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There's Just Time to Register For the City Council Election

Seven candidates will be vying for five city council seats in the upcoming November 2 Greenbelt City Council election. Five incumbents - Mayor Judith Davis and councilmembers Edward Putens, Rodney Roberts, Alan Turnbull and Thomas X. White - are running for reelection. Throwing their hats into the ring are challengers Kelby Brick and Robert Auerbach.

In previous issues the News Review printed the biographies of Judith Davis, Kelby Brick, Edward Putens, Rodney Roberts and Thomas X. White. Below are the biographies for Robert Auerbach and Alan Turnbull. The biographies were prepared by the candidates.

Registration

In order to vote on Tuesday,



Alan Turnbull

November 2, Greenbelters must be registered with Prince George's county in order to cast their ballots on election day. Anyone who is uncertain about his or her voting status may call the County Board of Supervisors

of Elections at 301-952-3270. Although the county Board of Elections will handle all registrations, registration forms may be picked up during regular office

Deadline Monday

In order to vote in Greenbelt on November 2, residents must be registered with Prince George's County. Anyone uncertain of his or her voting status may call the Board of Supervisors at 301-952-3270. Registration forms may be obtained from the city office but must be received by the Board of Elections in Upper Marlboro by 4 p.m. on Monday, October 4.

hours at the city offices, 25 Crescent Road (Municipal Building), or at the Greenbelt Library on Crescent Road. Completed forms must be received by the Board of Elections in Upper Marlboro by not later than 4 p.m. October 4.

Qualifications

In order to vote in Greenbelt, and to be registered with Prince George's County, one must be a citizen of the United States of America; at least 18 years of age as of November 2, 1999; domiciled within the corporate limits of the City of Greenbelt as of the date of registration; not convicted more than once of an infamous crime and not currently under a sentence imposed pursuant to a conviction of an infamous crime (direct questions to the election

office, 301-952-3270); and not under guardianship for mental disability.

Election of Council

The five candidates each receiving at least 40 percent of the total number of votes cast and highest number of votes cast will be elected. If fewer than five candidates receive at least 40 percent of votes cast, a runoff election will be held in November. Twice as many as there are positions to be filled will be submitted to the voters. In more than 20 years this has not been necessary.

Greenbelt does not have provisions for election of the mayor or mayor pro tem by the electorate. At the organizational meeting on the Monday following the election, newly elected council will



Robert Auerbach

elect the mayor and mayor pro tem. Traditionally, the new council has elected the highest vote getter to be mayor and second highest vote getter to be mayor pro tem for the ensuing two-year term.

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SMA and SHA Each Discuss Beltway Access to Metroland

by Virginia Beauchamp

Maybe something like a double helix - certainly not a straight line - characterizes the interface between public planning agencies and political jurisdictions as complex plans for development move along. That point was made twice in one day, on September 15, when both the State Highway Administration (SHA) and the Sectional Map Amendment (SMA) task force held meetings in Greenbelt.

The SHA meeting, a brief final reporting on the feasibility of providing access from the Beltway to the Metroland property, occurred in the morning at the SHA building on Kenilworth Avenue; the SMA task force meeting, a contentious exchange, took place at night in the Community Center.

Present at both meetings were members of CCRIC (Citizens to Conserve and Restore Indian Creek); representatives of the Metroland developers (Elisa Hill for the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority [WMATA] in the morning and Richard "Chip" Reed, an attorney for the

Metroland LLC property owners, in the evening); Harold Foster, the planning staff expert on roads and highway issues; and this reporter.

SHA Meeting

From the beginning, Metroland developers and the SMA task force had regarded a Beltway interchange essential to the Metro green line station property if the projected upscale retail mall and mixed-use office and residential complex was to be viable. Uncertain was whether such an interchange could be constructed within federal guidelines regarding interstate highways, since the Kenilworth Avenue and U. S. 1 in-

terchanges are so close. Also uncertain was whether the proposed interchange was feasible from an engineering standpoint. Thus all planning was on hold awaiting the SHA report.

The SHA planning had itself been held up previously for a private consultant's projection of traffic loads in the year 2020. But finally, as reported in this paper in early July, the SHA staff determined that from an engineering and legal standpoint, providing the necessary access would be feasible.

Next to be determined were

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What Goes On

- Sat., Oct. 2, 5-10 p.m. New Deal Café concert, Roosevelt Center
- Mon., Oct. 4, 7:30 p.m. Assisted Living Task Force, Community Center
- Tues., Oct. 5, 8 p.m. Council work session re: artist studio licenses, Municipal Building
- Wed., Oct. 6, 7 p.m. Advisory Planning Board, Community Center
- Thurs. Oct. 7, 7:30 p.m. GEAC Candidates' night, Greenbriar Terrace Room
- 7:30 p.m. GHI Board Meeting
- Sat., Oct. 9, 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Schrom Fest '99, Schrom Hills Park



1999 Miss Greenbelt Jessamyn Goshorn adjusts her newly placed crown as Miss Greenbelt Pageant Co-chair (l.) Christine Patsas looks on as second alternate Heather Buerger receives a congratulatory hug from 1998 Miss Greenbelt Joi Loretz (face hidden).

photo by Prospero Zevallos

Miss Greenbelt Jessamyn Goshorn Has Many Goals

by Altoria Bell Ross

Since she was seven, Miss Greenbelt Jessamyn Goshorn has watched the Labor Day weekend pageants. This year, she decided to take an active role in the festivities by competing.

"I came to realize it's not necessarily about getting a crown. You have to work hard," said Goshorn, who will get a \$1,000 scholarship at the end of her reign. "It's a really good goal to have."

And Goshorn has many goals. A volunteer typist for the News Review, she keeps a journal and writes short stories like her namesake author Jessamyn West. Goshorn used her writing skills to place first and second in the American Legion essay contests in 1994 and 1996, respectively. She plans to write or edit for the Diamondback, the student newspaper for the University of Maryland in College Park where she is a dean's list sophomore.

Bored with high school, she yearned to go to college, so Goshorn dropped out of Eleanor Roosevelt at 16. She took the Scholastic Aptitude Test and earned a Graduate Equivalent Diploma. Then, Goshorn took courses at Anne Arundel Community College before entering Maryland to study government

and politics. Eventually, she wants to go to law school and become an attorney like her father, who died when she was eight. Upon graduation, she would like to work for the U.S. Foreign Service.

When she is not studying, Goshorn enjoys skiing, ice skating, traveling, and playing the piano. Having taken a year of piano lessons nine years ago, Goshorn performed songs from Phantom of the Opera on the keyboard during the pageant's talent competition. A music lover, she plans to see Andrew Lloyd Webber's musical, "Cats," in New York this fall. Goshorn has advice for girls thinking about participating in the pageant next year.

"Do it. Do it. Do it," said Miss Congeniality. "You don't have to get a crown to be a winner."

Miss Greenbelt Runners Up

- First runner up Pamela Brewster
- Second runner up Heather Buerger
- Third runner up Joanna Andrus
- Most Spirited Pamela Amihere
- Most Photogenic Jamica El

District Two School Reps Meet with Dr. Iris Metts

by Barbara Likowski

"This is a great opportunity to share our dream about the school system," is how Dr. Iris T. Metts, new superintendent of schools for Prince George's County, greeted those assembled to welcome her at Greenbelt Elementary School on September 13. Representa-

tives of the 15 schools which are located in School Board District 2, represented by James Henderson, were present. Besides principals there were classroom teachers, school specialists, a school security guard, parents and teachers. Greenbelt

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BIOGRAPHIES

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Robert S. Auerbach

Born in New York City in 1919, Bob Auerbach received a B.A. in 1948 from New York University, where he majored in government; an M.A. in library science in 1956 from Peabody. He was a librarian for 38 years and for 12 years director and cataloger, Capital Library Service, with an office in Roosevelt Center. He was on the faculty of the University of the District of Columbia for 15 years, and retired in 1987. He served as volunteer librarian for the World Hunger Education Service.

Auerbach was second vice president of Center School PTA in 1973. In 1963, he helped found Greenbelt Citizens for Fair Housing, which helped establish the Community Relations Advisory Board. He was active in the Prince George's Charter Committee. In the 1960s he was a founder of the Greenbelt Peace Committee.

Auerbach helped to establish the New Deal Café and was an original supporter of the Greenbelt Cultural Arts Center. He encouraged his daughter to take part in plays.

For 14 years he has been active in the Peace and Social Concerns Committee of the Adelphi Friends (Quakers) Meeting. Presently he is chair of the Greenbelt Greens and state chair of the Maryland Green Party. Formerly he was secretary of Columbia Toastmasters. He is now a member of Spring Speakers Toastmasters. He has resided in Green Ridge House for five years. He formerly served on the GHI Finance and Resale Committees. He collected signatures to bring the Parkside issue to a referendum and campaigned for a "no" vote to preserve Greenbelt and Greenbelt Park. He has actively opposed the Intercounty Connector. Currently he is active on the Committee to Conserve and Restore Indian Creek (CCRIC).

Auerbach is a member of the American Library Association, American Political Science Association, Center for Voting and Democracy, National Civic League and Vegetarian Society of D.C. He is in: Who's Who in American Politics; in the East, and will be in the America Millennium Edition.

Alan Turnbull

Alan Turnbull is a native Prince Georgian who first came to Greenbelt as a student at Eleanor Roosevelt High School. Alan and Wendy have made a home here for nine years - first in University Square apartments, and currently in a GHI home on Ridge Road. Daughter Barbara is 14 months old.

