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### **Beat The Rush**

Please give us your copy on Mondays or at least by noon on Tuesdays. We are trying not to get swamped Tuesday nights.

Thursday, December 16, 1999

## **City Prepared for Millennium** And Y2K Ready, Say Officials

#### by Barry Bernstein

Is the City of Greenbelt ready for the upcoming millennium?

City officials, confident that Greenbelt is Y2K compliant, shared this view with the public at an informational meeting held in the Community Center Multipurpose Room at 8 p.m. on Wednesday, December 8.

"I am here to address specific operation plans to meet the Y2K challenge," Bowman "Bo" Ferguson, the city's Y2K Coordinator, said. During the meeting Ferguson gave an overview of Year 2000 issues; insight into Greenbelt's readiness and contingency planning; and the readiness of other organizations, including the county, state, and federal governments.

Ferguson went over a time line starting in late 1997 that Greenbelt has followed to its current preparation:

In 1998, the city began installation of two new computer systems to replace computers used by city government that were over 12 years old. During the summer of 1999, frequent updates about Y2K compliance.

were given to the public. In October 1999, city insurance trusts were deemed okay. Later in the month the Y2K Committee briefed city council on the preparation status.

Furthermore, Ferguson described the city's compliance plan mandating that all vendors doing

Mayor Judith Davis expressed her appreciation for the months and months of work on the Y2K project by Ferguson and other city staff members. "I think that the worst thing that will happen is nothing," she said.

business with Greenbelt be Y2K compliant. Ferguson and his colleagues sent letters to these vendors requesting their reassurance.

"In January of 1999, one of the vendors had a glitch with the payroll system, but they fixed it," Ferguson said.

'We received almost 100 percent assurance from those companies," Ferguson said. "How can you be so sure? You can't; however, having them in writing, we feel that the writing is based on their reputation," he said.

Problems were also found in other computer systems in the city. The two most costly problems to correct dealt with the police department - the phone system and the parking ticket system. Until January, parking tickets will be done manually.

Other city services have also been updated. The retrack system, which maintains records of people who use Greenbelt's recreation facilities, was fixed. All systems related to accounts receivable and paychecks for city workers are working correctly. Also, all air conditioning systems in city buildings have been tested and, where necessary, redesigned.

According to Ferguson, no one can say for sure, however, that there won't be temporary disruptions in some services.

Millennium Celebrations

Large celebrations in Greenbelt for the New Year will be taking place at the Community Center, the Greenbelt Holiday

See Y2K, page 7

## **Acquiring Jaeger Tract For Park Often Sought**

#### by James Giese

Once again efforts are being made to acquire undeveloped land adjacent to Westchester Park for Greenbelt Park. This time, a letter writing and petition drive is underway seeking federal and/or state funds for the acquisition of the remaining undeveloped parcels of the Jaeger tract, much of which was developed in the 1960s as Westchester Park. The catalyst for this action is the possible development of the remaining land. V-shaped and owned by the Jaeger family, the original 76.5 acre tract fronted on Edmonston Road and later on the newer Kenilworth Avenue, with the bottom of the V fronting the road and the two extensions jutting into Greenbelt Park.

A D and C Management Company is proposing to buy the remaining acreage and construct 35 detached single-family homes on a 17.4 acre tract located south of Westchester Park Drive, about 300 feet east of Kenilworth Avenue. Two adult garden apartment buildings totaling 60 units are proposed for another 3.7 acre parcel located between the existing Westchester Park condominium townhouse/ garden apartment development and the first high-rise apartment building, now a condominium.

#### Opposition

The Westchester Park Civic Association has an ad hoc committee meeting weekly to refine its letter writing and petition See JAEGER, page 16

## **Dr. Metts Sets Sight To Raise School Funds**

#### by Nelda Young

Money was the theme of Superintendent of Schools Dr. Iris T. Metts' presentation to the Greenbelt City Council on December 13. Money to bring Prince George's County's cost per pupil up from the lowest in the metropolitan area. Money to construct, renovate, and convert old buildings into schools. Money to hire additional teachers. Money to increase salaries of current teachers and retain top administrators like Dr. Gerald Boarman, principal of Eleanor Roosevelt High School.

Metts intends, she said, to create a State of the State public school system by finding new money and claiming surplus budget funds for Prince George's schools. Grant development, therefore, is one of her top priorities, and the University of Maryland has been targeted by Metts to create a major foundation for kids. She is looking toward other outside sources as well.

drivers call in sick at the last minute, it should be easier to find a substitute driver, because subs are slated to begin receiving benefits.

Earlier in the day Metts visited Johns Hopkins Talent Search program. She suggested that parents of exceptionally gifted students in Prince George's County consider the enrichment classes that are offered at the Rockville, Columbia, and Homewood campuses of Hopkins. These classes are available on weekends and in the summers to those who receive top grades on standardized tests. Metts said the classes cost \$2,000 each but that scholarships are available for those in need.

In an exclusive interview following her talk to the council, Metts was asked to comment about Kent County's top scores on the latest MSPAP tests and whether Prince George's schools would address writing skills, problem solving, and use of logic in an attempt to improve scores. Metts said, "Prince George's is quite different from Kent County. ERHS alone has more students than all of Kent County. We have one challenge: to improve all schools." She wants Prince George's schools to go back to the basics of reading, writing and arithmetic. Grant development is her first priority right now.

## **A Little Something for Everyone At Greenbelt New Year 2000**

#### by Patti Brothers

Top entertainers from the Baltimore-Washington area will be sharing their varied talents with all of the folks who will be bringing in the New Millennium at the NY2000 Celebration.

The Community Center will host many wonderful performers, including Trinidad and Tobago, a steelband group that has been in existence since 1961. Through music the band has been exposing its audiences to the great sounds of the Caribbean culture." The band has performed for past-Presidents of the United States, with many Hollywood entertain-

New Year in fine style. DC Motors is a Washington, DC based band comprised of Mike Dimmick, Tom Ross and Art Fox, and has been performing together for over 20 years. The band plays an unusually wide variety of styles with lots of energy and non-stop fun! They performed previously at Greenbelt NY99.

the gym and will bring in the

Bridges to Bliss is a trio of three very talented musicians -Bobbi Bliss, Don Bridges and David Scales. The three have been performing since 1995, and while particularly concentrating on children's music for NY2000, their songwriting and performing styles also include folk, country, pop, adult contemporary, theater tunes, gospel and bluegrass. Their sound is characterized by

singable melodies, superb harmonies, and memorable lyrics.

#### Puppet Show

Kaydee Puppets has been touring the Washington D.C. metropolitan area for over 20 years with a variety of wonderful puppet shows, always delighting each and every audience. Each performance is especially designed to create a fantasy world of tales which will be enjoyed not only by children, but by their parents and grandparents as well.

Blackberry will fill the dance studio with their wonderful Cajun sounds. The evening will start off with a dance lesson followed by two hours of great "make you want to dance - it is polka, romantic or just plain fun - music" performed by Paula Lucas, Joel Bailes, Jim Briley, Miles Spicer and Justin Briley. A good time for everyone is sure to be had! John Hill's voice and talent on the acoustic guitar will provide an evening of great music in the upstairs lounge. Hill comes to Greenbelt all the way from Havre de Grace, MD. He has done a number of recordings over his career and has been involved in recording and producing radio jingles but says performing for live audiences is his favorite thing. He performs all over Maryland and Delaware in clubs, Legion halls, community festivals and private parties.

ers, at various national and local events, as well as at workshops at various festivals and in numerous school systems. DC Motors will follow Trinidad and Tobago in



Eric Henning, a master magician, will be performing in the Greenbelt Theatre with three See NEW YEAR, page 13

She praised Eleanor Roosevelt High School for its recent selection as an outstanding school by being named a New American School. She noted that ERHS excels in sports as well and won the state football championship the same week it was recognized at the White House for its academic excellence. She pointed out that the feeder schools for ERHS are exceptional.

Officers Dave Buerger and Jim Parker were praised by Metts for developing Greenbelt's police in the schools program. She said she intends to use Greenbelt's program as a model for the county.

For those who are frustrated with the school bus service, she noted, help is on the way. The Prince George's transportation system is being computerized, replacing the old hand-routing system. In the future, when bus

What Goes On

Mon., Dec. 20, 7:30 p.m. Senior Citizens Advisory Committee, Community Cen-

Tue., Dec. 21, 7 p.m. Advisory Planning Board meeting, Community Center

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

Fri., Dec. 24, Holiday. City offices closed

## **Carriers Bring Greetings**

Around this time of year it has been traditional for the youngsters who deliver the News Review to leave holiday greetings envelopes at the homes they serve. The News Review's financial position is such that we cannot pay our carriers very much. They are therefore dependent on generous holiday donations to supplement their nominal pay.

