

**GREENBELT**

**News Review**

**Beat the Rush**

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Thursday, November 6, 1997

**Turnbull and Incumbents Elected**

The four incumbents seeking reelection romped easily to victory in the November 4 city council election according to unofficial results. Judith Davis was the top votegetter, edging out Thomas White by 31 votes. Edward Putens narrowly topped Rodney Roberts, with 1,493 votes to Roberts' 1,490, to take third place. GHI Boardmember Alan Turnbull will round out the council quintet. Challenger Konrad Herling was in sixth place, falling 11 votes short of Turnbull's total.

Although council will not elect its officers until next

Monday, if the council members follow tradition, Davis will be named mayor. This will be the first time in the city's history that one woman has succeeded another as mayor. (Current Mayor Antoinette Bram was the first woman to serve two terms as Greenbelt's mayor.)

Support for the candidates varied among the various city precincts. Davis topped the voting in Greenbelt East, Springhill Lake and among absentee voters. White was first in the Center and North End precincts. This was less fractured than in 1995, where each

precinct was "won" by a different candidate. Among the incumbents, just 84 votes separated the highest and lowest votegetters. The challengers trailed quite a bit behind the incumbents.

Council will hold its charter meeting featuring the swearing-in ceremony and election of the mayor and mayor pro tem on Monday, November 10 at 7:30 p.m. in the council chambers. The city charter calls for this organizational meeting being held at 7:30 p.m., a half hour earlier than the time set for regular meetings.

**ACE Report Gives Positive Data on Greenbelt Schools**

by Angela Noyes

Two years ago the Greenbelt City Council established ACE, the Advisory Committee on Education. Among the committee's many activities during its beginning years has been the development of a study that analyzes Greenbelt's public schools, comparing their attributes to other Prince George's County schools, to other neighboring county schools and to Maryland schools as a whole. The schools included in the analysis were the five schools in the Eleanor Roosevelt Community of Schools cluster, to which the majority of Greenbelt residents are assigned; Eleanor Roosevelt High, Greenbelt Middle, Greenbelt Elementary, Springhill Lake Elementary, and Magnolia Elementary. Based on their study's findings, committee members generally believe Greenbelt's public schools are performing better than those in the county at large.

The study, entitled "Perception of Schools Study," summarizes such data on Greenbelt's schools as student/teacher ratios, school honors, staff experience, student standardized test performance, school resources, and student characteristics. While the current edition of the study uses 1994-95 data, it will soon be updated with information from 1995-96. This data has been compiled to serve as a tool for assessing Greenbelt schools in light of the lack of confidence many people feel in the county school system. With meaningful data in hand, the areas in need of improvement, as well as those areas already of high quality, can be quickly determined. Such a study can provide a baseline from which to measure future performance; in some cases it can also help to dispel unwarranted negative perceptions. The impetus for creating the study was concern that a poor perception of its schools was discouraging some people from moving to Greenbelt.

The committee felt that despite relatively good results in neighborhood schools, negative opinions linger because of an over-generalization of negative media coverage relating to Prince George's County schools as a whole. However, not all of this lack of faith can be attributed to such an association. Greenbelt schools do not always compare favorably with schools in nearby Montgomery, Howard, and Anne Arundel Counties. Especially problematic is Springhill Lake Elementary School, where high student mobility rates, a high population of students (17.2%) who enter with low English proficiency, overcrowding, and a low median household income all contribute to lower performance there. Greenbelt Middle School and Magnolia Elementary School also struggle with some of these difficulties, and even the two

Blue Ribbon Schools in Greenbelt's group of schools — Eleanor Roosevelt High School and Greenbelt Elementary School — are challenged by overcrowding.

**Signs of Success**

Many aspects of the study were encouraging, however. Greenbelt is the only city in the county with two National Blue Ribbon Schools: Eleanor Roosevelt and Greenbelt Elementary. The median SAT score achieved by ERHS students in the 1994-95 school year was 985, significantly higher than the average county score of 892. Maryland Functional Test scores at ERHS exceeded state and county scores in reading, math, and writing, comparing favorably with the standard in these subjects in Montgomery, Howard, and Anne Arundel County schools. Magnolia Elementary's fifth graders scored above the county average in language usage, science, social studies, reading, math, and writing. Fifth graders at Greenbelt Elementary exceeded the county standard in language usage, science, and social studies.

Most Greenbelt schools have high percentages of experienced staff, those who have taught for 20 or more years. At ERHS, 59.9% of staff falls into this category; 38% of staff from Greenbelt Elementary, 44% from Magnolia Elementary, and 25% from Springhill Lake Elementary are experienced teachers.

The committee also states that test scores in Greenbelt schools have been increasing; this performance will be summarized in the next edition of ACE's report.

**Efforts by ACE**

ACE hopes to generate more enthusiasm for Greenbelt's schools by highlighting the positive aspects, while supporting measures to address the problems. The unique qualities of Greenbelt have contributed to its higher performance compared to other Prince George's County Schools, and the city seeks to communicate this higher quality to its current and prospective residents through the work of the advisory committee. The committee points out that many elements contributing to lower performance in the schools — low family income, See ACE, page 2

**Greenbelt City Council Election Results (Unofficial)**

Candidate	Total	% Voting	Center	North End	Springhill Lake	Greenbelt East	Absentee
Judith Davis*	1574	75.0	507	520	57	447	43
Thomas White*	1543	73.5	521	555	55	374	38
Edward Putens*	1493	71.2	488	494	49	426	36
Rodney Roberts*	1490	71.0	505	537	50	359	39
Alan Turnbull*	1308	62.3	466	462	46	295	39
Herling	1297	61.8	451	456	33	323	34
# Voting	2098		704	756	65	515	58
# Registered	9738		2447	2176	1690	3425	
Turnout	21.5		28.8	34.7	3.8	15.0	

\*Elected

**Capital Office Park Plans Alter Beltway - Kenilworth Redesign**

by Virginia Beauchamp

Earlier plans for changes to the Capital Beltway/Kenilworth Avenue interchange and for the redesign of Kenilworth from that point to Cherrywood Lane have been recently revised to accommodate new development plans by the owners of Capital Office Park. According to Greenbelt Community Planner Terri Hruby, who reported to the Greenbelt City Council at the regular city council meeting on October 27, she had that day received confirmation by telephone from a representative of the State Highway Administration (SHA) that a modification had been approved.

This approval followed a request for resubdivision of a portion of the Capital Office Park property (Parcel D). This parcel,

which lies between Ivy Lane and Cherrywood Lane, is most easily identified by the two blue glass buildings which occupy the parcel. On the section of that parcel along Cherrywood near Kenilworth is a large, primarily unused parking lot which is accessed by a driveway opposite the federal court house.