Turnbull works as a planner for the National Park Service in Washington. In the agency's Rivers and Trails Conservation Assistance program, he works with an 80-person nationwide effort that helps communities identify their natural and cultural assets and devise ways to protect them from development.

Before being elected to the City Council two years ago, Turnbull was active in Greenbelt Homes Inc. (GHI), a 1600-unit housing cooperative with a \$7 million annual budget. He served the GHI community as president and vice-president while on the Board, and also

was elected to the Audit Committee. He has served on the City's Advisory Planning Board, was a member and chair of the Greenbelt Recycling Advisory Committee, and was instrumental in founding the Greenbelt Bicycle Coalition. In addition, Alan and Wendy were among the initial founders of the New Deal Café.

Turnbull is a gubernatorial appointee to the Maryland Heritage Areas Authority, a State commission that administers a program to conserve and promote historic and natural resource areas managed by local governments. (Greenbelt is part of one such area, the Anacostia Trails Heritage Area, currently taking shape in northern Prince George's.)

Turnbull has volunteered personal time and effort on regional issues including opposition to the USDA Sunnyside project; the defeat of the Intercounty Connector; and as an environmental representative on a county task force examining ways to manage growth and economic development in Prince George's County.

Graduating with honors from the University of Maryland, College Park in 1987, Turnbull earned a bachelor's degree in geography and won that department's Anderson Award. His hobbies (prior to fatherhood and the City Council) included bicycling, backpacking, home improvement, gardening and playing the mandolin and bass.

Assist the Blind

Columbia Lighthouse for the Blind is seeking volunteers to assist visually impaired and blind individuals in the Washington Metro Area by reading mail, helping with shopping and transportation. For further information call Kevin Drummond at 202-462-2900.

Planning Commission Holds Budget Hearing

The Prince George's County Planning Board of the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission has scheduled a series of public forums to solicit comments on the commission's budget for planning, parks and recreation for the next fiscal year which begins July 1, 2000. The forum nearest Greenbelt will be on Tuesday, October 5 - Parks and Recreation Administration Building, 6600 Kenilworth Avenue, Riverdale from 7-9 p.m.

Individuals and representatives of community organizations who wish to speak at the forums may register in advance by calling 301-952-4584, TTY 301-952-3796.

Written comments will also be accepted until Wednesday, October 20, 1999. Comments may be addressed to: Elizabeth M. Hewlett, Chairman, Prince George's County Planning Board, 14741 Governor Oden Bowie Drive, Upper Marlboro, Maryland 20772.

The Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission encourages the participation of persons with disabilities in all of its programs and services. For special assistance, (i.e., large print materials, assistive listening devices, sign language interpretation, etc.) call the Public Affairs Office at 301-952-5901.

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CHRISTINE ULLRICH, TREAS.



OFFICIAL NOTICE ABSENTEE VOTING

Municipal Election - November 2, 1999

Any qualified elector who would be prevented from voting in the municipal election by reason of religious beliefs, physical condition, or absence from the city on the day of election is entitled to vote by absentee ballot.

- (1) Letters of application for absentee ballots may be written to the City Clerk, stating why an absentee ballot is needed; if more than one ballot is needed, the letter must be signed by all persons wanting a ballot; or
- (2) Application forms may be obtained in the City Clerk's office in the Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road.

Applications to vote by absentee ballot will be accepted from Wednesday, October 13th, until noon on Monday, November 1, 1999. The completed absentee ballot must be returned to the City Clerk no later than 6:00 p.m. the day of the regular election, Tuesday, November 2nd, 1999.

Electors may complete their absentee ballot at the City Clerk's office at the time they present their written applications, if they wish.

For information, please call 301-474-8000.

David E. Moran
City Clerk

News Review Will Hold Annual Meeting

The Greenbelt Co-operative Publishing Association, which publishes the Greenbelt News Review, will hold its annual meeting and election on Oct. 17 at 5 p.m. in the office. All members are encouraged to attend. Dinner will be included. For information call 301-441-2662.

Auditions to Be Held For Holiday Pageant

Prince George's Little Theatre will hold auditions for a December 1999 production of the holiday favorite "The Best Christmas Pageant Ever," by Barbara Robinson. The pageant tells the story of a group of rowdy kids who learn the true spirit of the holidays when they participate in their town's Christmas pageant.

Director Deborah Benner is casting six women ages 30 to 60s, four men ages 30 to 50s, and eight boys and nine girls ages 5 to 16. All roles are open. Auditions will be held October 18 and 19 at Charles Carroll Middle School in New Carrollton. Auditions for children will begin at 7:30 p.m. Auditions for adults begin at 8:30 p.m. Auditions will consist of cold readings from the script. Children may be asked to sing a Christmas carol.

Performances will be on December 9, 10, 11 and 19 at Prince George's Publick Playhouse in Cheverly. For information call 301-577-0357.

Letters

No More Failed Malls

Saying you have a vision doesn't make it so, and that's certainly the case with the developers who want to pave over the Indian Creek area at the Greenbelt Metro Station. The developers promise upscale retail, but these are like the people who built Laurel Lakes Center, Largo Town Center, and other failed malls. So there might be big promises and claims of vision, but all we've really got is a developer likely to bring off a failure and no commitments from anyone to inhabit the proposed mall. What we'll probably get is another Beltway Plaza, more environmental damage, and increased traffic.

But it doesn't have to be that way. Instead of building another failed mall, we could preserve our natural treasure at Indian Creek. Conserve and restore the creek, build a nature center to bring in visitors and serve the schools in the area, make the site something we can all enjoy instead of something we all want to avoid. That's a real vision, not just an empty promise.

Steve Perez

Greenbelt Municipal/Public Access TV Channel B-10 Schedule

MUNICIPAL ACCESS-301-474-8000

Tuesday & Thursday, October 5 & October 7

6:00 p.m. Labor Day Festival Talent Show

7:00 p.m. Labor Day Parade

8:30 p.m. City Council Meeting, 9/27/99

PUBLIC ACCESS PROGRAMMING-301-507-6581

Wednesday & Friday, October 6 & October 8

7:00 p.m. Wetland Strike Back

7:30 p.m. Greenbelt in Focus

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DEADLINES: Letters, articles and ads—10 p.m. Tuesday. Materials for publication may be mailed to address above, deposited in our box in the Co-op grocery store (by 7 p.m. Tuesday) or brought to our office in the Community Center 15 Crescent Road during office hours. Mail subscriptions—\$32/year.

Greenbelt Community Center at 15 Crescent Rd.
OFFICE HOURS: Monday 2 - 4 p.m., 8 - 10 p.m., Tuesday 8 - 10 p.m.

Rides, Games, Music At SchromFest '99

Come celebrate and enjoy SchromFest '99 on October 9 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Schrom Hills Park. There will be live music, hay rides, pony rides, games, face painting, pumpkin crawl, entertainment, harvest vendors, and roving characters. Greenbelt's spectacular trees and accompanying fall foliage will set the stage for this free autumn festival with something for all ages.

Truck Rides Offered At Fire Open House

Greenbelters are invited to attend the open house of the Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad, Inc., at the fire house, 125 Crescent Road, on Saturday, October 9, from noon to 4 p.m. Visitors will not only get to meet the fire company "family" but get to participate in activities for children and adults of all ages. Not only will the fire trucks and other equipment be on display, but rides on a fire truck will be offered. There also will be live fire simulations, games, and fire prevention tips.

Last year's open house drew about 350 visitors, and the fire fighters and fire auxiliaries hope that this year will be even bigger and better. For more information call 301-345-7108.

Autobiographical Writing Course

Autobiographical Writing - a course taught by Dorrie Bates, will start on October 15 and continue until January 28. It will be held on Friday mornings from 10 to noon in the Senior Classroom of the Greenbelt Community Center. This course offering by Prince George's Community College is designed for people over the age of 60.

Each person has a story to tell. Sometimes it's an autobiography, sometimes a history of someone else. It can be a poem, a word picture or a child's tale. This course is designed to help people get the words out and on paper. Different techniques will be looked at to help with the writing process and discuss different examples of successful writing. Any and all types of writing will be under consideration.

Bates has been a Prince George's Community College instructor for five years. She currently teaches writing and literature courses in the OASIS program and has given several talks at the Community Center as part of the Explorations Unlimited program.

For further information or questions, please call the Greenbelt Community Center at 301-397-2208.

Community Events

Benefit Dinner For Steve Gingell

Spaghetti, all that can be eaten, is the menu on Saturday, October 2, from 4 - 7 p.m. at Mowatt Methodist Church, 40 Ridge Road. This event is sponsored by the United Methodist Women. There is a minimum donation. For information call Maxine Smith, 301-474-7291.

GAVA Meeting Rescheduled

The fall meeting for the Greenbelt Association for the Visual Arts (GAVA) originally scheduled for October 3 has been rescheduled for Sunday, October 10 at 8 p.m. at the Greenbelt Community Center. GAVA produces educational programs in the visual arts at the Community Center. The meetings are open to anyone interested in the visual arts. All are invited to attend and bring their ideas. For further information, call Barbara Simon 301-474-2192.

