably the Golden Age Club. How about other groups following their lead? As Mayor Bram said, "The theme of this year's Labor Day Festival is 'unity through community involvement.' This is one way that the community can support excellence in Greenbelt schools through individual involvement. It is simple, quick, and low-cost, yet vitally important for our children's future. And, with the bookplate, your individual contribution will be noted for a long time." Your participation is necessary for this program to succeed.

For more information, contact Rebecca Brune (301-345-7651) or Clement Lau (301-345-6110).



City Council members get into action and buy books for ACE's Buy-a-Book program. Left to right, Mayor Antoinette Bram, J Davis, Tom

White, Ed Putens, Clement Lau, member of ACE and organizer of the Buy-a-Book program, and Rodney Roberts.

-photo courtesy of ACE

Oratorio Society Begins Rehearsals

Everyone who enjoys singing classical music, as well as lighter fare, is invited to join the Laurel Oratorio Society (LOS) as it begins its 29th concert season. The first rehearsal and open house will be held Tuesday, September 2, from 7:30 to 10 p.m., at the Laurel Presbyterian Church, 7610 Old Sandy Spring Road, Laurel, near Van Dusen and Rt. 198. All voice parts are welcome, especially tenors. There are no individual auditions.

At the first practice, LOS will begin rehearsing Handel's Judas Maccabaeus for a scheduled concert date of Saturday, December 6. Members pay for dues, concert dress and music.

For additional information, contact Suzie Parks at 202-624-2741 weekdays, or 301-474-8617 evenings and weekends.



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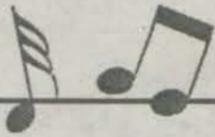
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GHI Board Praises Newsletter Reviews Refuse Pickup Changes

by Hopi Auerbach

At the Greenbelt Homes Inc. (GHI) Board of Directors regular meeting on Thursday, August 21, all directors were present except for Chuck Hess. A main topic of the meeting was re-examining the role and methods of the housing cooperative's newsletter committee.

The committee has been newly "charged with instructions," which were reviewed at the meeting. Current GHI Newsletter Committee Chairman Sue Krofchik asked for clarification about whether the newsletter should be staff or member produced. General Manager Gretchen Overdurff pointed out that if the committee wants a staff liaison, this fact should be spelled out in the charge. Nat Shinderman said a clear "statement of purpose" should be included, and Directors Alan Turnbull, Steven Harper, and Julia Eichhorst volunteered and were appointed to draft the statement.

The Newsletter was praised by all for its promptness in publication, being just plain "outstanding," and deserving GHI support through funding and staff resources.

Then Sue Krofchik surprised the board by offering her resignation as newsletter editor. Simultaneously she promised that the next issue would appear as scheduled and she proposed that she be hired as an independent contractor to edit the newsletter at \$250 per issue. She reported that the committee has lately produced double the work at less than \$3,000 of the \$5,000 budgeted for the newsletter.

Turnbull asked why she would prefer this arrangement over the stipend that had been suggested in the past, and she explained that it would be precedent-setting to pay a committee chair, a position in which she is willing to serve for free. She only wants to be paid for the actual writing and editing, she said. Board members agreed that they did not see a problem with the paid editor and the volunteer chairman being the same person. They instructed staff to make the necessary legal consultations and come up with a plan close to what Krofchik proposes.

President Keith Jahoda closed the newsletter discussion by thanking Krofchik and her committee for "doing such a good job and for suggesting a way to make it better before you all burn out."

Recycling and Trash Collection

GHI member Bob Snyder of the City of Greenbelt Recycling Advisory Committee and the

city's Recycling Coordinator Jennifer Foley were present to discuss changes in refuse collection. They reported that in most communities that have made the switch from twice-per-week to once-per-week trash pickup, planned to take place in Greenbelt in October, the adjustment has worked well after the initial switch. Foley reported that she has been receiving more calls with questions about the recycling and trash pick-up from GHI than from other parts of Greenbelt, "because it is the most active part of the community."