The owners, Fourteenth Springhill Lake Limited Partnership, have petitioned the Prince George's County Park and Planning Commission for permission to construct a two- or three-story building on that site. They envision a structure of about 46,000 square feet, to possibly contain a restaurant. Another entrance to the site, off Ivy Lane, would be included in the revised design.

The city's Advisory Planning

Board (APB), though generally supportive of the proposal, had expressed concern about the possible impact of this new development on the three nearby roads: Cherrywood Lane, Ivy Lane, and Kenilworth Ave. Their report #97-12, dated October 23, indicated that additional left-turn lanes from northbound Kenilworth at both Ivy Lane and Cherrywood, as well as a traffic signal at Ivy Lane, had been proposed by the developer to support this new construction. Hruby confirmed the SHA agreement to this change.

**APB Conditions**

APB attached other conditions as well to the Capital Office Park request for resubdivision: that the city be granted (1) detailed site plan review, (2) sign plan review and (3) documentation that the applicant is meeting a previous condition for approval of new development in Capital Office Park — a Traffic Demand Management Program and a 15% reduction in the number of trips generated by the proposed development.

In a positive light, the APB report notes that in prior developments in Capital Office Park, the owners have "demonstrated...

See OFFICE PARK page 12

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**Veterans' Day**  
 Greenbelt Post 136 of the American Legion, along with the Auxiliary Unit and SAL Chapter and Seal Chapter 25, Disabled American Veterans, will hold its annual Veterans Day-Armistice Day Observance on Tuesday, November 11, at 10 a.m. at the Greenbelt War Memorial on Centerway. There will be a color guard, patriotic music and speeches. After the service, all are invited to the post home for a buffet. In case of inclement weather, all activities will be held at the post home. For information, call 301-345-0136.  
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**What Goes On**  
**Mon., Nov. 10, 7:30 p.m.** Charter Meeting - Swearing in of new council. Municipal Building  
**Tue., Nov. 11 Veterans Day** holiday - City Office closed  
**Thurs., Nov. 13, 8 p.m.** Council Worksession with Community Center tenants. Community Center

# ACE

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limited English proficiency, and high student mobility — are societal problems, and thus difficult to address in the school setting. ACE supports efforts by the city to tackle these learning obstacles through such programs as Greenbelt CARES.

One key factor that may affect Greenbelt's schools is the pending decision on busing and other educational issues in Prince George's County. An end to busing is included in the Six-Year Neighborhood School Plan, which is supported by ACE. Besides eliminating mandatory busing, the plan would provide significant resources for schools from the state and county. This welcome development would address the overcrowding of county schools, including Greenbelt's, by funding the construction of new schools to serve the growing population.

## Wayne Curry Speaks At Democratic Club

Greenbelt's Eleanor & Franklin Roosevelt Democratic Club will have Prince George's County Executive Wayne K. Curry as the featured speaker at the group's regular monthly meeting on Friday, November 21. The general public is cordially invited to attend.

Curry will discuss his recent proposals on neighborhood revitalization, specifically inside the Beltway; his plan for the state, not the county, to fund the county's jail and assume budget responsibility for the sheriff's office, the state's attorney's office, and the Circuit Court; and other budget issues of interest to Greenbelt residents. There will be a question-and-answer period followed by refreshments and a social hour.

The meeting will be held in the Terrace Room of the Greenbriar Community Building at 7600 Hanover Parkway in Greenbelt East at 8 p.m. For further information, call Jim Inzeo at 301-441-2426.

## Bazaar and Auction At Community Church

Greenbelt Community Church at Hillside and Crescent Roads will hold its annual bazaar and auction on Saturday, November 15. The bazaar will run from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and will feature decorative items, Christmas crafts, baked goods, gifts and jewelry and hands-on crafts for children. Food and refreshments may be purchased. A live auction featuring gift items and services will begin at 1 p.m. with Jim Finnegan as auctioneer.



**Refuse/Recycling Schedule**

Due to the Veteran's Day holiday on Tuesday, November 11th, Public Works Facilities will be closed. There will be no refuse and recycling collection November 11th. Tuesday collections will be made on Wednesday. Wednesday and Thursday refuse and recycling routes will be pushed back one day with no yard debris or appliance pickups on Friday.

For more information, call the Department of Public Works at (301) 474-8004.

# Letters to the Editor

## Thanks

I wish to express my most sincere thanks to all who voted for me in Tuesday's election. To all the citizens of this "best home town around," I pledge that I will do my best to live up to my campaign theme: "Committed to Community." Thanks also go to the tireless members of the Committee to Re-elect J Davis and to all my family, friends, and neighbors who extended themselves on my behalf.

J Davis

## New Blood Needed

For many years, the bulk of the reporting for the News Review has been done by a few stalwarts. But these veterans cannot be expected to bear the burden forever. With the 60th Anniversary of the paper coming up, it seems like a good time to sound a clarion call to a younger generation to step forward, join the News Review staff (no experience necessary, just free Tuesday evenings) and help propel the paper into the 21st century!

Joe Sucher

## City Notes

Some of the dirt stockpiled at Northway ballfields was formed into berms. Grass seed was placed on the berms and straw was spread over it. Shrubs were planted and mulched at the Youth Center and Community Center. Pansies and bulbs were planted along Mandan Road.

## Thanks Greenbelt

Janet and I wish to express our thanks to the Greenbelt community for the many expressions of sympathy in connection with the sudden passing of Lillie Z. Goldberg. We are particularly thankful to the people who attended the graveside service at the Greenbelt Cemetery on Oct. 18. We wanted the service to be low key, but Greenbelt thought otherwise.

Amongst those in attendance were Mike McLaughlin and the city staff, all the city council members, Hank Irving and the large group from the Greenbelt Recreation Department, and friends and relatives. Your presence is a tribute to Lillie and shows the high esteem you had for her.

A "Lillie Z. Goldberg Memorial Fund" has been established, whose purpose will be to award scholarships to graduating students at the Greenbelt elementary schools, Magnolia Elementary School, St. Hugh's, Greenbelt Middle School, and Eleanor Roosevelt High School. Lillie was interested in education and the scholarships every year will be a lasting memory of her. Those who wish to make a contribution should make it to the Lillie Z. Goldberg Memorial Fund and send to c/o Maryland Federal S.B., 8951 Edmonston Road, Greenbelt, MD 20770.

Janet and Larry Goldberg

**LAST CHANCE**

## News Review Anniversary Dinner

Sunday, Nov. 16, 7 p.m. at Martins Crosswinds

15 Crescent Rd., Suite 100  
Greenbelt, MD 20770-1887

Yes, I want to help celebrate the News Review's 60th!