Greenbelt 4-H Club Meets October 8

The Greenbelt Super Hs 4-H Club met in September to plan events for the coming year. Since National 4-H week is the first week of October, the group plans to hold the first meeting of the new program year on Friday, October 8. The meeting will take place at Greenbelt Community Center from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. All children between the ages of 5 and 18 are welcome. After a short business meeting participants will have an opportunity to complete a ghostly craft for Halloween.

The club is active in providing community service for both the elderly and the homeless in the area as well as providing learning experiences in the wide variety of project areas for its members. Some of the fun events planned for this year include a trip to Gettysburg for horseback riding and a haunted tour, tent camping and a campfire initiation program, participation in the county 4-H fashion review as well as the state and county fairs.

New members are always welcome. For more information about the Greenbelt club call the leader, Diane Whaples-Lee at 301-345-1679 or the county office, 301-868-9636.

Music at the Center

"It's a New Deal Under the Stars" is another evening of musical entertainment at Roosevelt Center Saturday, October 2 from 5 to 11 p.m.

Featured performers are Myriad, Stan Brown, Beanfire, The Gliders, Blackout and Guys in Ties.

"Bring folding chairs or beach chairs or just a big blanket and get comfortable for a pleasant evening," say the sponsors - the New Deal Café and the Center Merchants Association, in conjunction with the City of Greenbelt.

Interactions of Food And Drugs Explained

Many of the drugs people take today can interact with the foods they eat daily. Medicines have powerful ingredients that interact with the human body in different ways. Find out more at this free, informative seminar presented by the Maryland Cooperative Extension Service and sponsored by the Greenbelt Co-op Supermarket/Pharmacy. Come to the Greenbelt Community Center on Tuesday, October 5 from 7 - 8 p.m. Light refreshments will be served and there will be a chance to win a door prize.

Herbal Medicines is the topic for the last seminar in the series to be held November 2. For further information call the Co-op at 301-474-0522.

Golden Age Club

by Ruth Huggins

At the September 22 meeting of the Golden Age Club, President William Souser welcomed new member Ken Kennedy. Getwell wishes were extended to Treasurer Shep Odom, who was unable to attend the meeting because of illness.

Speaker Beverly Hummel urged members to support the McDermott 1999 Health Care Bill, H.R. 1200, by calling their representatives and the White House. She also urged members to attend a 2 p.m. Public Forum on Saturday, October 2 at the Montgomery County Executive Office Building in Rockville.

The monthly board meeting will be held October 6 at 10:30 a.m. The regular business meeting will take place at 11 a.m. in the Multipurpose Room.

Topic: Native Plants At Local Garden Club

The Greenbelt Home and Garden Club will meet on Tuesday, October 7 at 7 p.m. at the Greenbelt Elementary School, 66 Ridge Road, in the Media Center. The guest speaker will be Kate Bucco of Kenilworth Aquatic Gardens. The community is invited to attend.

GHI Notes

Blood pressure testing is available on Wednesday, October 6 from 2 to 4 p.m. in the Board Room.

Regular scheduled Board Meetings for October are 7 and 21 at 7:30 p.m. in the Board Room. Members are always welcome.

At the Library

Children's Programs

Tuesday, October 5, 7 p.m., P.J. Storytime for ages 4 - 6.

Thursday, October 7, 10:15 a.m., Drop-in Storytime for ages 3 - 5.

11:15 a.m., Toddler Time for 2-year-olds and parent or caregiver.

Adult Program

Saturday, October 9, 10:30 a.m., Poetry Plus, a reading and discussion group for adults.

On display for October is an exhibit, "America Recycles," sponsored by the Prince George's County Department of Environmental Resources.

Candidates' Night Thursday, October 7

A candidates' night for those who are running for election to City Council will be held Thursday, October 7, 7:30 p.m. at the Greenbriar Terrace Room. Hosted by GEAC, the program is open to all interested citizens.

PTA Meets Tuesday

The PTA meeting at Greenbelt Elementary School will be held on Tuesday, October 5 at 6:30 p.m. All members are encouraged to attend. At the meeting upcoming events will be discussed, including the fall fundraiser, scholastic book sale, and multicultural dinner.

Children are welcome but no childcare is available. Anyone with a teen interested in earning community service credits can contact Kathy Gonzalez at 301-345-7385.

Explore Marbelized Paper on October 8

Artist Elizabeth Lundberg Morisette will demonstrate marbelized paper making at "Explorations Unlimited" on Friday, October 8, from 1-3 p.m. Participants will create designs on paper and envelopes while learning this ancient craft. No experience is required.

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



**PRELIMINARY AGENDA
MEETING OF GHI
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Thursday, October 7, 1999 • 7:30 p.m.

GHI Board Room

Key Agenda Items

■ A & E Committee Mandate	Discussion
■ Garage Door Replacement Program	Discussion
■ Rubbish Removal Contract - 1st Reading	Action
■ 10 Court Hillside Drainage	Action
■ Meter Pad Replacement Program - 2nd Reading	Action
■ Fall Concrete Program - 2nd Reading	Action

Regular Board meetings are open to members.



SchromFest '99

October 9
11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Schrom Hills Park,
Greenbelt

Greenbelt's spectacular, award winning trees and accompanying fall foliage will set the stage for this free, autumn festival for something for all ages.

- live music • hay rides • entertainment
- pony rides • games • face painting
- pumpkin crawl • harvest vendors
- roving characters

Come celebrate and enjoy!

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Corita Jones Interns at Big Sur Park

Beginning June 3, Corita Kate Jones, daughter of "Doc" and Elaine Jones of Ridge Road, had been working as a volunteer at Pfeiffer Big Sur State park in California. As an intern with the Student Conservation Association (whose motto is "changing lives through service to nature"), Corita learned to develop and present interpretive nature and historical programs around the campfire, in the visitors' center and on the trail. She enjoys teaching children in the Junior Ranger Program and interacting with park visitors and campers.



Corita Kate Jones

Corita celebrated her 21st birthday recently in an environment she describes as "awesome" - the forests, meadows and chaparral of the Big Sur River Valley, tucked between the Pacific Ocean and the Santa Lucia Mountains. Many of the fine old rustic buildings in the park were built by the Civilian Conservation Corps (C.C.C.) during the Depression. Corita loves the area's "natural

air conditioning" and profusion of wildflowers.

Corita was pleased to learn that both the Lions Club of Greenbelt and the St. Mary's College of Maryland Alumni Association awarded her scholarships for her senior year, which began at the end of August. A St. Mary's Scholar, Corita continued on the Dean's List by earning a GPA of 3.75 for the spring semester.



(Left to right) Brian Crenwelge, Tommy Lloyd, Andrew Keller, and Michael Holt enjoy s'mores after the Cub Scout Pack 202 awards.

Cub Scout Pack 202

On June 3, Pack 202 met at Buddy Attick Park for their annual graduation ceremony. Two Wolf badges were awarded, along with numerous Wolf and Bear arrowpoints. One Webelos badge was presented. The new second-year Webelos assisted Cubmaster Kelley and Assistant Cubmaster Foerter in presenting new neckerchiefs to boys moving up into Wolves, Bears, and Webelos and service stars were awarded to all the boys. The new Wolves received Tiger graduate patches for their new uniforms. Three dens presented skits and the leaders sang the song "Johnny Appleseed." Following the awards, everyone had a chance to roast marshmallows and make s'mores before leaving just after dark. Cub Scouting is for grades 1 through 5.

For more information about joining Cub Scout Pack 202, see display tables at neighborhood

schools' Back to School nights. Or come to the first Pack meeting for the year on October 7 at 7 p.m. at the Greenbelt Community Church; the theme is Hey, Look Us Over. Information about Cub Scouting, new member registration and organization of new dens will be discussed.

Our Neighbors

Jenni and Gary Hibbs are happy to announce the arrival of Nathanael David on September 12, weighing 7 lbs., 14 ozs. How excited his sisters Anneliese (7-1/2) and Garlyn (5), and brother Taylor (6) were when their baby brother arrived! Nathanael's delighted grandparents are Shirley and Ray Hibbs of Greenbelt and Sue and John Bauhofer, of Goldsboro, North Carolina.

Kathleen McFarland reports that she had a wonderful time at the 50th wedding anniversary celebration of her brother Robert Scott and wife Jackie (Hause), held at their son's home near San Diego, CA. Other pioneer Greenbelters who attended were Doloris (McWilliams) Fitzpatrick and husband Bill of Tavares, Florida and Sumner Craigin and wife Carol (Fredin) of Houston.

Melanie Griffin welcomes her newest neighbors at 5 Eastway, her nephew Jeff Lilly, his wife Emily and their 10-month old daughter Savannah Paige Lilly. Jeff and Emily, both graduate students at the University of Maryland, quickly got into the "Greenbelt spirit" by hosting a get-together for all their new neighbors - the same weekend they moved in! Then Savannah showed her budding community spirit by participating in the crawling contest at the Labor Day Festival. Welcome to Greenbelt, Lillys.

Marine Major James F. McGrath, son of Mary A. Winslow of Hanover Parkway, recently participated in Type Commander Amphibious Training while assigned with Headquarters Company, 2nd Marine Division, Camp Lejeune, NC. The purpose of the seven-day training aboard the amphibious assault ship USS Wasp was to familiarize the Marine unit with shipboard life and prepare them for amphibious operations. McGrath is a 1988 graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy, Annapolis, where he received a B.S. degree.

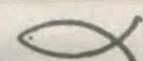
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Victoria (Tori) Dobbin Memorial Fund

An account has been opened at the Greenbelt Federal Credit Union to the aid of Tori's parents. Tori died tragically in June. Donations and expressions of sympathy should be mailed or delivered to the Credit Union in the Roosevelt Center.