Though the decision to switch from twice to once-per-week has already been decided, some of the arguments against it were brought up. Director Betty Deitch said comparisons of GHI with other communities may not be relevant because of the trash closets. She mentioned that in the summer she freezes the remains of chicken before putting it out in the trash and said that soiled disposable baby diapers can be a problem. Director John Taylor reported he had done an informal survey in his own court, and found a family of six which anticipates trouble with once-per-week pickup.

Overdurff asked Foley if the change would also mean a change in GHI's fee to the city. Foley replied that GHI's fee will not have to be raised.

GHI member Ken Mayhen of 57 court Ridge Road suggested a new idea for an additional leaf pickup possibility. He pointed out that in the fall, leaves have been picked up on Friday, though in most cases they are raked on the weekend, which means they are sitting around all week long. He would like to see GHI establish several centralized leaf drop-off points, similar to those supplied for Christmas trees, in addition to the leaf pickup already provided. Jahoda and the rest of the board instructed staff to work out a feasible plan for centralized leaf pickup, which will then be discussed again by the board.

Pest Control Contract

GHI's Director of Physical Operations, Eldon Ralph, said that he is happy with the pest control contractor currently being used and would recommend renewing the contract. Turnbull expressed concern that members should be notified ahead of time when and what chemicals will be used for pest extermination. Ralph and Staff

Engineer Jay Freedman said members are currently always informed when their units will be treated for pests and can see the list of chemicals at GHI offices.

When comments were made that this had not always been the case, Freedman suggested that GHI should keep track for a year to see if members feel they're being given adequate information at the right time.

Freedman said GHI members in general have a very low tolerance for any pests. If they see one ant or cockroach, they want their unit to be sprayed. Deitch drew laughter with her reply: "I don't think there's any such thing as one cockroach!"

Garage Roof Contract

In terse words, Freedman described the condition of some of GHI's attached garage roofs: "They're leaking." The board approved using the same contractor being used for the GDC roofs, Browne and Merry Construction Company, to repair the roofs at a cost not to exceed \$14,500. The company has done similar work for GHI in the past. Garage roofs at 21-27 Parkway (GDC) had not been done since 1980 or '81. Their repair had been approved earlier at a brief GDC meeting.

Employee Compensation For 1998

Overdurff noted that due to general low unemployment, it has been necessary to consider higher salaries for employees as all vacancies are not being filled. She also outlined a new, stricter, more objective evaluation system being used for merit raises. Although an increase of 4% was discussed, the board agreed that the details of how staff salaries are raised or not should be left to Overdurff.

Instead the board recommended an increase in the Personnel Budget, to be used as Overdurff sees fit. It decided to wait to see what the summary dollar amount is before formally doing so.

Liability Insurance

Overdurff passed out copies of the board members' liability insurance policy, giving an explanation of their obligations and what the policy protects them from. Board members are required to be diligent, loyal and obedient. "Loyalty" means that they should disclose any potential conflict of interest, for example, if an issue pertains to the court the member lives in. "Obedience" just means they

should do their jobs in overseeing the proper financial management of GHI.

President's Items

Jahoda introduced his new "President's Folder," in which he had placed copies of some of the letters he has written as GHI president. Jahoda suggested that the folder be passed around among board and Audit Committee members for their initials, and that members can add to the folder materials that they would like the other members to see. The folder seemed to make good progress even during the meeting.

Briefly Jahoda mentioned letters from members praising experimental lighting, swale work, limb clearance, duct cleaning and commending Physical Plant Operations Director Eldon Ralph. Jahoda passed on an invitation to the All-Co-op festival planning meeting to be held at the Greenbelt Co-op grocery store. The festival itself will be held on October 4 from noon to 5 p.m. in Rock Creek Park and will feature games, prizes, and vegetarian food. Jahoda appointed two members to the Finance Committee and related member Jean Snyder's willingness to help board member Steven Harper with the members' handbook.