Number of tickets requested: \_\_\_\_\_ x\$25.00= \$ \_\_\_\_\_


Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

## Owl Prowl Set


Friday, November 14, 7 - 8:30 p.m. the Wild Bird Center and Watkins Nature Center will bring another of their Owl Prowls. Meet at the Nature Center in Watkins Regional Park at 7 p.m. Mike Callahan will give a half-hour presentation on the owls that may be seen, and then it's off to the woods to see the real thing. Because the owls can be easily

spooked, all participants who attend must be able to maintain silence in the woods.



**Greenbelt Connection**

The Greenbelt Connection will not operate on Tuesday, November 11th due to the Veterans Day holiday. For more information, call the Greenbelt Connection at (301) 474-4100.





**City of Greenbelt**  
Department of Public Works

## LEAF VACUUM SCHEDULE

NOVEMBER 3-7	BOXWOOD
NOVEMBER 10-14	WOODLAND HILLS
NOVEMBER 17-21	LAKEWOOD
NOVEMBER 24-26	LAKESIDE
DECEMBER 1-5	BOXWOOD
DECEMBER 8-12	WOODLAND HILLS
DECEMBER 15-19	LAKEWOOD
DECEMBER 22-24	LAKESIDE
DECEMBER 29-31	WOODLAND HILLS

Residents in these areas are reminded to please rake their leaves to the curb, but NOT INTO THE STREET. Also please remove twigs and stones from the piles of leaves, as they cause serious damage to the leaf vacuum.

Residents of GHI are reminded that all leaves MUST BE BAGGED and left on the service side. For GHI pick-up call 301-474-8004.

**WORK SESSION ON ORGANIZATION OF THE 32ND CITY COUNCIL**  
MUNICIPAL BUILDING CONFERENCE ROOM  
NOVEMBER 10, 1997 - 7:00 P.M.

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**CHARTER MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL**  
COUNCIL ROOM  
NOVEMBER 10, 1997 - 7:30 P.M.

1. Call to Order - Outgoing Mayor Bram
2. Roll Call
3. Meditation and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag
4. Certification of Election Count
5. Oath of Office - Council Elect
6. Election of Temporary Chairman
7. Election of Mayor
8. Administration of Oath of Office to Newly Elected Mayor by Vivian Jenkins, Clerk of the Circuit Court of Prince George's County, Maryland
9. Statement by Mayor
10. Election of Mayor Pro-Tem
11. Statement by Mayor Pro-Tem
12. Statements by Members of Council
13. Other Business
14. Adjournment

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Greenbelt Community Center at 15 Crescent Rd.

# Community Events

## Explorations Unlimited

On Friday, November 14, Explorations Unlimited presents "The Rainbow Farm." The presenter will be Dorothy Baluch, former long-time resident of Greenbelt.

"The Rainbow Farm" is the "retirement" project of Fred and Dorothy Baluch. The farm implements natural ways of organic gardening, use of natural gas heating and use of generators for electricity. It is the "simple life."

Explorations Unlimited is a speaker series held every Friday from 1-3 p.m., at the Community Center. This presentation will be held in the senior classroom. Everyone is welcome and questions are always encouraged. Please call 301-397-2208 for more information.

## Donation Drop-Off

The November Donation Drop-Off co-sponsored with the American Rescue Workers will be held this Saturday, November 8, behind the Municipal building, from 9 a.m. until noon. Bring clean, usable clothing, small household items, curtains, towels, bedding sheets, toys, puzzles and books. Donations are tax deductible and will be reused by needy people in Prince George's County. Remember — this Donation Drop-Off is the second Saturday of every month.

To arrange for at home collection or for pickups of larger items including furniture, mattresses, or appliances that work, call the American Rescue Workers directly at 301-336-6200. For more information, call Jennifer Foley, City of Greenbelt Recycling Coordinator at 301-474-8308.

## New Century Singers Present Concerts

The New Century Singers will present two concerts both featuring the work, "Ballad for Americans." The first concert will be presented Saturday, November 8 at 8 p.m. at Resurrection of Our Lord Roman Catholic Church on Brock Bridge Road in Laurel. For information, call 410-792-7982.

The concert will be repeated Sunday, November 9 at 4 p.m. at Good Shepherd United Methodist Church, 9701 New Hampshire Ave., Silver Spring. For information, call 301-434-3331.

## At The Library

Tuesday, November 11, the library will be closed.

P.J. Storytime on Wednesday, November 12, and Drop-In Storytime and Tickly Toddle on Thursday, November 13, have all been canceled because the library is being re-carpeted.

## Scouting for Food

Boy Scouts, Cub Scouts and Girl Scouts from Greenbelt troops distributed bags to homes in old Greenbelt as well as to homes in East Greenbelt over this past weekend as part of the annual Scouting for Food campaign. Although Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts from Troop 746 and Pack 202 have traditionally participated in this community service project, Brownies from Troops 1734, 2302, 5004 and 2307 and Juniors from Troops 567, 3251 and 1411 swelled their ranks for the first time, expanding the collection area to include homes in Windsor Green this year.

The Scouts will return this Saturday, November 8, to collect contributions placed in the bags. Contributions should be canned goods, only, and should be placed outside the home's front door by 9 a.m. All food collected from this campaign will be donated to the Greenbelt food bank and will benefit families in the community.

## Greenbriar Sponsors Canned Food Drive

Greenbriar and Glen Oaks residents are encouraged to donate canned goods and boxed food items to the canned food drive. The food will be used to help provide Thanksgiving dinner for needy families in Greenbelt and other areas of Prince George's County. Donations can be dropped off in the Game Room at Greenbriar's Community Building between now and November 21. Anyone who knows a family who could use a basket of food, or for more information call Tina at 301-441-1096.

## GHI Notes

The Woodlands Committee meets Monday, November 10 at 7:30 p.m. in the Board Room.

GHI offices will be closed Tuesday, November 11 in honor of Veterans Day. For emergency maintenance that day call 301-474-6011.



Some of the ghost, goblins and other friends who attended Greenbriar's Annual Childrens Halloween Party surround Miss Greenbelt, Genette DonBullian and Junior Miss Greenbelt, Jessica O'Connor.

## All-Hallows Is Celebrated at Greenbriar

The Terrace Room at the Greenbriar Community Building was decorated with Halloween decorations and sounds to greet Greenbriar and Glen Oaks children upon their arrival at Greenbriar's Annual Children's Halloween Party. The children were greeted by Miss Greenbelt, Genette DonBullian and Junior Miss Greenbelt, Jes-

sica O'Connor.

The children were put to work right away creating the best Halloween pumpkin face they could make on paper. Eddie Swope was the winner of this creative event and was awarded a pumpkin filled with candy and treats. Other activities played by the children were ring toss, ball toss, Greenbriar

Stew and as always the costume parade. Prizes were awarded for each activity. The children were treated to candy, cookies, popcorn and juice. No one went home empty handed as each child was awarded a coloring book and crayons. According to the party attendees a great time was had by all.