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POLICE BLOTTER

Based on information released by the Greenbelt Police Department. Dates and times are those when police were first contacted about incidents.

Sex Offense

9000 block of Breezewood Terrace, Sept. 18, 11 p.m., a female reported that while she was walking to her grandmother's residence, a lone male drove close to her and stopped. He offered her a ride, and she got into the vehicle. The man drove around and parked the vehicle in a parking lot. He then revealed a black semi-automatic handgun and demanded that she perform a sex act. She was able to get out of the vehicle and flee the area. She then flagged down a passerby, who called the police on a cell phone. Extensive area checks were unsuccessful. The suspect is described as black, in his 20s, and of medium weight; he had short black hair, brown eyes, a medium complexion, and a light mustache and goatee. He was wearing a red sweatshirt (no markings), navy blue sweatpants, and red, black, and gray tennis shoes. The vehicle was described as possibly an 80s model two-door Chevy or Oldsmobile, medium blue, with two child safety seats in the rear seat.

Indecent Exposure

Beltway Plaza Mall, Sept. 20, 3:13 p.m., a 22-year-old man with no fixed address was arrested after he exposed himself to children inside a toy store. He was released to the Department of Corrections for a hearing.

Drugs

Eleanor Roosevelt High School, Sept. 23, 12:04 p.m., a 17-year-old male nonresident student was stopped when an officer observed him attempting to drive off of school property during instructional time. A razor blade, which can be used as a weapon, was observed on the dashboard. The student gave his consent to search the vehicle. Suspected marijuana and drug paraphernalia were found. The student was arrested and transported to headquarters, where he was charged on petition and subsequently released to his father.

9100 block of Springhill Lane, Sept. 23, 8:43 p.m., an officer observed a man seated in a playground area with a pile of tobacco shavings at his feet. When the man saw the officer, he dropped a clear plastic bag containing suspected marijuana on the ground. The bag's contents were determined to be marijuana by a field test. Investigation revealed that the man, a 22-year-old nonresident, had an open warrant through the DC Superior Court for armed robbery. He was left with the Department of Corrections for a hearing and to satisfy the warrant.

Counterfeit Currency

Greenway Shopping Center, Sept. 23, 11:27 a.m., a 23-year-old nonresident was arrested after attempting to purchase food items with counterfeit currency and was left with the Department of Corrections for a hearing.

Disorderly Conduct

7200 block of Hanover Drive, Sept. 18, 2:40 a.m., a 23-year-old female nonresident was arrested after shouting obscenities, refusing to leave a bar, and fighting with a police officer

when he attempted to place her under arrest. She was left with the Department of Corrections for a hearing.

Burglary

Roosevelt Center, Sept. 20, 11:25 a.m., someone attempted to gain entry into a business by prying the front door.

9000 block of Breezewood Terrace, Sept. 21, 8:15 p.m., someone attempted to pry the deadbolt from a front door.

Vehicle Crimes

7800 block of Somerset Court, Sept. 17, a 1999 Plymouth Neon reported stolen Sept. 10 from 13th Street, N.W., Washington D.C., was recovered. The officer first observed the vehicle when it

made a high-speed turn onto Ora Glen Drive. When the vehicle was located in the 7800 block of Somerset Court in the roadway with the engine running and the ignition punched, a perimeter was set up in the area to locate the occupants. Two female juvenile residents were apprehended when they emerged from the wooded area to the rear of the 7700 block of Greenbelt Road. Both were charged with one count each of theft of \$300 and unauthorized use of a motor vehicle. One was also charged with numerous traffic offenses and released to her parents on juvenile petition. The other was released to an older brother on juvenile petition.

The following vehicles were reported stolen: a red four-door 1996 Chevrolet Cavalier with Maryland tags DER 875, Sept. 17, from the Greenbelt Metro station parking lot; a white 1996 Ford Bronco with Maryland tags 848274M, Sept. 18, from the 7700 block of Hanover Parkway;

a silver four-door 1988 Oldsmobile Delta 88 with an unknown temporary Maryland tag, Sept. 20, from the 6100 block of Breezewood Drive; a burgundy four-door 1994 Plymouth Sundance with Maryland tags AKR 293, Sept. 20, from Beltway Plaza Mall; a black four-door 1992 GMC Jimmy with New Hampshire tags 969221, Sept. 21, from the 5900 block of Cherrywood Terrace; a blue four-door 1988 Toyota Camry with Florida tags SICXH, Sept. 21, from the 9100 block of Edmonston Road; a white four-door 1992 Honda Accord with North Carolina tags AUX7541, Sept. 22, from the 9200 block of Springhill Lane; and a silver 1987 Toyota Camry, Sept. 22, from the parking lot to the rear of Parkway.

Vandalisms to, thefts from, and attempted thefts of vehicles were reported in the following areas: 6100 and 6200 blocks of Breezewood Drive, 9100 and 9300

Volunteers Wanted For Used Book Sale

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Stephanie Holland receives her crown as 1999 Junior Miss Greenbelt from 1998 winner Jessica Teets as first alternate Emily Ivy and second alternate Rebecca Fletcher watch.

- photos by Prospero Zevallos

Stephanie Holland Gets Her Birthday Present a Bit Early

by Altoria Bell Ross

Greenbelt resident Stephanie Holland got her birthday present early this year. She was crowned Junior Miss Greenbelt Labor Day weekend days before her twelfth birthday.

"I was surprised, happy, and excited about what I'll do in the next year," said Stephanie, who will appear at Greenbelt events, along with Miss Greenbelt and Little Miss Greenbelt as part of their official duties. The St. Hugh's cheerleader also was deemed Most Spirited for "having a lot of energy and being a lot of fun," she said. Fun Stephanie knows. She participated in the pageant last year and enjoyed picking up new dance routines, learning to model, and meeting new people.

She likes animals, too. She has two dogs, Missy and Oreo. In the talent competition, Stephanie and Little Miss Greenbelt contestant Candace Windsor performed dog tricks with Casey, a pet of Stephanie's godmother. Her other hobbies include photography, swimming, playing on the computer, and writing. She pens short stories and poems and won third place in the American Legion Auxiliary's Americanism Essay Contest in April. Stephanie hopes to combine her language skills with her interest in current events to become a magazine, photo or broadcast journalist. She has already had some exposure to television. At the city's summer video production camp this year, she and

some other campers produced a news broadcast, a music video, and commercials. Then, the youths traveled to Channel 9 in Washington, D.C. to watch a live news broadcast.

In addition to her media interests, Stephanie is also involved in the great outdoors. She belongs to the Greenbelt 4-H Club where she won an award for being an outstanding member at its annual awards picnic in June.

City Notes

The streets crew assisted with placing posts for campaign signs, worked on silt control at Northway Ballfield and repaired the path around the lake which washed out during Hurricane Floyd. They also cleaned storm drains and underpasses.

The special operations crew installed 27 poles for campaign signs at various city locations, recorded traffic counts every day and moved the counters to new locations, and installed new warning signs and poles at the traffic islands on Breezewood Drive.

The parks crew repaired the wooden walkway at the Braden Field tennis courts, collected chipper requests all day Thursday because of the amount of debris from Hurricane Floyd and prepared fields for football, soccer and softball games.

The horticulture crew chipped branches, removed and pruned trees damaged by Floyd. Sixteen trees were lost and numerous trees lost branches. This work is ongoing. They also planted replacement shrubs at the Community Center, City Office and the Rec Center.

The building maintenance crew worked with PEPCO to restore power to the City Office, Aquatic Center and the Youth Center on Monday. They converted the heat and pumps at the Police Station to



1999 Little Miss Greenbelt Shaine Siegel is crowned by Jessica Teets, 1998 Junior Miss Greenbelt as runner-ups (l. to r.) Candice Windsor, Amanda Winfrey and Tai Lowery look on.

Little Miss Shaine Siegal Makes Ice Cream Sundae

by Altoria Bell Ross

When Shaine Siegel was crowned Little Miss Greenbelt Labor Day weekend, she got more than a title. She got an ice cream sundae. Prior to the pageant, her mother told her making new friends would be the ice cream, being onstage would be the whipped cream, and actually winning the pageant would be the cherry on top for the nine-year old. Her mother PJ Siegel was speaking from experience. She finished second in the Junior Miss Greenbelt Pageant and won Miss Congeniality 25 years ago.

Greenbelt's Kreative Kids Camp, which specializes in drama, dance, music, visual arts, and creative writing, prepared her well for the talent portion of the pageant, Shaine said. She performed a dance routine called "Grandma's Attic," in which she did a series of cartwheels across the stage from right then to left. "I practiced and practiced until I got it," she said.

Appearing in pageants is not new for Shaine. She competed against 1,500 other youth in the 1996 Child Model of the Year for the International Modeling and Talent Association in New York. She finished seventh. Shaine also has used her talents locally. She debuted at the Greenbelt Arts Center in the children's production last year as the dwarf in C.S. Lewis' "The Lion, The Witch, and The Wardrobe."

A fourth grader at Thomas G. Pullen Creative and Performing Arts School, Shaine is a member of the Art Club and

run on emergency power should it ever be needed.

Last Week

The streets crew assisted the special operations crew with removing the Labor Day booths and paraphernalia and storing everything at the Public Works facility. The streets crew assisted the special operations crew with removing the Labor Day booths and paraphernalia and storing everything at the Public Works facility.