Meeting Minutes

Approval of the minutes from two previous regular sessions of the board and one executive session caused discussion of how thorough and accurate the minutes need to be. Deitch said the minutes should not be changed unless it is "extremely important," because doing so entails a lot of work for staff. In contrast, Audit Committee Member Andy Levin said the minutes "are the official record of board actions and therefore must be precise."

This comment was reprised at the end of the meeting, with Deitch saying that the minutes are too detailed, and Levin pointing out that the Audit Committee is merely a participant in the board's meeting, so

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"the minutes are the only way to be sure our in-put has been recorded." Levin also cited a specific instance in which a change that he had requested in minutes from a previous meeting still had not been made. He reiterated that the final copy kept in the vault should be accurate.

Potpourri

Turnbull said there is a need to acknowledge GHI's "long-time members who have helped make Greenbelt what it is." He specifically mentioned the passing of Ben Rosenzweig and Al Herling. His proposal to establish a foundation will be discussed in the future.

Director Dorothy Lauber asked if the electric wiring, due to its age, is still safe. Ralph and Freedman responded that they think it is. Taylor suggested having a work session with board and staff to acquaint the board with code requirements.

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LABOR DAY FESTIVAL

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are planned by Girl Scout Cadette Troop 3030. Kids' Day is sponsored by Greenway Center. Another feature throughout the Festival weekend will be coloring stations stocked with crayons sponsored by Greenway and Safeway. The popular Greenway Center fans are back this year with one side which can be colored and then turned into Safeway for a prize.

Among the entertaining acts on Saturday are Joe Pipik and his Backpack Puppets and the Amazing Lulu. Popular acts returning are the Wheel, a great acoustic guitar duo, and the Chromatics an a cappella chorus with unique harmony. Ray Owens is a tradition at the Labor Day Festival, with classic American songs for all ages. There's a full schedule of local talent in the Labor Day Talent Show. There's the community chorus, a rock solo, karate demonstration, singers and musicians, and country line dancers among the many acts scheduled.

Craft Show

The craft show and sale will be held on Saturday from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Drawing crafters from throughout the area, the show promises to have a wide variety of usual and unusual crafts to view and buy. There will be 40 displays for Information Day, held Saturday afternoon. These include area businesses, organizations, associations and others who want to demonstrate their activities and services. Some will have give-aways, prizes and drawings.

Nighthawks is the big band on the stage Saturday night. The band is well-known for its rhythm and blues and has the CD's and personal appearances to back up its reputation.

Family Day

Sunday is Family Day at the Labor Day Festival with activities and entertainment that all the family will enjoy. Family Day is sponsored by Beltway Plaza Mall. There are sports events and games for all ages all day long and scavenger hunts for children and adults. The entertainment continues the family theme — double dutch demonstration by the world champions and bluegrass by Paradise Club duo. There are the beautiful voices of Ida Seibert, John Hill, and George Gillespie, each with their own performance and unique sound.

The Southwest Virginia Cloggers, award winners from past Greenbelt Labor Day Festivals, are returning to the Festival. They perform traditional Appalachian dances to spirited folk, traditional and country and western music. The Cloggers traveled more than 300 miles to appear in the Labor Day Festival. This year their performance is sponsored by McCarl Family Dentistry. Sunday evening Diamond Alley is on stage. They are back by popular demand and play great music for listening and dancing. Their high energy show always entertains. Their performance is sponsored by Greenbelt Travel Services. Miss Greenbelt, Junior Miss and Little Miss are selected and crowned Sunday evening. They appear in formal party

dresses and evening wear and participate in public speaking competitions. A sign language interpreter will be on stage during these ceremonies.