Most of the carriers range in age from pre-teen to the middle teens. For the younger boys and girls, delivering the News Review is their first job experience. Many of the older carriers started at a young age and continue to deliver the News Review mainly as a service to their neighborhood. It is a learning process for all these youngsters and, in some cases, the instillation of responsibility takes time and patience.

The holiday season affords us all a chance to show appreciation and to provide encouragement for the efforts of these youngsters and at the same time to show understanding for any failings that might have occurred during the year.

Again this year, the carriers will leave envelopes. We hope these envelopes, equipped with our carriers' names and addresses, will be helpful to our readers who wish to show appreciation. In case the carrier's name or address is in doubt, envelopes may be mailed to the News Review, 15 Crescent Road, Suite 100, Greenbelt, MD 20770-1887, for forwarding. Please include your address so we can identify your carrier.

## Letters

### Thanks

I would like to publicly thank the City of Greenbelt for the generous loan of their sound system for the St. Hugh's School Christmas Pageant on Monday, December 13. As our pageant has grown over the years, the acoustics in the hall are no longer adequate. The City of Greenbelt has once again come to our rescue and provided a much-needed sound system for the evening. Our hall was filled to capacity with over 100 costumed children and even more proud parents and family members.

Thank you to Joe McNeal, Community Center Supervisor, and Greg Varda, Recreation Coordinator, for their kindness. Merry Christmas to all!

> Mary E. Whelan Principal St. Hugh's School

### Commendation

The News Review is to be commended for the excellent article by Elaine Skolnik describing the controversy swirling about the Jaeger tracts and the development being proposed for them, which if built will have a detrimental effect on our beautiful Greenbelt Park.

This proposed development of 35 houses on the 17.4 acres will affect the water quality of Still Creek which would have to receive the runoff of lawn chemicals and pet waste from the adjacent development.

A few years ago a Park Super-

intendent and some in the National Park Service expressed to several Greenbelters the belief they had, that Mr. Jaeger, had he lived, would have given these tracts to the Park as he had previously done with other acreage. The previous gift is still referred to by the Park people as "The Jaeger Tract" years later.

The Greens of Greenbelt passed a resolution Monday night opposing the development. The Greens applaud City Council for consistently opposing the development and for urging the Federal Government to purchase this land and add it to the Park.

Jean Snyder

## Volunteers Needed **For Science Fair**

Volunteers are needed on January 6 to help to plan for Greenbelt Elementary School's Science Fair. Community help and science fair judges are needed. It is not necessary to be a parent to participate. All volunteers will be welcomed.

Anyone who is interested in helping to produce the science fair should contact Beth Stewart at Greenbelt Elementary, 301-513-5911.

## Correction

Apologies to resident Donald Schuman for misspelling his name in the December 9 edition. We regret the error.

Lakeside Dog Delays Mail to Local Homes by Nelda Young

One medium-sized black dog at 6 Lakeside was mightier than rain, sleet, or snow. He stopped the mail on December 6.

When a dog is aggressive, it is standard U.S. Post Office procedure to put the health of the postal carrier before delivery of the mail. So 10 or 12 homes in the Lakeside development did not receive their mail at the usual time that day. Some people received their mail after 5:30 p.m. on Monday. Others received two deliveries on Tuesday.

In all his years of working at the post office, Robert Browning, a manager at the Greenbelt Post Office, said he could not remember a similar dog story.

(The rest of the story that the Post Office did not know follows: a burglar let the dog out of the house and a well-intentioned neighbor who built a stairstep wood pile next to the fence for the homeowner, himself laid up with a broken leg, provided the canine an exit from the yard.)

## **Henderson Elected** School Board Chair

The Prince George's County Board of Education held elections during their reorganizational meeting on Monday, December 6, selecting District 2 Board Representative James Henderson, who represents Greenbelt, as chair.

Henderson was elected to the Board of Education in 1998. He is a retired Air Force major who currently works as a financial consultant. Over the years, Henderson has been involved in a variety of civic organizations including Youth for Understanding, the community Advisory Council on Magnet and Compensatory Education Programs, and the Executive PTA Board at DuVal High School. He chairs the Budget and Administration Committee for the Board of Education.

THEATRE

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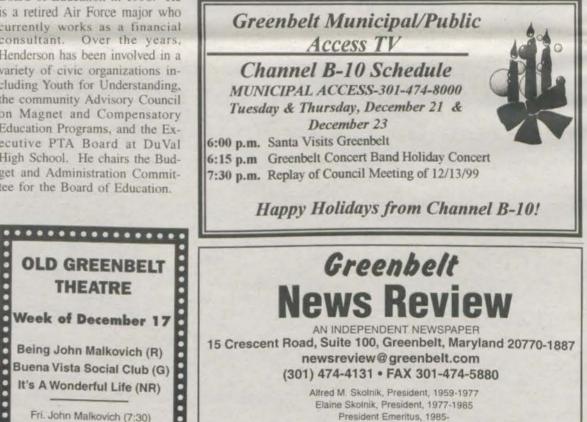
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### Senior Scholarships

The Prince George's Volunteer Center announces the annual scholarship competition for graduating seniors. Students will submit a 200- word essay on the importance of volunteer-Other requirements are: ing.

complete 36 hours of service learning, minimum 2.5 GPA, and two letters of recommendation. Deadline for applications is Saturday, January 15. For additional information contact the school guidance office or call 301-699-2800.





## **City of Greenbelt Christmas/New Year** Holiday

SERVICE SCHEDULE

City Offices will be closed on: FRIDAY, DECEMBER 24<sup>TH</sup> AND FRIDAY, DECEMBER 31<sup>ST</sup> The Greenbelt Connection will not run these days.

Refuse/Recycling collections will be on their regular schedule. The next scheduled appliance and yard waste collection will be on Friday, January 7, 2000.

For more information call the Department of Public Works at 301-474-8000, the Greenbelt Connection at 301-474-4100 or visit Greenbelt CityLink at http://www.ci.greenbelt.md.us

Fri. John Malkovich (7:30) Sat. Buena Vista (5:15@\$4.00), 9:40 Sun. John Malkovich (7:30) Buena Vista (5:15@\$4.00) Mon-Tue. John Malkovich (7:30) Wed, Ends Tonight! John Malkovich (7:30) Thurs. Three Days Only! It's a Wonderful Life (7:30 @\$ 4.00) Dec. 25 - Jan. 4 Stanley Kubrick Festival Clockwork Orange-Full Metal Jacket - Lolita 301-474-9744 301-474-9745

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## **Umpires Are Sought**

The Prince George's County Boys & Girls Club is looking for people with baseball experience who enjoy working with young people to become umpires for the year 2000 baseball season. The leagues are for ages 10-16, and they will commence in May and run through July. Prospective umpires will receive training from experts — at no cost — in baseball rules and field mechanics starting in February.

Anyone interested in becoming a baseball umpire and having fun while earning extra income should call 301-249-5858, TTY 301-699-2544; www.pgparks.com. This program is sponsored by the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission, Department of Parks and Recreation, Prince George's County. Accommodations for individuals with disabilities are available upon request.

#### **Museum News**

#### by Sandra Lange

The Greenbelt Museum, 10-B Crescent Road, is decorated for the holidays. A tree with ornaments from the 1930s and 1940s is in the living room. A metal wind-up train donated by pioneer Lucille Howell surrounds the tree. Museum hours are 1-5 p.m. every Sunday.

The Greenbelt Museum Gift Shop will be open on Sunday, December 19 for last-minute shopping. Gifts will also be sold at the Greenbelt Co-op on Saturday, December 18 and Sunday December 19, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The Millennium Calendar and the new cookbook, "Greenbelt Cooks-Then and Now," are distinctive gifts to be treasured for many years. The cookbook has over 100 recipes from pioneer families and present-day Greenbelters. A new ornament with "Holiday Greetings from Greenbelt" is another specialty item this year. The new Izzy Parker holiday card is sold out, but there are still a few packages left of the David Granahan holiday card. Other favorite Greenbelt holiday gifts are the Mother and Child statuette and the Greenbelt history book. The museum also has a lot of small wooden toys, marbles, musical instruments and children's books for stocking stuffers.