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has won awards at the 1998 and 1997 Labor Day Children's Art Festival for her drawings. At home, Shaine uses wrapping paper, yarn, discarded boxes, and cardboard cartons to make trains and kiddie condos for her beanie babies and stuffed toys. Recently, she designed a car using a box for the body, yellow paper for the headlights, and red paper for the tail lights. Then, she drew a license plate that read "Mom's Girl."

Shaine, whose other pastimes include reading "Goosebumps" books, riding her bike, and talking to friends, hopes to become a veterinarian or build upon her creativity to launch a career in architecture or art.

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METROLAND

(Continued from page 1)

possible costs of three different designs or "scenarios" and the degree of impact of each on area wetlands and floodplains. To report on these two follow-up studies was the purpose of the September 15 meeting.

The study was called "final," as Max Azizi, SHA's regional planner explained, because his agency had no authority to continue until two further approvals occurred: completion of the Sectional Map Amendment plan showing the need for such an interchange and the plan's approval by the county council, then the subsequent placing of Beltway access to the Metroland project on the county's and state's priority lists for road improvements.

The study did not look at traffic impacts on local roadways nor whether the options were environmentally feasible. Both these issues lay beyond the scope of the assignment given to SHA by WMATA, which had authorized the study.

Both Scenarios 1 and 2, as the road designs were called, would provide a connection to the new USDA headquarters off Sunnyside Avenue on the Beltsville Agricultural Research Center property. Scenario 3 would offer access only to the Metro property inside the Beltway. Not including rights-of-way acquisition, construction costs for the three designs were estimated at about \$15 million for Scenario 3, \$20 million for Scenario 2, and \$40 million for Scenario 1.

The degree of environmental impact of the three options is in reverse order to their estimated costs — one acre of wetlands and three of floodplain being affected in Scenario

1, two acres of wetlands and five of floodplain in Scenario 2, and three acres of wetlands and five of floodplain in Scenario 3.

How long would it take to move from the point of authorization of the highway project to its completion? asked one person present. Azizi suggested a range of from seven to ten years — two to three for the planning process, two to three for the engineering studies, one year to 18 months for acquisition of rights-of-way, and two years for construction.

SMA Task Force Meeting

Since the SHA study results had been announced only that morning, program moderator Joe Chang of the planning staff called on transportation expert Harold Foster at the beginning of the evening meeting to summarize the SHA conclusions concerning Beltway access. When Foster passed along Azizi's estimate that construction of road access to the property might take a decade, some wag in the audience shouted out, "Unless it's a road for a stadium!" Then someone else answered, "Maybe they should have spent more time on planning." Since the gridlock following the first Redskins game had just occurred, everyone at the meeting roared in recognition of the pertinence of the comment.

Greenbelt City Councilmember Rodney Roberts deplored the creation of road access to the Metro site in the first place. If the purpose of the proposed development was to increase Metro ridership, he felt a design making it easier for more cars to enter the area was self-defeating.

Councilmember Thomas White expressed particular concern about the potential environmental impact of the three

road-design scenarios, the high costs involved, and the increase in traffic on the nearby residential streets. Assessing these possibilities, he said that the decision of the SMA task force concerning Beltway access to the site should be "negative."

A gasp from many in the group followed his pronouncement. Chip Reed voiced special frustration. He recalled that he had worked with the task force since it was first organized and that ever since the first charrette, the special symbol indicating road access had been placed directly on the Beltway on the working map accepted by the task force participants.

Greenbelt Mayor Judith Davis confirmed this understanding. She referred to a particular section of the April draft of the Sector Plan and Sectional Map Amendment that the group had adopted. This includes in bold type the statement that the plan "reaffirms the placement of a full interchange symbol" and its location described as the point on the Beltway opposite the Greenbelt station site. If Beltway access is not approved, the entire planning process for the Metro tract would have to begin all over again with a wholly different concept, she noted.

"Weave Factor"

Summarizing the steps still ahead if road access is to be gained for the future Greenbelt Station, county planner Monty Kolste listed the following, which he characterized as "the weave factor": completion of the Sectional Map Amendment, its submission to the Prince George's County Council, and their approval and adoption of the plan. Then the council and county executive must place this important road construction

project at the top of the county's priority list and must transmit this intention by letter to the governor and state legislature. These state officials, in turn, must place the project near the top of Maryland's list of priority road projects.

At that point, as Azizi had said in the morning meeting, the State Highway Administration would receive the go-ahead from the Department of Transportation to begin project design, which would in turn begin the estimated decade to bring it to completion.

Rezoning

Another example of the serpentine interrelationships among various parties in the development process had been brought to the attention of the county planning staff, as they acknowledged, by Terri Hruby, the city's community planner.

The draft plan recommended three new zoning categories to accommodate the special uses of the land involved in the Metroland proposal. One new zone — M-U-MC, or Mixed Use Metro Center — would characterize the area near the Metro station as "pedestrian-oriented, mixed-use, multi-modal and environmentally sensitive." A second zone — T-V, or Transit Village — calls for "a redeveloped, compact residential community near the Metro station."

Finally, a Commercial Corridor Overlay zone (C-C-O) would, according to the draft, "Channel public and private investment" in order to "repair and refurbish" existing sidewalks, alleys, signs, facades, landscaping features, and other decaying aspects of the present Greenbelt Road commercial corridor.

The problem with citing these zones on the SMA plan for the county council to ap-

prove is that none of these zones presently exists in law. The cart is before the horse. The SMA plan cannot be used as a tool in a zoning ordinance, as Kolste acknowledged. First, a member of the council would have to introduce these new zoning categories in the form of an ordinance, which the council would then have to pass. Only then could the SMA plan recommend them.

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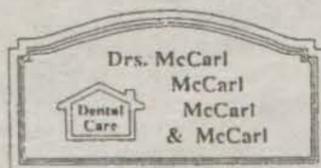
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METTS

elementary principal Kathy Curl was hostess/moderator.

Dr. Metts, who has promised to visit all the schools, said she hoped to be instrumental in bringing about a renaissance in the school system, so that it will be seen as one of the best in the state. For this to happen it takes a belief in excellence, she said. The biggest problem is that although the teachers have always believed that Prince George's County schools were good, there was a general opinion that they weren't that good. There is a need to restore that belief in excellence and a faith in the schools, she added.

Dr. Metts pointed out those areas that she will target: intervention, improving discipline and bringing the schools back to the children and teachers.

Reading Intervention

By intervention Dr. Metts said she would like to see all children get an early start in learning. She proposed giving all children an opportunity to enroll in a Head Start program.

She would like to see all children able to read by third grade. The ability to read, she emphasized, is the key to a good education. For those who might need extra help to attain this goal, she would propose special summer school classes.

Non-readers tend to create discipline problems when they fall behind. In the state of Delaware (where she had lived), she said, 95% of the people incarcerated are non-readers.

Make use of volunteers, she urged; 10,000 volunteers are needed. "Use people in the churches, use people in the business community..."

Improving Discipline

To improve discipline, Dr. Metts would prefer to see in-school suspensions used along with time-out periods. Suspending children from school means they are absent and not learning anything, she pointed out. By using in-school suspension not only are we making it possible for a teacher to teach in the classroom, she said, but children who still need support have academics even while they are being disciplined. She would also like to see more use of time-out periods as a help with discipline problems. Smaller classes are needed to help alleviate discipline problems. More teachers will then be needed and, to be able to have more teachers, more money will be necessary.

Using Schools for Children

Dr. Metts proposed moving administrative offices out of school buildings to give the buildings back to the "kids and teachers." She would use office build-

ings for offices when possible. She would like to see each teacher have a phone in the classroom that would enable the teachers to have ready contact with parents.

"We must treat our people better," she said. "We need to treat staff as a precious commodity."

All of these things won't happen tomorrow, she cautioned. What she offered is a vision of what can and will be. "By taking one day at a time, we can move the system forward," she said. "We need to show some successes for people to believe it will happen. We need to raise test scores." Test scores are not the only way to show improvement, however. She and the staff are also accountable, she said. Dr. Metts has found the school board to be very supportive. "It will take all of us working together for the sake of the young people," she added.

School Programs

After her talk, Dr. Metts listened to an impressive presentation from the representatives from some of the District 2 schools (five or six from each school). Schools listed crisis intervention programs, technology programs, TAG classes (Talented and Gifted) being integrated into the classrooms as were some special education programs - aerospace program, Russian exchange student program, and many, many more. Unfortunately time ran out and not all schools were able to make their presentations. Dr. Metts promised to visit those schools who had not made presentations first and listen to their presentations.

The schools in District 2 are Catherine T. Reed, Gaywood, Greenbelt, Hyattsville, Magnolia, Paint Branch, Riverdale, and Springhill Lake Elementary Schools; Greenbelt, Hyattsville, Nicholas Orem, Robert Goddard and William Wirt Middle Schools, and Duval and Eleanor Roosevelt High Schools.

Nebula Is Featured At Planetarium Show

The Howard B. Owens Science Center presents "Y1K," a planetarium show, on Fridays October 8 and November 12. Y1K examines the events of July 4, 1054, when a supernova exploded in the constellation Taurus. Witnessed and recorded by Chinese observers, the supernova left behind a nebula and an exotic neutron star. This program takes a close look at the Crab Nebula and the neutron star at its center. The program will be followed by a live star and constellation show. There is a fee.