Keeping to the family theme, the group Bridges to Bliss entertains at the New Deal cafe, which is featuring a variety of entertainers throughout the weekend. Bridges to Bliss plays at 8:30 p.m. on Sunday. The group is known for their singable melodies, superb harmonies and memorable lyrics. Their songwriting and performing styles include folk, country, pop, theater tunes, bluegrass and children's music. The group was a popular attraction at First Night Greenbelt earlier

move from the stage to perform in the parade. Ronald McDonald, will march in the parade, and then appear right after the parade on the Festival stage with a special magic act. The Jolly Jesters is a clown corps which will entertain up and down the parade route. The Shriner's three wheelers troupe will have some competition from Greenbelt's own decorated Bikes and Trikes, sponsored by the Lions Club. Pets on Wheels appear in the parade again. A new entry this year celebrates the entertainment of New Year's Eve, with improv comedy, jugglers, Dixieland band and many types of entertainers. The parade has the Laurel Square Dancers, Smokey the Bear, floats, firetrucks, majorettes, elected officials, the Greenbelt Little League champs. Of course the



Rich Lee, WAVA Radio DJ, will emcee the Miss Greenbelt Pageant.

this year and they have played at festivals, events and concerts throughout the metropolitan area. They have many award-winning songs to their credit including the all-original Bridges to Bliss cassette "Kids' Songs!" which was a Wammie 1996 nominee for best Children's Recording.

Parade Marches on Monday
The Firefighters Emerald Society Pipe Band, Alpine dancers and Roosevelt High School Poms are returning to perform in the Greenbelt Labor Day parade. The Swedish group, Spelkamraterna, will perform Swedish folk songs — a first for the Greenbelt parade. The Southwest Virginia Cloggers

parade leads off with military marching units — always a favorite. The parade begins at 10 a.m. and the route leads down Crescent Road to the viewing stand at Southway.

After the parade, the carnival gets underway, there's luncheon on the lawn at the Greenbelt Community Church, and entertainment begins again on the Festival stage. A new group of performers at the Festival are the Hometown Ceildh Band, with its toe-tapping, foot-stomping music. The band is sponsored by the Greenbelt Rotary Club, active in the Greenbelt community and active in its support of the Greenbelt Labor Day Festival.

Carnival Rides, Games and Booths all Weekend

You can ride all afternoon, Saturday or Sunday, for a single price ticket and discount coupons for the matinee price are being distributed all over town. There are new rides this year, joining the carousel, tilt-a-whirl, giant slide, and all the other rides which entertain or terrify, depending upon your perspective. Also in the carnival area are the booths with games or displays operated by Greenbelt organizations. The organizations feature games, contests, and fun to benefit many good causes. There's no need to cook during the Festival weekend and every reason to eat out at the Festival, with pizza, Italian and Polish sausage sandwiches, turkey and beef pit sandwiches, ice cream in many forms, cheesecake, Phillie steaks, gyros, French and sweet potato fries, nachos, hot dogs, hamburgers, crab-cakes, buffalo wings, Chinese entrees, fajitas, cajun or honey dijon chicken, bloomin' onions and the popular funnel cakes being served.

Art and Photo Shows

From their new home in the Community Center, the Labor Day art show and photo exhibitions are bigger than ever before with more entries from adults and children. Visitors to the shows will have the opportunity to see the work of some of the area's best artists and to even vote for their own favorites. The works are judged by professionals and prizes awarded in many categories. The photo show also features work by professional photographers, to show the range of techniques possible.

Special Events

The Central Maryland Amateur Radio Club (CMARC) will be operating a Special Events Amateur Radio Station and free message handling service at the 1997 Greenbelt Labor Day Festival. Through the message handling service, festival attendees can send a special mes-

sage to anyone in the United States and certain foreign countries. A complete mailing address and the telephone number is required. CMARC will also demonstrate other amateur radio activities, such as Slow Scan TV, packet radio, and long distance radio communications. Also demonstrated will be the local communications capabilities of CMARC's 2-meter FM repeater, which has an autopatch capability, linking amateur radio to telephone. Festival attendees can also sign up for a free amateur radio licensing class that CMARC is offering. On Monday CMARC provides communications for the parade.

The Lions Club Mobile Health Unit will be in the parade and afterward provide free hearing and sight screenings to the community. The Greenbelt Museum is open and offering tours on Sunday afternoon.