The Greenbelt Museum will be closed on two Sundays, December 26 and January 2. Also, the exhibition room in the Community Center will be closed on New Year's Eve.

## **Babysitting Course**

## **Community Events**

## At the Library

**Children's Program** 

Tuesday, December 21, P. J. Storytime at 7 p.m., for ages 4 - 6

Libraries closed Friday, Saturday and Sunday, December 24 - 26.

## GIAC Holds Logo Contest

The Greenbelt Internet Access Co-op (GIAC) needs ideas for a GIAC logo.

Individuals wishing to enter a logo for consideration by the membership may do so before Sunday, January 2.

The latest entries can be viewed at http://greenbelt.com/giac/ logos.htm.

E-mail entries bates@greenbelt.com.

After January 2 voting will be open for three days, January 3 - 5, with one account getting one vote. Results will be announced at the board meeting on Thursday, January 6.

Send votes to bates@ greenbelt.com after January 2.

Recreation Review

## **Recreation Review**

Registrations for Countdown Camp, to be held from December 27 - 31, are still being accepted at the Community Center office. Call 301-397-2208 for more details. Countdown the final days of 1999 with New Year crafts and rituals from around the world.

Get the new year off to a healthy start with a hearty morning swim – the Annual Resolution Mile Swim at the Greenbelt Aquatic & Fitness Center. Pre-registration is required. Call 301-397-2204 for more information.

## La Leche League Meets December 21

La Leche League of Greenbelt will meet on Tuesday, December 21, at 10 a.m. at Holy Cross Lutheran Church, 6905 Greenbelt Road. The topic of the meeting is "Planning for Baby." Pregnant and breastfeeding mothers are invited to attend. Babies are welcome. For more information, please call Heather at 301-345-1859 or Mary at 301-345-4589.

## **GED Courses by CARES Start Winter Program**

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Greenbelt CARES will begin the winter 10-week GED course on Thursday, January 13. It will end on Thursday, March 23. Registration for the course will be held on Thursday, January 13, from 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., only. The first class will be held on Tuesday, January 18.

GED I is held from 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. GED I is for students who need review of basic math (addition, subtraction, multiplication, division, fractions, decimals, percentages and word problems) and English grammar skills.

GED II is held from 1 - 3 p.m. GED II is for students who have successfully completed GED I and/or are ready to learn algebra and geometry. English literature and writing skills, and prepare to take the GED test.

GED classes are held every Tuesday and Thursday for 10 weeks, in the Municipal Building Conference Room, 25 Crescent Road. Students are required to show proof of residency (i.e., cur-

Greenbelt CARES will begin rent lease, phone or electric bill, e winter 10-week GED course Thursday, January 13. It will I.D. card).

There is no charge for Greenbelt residents in either course. Non-Greenbelt residents are required to pay a \$100 registration fee. All students are required to purchase a copy of the GED textbook (purchased from Greenbelt CARES) at a cost of \$14.

Students do not have to be 16 years of age to take the GED course. Students are eligible to take a GED pre-test given at Greenbelt CARES at no cost. The actual GED test is given by the state of Maryland, not Greenbelt CARES. However, students ready to take the test can obtain the application forms from Greenbelt CARES.

Questions and enrollment information regarding GED I or GED II should be directed to Judye Hering, course instructor, at Greenbelt CARES, at 301-345-6660, ext. 144.



### Golden Age Club by Ruth Huggins

At the December 8 meeting, program chair Mary Gardner introduced Cathy Clerico, assistant manager and Kathy Panarella, site manager of Laurel Lakes Apartments, a privately-owned development for senior citizens which plans to open around February 1. They answered many questions, handed out brochures and provided light refreshments.

John Taylor, travel chair, is signing up members interested in the April 4 trip to the Charlie Rose show. More information later.

Pearl Siegel, corresponding secretary, read a letter of appreciation from the National World War II Memorial Fund organization.

Ellie Rimar, membership chair, welcomed new member Ruth Edwards.

### **Greenbelt CARES**

Wendy Wexler held the last session of the Teen Discussion Group at Eleanor Roosevelt High School. She will be conducting interviews with students interested in participating in the next group starting in January.

Judye Hering is publicizing the CARES winter free babysitting course. The course will be held in the Municipal Building on Wednesday, December 29 from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. It is targeted toward students currently in grades 5 - 8 and teaches responsibility and safety issues of babysitting.

Hering attended the final meeting of the Engaged Campus on December 9. The Engaged Campus is a collaborative effort between the University of Maryland and local community agencies with university student interns, vol-

## The Combined Choir Concert Is Dec. 19

The Greenbelt Combined Choir concert will be Sunday, December 19 at 7:30 p.m. in the Community Church. Jean Cook is once again directing the choir. Mary Shipley is pianist and organist.

The program includes a traditional English carol, as well as the spiritual "What You Gonna Call Your Pretty Little Baby?," a calypso carol "Who's Gonna Tell the Story?," and "An American Carol Sampler," which is folk carols all composed and popular during the 1800's. Soloists will be Rena Hull, Mary Hillstrom, Jim Tilton, Ralph Webb, Ginny Wells and Ginny Williams.

## Save the Green Belt Displays Light Show

On December 18, from 6 - 9 p.m. (rain date December 19), the public is invited to walk or drive along Northway and "be dazzled by an array of colored lanterns," reports the Committee to Save the Green Belt. The seasonal display, from 6 - 9 p.m. only, is the work of the Committee. For more information call 301-474-6708.

unteers and service-learning opportunities. The University received a grant to report its findings and develop a model of an Engaged Campus for future use by other academic settings.

During the month of November 19 families on average were seen for counseling services at CARES. The weekly average of individuals was 40; the weekly average of youths was 15. Approximately 56 students received tutoring assistance.



Friday, December 31 6 p.m. to 1 a.m.

## Offered by CARES

Greenbelt CARES Youth and Family Services Bureau offers a winter session free babysitting course on Wednesday morning, December 29, from 10 a.m. - 1 p.m., in the first floor conference room, in the Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road.

The course is targeted toward students in grades 5 - 8. Students will learn responsibility and health and safety issues of taking care of children, as well as learning about poison control and fire prevention.

Students who complete the course will receive a certificate of completion and be eligible to participate in Greenbelt CARES' Odd Jobs/Job Bank program.

For additional information and enrollment call 301-345-6660.

Landless Theater's A Christmas Carol

> and other Holiday treats with traditional choral selections for the whole family. Dec. 17, 18, 19 at 8 pm at Greenbelt Arts Center

Tickets: \$10; \$8 students & seniors Information & Reservations: 301-441-8770 THIS WEEK ONLY!

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Tickets go on sale December 1 at the Community		\$7.00 children under 5 are FREE!
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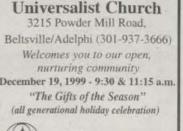
## ATF Breaks Ground For Lab in County

The Alchohol, Tobacco and Firearms (ATF) Agency broke ground for a new National Laboratory Center (NLC) on December 8. The new facility will be located at 6001 Ammendale Road in Beltsville.

The facility will replace the existing NLC in Rockville and will add a new component, a Fire Investigation Research and Education (F.I.R.E.) Center. The new F.I.R.E. Center will be one of only a dozen major fire research centers in the world and will be the first fire research laboratory in the world dedicated to supporting criminal investigations.

### Census Jobs Opening

The Bureau of the Census is recruiting (temporary) census takers and crew leaders. A test of 28 questions measures ability in reading, clerical, numerical, evaluative and organizational skills and will be given on December 18 in the Community Center. Hourly wages and mileage reimbursement are provided. For more information call 301-209-7562.



Paint Branch Unitarian

led by Barbara Wells and Jaco B. ten Hove, Co-ministers

Condolences to Resa and

Hugh Jascourt of Maplewood Court on the death of her mother, Rose Zall, 92. Grandsons Leigh of Tempe, AZ, and Stephen, of Westway in Greenbelt, joined their parents at services at an Annapolis synagogue last week. Friends and family were sad-

dened to learn of Steve Gingell's death December 14. Our sympathy to sister Karen Smith, brother Ron Gingell and niece Penny Smith.

While most Americans are celebrating the holiday season at home or with family, Navy Seaman David J. Grego, son of David J. Grego of Ridge Road, is scheduled to spend the holidays forward deployed to Yokosuka, Japan, aboard the Seventh Fleet Flagship USS Blue Ridge.