## Goodbye Barbara Welcome Tina

Barbara Parham resigned as Greenbriar's Community Relations Director on October 3. For over a year she planned, coordinated and attended community activities and events.

Tina Murphy, who for the past seven years served as Greenbriar's Service Coordinator, has been appointed as Greenbriar's new Activities Director. In her new position, Tina will be responsible for planning all community activities and events.

## Photo Club Holds Portrait Session

The Greenbelt Photo Club will have its next meeting Tuesday, Nov. 11 at 7:30 p.m. in the Greenbelt Community Center.

An in-house portrait session is planned. Please bring camera, lights, costumes, props, favorite models, etc.

All old and new members are welcome.

## NARFE to Meet

Julia Wright, Government Relations Representative for the 1998 Federal Employees Blue Cross/Blue Shield Plan, will speak to the members of NARFE and interested others about the 1998 health plan at the Wednesday, November 12, meeting.

The meeting will be held at noon in the Greenbelt Library basement conference room.

**BAZAAR**  
St. John's Episcopal Church,  
at U.S. Route 1 and Powder Mill Road  
in Beltsville, Maryland,  
is having its annual  
**Christmas Bazaar**  
on Saturday, November 8, 1997  
from 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM.  
There will be Arts and Crafts, Handmade  
Tree Decorations, Jewelry, Dried Flower  
Arrangements, White Elephants, Next-to-  
New Clothing, Baked Goods and a Raffle.  
We will also be serving a light lunch.

**New Deal Cafe**  
Open Fri & Sat 7-11 pm  
Music 8:30 pm No cover

Friday 11/07 • MS MOTION  
(stunning duet singing)

Saturday 11/08 • JEFF AUG  
(powerful guitar playing)

Friday 11/14 • PRIMITIVE MIND  
(acoustic modern)

Saturday 11/15 • GINA DESIMONE  
(original & distinctive folk music)

Donations for Musicians Encouraged  
Greenbelt Community Center  
**(301) 474-5642**

**OLD GREENBELT THEATRE WEEK OF NOV. 7**

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Sun: (5:30 at \$3.00) 7:30

Mon: (All Seats \$3.00) 7:30

Tues, Wed, Thur: 7:30

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SANTA IS GETTING HIS GIFTS AT.....  
the  
**GREENBELT COMMUNITY CHURCH**  
**FALL BAZAAR**

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 15**  
**9:00 A.M., LIVE AUCTION AT 1 P.M.**  
**AT THE CORNER OF HILLSIDE AND CRESCENT RDS.**

❁ COUNTRY CUPBOARD ❁ FOOD ❁ XMAS GIFTS  
❁ CHILDREN'S CRAFTS ❁ INTERNATIONAL GIFTS  
❁ AUCTION ❁ TOYS ❁ FUN ❁ AND BARGAINS GALORE!

**Greenbelt Arts Center**

**Bullshot Crummond**  
by: John Neville-Andrews, Ron House, Diz White,  
Alan Shearman, & Derek Cunningham  
Directed by Keith Brown—Produced by Laura Adams  
A parody of low budget 1930 serial detective movies.  
Bullshot Crummond is called upon to rescue the good  
Professor Fenton from the clutches of the evil Otto von  
Bruno and his doomsday plans.  
Fridays and Saturdays November 7th - 22nd at 8:00 pm  
and Sundays November 9th and 16th at 2:00 pm  
Tickets are \$8/ \$6 for senior citizens and students.

**Bye Bye Birdie Auditions**  
Will be held on 3 days, Saturday November 15th at 1:00pm  
for kids only and on Monday and Tuesday November 17th  
and 18th at 7:30 pm for adults. Be prepared to sing and  
dance. Cold reading from the script as well.  
Headshots are recommended but not required.

**The Greenbelt Arts Center**  
123 Centerway Greenbelt (next to the Post Office)  
<http://www.greenbelt.com/artscenter>  
[artscenter@greenbelt.com](mailto:artscenter@greenbelt.com)  
For more information call (301) 441-8770

### Golden Age Club

by Dolores Capotosto

Those members who didn't come to the Halloween party, missed a good time. The Committee did a fabulous job! The refreshments table was laden with all sorts of goodies and the decorations were so festive that it was too bad they couldn't have been enjoyed later on by other groups.

Several people were in costume and paraded to be judged. Mary Gardner was the first prize winner. Some costumers were not recognizable — especially Tom Dwyer — and was that little witch Jean Snyder? This reporter also liked the "modern Mother Goose."

Micki Weidenfeld will speak to the Club on Wednesday, November 12, about the Women's Investment Group of Greenbelt (WIGG). Meetings are held in the multi-purpose room of the Community Center every Wednesday and run from 11 a.m. to noon.

The election of the 1998 club officers will be held soon. Persons interested in running for an office or who have possible nominees in mind should contact Shep Odum. It would be great to have two candidates for each slot.

The trip to Wilmington, DE on Thursday, November 20, is filling up fast. See a member of the Travel Committee to register. The club owes a rousing "thank you" to Irene and Jack Owens for their work with the trips. Irene has been doing an excellent job as a member of the Committee for some time and Jack has been her #1 supporter and helper. These trips are a lot of work!

President Irving Siegel still conducts "Explorations Unlimited" on Fridays from 1 - 3 p.m. at the Community Center.

The Senior Day Care Center, located downstairs in the Community Center, is collecting warm accessories - gloves, hats, scarves - for children. Call 301-507-6590 for information. Also, the Greenbelt Elementary School has a need for helpers in their special programs. See Ed Griffin for information.

Stay active, but save time for the Golden Age meetings.



### Baha'i Faith

"And if thine eyes be turned towards justice, choose thou for thy neighbour that which thou chooseth for thyself."  
—Baha'i Sacred Writings

Greenbelt Baha'i Community  
P.O. Box 245  
Greenbelt, MD 20770  
301-345-2918 301-220-3160



Catholic  
Community  
of Greenbelt  
MASS

Municipal Building  
10 A.M.

### ERHS Fall Concert To Be Held Nov. 14

by Nancy Boardman

Greenbelt is fortunate to have an outstanding high school music program in which young people can take part. At Eleanor Roosevelt High School (ERHS), one of the finest music programs in the state is at our doorstep, with five bands, three orchestras, and an equally strong choral program.

The ERHS fall concert is scheduled for Friday, November 14, at 7:30 p.m., in the ERHS auditorium. The performers have practiced hard and are ready to perform. Let's show them how much we appreciate their dedication and enthusiasm by attending the concert. As always, the music is sure to be outstanding, and our Greenbelt youth (listed below), will welcome our support.