Ride the Shuttle

Parking worries are a thing of the past with plentiful free parking and frequent shuttle buses. Shuttle buses will pick up and drop off Festival goers from three locations: Ridge Road at Ivy Lane every hour at 30 minutes past the hour; from Greenbelt Elementary School at forty minutes past the hour; and from Eleanor Roosevelt High School at 5 minutes past the hour. Shuttles run from 6 p.m. to midnight on Friday, from 11 a.m. to midnight on Saturday and from noon to midnight on Sunday. On Monday from 9 a.m. to noon the shuttle will run between Eleanor Roosevelt and the Festival only to speed access directly to the Festival. After the parade the normal schedule resumes until 4 p.m.

Festival Information

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Students in Mary Wirick's class in English as a Second Language (ESL). Left to right: Amanda Herrera (Peru), Maria Ofir Casteneda (Columbia), Luz Tolledo (Mexico), and Kim Thuy Phat (Vietnam).

-photo by Mary Wirick

M. Wirick Teaches English To "Little United Nations"

by Kristen Schultz

Mary Wirick teaches English as a Second Language (ESL) to foreign-born adults, many of them Greenbelters. Her adult education class at Eleanor Roosevelt High School (ERHS) serves as a barometer for the cultural changes that have taken place in our community.

A 15 year Greenbelt resident and veteran ESL teacher, Wirick said about her class, "We have a little United Nations." The English she is teaching them is their only common language.

Textbooks are only a small part of the classroom instruction, serving to initiate discussion and teach basic skills such as introductions and greetings — an opportunity for students to learn about each other's cultural traditions and family histories. When discussing the chapter called "Food Shopping," Wirick takes her class to the Greenbelt Co-op. Other field trips include the Greenbelt library, where students apply for library cards. Students learn to read bus schedules and fill out job applications — skills that pay off in practical ways.

Strong Sense of Support

Wirick's goal she said, is to create a strong sense of support in the classroom, "like a family." Then students are more likely to speak freely. After an evening of observation, there is no doubt that these 25 students of many ages, races, and creeds have become a family. The class celebrates holidays and birthdays. Woon Bang is famous for her instruction and demonstration of the Macarena, which she learned at Green Ridge House, where she is "only Korea people one."

When Maria is in a car accident, she reads an essay explaining what happened. And after class Amanda, a former teacher in Peru, takes the hand of the Ethiopian Fasika and walks with her until they part for the evening.

Fasika, 25, studied sewing and fashion in her country, and Wirick encouraged her to take part in the Open Drawing program at the Greenbelt Community Center. Now, one of her favorite hobbies is again part of her life and simultaneously part of her English instruction.

Enrollment in County adult education programs totalled 4,756 students in 1996, of which 1,764, or 37%, were ESL students. And according

to the Bureau of The Census, 1990 Estimates, Greenbelt's foreign-born population was 3,238, and 3,502 people spoke a language other than English in their homes. In the last five years, Wirick has taught students from Russia, Turkey, Iran, Iraq, Lebanon, Ethiopia, Ghana, Nigeria, Eritrea, India, Pakistan, Afghanistan, Vietnam, China, Peru, Venezuela, Columbia, and every Central American country.

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Green Ridge House Resident Woon Nam Bang, a Student

by Mary Wirick

When you can catch Woon Nam Bang at home, her Green Ridge House apartment wafts fragrances of exotic oils and sauces. She loves to share her culinary talents with her friends. For fifteen years this 70-year-old Korean American was a cook: "Chinese Carry Out."

"This apartment one people Korea," she says. Over the years Woon Bang acquired "English little bit," but she had no formal instruction. Now, however, this affable, generous senior is highly motivated to learn to speak English so she can get acquainted with her Green Ridge House neighbors. Therefore, she has become a key player in the circle of Korean students in the English as a Second Language (ESL) adult education class at Eleanor Roosevelt High School. She takes the younger students of all nationalities under her wing, and makes phone calls — in English — to see why they have not come to class. She is nosy! That's a great inspiration to learn.