The planetarium is located at 9601 Greenbelt Road.

New Programs Are Added at Greenbelt Elementary

This year Greenbelt Elementary School (GES) has received funding that will enable the school to offer some new programs in the areas of math, language arts, social studies and technology. The school is now one of a select group of schools that have been awarded a Technology in Maryland Schools Grant (TIMS) by the Maryland State Department of Education. This will provide funding for additional high-end Pentium computers, software and staff training to allow the use of the Internet resources to infuse technology into the curriculum with a special emphasis on improving student performance on the Maryland School Performance Assessment Program (MSPAP).

Greenbelt Elementary has also received a Technology Literacy Challenge Fund Grant (TLCF) that will target one class each at the third and the fifth grade levels, emphasizing math and social studies activities using technology and Internet resources. At GES this will be extended to the other TAG classes in grades 2, 4 and 6. These two grants as well as Title I funding are providing the school with a T-1 line, laptops for one teacher in grade 3 and 5, a SyncMail message system and two Internet connected patron use stations in the Media Center that allow students to access Internet encyclopedias, as well as educational websites.

A donation by Lockheed Martin of 47 Internet ready Macintosh IICI computers will enable the school to put their largest computer lab "on-line" and place the Dell 486 Windows computers from the Jostens lab in the upper grades, replacing the old IBM Model 25s. Another Pentium Internet lab will be set up in the library and Macintosh LCIIIs into the kindergarten classrooms so that those students can make better use of "early learning" software.

Classes will be learning to use

the Internet and productivity tools including word-processing, spreadsheets, scanners, Power Point presentations, building data bases, graphing, and creating web pages.

As part of the school's participation in the Challenge II School Improvement Program, an Outward Bound sponsored program, Expeditionary Learning (EL) will be adopted. This school-wide project based model will take place after intensive teacher training and careful planning with EL facilitators.

Other Programs

Other programs planned for this year include publishing a school newspaper, participation in Odyssey of the Mind and Challenge 24 Math competitions, the county wide Write-a-Book Festival, the Maryland Black-Eyed Susan Book Award selection process, Jr. Great Books, Thinking Cap Quiz Bowl, and Invention Convention. In addition, Greenbelt Elementary has a grant from the Greenbelt Mobil Gas Station enabling the placement of an "artist-in-residence," George Kochell. He will work with the 4th grade TAG class for 90 minutes each week including instruction in computer animation, video production and graphic design. The curriculum will still include Second Step Conflict Resolution, School-to-Career Connections, Multicultural Infusion and Character Education programs.

Staff Member Mary Lou Fisher will be administering a

Greenbelt Arts Center grant providing students with opportunities to participate in theatrical productions including script-writing, costume and set design, acting and choreography.

Fourth grade teacher, Nikki Tabron, will continue her work with Literacy Circles for which she has been awarded funding to enable her to give workshops training other Prince George's County teachers in this program, as well as build a strong professional library at Greenbelt Elementary.

The school is also in the process of establishing cooperative educational relationships with other schools in the immediate area as well as with local community resources including the Greenbelt Library, Greenbelt Public Access, Greenbelt Arts Center and the Greenbelt Recreation Department.

Kinderfest for Kids Will Be on Sunday

On Sunday, October 3 from noon to 5 p.m. Kinderfest returns to Watkins Regional Park, 301 Watkins Park Drive, Upper Marlboro.

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School Crowding, Teachers And Boundaries Worry ACE

by Nelda Young

Shifting boundary lines of magnet school districts, overcrowded schools, and teacher certification were the topics when Greenbelt's School Board Representative Jim Henderson attended the Aug. 24 Advisory Committee on Education (ACE) meeting.

By talking to William Green in the Office of Pupil Accounting and School Boundaries, Henderson learned that within two weeks after school begins the dividing line between Oakcrest and Glenarden Woods Elementary Schools may shift, and children may be moved. Depending on the teacher-to-pupil count made on Sept. 30, teachers may also be reassigned on Oct. 15.

On the overcrowding issue, Henderson said that Berwyn Heights Elementary School opens in 2002, Oakcrest and Springhill Lake Elementary Schools' overflow should be somewhat alleviated. Henderson then went on to clarify an apparent misunderstanding concerning changes in door-to-door magnet school busing.

He explained that if only one magnet student lives on a street, the student will be picked up at the door. If several students live on a street, the bus will make only one stop.

When Clement Lau, a visitor at the meeting, raised the question of teacher certification, Henderson said the percentage of fully certified teachers in Prince George's County is unknown at this time. However, he said Dr. Iris T. Metts, the new Prince George's County School Superintendent, is serious in her attempt to reach her 100 percent certification goal. Even teachers who are certified in other states but not in Maryland were not hired in Prince George's County this summer.

Henderson said he is encouraged by the appointment of Metts. "She was hired to make changes, and she takes her charge seriously. In an attempt to balance the budget, she is cutting excess positions in the administration. She is attempting to get parents involved in the schools, and aims to improve the MSPAP test scores."

Legal Concerns

Derek Thompson, an ACE member, relayed information regarding community legal concerns. He said vandalism has occurred at Greenbriar area pools, shootings in Glen Oaks, and that gangs have been sighted in Chelsea Woods. All members agreed that it is time for neighborhood watches to mobilize.

Fund Raising

Fund raising remains a priority for ACE. The Buy a Book campaign continues. A list of suggested books is available at Bookland in Beltway Plaza. But any appropriate book for children grades K-12 will be gratefully accepted at the Labor Day Information Booth or at any local public school.

The committee's financial goal is to present scholarships to the Eleanor Roosevelt High School ACE Award winners using only the interest on the fund rather than dipping into the principal.

Mayor Judith Davis, a guest at the ACE meeting, commented that schools ask Greenbelters to collect various items for fund raisers but fail to remind the public where the items should be donated. The committee agreed to create a List of Collectibles by school program and make it available to the public.

Battle of Hastings At Marietta Museum

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Seven Libraries Open Sundays

Seven locations of the Prince George's County Memorial Library System have resumed Sunday hours. This year, openings will continue through June 11, 2000, the Sunday before county public schools close. Sunday openings previously ran through April.

The seven locations with Sunday hours are Bowie, 15210 Annapolis Road; Hyattsville, 6530 Adelphi Road; Laurel, 507 7th St.; New Carrollton, 7414 Riverdale Road; Oxon Hill, 6200 Oxon Hill Road; Surratts-Clinton, 9400 Piscataway Road; and the Audio-Visual Services division, 6532 Adelphi Road. The hours are 1 to 5 p.m.

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Attend Special Show Of Montpelier Art

In celebration of the Montpelier Cultural Arts Center's twenty years of exhibits, resident artists past and present have joined together for one big reunion show through October 29. The exhibit will bring together many artists who have had their studios at the center since the doors opened in October of 1979.

The exhibit includes works by over 40 artists working in a wide variety of styles and media. They range from sculpture by Sam

Noto, Gary Irby and Clark Mester, prints by Pamela Lawton, Glenn Moreton and Carolyn Romano, glass by Judith Finn Conway, photographs by Marianne Keefer Zweig and Linda Reback, handmade books by Janet Berry, Delia Ayleshire Quinn and Judith Kornett, to paintings by Nancy Salome Sanford, Gaines Reynolds Clore and Marilyn Beyrer Dean, to name only a few.

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"A Streetcar Named Desire" Is True to Original Script

by Sabine Hentrich

A wonderful set, a passionate cast, and a performance honoring the playwright's complete work—including controversial lines and scenes—are the trademark of the Greenbelt Arts Center's (GAC) adaptation of "A Streetcar Named Desire" by Tennessee Williams.

This Pulitzer Prize winning classic premiered on December 3, 1947 in New York, directed by Elia Kazan. Nowadays the play is best known for its movie version, which followed in 1951. Kazan also directed the movie, which won several Academy Awards as well as the New York Film Critics Award.

The movie's cast was almost identical to the play's, with the lead role of Blanche DuBois the only alteration, with Vivian Leigh replacing Jessica Tandy.

Although the movie truly is a gem, it lacked many controversial subjects with which Williams' play is saturated. Among others, Kazan had to edit the play for issues such as sexual identity, sexual orientation, rape, and alcoholism in order to get the film released. Thus, some of the play's essential lines and scenes were either omitted or changed.

Randy Barth, who directed "Streetcar" for GAC, presents the play in its original form, omitting nothing. (Let this be a hint to parents who consider taking their young children.) This not only contributes to the audience's understanding of the work but confirms that the play remains thought-provoking to this date.

The plot surrounds protagonist Blanche DuBois (Sheilah Crossley-Cox), a woman in her thirties who fails repeatedly to find what she desires most: the unconditional love of another human being. After her most recent personal misfortune, Blanche visits her sister Stella (Morgan Klug) and Stella's husband, Stanley Kowalski (Chris Zanardi) in New Orleans.

Little does Stella know about Blanche's alcoholism and other private problems. The increasing antagonism between Blanche and Stanley, fostered by a class war that the two are mercilessly fighting, ultimately leads to the play's tragedy.

A magnificent set by Mary Seng and Bob Thompson captures the mood of Williams' play. Set in a New Orleans working-class quarter, the set includes a beautifully painted backdrop for the play's street scenes. The issue of privacy, which surfaces throughout the play, is appropriately characterized by Seng and Thompson's design of Stanley's small apartment, whose "rooms" are separated by a thin curtain.