Four groups will be performing: the Chamber Orchestra, Concert Orchestra, Wind Ensemble and Concert Band I. Greenbelt high school students who will perform that evening are as follows: Chamber Orchestra: Jill Fitzpatrick, Lynn Hull, Meadow Wirick, Estelle Yoo, and Katherine Stratton. Concert Orchestra: Madeline Bell, Rachel Brooks, Shabnam Mazhari, Tiffani Sampson, Eddie Serrano, Tabitha Stahli, and Subramani Lyer. Wind Ensemble: Maria Baquir, Sarah Bruno, Nhi Danh, Jason Flanagan, Rebecca Lemus, Jaime Pereira, Alicia Saunders, Tara Schwab, Seung Cha, and Jan Fitzpatrick. Concert Band I: Bukola Akinsiku, Yemi Akinsiku, Joseph Bailey, Kyle Brady, Kimberly Brown, Elisabeth David, Matthew Gregory, Kateri Hull, Ti'Aire Jackson, Nicole Kelley, Sang-Hui Kim, Sara Lychenheim, Jennifer McLaughlin, Lauren Minor, Darryl Stevens, Adey Woldeamanuel, Carla Zamudio-Dolan, Gabriel Hendricks and Kevin Skolnik.

### Student Performers At Gala Showcase

The Suitland High School Center for the Visual and Performing Arts will host a Premier Gala Showcase at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, November 10, in the Annabelle E. Ferguson auditorium at Suitland High School, 5200 Silver Hill Road in Forestville.

Designed to feature the talents of the student dancers, singers and musicians who attend the Visual and Performing Arts Center, the Gala also will feature master performing artists Baakari Wilder and Keter Betts. Wilder, who will perform various dance selections during the program, is a 1994 graduate of the Arts Theater Department of Suitland. Currently, he is starring in the Tony Award winning Broadway musical, "Bring in 'Da Noise, Bring in 'Da Funk." Betts, jazz bassist in the Keter Betts Jazz Ensemble, a leading jazz group, also will perform. Betts is internationally recognized for his work as a bassist for singer Ella Fitzgerald.

The Suitland High School Center for the Visual and Performing Arts is the arts center of the Prince George's County public school system, and students from all over the county may apply for admission on a competitive basis.

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Subjects include: Caring for Aging Parents — Being Cared for by Middle-Aged Children; Building Community and Church Family; and Spiritual Development. Dr. Noll will provide materials at a resource table, handouts and information on programs.

The Seminar will be held Sunday, November 9, beginning with lunch at 12:30 p.m., followed by the program from 1 to 5 p.m. The meetings will be held in the Fellowship Hall at Holy Cross Lutheran Church, 6905 Greenbelt Road. There is a fee. For information or directions, call 301-345-5111.

### Our Neighbors

Congratulations to Jeanne and Frank Taylor of Silver Spring on the birth of their son on October 30. Jack Trent weighed 5 lbs., 7 oz. His grandparents are Irene and Richard Hensel, and Liz and Jack Taylor of Greenbelt.

Congratulations to Joan McFarland and Michael Chyatte on the birth of their first child, Samantha Ariel, on October 11. Joan is director of the Maryland Boy Choir and is the daughter of Henry and Kathleen McFarland of Fayette Place. The baby's paternal grandparents are Dr. and Mrs. Eli Chyatte of Rockville.

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# POLICE BLOTTER

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### Armed Robbery

5900 block Cherrywood Lane, Oct. 30, 10:13 p.m. A woman reported that she and her sister had been walking home from the Metro station. A man approached from behind, pointed a gun at them and then took the woman's purse, wallet and engagement ring. She did not resist, and, when she had handed over her property, she and her sister fled on foot.

The robber was described as a black male, 17 to 18 years of age, 5' 9" with a slim build, wearing a red jacket, blue jeans, brown boots and a red skull cap.

### Assaults

7800 block Hanover Parkway, Oct. 24, 12:31 p.m. Officers responded to a report of a violent domestic dispute between two people. After investigation of the incident, the two were arrested and charged with assault.

5900 block Cherrywood Ter., Oct. 28, 5:41 p.m. A resident told police that she was putting an unwanted guest out of her apartment and he became angry. He went to a hallway closet where the resident heard what she believed to be a weapon being loaded and the action being worked. The man then confronted the resident and threatened her, while holding his hand near his waistband. The victim never saw a weapon, but felt it was implied and called the police. When they arrived, the man was gone. Investigation is ongoing.

Somerset Ct., Oct. 24, 11:24 p.m. A woman told an officer that her ex-boyfriend had become angry after he was told not to call her any more, and he drove to her house and began kicking the front door. He gained entry but fled before the officer arrived.

### Burglaries, Thefts and Fraud

46 Ct. Crescent Rd., Oct. 26. Jewelry and coins were reported taken from a residence. There were no signs of forced entry.

Beltway Plaza, Oct. 27, 4:40 p.m. A merchant reported that he had received three 20 dollar bills from a customer making a purchase. Tests indicated that the bills were counterfeit, and they were sent to the U.S. Secret Service for investigation.

Centerway, Oct. 28. A cash register was reported taken by burglary from Generous Joe's restaurant.

6700 block Village Park Dr., Oct. 28. Appliances were taken from several townhomes under construction. Entry was forced into one unit, but two others had no signs of forced entry.

Springhill Ct., Oct. 30. Jewelry and a cellular phone were reported taken from a residence. There were no signs of forced entry.

### Other Thefts

A change purse was taken from an unattended desk in the 6400 block of Golden Triangle Drive, a cellular phone was taken from an unattended and unsecured office at 6301 Ivy Lane, a wallet was taken from an unattended grocery cart at Beltway Plaza Mall, credit cards were taken from an unlocked and unattended locker at Greenway Center, lumber was taken from a Greenwalk Court home under construction, currency was taken from an unattended and unsecured purse in an office in the 7500 block of Greenway Center Drive.

### Drugs

9100 block Springhill Lane, Oct. 25, 11:46 p.m. Officers responded to a complaint of a loud party. Upon arriving at the residence the officers smelled the strong odor of burning marijuana coming from inside the residence. As the officers approached the residence to speak to the lease holder, they discovered a keg of beer on the patio. The keg was tapped and in public view. Occupants of the residence slammed the door shut as the officers were waiting to speak to the resident. Subsequent investigation revealed the lease holder to be in possession of marijuana in a quantity in-

dicating an intent to distribute, and possession of paraphernalia to facilitate sale. Scott Carl Kessler, 22, of 9188 Springhill Lane, Greenbelt, was arrested and charged with possession with intent to distribute and possession of paraphernalia. He appeared before a District Court Commissioner and was held on \$10,000 bond, pending trial.