When the ESL students get together for a party, it is Woon Bang who teaches the Macarena to the Latinos! She lectures on staying fit. "Every day I walking one hour two pound weights," she says. She swims "50 (meters) ten time swim."

On her door at Green Ridge House there hangs a yellow happy face. Pointing, she says, "Every day happy. I happy every day."

Came in 1977

The Woon family came to the United States in 1977 with the help of an older sister, a doctor living in New York. Woon Bang had a dream for her four children, then in their early twenties. In Korea opportunities for further education

were limited, but here with hard work, nothing could stop them.

From New York they moved in with a niece from Alexandria. Soon the Woons had achieved the prized American citizenship. Both sons and both daughters graduated from college. Woon Bang has six grandchildren. The Texas one, 13, helps her study. "Speak only English. No Korean. Just hug."

Woon Bang feels satisfied that her children have grown successful. Now they say that it is her turn. Woon Nam Bang is reshaping her self-concept into one of a scholar. In addition to English, she takes weekly classes in Chinese calligraphy, piano, and religious studies. She loves exercise classes, especially line dancing at Green Ridge House on Tuesday night.

Woon Nam Bang seldom stops laughing. She tells me her children believe she can do anything. Now that she is retired they expect her to study. To get a degree. To pass the TOEFL (Test of English as a Foreign Language) exam and go to college. "You think I can do?" she asks.

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Woon Nam Bang of Green Ridge House, shown at Eleanor Roosevelt High School in the English as a Second Language class for adults.

-photo by Mary Wirick

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Why Do They Want to Be Crowned Miss Greenbelt?

by Konrad Herling

For over 40 years, girls and young women have decided to run for "Miss Greenbelt" hoping to represent our town at ribbon cuttings, holiday ceremonies, Halloween parties, etc. The pageant, under the direction of co-chairpersons Natasha Jewell and Johanna Smith, has changed from what was known as a beauty pageant to a program that encourages dance, song, and even delivering a speech on an important social issue. Participants work together as colleagues, as a number of those I interviewed stressed was a benefit of their involvement; helping and learning from others. Genette DonBullian, who will turn 18 on September 20 and entering the University of Maryland, told me that "the pageant is not based on winning or losing; it's about bringing young people of the community together and being part of a tradition." Joi Laurette, 16 years old and entering the eleventh grade, said she found the program "organized," and that she was pleased at how rehearsals were run. Mary DiToto found the instructors were very good and helped build her self-confidence. None of the participants spoke of winning a trophy as a primary goal. Almost universally, it was about meeting new friends and finding out a little bit more about themselves.

Melanie King, 15 and entering 10th grade at Eleanor Roosevelt High School, is helping to repeat family history. Harry James, deputy director of the Greenbelt Recreation Department, sponsored her mom and now will do the same for her. As an observer of previous pageants, Melanie thought it might be fun to try.

And it's been an opportunity for her to do a lot of things she likes to do, such as being with her friends and singing. She will sing "You Were Meant for Me" by Jewell, assisted by her neighbor, who reportedly is a 'heck of a good guitar player,' Hank Hartwick.

During the summer, Melanie played softball (her team won the County championship), played some basketball and 'hung out' with a friend visiting from Colorado. Her favorite films were "Con Air" and "FaceOff" featuring Nicholas Cage and John Travolta. Also living with Melanie's family are three cats, a dog and, her favorite pet, "Ferra," appropriately enough, a ferret who likes to hide remote controls, bite toes and loves chocolate ice cream.

Like Melanie, Mary DiToto's mom was also a participant in a "Miss Greenbelt" pageant. Mary, who was always on the go in previous summers with her family and grandmother, has enjoyed the chance to participate. The enthusiastic 14-year-old is entering the ninth grade at Eleanor Roosevelt High School. She told me that the program has helped build her self confidence.