"Golly, I'm glad." That's a quote from Dave Meadows, manager of Old Greenbelt Citgo on Southway, announcing the return of Kelvin Amick as a mechanic. This gives the Citgo three full-time mechanics in addition to Meadows. Stop in for a visit over the holidays to say hello and welcome Kelvin back.

Congratulations to former Greenbelter Michael and wife Carol Sucher of Fairlee, VT, on the birth of Rachel Evelyn on December 8. Proud grandparents are Joe and Dorothy Sucher (she is the noted author and a long time News Review staffer). Rachel Evelyn's maternal grandparents are Amy Hausner of New Jersey and Mel and Frieda Hausner of New York.

Greenbelt resident Aaron Faulkner helped Indiana University of Pennsylvania men's basketball team to victory with 14 points over Kutztown recently. He also had a career-high 18 points to lead IUP to victory over Westminster with its sixth straight win.





Mayor Judith Davis receives donations for ACE's Buy-A-Book Basket at Labor Day Festival table.

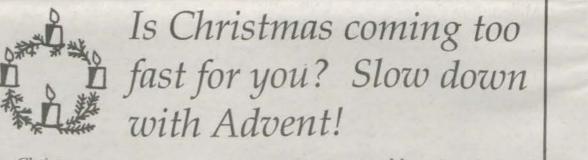
### Buy a Book Program Sponsored by ACE

As part of its mission to support Greenbelt schools, the Greenbelt Advisory Committee on Education (ACE) is sponsoring a "Buy-a-Book" program. The purpose of the program is to give parents, grandparents, friends and civic groups in the Greenbelt community an opportunity to make a contribution to their school's library collections in order to improve educational resources available to the children.

ACE has collected wish lists from the schools that Greenbelt children attend as their neighborhood school: Greenbelt Elementary, Springhill Lake Elementary, Magnolia Elementary, St. Hugh's, Greenbelt Middle, Robert Goddard Middle and Eleanor Roosevelt High School. ACE has collected the lists in notebooks and given them to two local bookstores – Crown Books at Greenway Center and Bookland at Beltway Plaza.

Individuals who would like to participate in the Buy-a-Book program can request the notebook "wish lists" at the book store's counter and check out what books the school would find most beneficial. After purchasing the book, participants can present them to the school themselves or bring them to the Greenbelt CARES office in Greenbelt. ACE and the Greenbelt schools have bookplates for those individuals who would like to fill them out to honor a special student or use as a memorial.

ACE Buy-a-Book Chair Bart Byers explains, "Donating a book to a school during the holidays is a nice way to recognize a child's teacher. We suggest the program as one idea for those having a difficult time finding just the right gift because it is something the whole school will enjoy."



The Christmas season seems to start sooner every year. Many stores put up Christmas decorations the day after Halloween! We are pressured to engage in a two-month spending frenzy. The anxiety builds as the shopping days dwindle. So many gifts that still need to be bought! So many parties to attend! So many family gatherings to plan! No wonder we often feel deflated when Christmas Day finally arrives!

There is an alternative. For thousands of years Christian people have observed the four weeks before Christmas as the season of Advent. This is a time of quiet, spiritual reflection – during which we prepare for the coming of God into the world as a human being named Jesus.

We invite you to experience Advent at your local Episcopal (Anglican)



OBITUARY

### Steve Gingell

Steve Gingell died December 14, 1999. Steve began battling brain cancer this past summer and gave up the fight early Tuesday morning.

Steve is survived by a sister, Karen Smith, a brother, Ron, and niece Penny Smith.

A viewing will be held Thursday, December 16, from 3 to 5 p.m. and from 7 to 9 p.m., at Gasch's Funeral Home in Hyattsville. The funeral will be held on Friday, December 17 at 11 a.m. at the Mowatt Methodist Church, 40 Ridge Road. There will be a reception at the home of Kevin and Frann Fendlay, 10 Greenknolls Place, following the funeral. Steve's ashes will be buried at the Greenbelt Cemetery, alongside his mother, Mae Gingell.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Greenbelt Little League, P.O. Box 382, Greenbelt, MD 20770.

## Save the Green Belt Displays Light Show

On December 18, from 6 - 9 p.m. (rain date December 19), the public is invited to walk or drive along Northway and "be dazzled by an array of colored lanterns," reports the Committee to Save the Green Belt. The seasonal display, from 6 - 9 p.m. only, is the work of the Committee. For more information call 301-474-6708.



Church...

St. George's, Glenn Dale Lanham-Severn Road at Glenn Dale Road 301-262-3285 Stgeogd@aol.com www.stgeo.org Sundays: 9:00 & 11:00 a.m. Wednesdays: 6:30 p.m.

St. Barnabas', Upper Marlboro 14111 Oak Grove Road 301-249-9671 Lharris@queenanne.org www.stbarnabas.net Sundays: 7:30 & 10:00 a.m., 6:00 p.m.

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Holy Trinity, Bowie 13106 Annapolis Road 301-262-5353 dandrews@umd5.umd.edu www.us.net/edow/5/htb/ Sundays: 8:00 & 9:30 a.m. Wednesdays: 10:00 a.m.

**St. James', Bowie** 13010 8th Street at Chapel Avenue 301-262-4442 StJamesBowie@juno.com Sundays: 9:00 & 11:00 a.m.



The Amazons and the Hippopotami celebrate their victory over the flood and the Very Noisy Tourists. From left: Michaela Haber, Melissa Forsythe, Elizabeth Hammett, Annie Lemieux and Jacquelene Kittrell.

- photo by Randy Barth

## Local Youth Theater Stages "Hippo" Whimsy

The Greenbelt Arts Center's Youth Theater members are hard at work preparing the Arts Center's contribution to the community's Millennium revels. "The Hippopotamus who is . wanted to be a Classical Ballerina," a play by Sheilah Crossley-Cox with songs by Trix Whitehall. This is a significant and amusing dramatization of the fortunes of a charming hippopotamus, Cleopota, and her friends as they discuss career choices, relate to the world around them, battle natural and man-made disasters, and instruct unthinking intruders in the ethics of conservation and human relations. The serious

## The BooKids Enjoy Millennium Party

#### by Timothy, Mark and Joey Nutwell

December 8, the On BooKids at the Greenbelt Library had a millennium party. The group ate pizza from Generous Joe's. While waiting for the pizza they discussed the books by Mary Downing Hahn enjoyed themselves.

BooKids is a program at the Greenbelt Library where children ages 8 through 12 talk about their favorite books and authors. Kids read books by their favorite authors and find out about other books and authors as well. Mrs. Jane (Jane Lydon), one of the children's librarians, leads the program.

BooKids meets the second Wednesday of the month from basis of this moral tale is leavened by a whimsical and frequently amusing approach to the delivery of the message.

There will be two performances during the evening at 6:30 p.m. (right after the fireworks) and 8:30 p.m. Admission is only by New Year 2000 ticket, obtainable at the Community Center.

## Nominations Accepted For P.G. Volunteers

Nominations for the Prince George's 2000 Volunteer of the Year Awards are now being accepted. Citizens of Prince George's County are requested to identify and nominate individuals, groups, fraternities, and sororities, businesses or corporations who have contributed their time, efforts and talents to improve the quality of life for residents. Previous nominees who were not selected for an award may be re-nominated. Prince George's Volunteer Center is distributing the nominations.

Winners will be announced that they had been reading for and presented their awards at the last month. Everyone there the Prince George's Volunteer of the Year Awards on Thursday, March 23, at 6 p.m. at Martin's Crosswinds, Greenbelt, MD. Deadline for nominations is January 15. Call 301-699-2800 to receive a nomination form.

Water lily is typical of artist Manuel Lopez' works in his art show, Paradise Found, cur-

rently on display at the Municipal Conference **Room Gallery.** 

- photo by Manny Lopez II

### Paradise Found: Floral Photography

The floral photography of Manuel Lopez, member of the Greenbelt Photography Club, will be on view through January 27 in the Municipal Conference Room Gallery, 25 Crescent Road. The show includes ten works by Lopez; the majority are richly-colored close range photographs of tropical flowers taken by Lopez on a visit to Hawaii in August this year. The Gallery is open to visitors when not otherwise in use between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

The public is invited to attend a reception and gallery talk with the artist on Monday, January 10, from 7 - 8 p.m., prior to the city council meeting.