Eleanor Roosevelt High School, Saturday evening, Oct. 25. After the school resource officer approached two juveniles on school property who had been banned from there, the two fled. Upon being apprehended, a non-resident 17-year-old male and a resident 14-year-old male were charged with possession of paraphernalia and trespassing. Both were released on citation to their parents pending action by the Juvenile Justice System.

City offices, Oct. 28, 6:03 p.m. A rock was reported to have been thrown through a window.

Beltway Plaza Mall, Oct. 25, 7:03 p.m. Gang graffiti was reported sprayed on a garage wall.

### Stolen Vehicles

Ora Glen Dr. near Frankfort Dr., Oct. 27, 3 a.m. While patrolling, an officer observed a vehicle operating at high speed with no lights

on. The officer turned to follow the vehicle and heard it crash. He then located the vehicle on a grassy area in front of a residence in the 7800 block of Jacobs Drive. It had struck several fixed objects. As the officer approached, the driver ran on foot, and the officer pursued. The suspect evaded capture. The damaged vehicle, a 1994 Toyota Camry, had been reported stolen from the 6100 block of Springhill Terrace on Oct. 19.

A 1992 Chevrolet Van reported stolen from Hanover Parkway on Oct. 19 was recovered on October 24. The interior had been stripped. No arrests were made. Other cars reported stolen were a black Acura Legend, Maryland tag CCD 500, from South Ora Court and a blue Acura Legend, Maryland tag VSP 463, from the 8300 block of Canning Terrace, both on Oct. 24. The second car was later recovered by the Baltimore City Police. No arrests were made.

### Bicycles

An unsecured men's black Diamond Back bicycle was stolen from a balcony on Lakecrest Drive; a men's green Mercian Touring bicycle was reported stolen from an unlocked storage shed in the 23

Court of Ridge Road; an unsecured men's blue Huffy 18-speed mountain bike was reported taken from a deck in the 6800 block of Damsel Court; and a women's red ten-speed bicycle was reported stolen from an unsecured store room in the basement of an apartment building in the 7800 block of Hanover Parkway.

Vandalisms to, thefts from, and attempted thefts from vehicles were reported in the following areas: 7200 block of Mandan Rd., Oct. 24; 6000 block of Greenbelt Rd., Oct. 25, Oct. 28 (two incidents) and Oct. 29; and 7800 block of Hanover Parkway, Oct. 29.

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# Greenbelt School Cluster: An Update on Progress

by Mary Moien

Two years ago, Dr. Jerome Clark, the new Prince George's County School Superintendent, was introduced to the City Council by School Board member Suzanne Plogman. To an overflow audience, Clark declared, "This is a renaissance; a new opportunity. I think that we need to be celebrating the rebirth of education in Prince George's County."

Clark was referring to his new Community of Schools effort, a keystone of which is the cluster of schools program. The five administrative areas of the county schools were replaced with 20 clusters. Greenbelt's cluster is focused on Eleanor Roosevelt High School (ERHS) and the schools that feed into it.

Eight schools comprise the ERHS cluster of schools: ERHS, Greenbelt Elementary, Springhill Lake Elementary, Magnolia Elementary, James McHenry Elementary, Glenarden Woods Elementary, Greenbelt Middle School, and Frances Fuches Special Center. The majority of the schools serve Greenbelt students. All of them are large, with each having about 600 or more students. Roosevelt, with more than 3,100 students, is the largest high school in the state.

Dr. Gerald Boarman, then principal of ERHS, is now the Chief Educational Administrator (CEA) for the cluster. The cluster has three additional staff members: Kristen Pfeltz, community instructional specialist; Eric Dent, chief building supervisor; and Caren Thorne, secretary.

### Success of the Cluster

How has the ERHS cluster of schools fared in the two years since its organization? The Greenbelt News Review recently met with Kristen Pfeltz to discuss activities and accomplishments. Pfeltz commented that a major change has been that the schools in the cluster now feel that they are part of a small school system and that the staffs feel more like family. Each school has appointed two teachers who monthly meet personally with Boarman. Issues and problems can be discussed and handled more quickly. He also works closely with the seven principals and Dean Michael Reidy, ERHS.

A Community Advisory Group (CAG) now also meets on a monthly basis. A recent issue that this group addressed concerned math courses. They had met with the school superintendent in the last school year to express their concerns. Currently there are plans to hire an elementary math specialist to assist elementary teachers in math instruction.

Greenbelters who are current members of the CAG include: Corporal David Buerger, school resource officer; John Henry Jones, Peggy King, Leta Mach, chair, Advisory Committee on Education, ACE; Michael McLaughlin, city manager; and Betty Timer.

Greenbelt also has its own Advisory Committee on Education (ACE) which is involved in educational issues related to local schools. ACE chair Leta Mach is represented on the

CAG.

### Cluster Staff

Dr. Boarman, the CEA, is perhaps the most well-known of the ERHS cluster staff. Pfeltz, his second in command, is responsible for many of the day-to-day activities as well as for working with non-tenured teachers, those who have just completed their education and are new to the school system. The cluster has 115 such teachers. Pfeltz also monitors county policies in the schools and assists school staff to ensure that special reading programs progress satisfactorily. She also handles parents' concerns that have not been mediated at the individual school level.

In addition, Pfeltz is responsible for the OASIS program. She commented that in this job there are "long hours but many, many rewards." She especially likes working with the new teachers.

Eric Dent is the chief building supervisor for the cluster.



Kristen Pfeltz is the community instructional specialist of the ERHS cluster of schools.

- photo by Mary Moien

Whenever problems to the physical plant occur at any of the eight schools, the schools contact him. Pfeltz indicated that "he has done an extraordinary job at cleaning and repairing schools in the cluster." Working with his staff, he has made substantial improvements in the appearance and maintenance of even the oldest of the schools.

Caren Thorne, the cluster secretary, has responsibility for helping to pull the activities together. If parents or members of the community wish to contact any of the cluster staff, they can contact them at 301-614-3451.

### Current Projects

In this school year, there is emphasis on math, reading, and technology growth. The math and reading emphasis occurs at the lower grade levels, while technology will involve both students and teachers at all grade levels. Some of the projects include:

1. Training principals in software packages that allow them to monitor and report progress more efficiently and uniformly.

2. Training more teachers in technology areas so they can teach the students to use more technology in the classrooms.

# Recycling Day Comes to Greenbelt

On Saturday, November 15, the Recycling Advisory Committee (RAC) is celebrating the first America Recycles Day. The Committee will give away prizes all week to city recycling customers and will sponsor an information table with prize giveaways.

The committee is helping to raise consumer awareness of all aspects of recycling — from collection, to processing, to completing the recycling loop through the purchase of products and packaging made from recycled content products. Greenbelt recycles 37 percent of its waste, which is far better than the overall national recycling rate of just more than 25 percent.