Mary's interests are math, English and literature. At the end of her eighth grade, she wrote a book about emotions which won first prize. Mary also will be learning the language of her relatives: Italian. Her busy fall schedule will also include algebra and science. In November, she's going to try out for the basketball team. She likes to write poems and wants to be a journalist or get a degree in literature.

Drena Galarza needs at least

"one more hour" as she prepares to start classes at the University of Maryland, which has included moving onto campus. Drena wants to work with kids, not as a teacher, but "more at their level." Galarza, in addition to taking calculus, sociology and philosophy at College Park will participate in a colloquium, an "advocacy for children" program.

Galarza was inspired by her friend, Rachel Petty, former Miss Greenbelt, to enter the pageant. She figured it "can't hurt and why not try something that can be helpful." She's had a pretty "relaxed summer" but did volunteer at St. Patrick's Episcopal Day Care Center, providing teaching assistance for three and four year olds. She never felt like it was work. "Working with kids ... I feel like it's my calling." Her favorite film of the summer: "Conspiracy Theory" with Julia Roberts and Mel Gibson.

Gennette DonBullian will also be entering her freshman year at the University of Maryland. She'll be majoring in business/finances. She's received a good foundation of knowledge from working in her dad's business, helping with accounting matters such as payroll. Her first semester will be a busy one; six classes, sixteen credits.

The pageant is a "great way to spend the summer. You can encourage your friends to join with you, you can help other contestants with dance routines or in just learning how to relax." Gennette relaxed in her visit to Florida by reading "Songs in Ordinary Times" by Mary and Gary Morris. She said she could not put the book down.

Ashley Mullane, 14 years old and entering the eighth grade at Greenbelt Middle School, is par-

ticipating for the third year in the pageant. Her favorite subject is math. She volunteered at Kinder Kamp this summer. Her favorite summer hit was "Men in Black." Again, I heard a common response to my question, "Why did you decide to participate?" "It was fun and it's a great way to meet friends."

Joi Laurette, 16 and entering the eleventh grade at Eleanor Roosevelt High School, will be dancing as part of Saturday evening's Pageant Talent Show to "The Bomb," which she describes as jazz/techno. She recently volunteered to serve on the Youth Advisory Board and enjoyed the interview process by the city council. Never shy about trying something challenging, she had time available to give the pageant a shot. Last year she helped her uncle, Kevin Chavous, who was running for the DC City Council's 7th Ward Seat. This summer she's volunteered time at a corporation as a secretary while learning more about computers.

Kristina Harkness, a 15 year old tenth grader at Northern High School in Calvert County, lives and breathes the arts. What subjects is she taking? Well, besides algebra II and English, she's studying music, music theory, theater and guitar. Her summer was spent rehearsing and performing in the Prince George's Teen Theater performance of "Bye Bye Birdie" at Parkdale High School. She played the role of Mrs. Merkel, a 'busy body' mom of the 1950s. So when she sings "On The Street Where You Live" from "My Fair Lady" during the talent portion of the pageant, it won't be her first time performing before a live audience.

On the whole, Greenbelt is

City Notes

Potholes on Hanover Parkway and Research Road were repaired. An old wood fence at the city office was replaced, and a fallen tree at Walker Cemetery was removed. In anticipation of the Labor Day Festival, flower beds throughout the city were weeded, pruned and cleared of trash.

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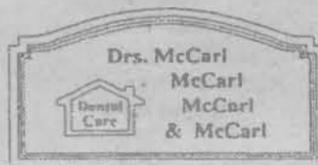
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CAROLYN GOFF

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When Dr. Van left in April 1992, parents and teachers lobbied the school board to appoint Goff as his successor. It became her job to move from what was then Greenbelt Center Elementary School (now the Greenbelt Community Center) to the newly-constructed elementary school on Ridge Road on the former North End School site.