Manuel Lopez is a native of the Philippines who also lived in Guam before relocating to this area. He currently lives in Prince George's County and has been pursuing photography as a hobby since the early 1980s. The 1999 Greenbelt Labor Day Photography

Catholic

Community

of Greenbelt

**Christmas Eve Mass** 

6:00 PM

**Sunday Mass** 

10:00 AM

Municipal Building

Show was his first exhibition; all four of the photographs he entered were awarded prizes. The exhibit currently at the Municipal Building is Lopez' first solo show.

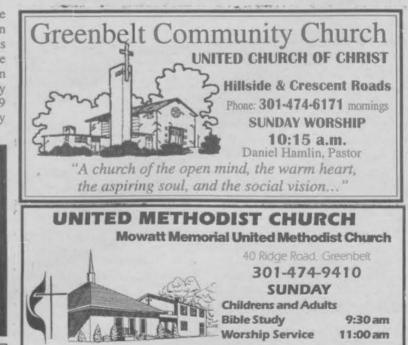
For more information call Arts Coordinator Nicole DeWald at 301-474-8000.

### **Activity Volunteers**

The Holiday Project is seeking volunteers to join hundreds of area volunteers visiting people in nursing homes, hospitals and other institutions on holidays throughout the year. Call Bobby Anderson at 703-370-1156.

## American Red Cross **Seeks Volunteers**

The Prince George's Chapter of the American Red Cross is seeking volunteers for the following opportunities: disaster relief team, data entry, clerical, switchboard operator, health and safety services, course instructors, HIV/AIDS education, financial development, public relations and customer services. To get specific information on how to get active with the Prince George's County Chapter of the American Red Cross, call Stephawn Stephans at 301-559-8500, ext. 22.





3:30 to 4:30 p.m..

On January 12, 2000, BooKids will meet again. A famous author, Hahn, will be visiting the group and telling them about her books and answering questions. Hahn was a children's librarian at the Greenbelt Library.

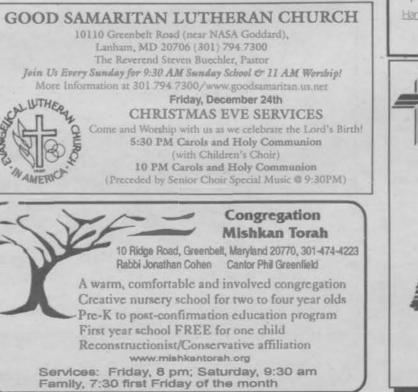
### **Baha'i Faith**

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ation about the Baha'l Faith is on the World Wide Web at http://www.bahai.org/



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## A Christmas Carol At Arts Center

The Arts Center Christmas production will be highlighted by an original adaptation of the classic Dickens novel "A Christmas Carol," featuring traditional holiday carols in choral form. The ghosts of Christmas Past, Present and Future team up with Jacob Morley to put stingy old Ebeneezer Scrooge in the Christmas spirit. The Arts Center will present this program for one weekend only - Friday through Sunday, December 17, 18, and 19, with shows each day at 8 p.m.

This lively, fast-paced production is geared for all ages - a show for the entire family. The production also features a short one-act prelude, "The Land of Counterpane," which captures the joy of childhood and the mystery of growing up.

For information and directions to the Greenbelt Arts Center call 301-441-8770 or visit the website at http://www.greenbelt.com/ artscenter.

## Herbert Wells Ice **Rink Special Events**

The Herbert Wells Ice Rink is sponsoring a variety of skating events:

Santa arrives by Zamboni on Saturday, December 18 at 2 p.m. Naughty or nice; visit with Santa from 2 - 4 p.m. There is a fee.

Family Night is held on Sundays from 7 - 9 p.m. Up to four children can be admitted free with a paying mom or dad (does not include skate rental).

There are many other special activities at the ice rink (see ad on page 16). For further information call 301-277-3717; TTY 301-249-4252; www.pgparks.com. The Herbert Wells Ice Rink is located at 5211 Paint Branch Parkway in College Park.

Accommodations for individuals with disabilities are available upon request. Please contact the facility two weeks in advance of the program start date. Additionally, the Department of Parks and Recreation requests 72 hour advance notice for the provision of sign language interpreters.

## **Holiday Volunteer Opportunities**

The Senior Adult Care Center of Greenbelt needs volunteers to help out during the holidays. For information please call 202-628-3844.



Children visiting with Santa and Little Miss Greenbelt Shaine Siegel on December 8 at the Youth Center.

-photo by Stephen Catterton

#### **Caroling this Friday** Milt Mortman Shows The Michelle Ming family in-

vites Greenbelters to join them for traditional Christmas caroling on Friday, December 17, from 7-8:30 p.m. Meet at the Community Center. For more information, call 301-552-3747.

## Legion to Host **Christmas Party**

Greenbelt American Legion, Post 136, is holding a free children's Christmas party on Saturday, December 18 at 1 p.m., at the Legion home at 6900 Greenbelt Road. All children 12 years old and under are welcome. Parents are invited to bring cameras. Entertainment will include Santa and the Elves, as well as Dancing Dogs.

## **Historic Riversdale Candlelight** Tour

Step back in time to an early nineteenth century winter evening at Riversdale on December 27 and 28, from 7 to 9 p.m. Living history interpreters will re-create scenes of domestic life at this historic house museum. Visitors will day. tour the rooms by candlelight, and docents will be on hand to answer questions. There will also sweets known as Haroset. be live music and light refreshments. There is a fee. Children over Seder ceremony. This under five are free.

The mansion is located at 4811 Riverdale Road in the town of Riverdale Park. Call 301-864- celebratory occasion. 0420 for details.

Holiday Sweet Blends Milton Mortman of Hanover Parkway has been invited to

demonstrate Jewish cooking/ baking at this year's Smithsonian Institution Holiday Celebration.

The holiday celebration provides visitors with an opportunity to witness the ways our ethnically rich nation celebrates during this festive time when families come together to reaffirm their common heritage. The recipes, arts, and crafts featured in the celebration reflect the contemporary and centuries-old traditions of creating special foods and artwork

The holiday celebration is free and open to the public. It will be held from Sunday, December 26 through Tuesday, December 28, at the National Museum of American History, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. Mortman will be demonstrating on Sunday, December 26 and Tuesday, December 28 from noon to 4 p.m. on each

Mortman will demonstrate the making of a blend of

Haroset is part of the Passrecipe may also be used throughout the year whenever a blend of sweets is needed on a

## **Gray Panthers Hold Community Potluck**

The Greenbelt Gray Panthers will participate in the celebration of this holiday season by sponsoring a potluck supper to be held in the dining room of the Greenbelt Community Center. The general public - singles, couples, and families - are encouraged to attend. They will be sharing favorite potluck food items along with memories of holidays or other celebrations of the past. The gathering will take place on Saturday, December 18, between 5 and 7 p.m. It is a great opportunity to meet old neighbors or make new friends.

The Gray Panthers are an organization whose members, of every age, race and gender, are dedicated to peace and social justice, including health care for all, quality education, and jobs with justice. Those planning to attend or desiring more information are asked to call 301-474-6890 or 301-474-6668.

## **SHL Students Give Multicultural Program**

Springhill Lake Elementary School (SHL) will present "Celebrate 1999," a multicultural program in the performing arts. This free program will be held Tuesday, December 21 at 7 p.m. at Eleanor Roosevelt High School. Students from the school will be featured in the schoolwide winter program.

Everyone is invited to attend. Please RSVP at 301-513-5996 or fax to 301-513-5314.

## **Greeting Cards** Can Be Recycled

The Greenbelt Recycling and Environment Advisory Committee will once again arrange for greeting card recycling. These cards will go to a charitable organization, which will make new cards from them to benefit and support for the organization. Please cut the backs off cards and place the fronts in the box in the front of Co-op Supermarket between December 27 and January 14.

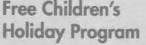
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South Laurel Recreation Council volunteers invite children and families to the Annual Children's Holiday Program on Sunday, December 19 at 7 p.m. in the multi-purpose room of the Deerfield Run Community Center located at 13000 Laurel-Bowie Road (Route 197 by Contee Road) in South Laurel.

This free holiday program will feature a puppet show, holiday music, candy canes, and a visit with Santa and his friends. The Blue Sky Puppet Theatre will present "Pigs at the Pole."

For further information and/ or directions, call the Council at 301-776-2805.