The committee offers three ways to participate in America Recycles Day. First, during the week of November 10, model city recycling customers will be

randomly chosen each day to receive one of its great local prizes.

Secondly, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., the RAC will sponsor an information table at the Greenbelt Co-op. All residents are eligible to enter a drawing to win a compost bin and other prizes during this event.

Thirdly, Greenbelt residents can support America Recycles Day by pledging to step up their own efforts to recycle and buy recycled. By making a pledge, Americans 18 and over will become eligible to win the national Grand Prize "American Green Dream House," a brand new three-bedroom, 2 1/2 bath home built with recycled content materials (those under 18 can win a trip to Disney).

Local citizens are encouraged to fill out the pledge card shown in the advertisement in last

week's News Review, pick up a pledge card from the RAC November 15 information table or access the pledge on America Recycles Day home page at <http://www.americarecyclesday.org> on the Internet. Pledge cards can be dropped off at the information table on November 15 or mailed to Jennifer Foley, Recycling Coordinator at 25 Crescent Road. All Greenbelters' pledge cards submitted by November 15 will be eligible for the local prize drawing. All pledges will then be sent in for the national drawing. For more information, call Jennifer Foley at 301-474-8308.



3. Producing a "home page" on the Internet for each school. Currently ERHS and Greenbelt Elementary have home pages.
4. Expanding the OASIS

sign up for one hour a week of tutoring for eight consecutive weeks. This program is then repeated three times during the school year.

One hundred students from kindergarten through 12th grade are currently registered. Several groups are assisting with tutoring this year. They include the Panhellenic Council from the University of Maryland as well as ERHS National Honor Society and Student Government Association students. The ERHS service sorority, AKL, also provides tutors. This year volunteers from Hughes HTX in Greenbelt have adopted the cluster and are acting as tutors through their Education and Outreach Committee.

There is always a need for tutors from the community. It is possible that only half of the students registered will receive tutoring due to a lack of tutors. There is an effort to match tutors with areas they are comfortable with. Tutoring is offered on Tuesday and Thursday evenings and on Saturday morning.


In addition, computerized courses are offered on Saturdays to practice taking the SAT test. There is no pre-registration for the SAT class. The Prince George's County Human Relations Commission also offers conflict and mediation classes and

study circles on several topics for both students and adults.

Although Pfeltz coordinates the OASIS program, it is run on a day-to-day basis by six volunteer administrative interns who are teachers in the county who have shown potential and interest in administrative positions. Pfeltz sees the OASIS program as "providing a service to the community" and Greenbelters who have an interest or see a need for a specific program are encouraged to contact her.

### Measuring Progress

Each school reports to parents on activities and progress. A few, but not the majority, also report directly to the community. Specific indicators of progress will be measured to track change and improvement over time. These measures are found in the Maryland School Performance program. The first year of the program, 1995-96, was set as the baseline and last year, 1996-97, is the first year of measurement. Those data are now being analyzed and a report, "The Second Corporate Report," for the community of schools should be published in January 1998. All documents showing plans and baseline data are available for the community at the Prince George's public libraries.



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**A Review**

**Dare You Not to Laugh At Bullshot Crummond**

by Colette Zanin

Current advertisements for the Greenbelt Arts Center's "Bullshot Crummond" bill the show as a parody of low-budget 1930s serial detective movies. While this may be true, it doesn't go nearly far enough in doing the production justice, especially from the point of view of contemporary audiences, who likely haven't taken in too many 1930s detective films on their Blockbuster nights.

"Bullshot Crummond," directed by Keith Brown and produced by Laura Adams, is definitely parody, though you need only have viewed any average detective or secret agent film to pick that up. The genre is akin to Mike Myers' recent 1960s British agent spoof, "Austin Powers." A taste for irreverence is all that's needed to appreciate this play. Throw in an inclination for finding impostor animals (in the vein of Monty Python) hysterically amusing, and you've got a hit.

**No Plot, but Funny**

The intentionally improbable plot is almost incidental, serving largely as a decorative platter on which to serve heaping portions of high camp. Replete with good guys, villains, and a heroine in distress, the storyline is a gleeful spoof of hackneyed investigative pseudo-dramas. A quicky summary will suffice.

A brilliant, aged scientist is kidnapped by a pair of evil German villains in order to steal his secret formula and achieve world domination. The scientist's winsome daughter enlists a dashing, idiosyncratic investigator to rescue her father from the clutches of the villains. A handful of other familiar oddball characters round out the action, and that's pretty

much it. The characters may be familiar, but rarely have they been the cause of such laugh-till-your-jaw-hurts reactions as they are here.

**Funny Guys**

The members of the talented cast take on multiple roles combining equal parts Jim Carrey, Inspector Jacques Clouseau, and James Bond (not shaken or stirred), though decidedly touched. Ian Rogers as sleuth Hugh "Bullshot" Crummond is wonderfully shameless. Possessed of almost psychic abilities of detection and alert to the most imperceptible details, Investigator "Bullshot" still manages blunders like mistaking his arch-enemy for an old army buddy. He's also a magnet for the ladies.

Rogers is charismatic and funny, and if he has any inhibitions as an actor they're well hidden, though little else is, particularly in one revealing scene where "Bullshot" sports a form-fitting ensemble only the few and brave would consider. Whether arching a sly brow in mock concentration, comforting a nervous (stuffed) pigeon, or tossing himself bodily onto the floor to defuse a bomb, Ian Rogers is in wickedly comical form.

Director Keith Brown shows multiple acting talents, donning the personas of several characters, from the doddering, elder professor (why are professors always elderly and doddering?) to a snooty but unfailingly professional waiter, to a drooling, foot-dragging henchman. He's a one-man whirlwind of a show.

As villainous duo Lenya and Otto Von Brunno, Heather Quinn and Robert Thompson

play their parts to the hilt. With their thick accents, flirtatious banter, and depraved laughter, they're the couple from hell, a cross between Boris and Natasha and Gomez and Morticia: a slinky, red-lipsticked seductress paired with a devious scoundrel. In addition, Thompson successfully takes on a tricky, comic scene where he portrays two characters simultaneously.

As the heroine, Rosemary Fenton, daughter of the kidnapped Professor, Shayna McCracken is stereotypically naive and helplessly giggly. On opening night, she didn't hit her stride until the second act, where she held her own in numerous scenes with her energetic leading man. Aided by wholesome Snow-White looks and pastel frocks, McCracken captures some of the essence of the old-time, good-girl heroine.

**Music for a Campy Melodrama**

Music and sound effects are central to "Bullshot Crummond," and they make effective use of recognizable tunes. Changes for scene shifts are efficiently handled, never hindering the rapid pace of the action. Innovative props and eye-catching costuming go far in creating a visually commanding production.