Barth cast a wonderful actor to play the lead role. Sheilah Crossley-Cox delivers a remarkable Blanche whose self esteem diminishes as she drowns her misery in alcohol. Crossley-Cox shows the nuances of her character's faults, strengths, and passions, while making her neither pathetic nor evil.

Chris Zanardi convincingly communicates Stanley's desire to possess his wife in body and soul. A scene everyone remembers from the movie shows Zanardi at his best—as a very intoxicated Stanley who screams with demanding intensity for his wife "S T E L L A!" Sometimes, however, Zanardi struggles with his portrayal of this eccentric character. First-



Stella (Morgan Klug) and Blanche (Sheilah Crossley-Cox) are overheard by Stanley (Chris Zanardi). - photo by Gene Duarte

night jitters caused him to grapple with his lines and keep him from showing a change in Stanley as the action develops.

The other two major roles—Stella and Mitch—are played by outstanding actors. Morgan Klug as Stella convinces the audience of her inner conflict when she has to choose between husband and sister. David Keyser as Mitch, an acquaintance of Stanley's who falls in love with Blanche, succeeds in finding both humor and tragedy in this role.

Jack Carlson, Karen Dugard, Gene Duarte, Barbara Lochner, Robert George Page, Max Pugh, Joanna Andrus and David Dieudonne, in the play's minor roles, give spirited perfor-

mances that complete the noteworthy ensemble.

"A Streetcar Named Desire" will run every Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m. through October 9 with Sunday matinees at 2 p.m. on September 26 and October 3. People suffering from upper-respiratory problems might not want to sit in the first few rows because the actors smoke on stage.

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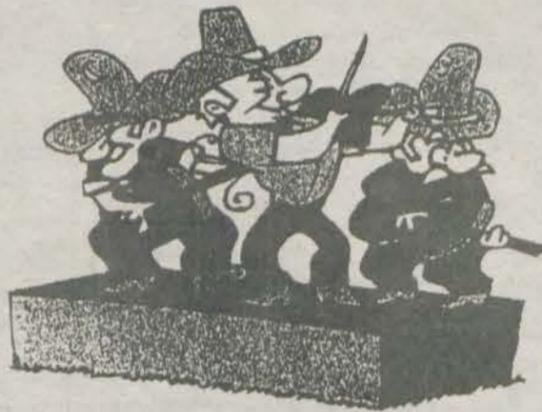
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A Review

Local One-Act Festival Features Comedies, Drama

by Sabine Hentrich

Three comedies and an intentionally disturbing drama pleased and surprised a full house at the Greenbelt Arts Center's One-Act Festival on August 20. This year's plays were "The Diesel DeLite" by Carnegie Mellon graduate Kathryn O'Sullivan; "Hidden in This Picture" by Aaron Sorkin, who won much praise for his screenplay "A Few Good Men" with Jack Nicholson; "Suppressed Desires" by Pulitzer Prize winner Susan Glaspell; and "In The Penal Colony" by James Riordon, who adapted his play from a short story by Franz Kafka. Karen Munson, the producer, introduced each piece with dramaturgical notes to ease the audience into the different performances.

"The Diesel DeLite"

The festival started with a refreshing comedy, written and directed by Greenbelter O'Sullivan. "The Diesel DeLite," set in a Virginia diner on Independence Day, evolves around the love affair between the waitress Sally (Helen Quick) and "cowboy" Johnny (Patrick Tansor) — a young man recently released from prison. In the course of the play, Johnny reveals to Sally that his true motivation for stealing from the diner's cash register (for which he was convicted) was to buy her an engagement ring.

O'Sullivan succeeded in conveying both love and tension between her characters. Quick and Tansor were convincing as a couple in love, showing their feelings both physically and verbally. Their costumes cleverly combined the colors red, white, and blue (Quick in a skin tight red dress and Tansor in a shirt actually a little too white since his character was quite a slob, and blue jeans). The lovers' confidants, Big Daddy (Ray Flynt) and Opal (Carla B. Howard), perfected the ensemble.

"Hidden in This Picture"

The next comedy, "Hidden in This Picture," had a great night on stage. This witty play mocks commercial movie making by satirizing the conversation of a young director (David Schultz) and his screenwriter (Ian Blackwell Rogers) during the last takes of their collaborative film.

The noteworthy performers in this play, directed by John Degnan, timed their lines perfectly to elicit audience's laughter. Rogers, in particular, was outstanding. Other spirited cast members were Jerry Khatcheressian and Helen Quick. Quick presented her versatility by changing from the extroverted, seductive Sally in the previous play, to an insecure, modest Karen in this one.

"Suppressed Desires"

"Suppressed Desires," directed by Leigh Green-Catterton, the last of the evening's comedies, was voted the audience favorite during the course of the festival. Written in 1918, the play is a satire on Freud's work on "The Interpretation of Dreams" and his findings about the human subconscious.

Henrietta (Tamara S. Rose), a firm believer in Freud's writ-

ings, convinces her husband, Stephen (G. Alvarez Reid), and her sister Mabel (Erika Michelle Rose) to see a psychoanalyst to cure their "suppressed desire." Once Henrietta parts with psychoanalytical theory and begins to trust her common sense, however, nothing stands in the way of a happy ending.

Green-Catterton did a remarkable job in directing her ensemble, especially if one considers that she had to part with one of her actors and recruit a replacement only a few weeks before opening night. While all the actors were good performers in this play, Erika Rose, the University of Maryland's Distinguished Performing Scholar recipient, was particularly charming. She slipped into the character of naive, paranoid Mabel with ease, moving on stage with a natural grace common only to very talented performers.

"In the Penal Colony"

Last, the festival ended with "In The Penal Colony" — a drama with strong political undertones. This complicated play is hard to summarize. On the surface, it is about a radically conservative "Commandante" who wants to persuade a visitor at a penal colony that his form of disciplining his subjects is appropriate to keep people in line.

The playwright intended to comment on contemporary headlines such as "ethnic cleansing" in Kosovo as well as the genocide during the Holocaust. Additionally, however, Riordon said he hoped to impress people beyond reminding them of past atrocities. Riordon wanted to provoke "... enhanced empathy for the victims of self-righteous vampires like the Commandante. I'm sure they're out there, both the victims and the villains, even if we don't know their names yet."

This piece departed drastically from the happy mood of the three previous comedies and turned the audience's laughter into chilled silence. This was, however, by no means accidental. "It is my hope that 'In The Penal Colony' addresses complex issues in a shocking and memorable way," explained Riordon. "It is our intention to stun people with this piece," he said.

The ensemble did a fine job doing that. The Commandante (Michael D. Cooney) made one fear human monsters; the Dignitary (Chuck Howell) persuasively opposed corporal punishment and torture; the prisoner (David Schultz) appeared to be in genuine pain; and the soldier (Nick DaPrato) was convincing as a mere follower of orders.

Although the play had a powerful message, it seemed inappropriate to end the one-act festival with such a serious work after an evening of comedies devoid of political implications. It is beneficial to have a balanced selection of dramas and comedies; but if this is not possible, the festival should at least end with a play representing the style of the majority of one-acts.



Big Daddy (Ray Flynt) and Sally (Helen Quick), tell Johnny to listen in "The Diesel DeLite" directed and written by Kathryn O'Sullivan.

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The entry deadline for this year's competition is December 1, 1999. Students from participating high schools are encouraged to contact teachers in their Art Department for entry materials or they may call "the Art of Harmony" Hotline toll free at 1.888.COKE.ART.

Plunkett & Macleane At Theatre this Week

by Dennis Jelalian

Sometimes even the best movie operator can't get the movie that's been promised. So, this week, instead of American Beauty, the Greenbelt Theatre will show Plunkett & Macleane. And, again not the theatre's fault, there's no trailer, so remember this! Also, again not the theatre's fault, the poster they sent to advertise the movie is one of those that's designed to be put in a light box; you know, one of those boxes where the lights are behind the poster, and shine through the poster. To make such a poster, it is made backwards from the way a regular poster is made. So don't be surprised if you see such a poster.

Plunkett & Macleane is a comic action set in 18th century Britain, about an ex-soldier who goes into business with a likeable highway robber. Jake Scott, son of director Ridley Scott, makes his feature directorial debut from a screenplay by Selwyn Roberts (co-producer of Fair Tale: A True Story) and Neal Purvis and Robert Wade.

Other members of the cast include Jonny Lee Miller, Robert Carlyle, Liv Tyler, Ken Stott, Michael Gambon, Alan Cumming, Jain Robertson, Tommy Flanagan, James Thornton, Terence Rigby, and David Foxe. The movie runs 100 minutes, and has an R rating for violence, strong language and sexuality.