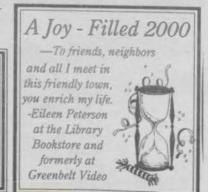
## **Ring in the New Year** Help Out New Deal

The grand opening of the New Deal Café will coincide with the Greenbelt First Night festivities on December 31. Volunteers are needed to ensure that the first night of the new millennium --- and the first night for the New Deal Café on Roosevelt Mall - runs smoothly for patrons.

Volunteers will work the counter and serve patrons. Each person who gives of his or her time will receive free admission to First Night, a free t-shirt and a complimentary meal courtesy of the New Deal Café. Live music and a family atmosphere promise to make this a memorable evening.

For more information about how to help, call 301-474-5642.





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#### **GREENBELT NEWS REVIEW**

## Y2K

#### (Continued from page 1)

Inn, the Greenbelt Marriott, and Martin's Crosswinds. The Holiday Inn expects a group of 800 to 1,000 people and 200 people will attend a party at the Marriott. The Community Center is the focal point of Greenbelt's New Year's celebration, co-sponsored by the city and the Recreation Department. Over 2,000 people are expected to be in and around the gymnasium. The building's generator has been tested and is Y2K compliant. A modified generator has also been added to provide heat to the building if the power should go out, according to Ferguson.

The Public Works Department director will also be stationed at the Greenbelt Emergency Command Center located at the Police Department starting at noon on December 31 to give directions to crews that may have to work if a problem should occur. Three-way radio systems will be used at the command center for all operations. Additionally, the generator at the police department has been modified so that operations at the command center will not be interrupted during the New Year.

The Public Works Department also has pre-ordered road salt and gasoline for city trucks. Gasoline pumps owned by the city will be able to operate manually during

#### Y2K Preparations

The following preparations for Y2K were suggested by Steve Kave of the Greenbelt Y2K group:

#### Preparations for Y2K

Stock at least a three day supply of water, canned goods, grains, and dehydrated food.

Water heaters and toilet tanks are good sources of fresh water.

Do not use combustible fuels which cause deadly carbon monoxide to form.

Kerosene and propane are good to use because they cause no carbon monoxide.

Outside grills can be used for cooking.

Keep layers of clothing and blankets for all home dwellers.

Install battery operated smoke alarms.

First-aid kits should be handy. Get prescription medicines

filled. Have medical records on

hand and don't schedule surgery in the first week of Januthe time period. Moreover, approximately 25 stop signs were ordered by Public Works if traffic lights in the city should go out. All traffic lights are owned by the county or state and have been checked for Y2K, according to Ferguson.

Greenbelt does not have a computerized water system, so there should be no problems, he said. Just in case of mishap though, Public works is maintaining a list of all water shut-off valves in the city.

"The City of Greenbelt is compliant with the Washington Council of Governments and the President's Council on Year 2000 Conversion as a result of these preparations," Ferguson said.

#### Public Safety Issues

"I am here to redress specific operation plans to meet the Y2K challenge," Lt. Tom Kemp of the Greenbelt Police, said.

Forty Greenbelt officers will be on call from December 29 through January 4, working under a fourlevel operation of contingency. Patrol shifts will be expanded to 12 hours and a special force used for extremely severe problems will be on patrol from noon December 31 to noon January 2. The command post will be located at police headquarters, and a minimum of two officers will be designated at police substations at Beltway Plaza, the Community Center, and Springhill Lake.

Volunteerism will also be very high during the New Year. The Greenbelt Citizens Police Academy Association is allowing 10 volunteers to help the police, according to Kemp

#### Other Areas of Readiness

Prince George's County officials have verified 100 percent of the county's core critical systems and 90 percent of their total systems are Y2K compliant, according to Ferguson. The county will have its own emergency operation center, with which Greenbelt will be in hourly contact during the New Year. The county will also have a live satellite link to New Zealand, one of the first countries where the millennium will hit. This will allow a 13-hour notice for the United States.

On the state level, the governor does not expect any problems and the Maryland Emergency Management Association (MEMA) is treating Y2K as if it were any other emergency problem.

Local utilities, including PEPCO, are ready for the millennium. It will rely on manual power if there should be a problem with its computer systems.

Ferguson also pointed out that the 911 system will not be able to handle an overwhelming number of calls during the New Year. He asked that people wanting to know the status of Y2K at the time of the New Year should call 301-Y2K-1999, the Prince George's County Year 2000 information hotline.

#### Worst Thing

Major Judith Davis expressed her appreciation for the months and months of work on the Y2K project by Ferguson and other city staff members. "I think that the

## Seniors Need Help Learning about PCs

PC Seniors, a program designed to help seniors become computer literate, is seeking volunteer computer instructors with knowledge of Microsoft Works and IBM compatible computers. For more information, call Doris Anderson at 301-248-7004.

worst thing that will happen is nothing," she said.

#### Home Preparedness

"I want to congratulate the community of Greenbelt about being so conscientious with Y2K," Steve Kave of the Greenbelt Y2K Group, said. "Greenbelt is in the top one percent of some 80,000 communities in the country," he said.

"If you haven't started preparing now, don't wait until the last minute. It would take up to three hours to empty the Co-op and three days to restock it," Kave said.

Kave provided his recommended list of preparations for Y2K (see box).

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Be aware of neighbors around you and let them know your plans for the New Year.

Be aware of people that may be at risk (elderly, handicapped, etc.) if problems arise.

Be aware of Y2K scams. Major Judith Davis ex-

pressed her appreciation for the months and months of work on the Y2K project by Ferguson and other city staff members. "I think that the worst thing that will happen is nothing," she said. dining 3 times per day.

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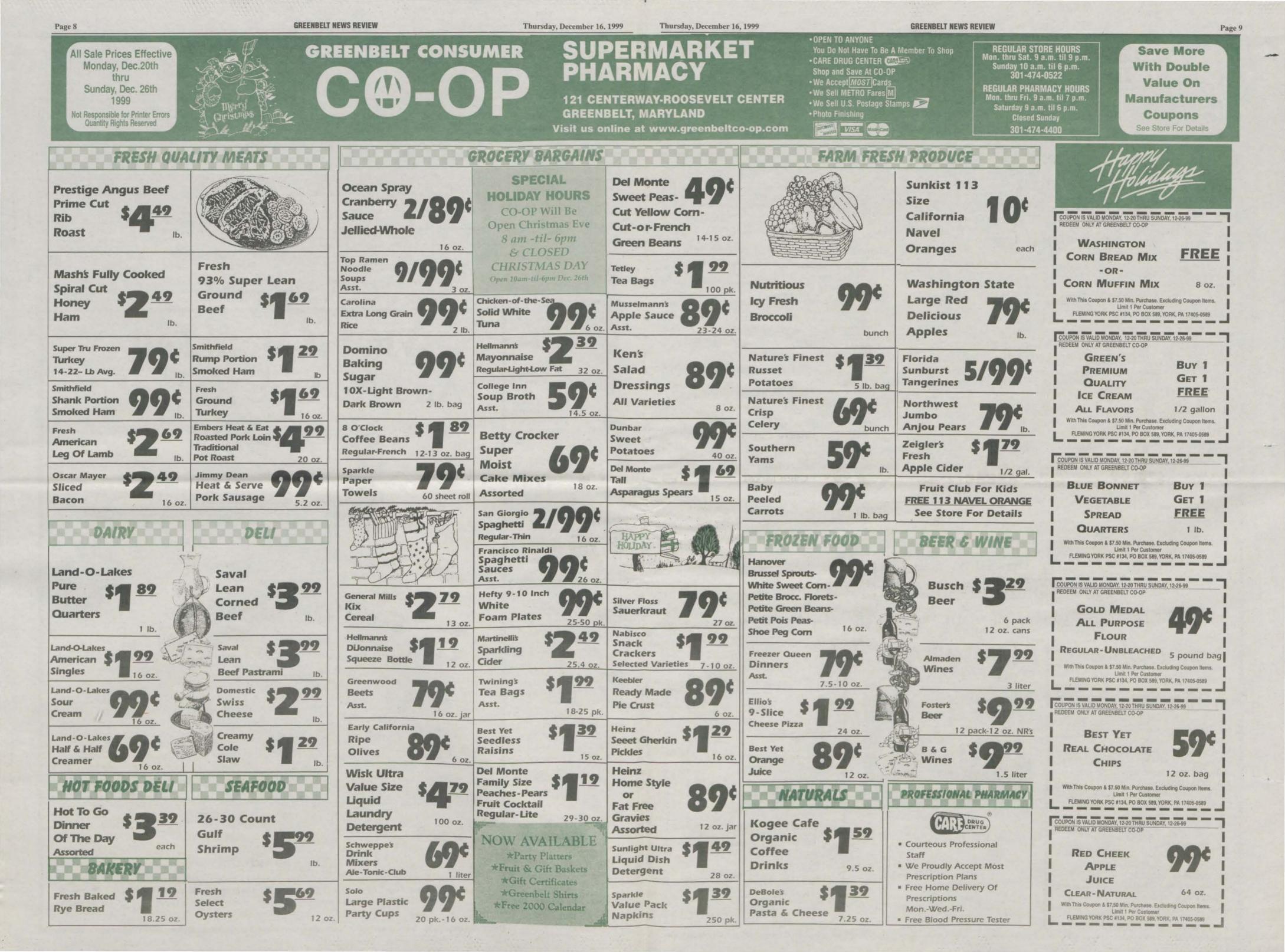
 The Sara's Garden Program, a secured setting for people with Alzheimer's disease and other memory impairments