If there's a single, minor criticism of this adaptation, it is the occasional use of overt sexual innuendo that seems unnecessary and out of sync with the rest of the show. It doesn't manage to be either original or clever. That said, this is an especially funny and well-prepared play. It continues Fridays and Saturdays through Nov. 22 at 8 p.m., with Sunday matinees on Nov. 9 and 16 at 2 p.m.



**Halloween Celebrants:** Brittany Jenkins of Lanham, 14, as a St. Hugh's Cheerleader and Greenbelter Gloria Lefchick, 14, as a fairy, pause in front of the Mother-and-Child statue in Roosevelt Center. "There should be more holiday spirit and more people in costumes in the streets," according to Lefchick.

- photo by Joe Sucher

**Greenbelt CARES**

Judye Hering participated in NASA Goddard's Volunteer Fair on Friday, October 31. The purpose of the fair was to introduce Goddard employees to community service and assist with providing information regarding the variety of programs and activities available in the local community.

Tammy Mountcastle participated in peer mediation training for fourth and fifth graders at Springhill Lake Elementary School on Thursday, October 30. Skills addressed in the training included problem identification, reflective listening and conflict resolution.

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## OFFICE PARK

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a regard for the City's position regarding signage, landscaping and pedestrian access."

The third issue, however, appears more problematic, based on a response from Nancy L. Slepicka, an attorney with Fossett & Brugger, which represents the developers. In a letter dated October 23, Slepicka indicated that neither a trip reduction study nor a Transportation Demand Management Program had yet been undertaken, since those conditions applied to three other, still undeveloped parcels — J, K, and L (located near the Metro exit) — and because these demands were to be generated by the issuance of a building permit in excess of 400,000 square feet. (The building permit currently sought is for a different parcel and for a substantially smaller square footage.)

Her letter notes, however, that a shuttle bus operated by Prince George's County now takes passengers free of charge to and from the Green Line Metro station and that it travels along Ivy Lane and Cherrywood Lane. During rush hour periods, it provides service every 15 minutes; at other times, every 20 minutes. The service began about three years ago, when the Federal Courthouse opened.

### Council Discussion

Discussion by the city council of the Capital Office Park proposal disclosed that a further design change to the Ivy Lane-Kenilworth Ave. intersection would be implemented to make possible the new double left-turn lanes from Kenilworth to Ivy Lane — elimination of the current left-turn lane from Ivy Lane to northbound Kenilworth.

In the meantime council had received a second APB report, also dated October 23, dealing with SHA plans for this same stretch of Kenilworth Ave. from the Beltway to Cherrywood Lane. This redesign would add a through lane on both north and southbound Kenilworth. From southbound Kenilworth, the plan would permit an additional right turn lane on to Ivy Lane, whose value the APB report questioned.

Roberta McCarthy, APB chair, spoke of APB's concerns with these new proposals. Their report states that any redesign "must respect the needs of all users of our transportation facilities (pedestrians, bicyclists and motorists). Since the plan then submitted by SHA eliminated the existing paved shoulder southbound on Kenilworth, it was deemed "unacceptable." APB argues that paved shoulders should be required in all road improvement projects.

A further concern is the aggravation of the existing problem for pedestrians trying to cross the highway at Ivy Lane and Cherrywood if Kenilworth is further widened. "Pedestrian refuges" should be provided within the median at both intersections, the report asserts.

### Wetland Disturbance

Nor does the SHA proposal deal with disturbances to wetlands south of Cherrywood that the road widening would cause, APB contends. The impact on this wetland should not be ex-



Halloween Celebrants pictured here are really children from the "Mom's Morning Out" group which meets Monday, Wednesday and Friday at the Greenbelt Community Center. Front row, left to right - Patrick McHale, Kevin McHale, Paola Cocchiaro, Ashlie Sowers and Nadiya Zafar; second row - Stephanie Natoli, Meghan

Huisenga, Heba Elsaleous, Ryan Flemming, Melanie Kyllis and Emily Johnson; 3rd row - Emma McMullin, Nathan Huisenga, Sean Murphy, Eleanor Reitz, Khalil Abuhassan, Isaac Kim and Conner Klein.

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amined "in isolation" from the wetland impact between Cherrywood and Sunnyside caused by the widening of Kenilworth: to support construction of the new Department of Agriculture buildings on Sunnyside.

A further statement in the APB report states that "Any improvements being planned on Crescent Road at Kenilworth Avenue, the access drive to SHA or by USDA must be considered critical to the operation of the improvements currently being proposed by SHA."

### Council Actions

Although council will not deal with this second APB report (#97-13) until the next regularly scheduled meeting,

their discussion of the Capital Office Park proposal was affected by these other considerations involving Kenilworth. City attorney Robert Manzi was instructed to try to work out a further one-week continuance on the Capital Office Park proposal with Park and Planning, during which time the bonding for the new road construction at Ivy Lane and Cherrywood Lane, plus installation of the traffic signal at Ivy Lane, could be worked out.

In the meantime City Manager Mike McLaughlin was directed to contact SHA concerning the city's desire to review complete design changes and pedestrian and bicycle accommodations on the Kenilworth

widening project.

Charging that pedestrian crossings would still be unsafe at street level, councilmember Rodney Roberts moved that a pedestrian overpass at Kenilworth be constructed. Council concurred with his motion, and the new phrase, "pedestrian overpass," was added to the directive concerning the letter by the city manager to SHA.

## Recreation Review

### Halloween Winners

Over one hundred creatively costumed kids embarked on the Youth Center on Friday, October 31 for the Greenbelt Recreation Department's traditional Halloween Costume Contest and Parade. The event featured a parade on the service road in front of the Youth Center, entertainment and the announcement of costume prize winners. The judges were challenged by the fierce competition, but after long deliberation, were able to come up with the following contest winners! Congratulations to all. They hope everyone enjoyed a safe and Happy Halloween.

Ages 0 - 2: John Hughes - Cat In the Hat; Kelley Jo Wallace - Pooh; Jonah Rudolph - Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer; Jacob Molden - Hershey Kiss; Thorneton Veruny - Cowboy

Ages 3 & 4: Kaetlyn Wilson - Parrot; Meghan Huisenga - Little Red Riding Hood; Adam Weaver - Pizza Slice; Eric White - Jack In The Box

Kindergarten: Jake Fletcher - Werewolf; Sean Flanagan - Reach Toothbrush; Rachel D'Eramo - Princess Jasmine; Michael White-Elmers Glue; Joey Nutwell - R2D2

Grades 1 & 2: Caitlyn Clarke - Princess Lea; Melanie Coppola - Dartanion; Caitlyn Higgins - Sleeping Beauty

Grades 3 & 4: J. D. Flanagan - Crest Toothpaste; Katie Markowich - Marie Antionette; Cheri Bailey - Southern Belle; Briana Byre - 50's Girl

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