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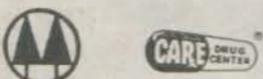
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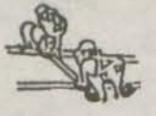
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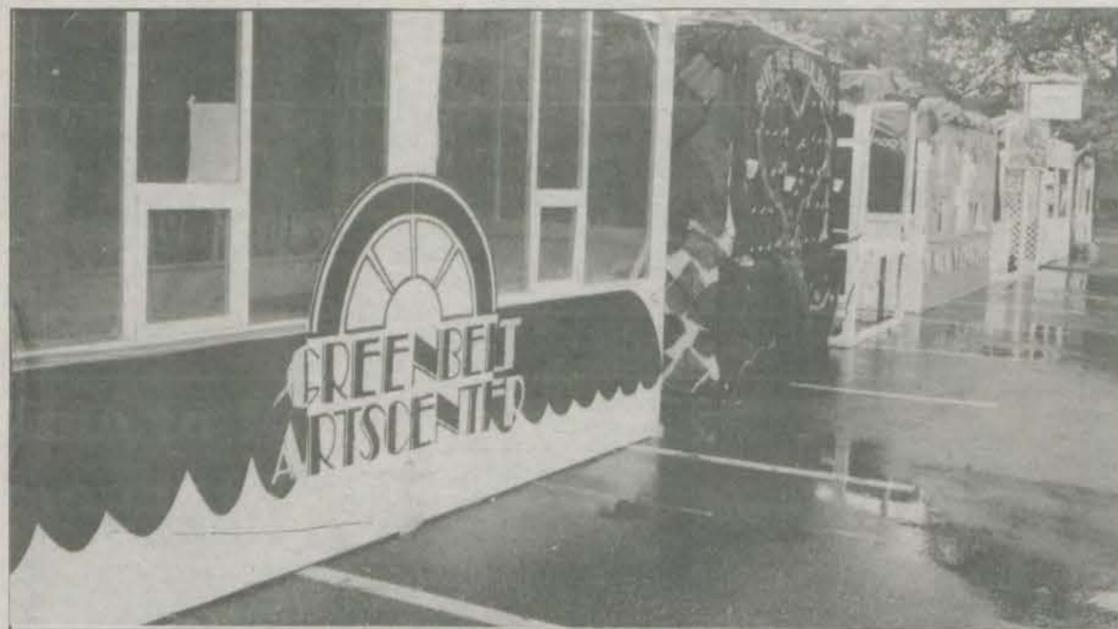
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Bid No. 1999-04

The City of Greenbelt will accept bids from General Contractors for four water quality improvement projects including 1) Construction of a gabion step down channel to address a failed headwall, 2) Culvert improvements including outfall stabilization and rock step pools, 3) Forebay dredging and gabion wall construction, and 4) Construction of a level spreader until 2:00 PM on Thursday, October 21, 1999 at which time the bids will be publicly opened and read at the Council Room, Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road, Greenbelt, Maryland 20770-1886.

Bid packages may be obtained in the Offices of the Department of Planning and Community Development at 15 Crescent Road, Suite 200, Greenbelt, Maryland, starting Monday, October 4, 1999, between the hours of 8:30 AM and 5:00 PM, Monday through Friday. The cost of drawings and specifications is fifteen dollars (\$15.00) non-refundable. A pre-bid meeting will be held on Thursday, October 14, 1999 at 1:00 PM in the Council Room, Municipal Building, at the address above. Attendance at the pre-bid meeting is recommended, but not mandatory. Anyone needing additional information may contact Terri Hruby at the Department of Planning and Community Development at (301) 345-5417.



Hurricane Dennis came, the crowds took shelter and the booths closed for part of the time during the Labor Day Festival.

-photo by Prospero Zevallos

Labor Day Festival Undampened by Rain

by Nelda Young

Uninvited guest Tropical Depression Dennis made every effort to spoil Greenbelt's Labor Day Festival but failed. Clothes got wet but the flame of interest was not extinguished.

As rain fell on Sunday night, 450 guests packed into the Community Center gymnasium for the Miss Greenbelt Pageant. The fire marshal had to turn fans away. Earlier in the day, the Community Center served as a theater for the Greenbelt Arts Center production of excerpts from Othello and other Shakespearean plays which were sponsored by Beltway Plaza Mall. The fans, approximately 75 in number, did not seem to mind the air conditioned substitution.

Fortunately no rain fell on Monday's parade. Greenbelt's Kurt Eastep, who currently lives in Dillsburg, Pennsylvania, drove down with his fiancée to attend the parade and to see his childhood friend Richard Skolnik, who now resides in Olney, Maryland. As usual they stood on the corner of Eastway and Crescent Road to watch the parade. It was Eastep's twenty-second year attending Greenbelt's festival.

This was the first parade for Olivia, who is four and Eastep's future stepdaughter. She particularly liked the horses, cars, and candy. Elaine Skolnik's granddaughter, nine-

year-old Jennifer, liked the parade, too. Jennifer was hard to see because she was almost hidden by an air-filled blue alien which she won at the Festival by picking the right number.

One of the few stands that was open on Sunday was the Information Booth. On Monday they had a full crew on hand to babysit three plastic bags of goldfish. According to volunteers Ed Evans, president of the Rotary Club, and Sibyl Malatras, also a Rotarian, the most frequently asked question was, "Where are the funnel cakes?"

Bill Souser, Facilities chair of the Festival and 44-year resident of Greenbelt, was hanging around the Information Booth where his wife Arlene was working. He commented, "The popular New Deal Café stand has recently moved into the permanent location vacated by Collectibles, and they have a wonderful Sunday brunch." Incidentally, they were doing a booming business on Sunday when most of the eateries were closed because of the rain.

Festival President Barbara Ransom stood nearby chatting with the volunteer staff. She said it takes six months to plan and organize the Greenbelt Labor Day Festival and 40 to 50 volunteers. If the enthusiastic crowd present at 3 p.m. on Monday was any indication, Ransom did a good job.



Local youngster defies rain

Greenbelters Race Labor Day Weekend

by Joe Broderick

Despite uncertain hurricane weather, 127 runners completed the 15K/3K races on Sunday evening, September 5. The race was conducted by the DC Road Runners and co-hosted by the Greenbelt Recreation Department.

In this 41st running of the race, now known as the Larry Noel Greenbelt race, eleven Greenbelters competed. Kathy Pugh was seventh finisher in the 3K. Sue Treacy was third overall woman in the 15K in a time of 69:56. Elizabeth Heaney was fourth woman and Sarah Mullaney was seventeenth.

Among the men, Matt Green was third in a time of 54:40. Other male finishers from Greenbelt were Ian Clements, Tom Noel, Tom Trunk, Andrew Pugh, Kevin Hammett and Joe Broderick.

The runners were very pleased that Larry Noel was able to be present at the start of the race along with a large contingent of his family.

Genealogy Group Meets at Library

The local newspaper as a Community diary will be discussed by the Prince George's County Genealogical Society at its meeting Wednesday, October 6 at 7 p.m. is the Greenbelt Library. The meeting is free and open to the public. For info, call 301-262-0865.



Smiling faces shine at Labor Day Festival despite a rainy day. - photo by Prospero Zevallos

"Grandpa" Last Hurrah For Kreative Campers

by Barbara Likowski

It was the "last hurrah" for the kids of Kreative Kids Camp. And what a show! On a hot August day, those of us who watched "Grandpa's Story" first noticed the enthusiasm. Then it became evident that there was more than enthusiasm. These children believed in themselves and in one another. They worked together so well and all seemed to enjoy participating. No one grabbed the limelight - we all had fun.

The story was a simple one - grandpa (played by Patrick Ready from the Greenbelt Arts Center) had his grandchildren visiting. They were bored and said so. To them grandpa was old and not very interesting. He left them his photo album and as they turned the pages, the past came alive to them.

Since grandpa had been born in the '20s, the first pictures were taken then.

Out came a group from that period who danced and sang the Charleston. The flappers wore straight dresses and twirled their heads as they danced, ending up in a true Charleston pose of hands on knees.

Different periods of grandpa's life were shown by a brief dance or song. There was the Depression, with a group singing "Brother, Can You Spare a Dime?" and after that, a loud, enthusiastic group came marching down the aisle proudly waving home made signs and singing "Happy Days Are Here Again."

The building of Greenbelt was part of grandpa's life, too. A group of very young builders compensated for their youth by wearing long work clothes. As they worked they sang - what else - "Whistle While You Work."

And so it went - each phase of grandpa's life was portrayed

by dancers or singers or both. From grandpa's part in World War II all the way to the '50s, we saw bits and pieces of how it was in grandpa's time.

By the time grandpa returned, his grandchildren were looking at him in a different way. He was surprised to be told "grandpa, you're cool!"

These children did such a good job. We wish we could name each one. However we would be remiss if we didn't mention that Franklin Delano Roosevelt (Michael Watkins) and Eleanor (Vanae Puchiaroni) were there, too! Their parts were neatly woven into the story.

The story and theme song, "When I Was Young" were written by James Inzeo, Jr. Inzeo coordinated the program and, with the help of Director Christopher Cherry, Choreographer Hazel Lopez, and Musical Director Julie Garner, this entertaining program was created.

After the program we were invited to come and see the Kreative Kids Camp Art Gallery. And that, too, was a pleasant surprise. There were many types of art exhibited including stories. We commend Elizabeth Morrisette and her helpers at Kreative Kids Camp for a truly creative program.

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BASKETBALL SUNDAY CLINICS

6yrs.-9 yrs. old
3:00-4:30

10yrs.-13yrs. old
4:30-6:00

Basketball clinics are held at the Greenbelt Community Center Gym.

Get an early start on the season by attending our Sunday Basketball Clinics! Good for all levels of play. Emphasis on learning basketball fundamentals and SPORTSMANSHIP!! A completed Greenbelt Recreation Department activity registration form is all you need to participate.

This will be an on going program subject to change or cancellation due to Recreation Department programs or special events. Participants will be notified the Sunday prior of any changes or cancellations. If there are any questions or concerns please contact Greg Varda at the Greenbelt Community Center (301)397-2208.