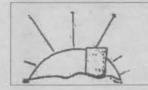
For more information, please call 301-486-1590 or 888-778-4725 toll-free

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## Weichert Recognizes **Top Selling Agents**

Weichert Realtors recently recognized several high achievers in their Greenbelt office. President James M. Weichert announced Pam Kay was the associate with Top Listings Obtained and Top Listings Sold, with six new listings and eight units/listings sold for the month of October. Kay also attained Top Producer and Most Sales distinctions, with a top sales volume of over one million dollars.

Josephine Mourning was honored for October sales production of over one-half million dollars, with four new transactions. She is an 11year real estate professional whose entire career has been Weichert in the with Greenbelt office.

An agent with Weichert for the past seven months, Kenneth Aderotoye was also recognized, with sales production of over one-half million dollars through four new and completed sales. Aderotoye is a four-year sales agent who recently joined Weichert.

Greenbelt businesses are encouraged to send their stories for this page

## **Greenbelt's Business**

## **Clifton Gunderson Promotions Staff**

Clifton Gunderson L.L.C. announced two promotions in its Greenbelt office.

Turkessa Massiah was promoted to the position of In-Charge Accountant. Sam Abayne was promoted to the position of Federal Contracts Manager.

#### **Kudos to Businesses**

Among nominees for "Excellence in Business" awards given by the Prince George's County Chamber of Commerce in November were Cetrone's Restaurant, Jasper's Restaurant, and the Lions Eye and Tissue Bank. The Chamber made the awards at a luncheon at the Greenbelt Marriott.

Honorees distinguished themselves "by establishing a reputation for quality, innovation and entrepreneurial spirit."

## Chung to IRS Council

John Chung, co-owner of a Greenbelt tax firm, Moryadas Associates, L.L.C., has been appointed to the Internal Review Service Advisory Council. The council provides a Housing and Urban Developpublic forum for raising, ment (HUD), and started his studying, and making recommendations on tax administration as well as IRS restructuring and modernization



## Giant and DRC Agree

The Disability Rights Council of Greater Washington (DRC), and Giant Food, Inc. (Giant), the area's largest grocery retailer, announced a settlement agreement under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Giant will take steps to ensure that persons with disabilities are provided full and equal access to Giant supermarkets in Washington, Maryland and Virginia. The DRC and Giant speak of the agreement as showing the effectiveness of cooperative efforts between advocacy organizations and responsible businesses to implement the equal access promises of the



## Robinson, Griffin Join Coldwell

ADA.

Tammy Robinson and Douglas Griffin have transferred to the Greenbelt office of Coldwell Banker Stevens, Realtors as sales associates. Robinson worked for a regional real estate company prior to joining the company. Previously, Griffin worked for several local real estate companies, as a realty specialist at own real estate company. He has a broker's license in Washington, D.C. and an associate broker's license in Maryland.

The Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting was awarded to the City of Greenbelt by the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) for its comprehensive annual financial report (CAFR). The Certificate of Achievement is the highest form of recognition in the area of governmental accounting and financial reporting, and its attainment represents a significant accomplishment by a government and its management.

City and Treasurer Awarded Certificate

An Award of Financial Reporting Achievement has been awarded to the individual desig-

## **Clifton Gunderson** Has New Consultant

Clifton Gunderson L.L.C. announced that Robert J. Braunstein joined the firm as a consultant in its Greenbelt office

Braunstein specializes in strategic planning and performance improvement. He has more than 25 years of experience in organizational analysis, performance management, business process engineering, strategic planning and performance improvement, and human resources management. Much of his work focuses on researching, writing, training and providing expertise to better define and engineer effective organizational and individual performance systems.

Before joining Clifton Gunderson, Braunstein was an Independent Management Consultant providing a variety of services for the National Academy of Public Administration and other organizations in the public sector.

nated by the government as primarily responsible for preparing the award-winning CAFR. This award was presented to Jeffrey L. Williams, City Treasurer.

The CAFR is judged by an impartial panel as meeting the high standards of the program including demonstrating a constructive "spirit of full disclosure" to clearly communicate its financial story and motivate potential users and user groups to read the CAFR.

The GFOA is a nonprofit professional association serving approximately 13,500 government finance professionals with offices in Chicago, Illinois, and Washington, D.C.

## Federal Data Corp. Gets FAA Contract

Congressman Steny H. Hoyer announced the award of a \$3.6 million contract to the Federal Data Corporation in Greenbelt by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA). The services provided by the local corporation will help the FAA increase safety and security in airports nationwide.

Federal Data Corporation will provide the FAA with training for airport security screeners, and top level maintenance for new detection equipment. They will also train and provide FAA security agents in the field who will oversee compliance of the security regulations

This contract is the result of Vice-President Gore's Commission on Aviation Safety and Se-The Commission curity. made a variety of recommendations to enhance safety and security. Fulfilling those recommendations has become one of the FAA's biggest priorities.



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#### **GREENBELT NEWS REVIEW**

## **POLICE BLOTTER**

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

#### Assault

At Willy K's in the 7200 block of Hanover Drive, Dec. 5, 2:08 a.m., a person was punched in the face by a 28year-old male nonresident. The assailant was arrested and charged with assault and disorderly conduct; he was released to the Department of Corrections for presentation before a district court commissioner.

#### Drugs

500 block of Crescent Road, Dec. 10, 3:07 a.m., a 35-yearold male nonresident was arrested and charged with possession of drug paraphernalia after he was found to have a pipe commonly used to smoke marijuana. He was released on citation pending trial.

#### Indecent Exposure

Marshall's in Beltway Plaza Mall, Dec. 7, 6:56 p.m., a man exposed himself and then fled. The suspect is described as black, 20 to 25 years of age, 5'9" and 150 lbs., with black hair and mustache and goatee. He was wearing a yellow and blue jacket, a grey t-shirt, and tan boots.

#### **Burglary and Theft**

6400 block of Golden Triangle Drive, Dec. 3, 12:48 p.m., checks were taken from an office suite.

Dec. 3, 4:39 p.m., a residential burglary was reported. Entry was gained by way of an unlocked front door. Nothing appeared to have been taken.

T.G.I. Friday's on Capitol Drive, Dec. 4, 1:15 a.m., three male nonresidents, ages 20, 22, and 23, were arrested and charged with theft after they attempted to leave the restaurant without paying their bill. They were released on citation.

6100 block of Breezewood Court, Dec. 4, 11:37 p.m., a woman answered a knock at the front door. The person at the door asked for one of the residents, and the woman stated that the resident was not at home; the person then left. A short time later the woman heard the patio screen door being opened and someone attempting to open the locked sliding patio door. The woman saw that the burglar was the person who had come to the door. He fled and got into a silver Toyota bearing D.C. plates. The suspect is described as black, about thirty years of age, 5'10", with a shaved head; he was wearing a black full-length coat, black pants, and black patent leather shoes.

9100 block of Edmonston 9 court of Research Road, Road, Dec. 5, 6:18 p.m., a tele-

vision, VCR, stereo, and compact discs were taken. Entry was gained by forcing open the sliding glass door.

9100 block of Edmonston Terrace, Dec. 6, 9:24 a.m., a television and a clothes iron were taken. Entry was gained by pushing in cardboard covering broken window.

Lakeside Drive, Dec. 6, 11:22 a.m., money, jewelry, and a guitar were taken. Entry was gained by forcing open a basement window.

9100 block of Edmonston Court, Dec. 6, 5:45 p.m., a video game player, video games, clothing, and an iguana were taken. Entry was gained by unknown means.