She is very proud of the innovations at Greenbelt Elementary, especially the four computers in each classroom as well as the computer laboratory with 35 computers. The school has a Home Page and is on the Internet. She ordered laser disk players, a scanner, and six lap top computers. She is also proud of the quality of the teachers, of their dedication and their ability to work well together.

"A Stressful Occupation"

Teaching is a stressful occupation. Goff says there are more angry children these days than when she first began teaching in the 1960s. There are more crack babies being born, and when these children come to school, they may not be ready to learn. There are more children being born to parents who are still children themselves. Sixty-five to 70 percent of Greenbelt Elementary's children come from single parent families. Goff commented that schools today need social workers in order to provide the services children need. Greenbelt Elementary has only one guidance counselor serving 720 children.

Without social workers, teachers are thrust into the position of taking children to the doctor, arranging for their shots, providing the parenting that the child may lack in his home environment. Some children come to school without language skills, Goff asserted, because people at home don't talk to them. She feels many children spend so much time in front of the TV set, that their social skills are lacking.

"I tried to meet all the children, to take a personal interest in them," she comments. She strived to learn each child's name, but she was dismayed to realize that she couldn't always remember each of the 720 names of the children in her school.

"Seriously Overcrowded"

Greenbelt Elementary has space for only 500 children, she declares. Like most county schools, it is seriously over-

crowded, and this affects the personal relationships she feels are so important to maintain. She herself became a mentor to one fifth grade boy after school. When asked why she took on this added responsibility, she shrugged. "Well, I was there anyway until six or six thirty in the evening," she replied as if this child's needs were no trouble at all. She was gratified when the boy's parents sent her flowers at the end of the school year, acknowledging that the relationship had made a difference in their son's life.

She regrets that there wasn't always enough time to listen to all her constituents. With over 60 staff members, 720 children and their parents, there are a lot of concerns. Yet, she welcomed parents into the school. She urged them to become more involved in their children's academic program. Perhaps mandatory school service, just one day a year, should be required of all parents, she mused. "Rather than have parents be reactive when report cards come out, it would be so much better if they became proactive during the school year," she affirmed, her blue eyes flashing.

Goff believes that the county's instructional program is gradually improving, and that test scores will continue to go up. She doesn't believe that people should expect dramatic and instantaneous changes, however. She feels that class sizes need to be smaller, that all-day kindergarten should be instituted, that reading is critical to a child's ability to learn, and that parents must become more involved in the school and more supportive of their children's efforts. "The county is on the right track," she contends, "but parents must continue to be vocal and demanding."

Outstanding School

Greenbelt Elementary is an outstanding school, according to Goff. She lost very few children to magnet schools, parochial schools, or to the Talented and



Carolyn Goff, right and Paulette Watkins, Elementary Instructional Assistant, are ready for the opening of the new Greenbelt Elementary School in August 1993.

—photo by Jay Henson

Gifted Program. The teaching staff has been stable for many years. Transfers and retirements are almost unheard of, unless it is related to a spouse's job transfer. "It is critical that teachers receive a lot of support," she says. One of her most important jobs was to be available to her staff and to provide both material and emotional support.

"Greenbelt is a wonderful place to work," she states. "The community is always open to new ideas. The school should continue to be the heart of the community." She knows the new principal, Mary Catherine (Cathy) Curl; both were social studies teachers. She feels the transition will be a smooth one.

As she contemplates her retirement years, Goff is taking Dr. Van's advice to use her freedom and her time wisely. The chal-

lenge is to say "no" to everyone who is now asking her to do things. She plans to volunteer two mornings a week at St. Ann's Infant and Maternity Home, to nurture children who are waiting for placement for adoption. She is happy to be able to devote more time to her husband, her sons and their families including her two grandchildren. She wants to pursue some of the creative pleasures she used to enjoy such as gourmet cooking, and playing the organ and the piano. She is busy redecorating a room in her house to become a home office so she can set up her computer and be on line for e-mail.

One thing is certain. Carolyn Goff may have retired from Greenbelt Elementary, but she continues her love for children and her dedication to teaching them.

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