6200 block of Springhill Drive, Dec. 7, 6:31 p.m., a combination television/VCR and wrapped Christmas presents were taken.

Beltway Plaza Mall, Dec. 8, 8:15 p.m., an unattended 15speed blue 26-inch bicycle was taken.

#### Vehicle Crimes

The following vehicles were reported stolen: a green fourdoor 1998 Dodge Neon with Maryland tags FMR 116, Dec. 3, from Beltway Plaza Mall; a black four-door 1997 Honda Accord with Maryland tags AJJ 608, Dec. 4, from the 100 block of Westway; and a beige two-door 1990 Acura Integra with Maryland tags GJV 322, Dec. 5, from the 6200 block of Springhill Drive.

Vandalisms to, thefts from, and attempted thefts of vehicles were reported in the following areas: Greenbelt Metro Station,

### City Notes

The streets crew cleaned storm drains and underpasses, poured crack sealer on Hanover Parkway and filled potholes around the city.

The mechanic crew serviced police vehicles and repaired accident damage to the refuse truck so it could be driven and emptied.

The special operations crew removed the stages, barricades and trash cans used for the tree lighting and poured buckets of concrete for temporary Y2K signs. They also removed a dead deer from Cherrywood Lane and transported it to the county.

The parks crew continued installing the irrigation system on Braden Field, installed two plaques in Roosevelt Center, hauled stockpiled leaves to College Park for composting and continued leaf collection.

The horticulture crew planted about 50 trees: new Adopt-A-Trees, replacements for trees that died in the drought and along Hanover Parkway at Hunting Ridge. The crew also planted 600 to 700 bulbs on Southway.

The building maintenance crew installed vandal-resistant. guards and lights in front of the Community Center, and installed new ballasts and lights in the Youth Center gym.

5900 block of Cherrywood Terrace, 4 and 38 courts of Cres-. cent Road, 9 and 46 courts of Ridge Road, and Greenway Shopping Center,

## **Donated Vehicles** Needed by UCP

United Cerebral Palsy urges donors to call now to donate vehicles before the end of the year so they can be removed with minimal wait. Donations must be made by December 31 to receive credit for the current tax year.

To donate a car or other vehicle to United Cerebral Palsy call 301 262-4993 ext. 16 or 1-800-621-9403 ext. 16, or on the Internet at www.ucppgmc.com. This is the fastest means for quick response.

UCP handles all details including paper processing, towing the vehicle and selling it at auction. The whole process can go very quickly. There is no charge to the donor.

For tax purposes, UCP provides a statement of estimated retail value from the N.A.D.A Appraisal Guide for autos/trucks, 1980 or newer. They pick up vehicles anywhere in the area. All vehicles are accepted, running or not, car or truck. Trailers, boats and RVs also are accepted.

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Winners of the Girl Scout Silver Award are shown: left to right Amber Dupree, Laura Wolf, Meredith Dupree, Kristel Foerter.

## **Girl Scouts Win** A Service Award

On October 26, Girl Scout Troop 3030 celebrated a special award ceremony honoring the recipients of the Silver Award. This award is the highest honor awarded to a Cadette Girl Scout. Four members of troop 3030 were presented with their pin and patch to show their hard work and accomplishments. Each girl had to complete many requirements before even beginning to plan their final project. In order to complete a Silver Award Project, each girl must plan, organize and carry through a service project geared to helping in the community. This project had to take at least 30 hours of their time to complete.

Amber Dupree completed her project by organizing four workshops for the Brownies during an end of the year encampment. The girls were taught safety in the woods, knife safety, knot tying and trails signs. Each Brownie went home with the completion of two badges.

Kristel Foerter completed her project by planning and organizing the Labor Day community pet show. She was also instrumental in having PetsMart donate gift certificates to be awarded as prizes.

Laura Wolf and Meredith Dupree worked on their project together by completing a readalong video tape library for sick children. The finished tape and all books were donated to Children's Hospital.

These girls have been an asset to the community and to Troop 3030. As they spend their last three years in Troop 3030 as Senior Girl Scouts, they are again on track to the highest award for Girl Scouts, the Gold Award.



Smallest dog?



"Why is everyone staring? Wearing a bandanna is so embarrassing!"



Hold still!

## **Greenbelt Labor Day Pet Show Results**

by Kristel Foerter This year's Pet Show was a huge

success and everyone who attended the event had a great time. There were three categories: dogs, cats, and small mammals/miscellaneous.

The winners from each group were as follows: dogs - Fluffy, owned by Laura Kelley; cats -Lucy, owned by Madeline Henderson; and small mammals/ miscellaneous - Suction (an Australian White's tree frog), owned

by Ari Goldbert-Strassler. The Best of Show was chosen by all the judges by a majority vote. The winner for Best of Show was Zeus (a dog), owned by Luke Tornatore. All the winners

received \$25 gift certificates do-

nated by the Greenbelt PetSmart. Greenbelt Senior Girl Scout troop 3030 volunteered to help with the show. The volunteers from the troop were Amber Dupree, Jenna Voigt, Laura Wolf,

photos of Pet Show by **Prospero Zevallos** 

Colleen McCowan, and Merideth Dupree.

Those who didn't make it to this year's show should be sure not to miss the fun next year! Remember - pets of all shapes, sizes, and kinds are welcome.



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Ms. Mouse won her owner a big blue ribbon

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## **Greenbelt Elementary Has Senior Tutors**

Inter-generational tutoring has sticky notes, 3 x 5 notecards, and been a part of Greenbelt Elementary School for at least the last five years. Volunteer senior citizens are matched with a first or second grade student and they share an hour a week together learning about reading, writing, and friendship. This national program, called OASIS (Older Adult Service and Information System), provides training and materials for the seniors. The school provides the students.

Currently, Greenbelt Elementary School has eight OASIS volunteers. Other years have seen as many as 13 active participants. Usually a tutor works with the same student throughout the school year but some of the more industrious volunteers work with two students per year. Diane Eades is the school coordinator at Greenbelt and she keeps in close contact with the regional OASIS office located in the Hecht's store at Prince George's Plaza. The May Company and Doctors Hospital are the national/regional sponsors of the OASIS program, providing year-round training sessions and materials for the tutors such as paper and notebooks, a training manual, ideas, a tote bag, crayons, pens and pencils, scissors,

a school collection of books to use with the students.

Benefits of being an OASIS tutor include an organizational meeting/luncheon hosted by Eades and discounts at Doctors Hospital .... of course there are no discounts for services such as gall bladder operations, but the discounts are good for special treatment at the hospital's cafeteria and gift shop.

The OASIS regional office can be reached by calling Kathy James at 301-559-6575. The Prince George's Public School System coordinator is Zack Berry from the Youth Development Programs office, 301-883-5304. Calls may also be made to Diane Eades at Greenbelt Elementary School, 301-513-5911.

The OASIS program offers other activities for seniors in addition to tutoring opportunities; there are also trips, arts/crafts classes and other scheduled functions.



## **NEW YEAR**

**GREENBELT NEWS REVIEW** 

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great mesmerizing shows. Whether weaving an ancient Japanese folk tale with a spool of thread or recounting "Alice in Wonderland" with a pack of cards, Eric Henning's magic evokes the charm of an elegant and unhurried age. And ladies, hold on to your wedding rings (reference to an illusion from last New Year)!

These performers will just be a part of the Greenbelt NY2000 Celebration. In addition, Dave Shuman will be demonstrating his amazing juggling skills in the Community Center and then move to the Youth Center to demonstrate (and teach) his swing dance skills. Talk of the Town will be filling the Youth Center gym with a challenging obstacle course and an always fun sumo wrestling ring and Sight and Sound DJs will be providing music for dancing and singing in the gym as well. Youth bingo will be in the Center also, as well as lots of "fill your belly" food in the form of hot dogs, pizza and much, much more!

The Goddard Storytellers will be telling wonderful tales back in the Community Center and arts



John Hill

and crafts for kids of all ages will be provided by Barbara Simon and the resident artists of the Community Center. Keep an eye out for the clown and balloon sculpturist who will be roaming the halls. The New Deal Cafe will be providing lots of good food in this location all night long.

#### The "new" New Deal - in Roosevelt Center - will have nonstop entertainment all evening long as well as lots of good food in their new location too. The Arts Center will present the wonderful play "The Hippo Who Wanted to be a Ballerina" (two performances) to be followed by the edgy sounds of Peroxide.

Reduced rate tickets can be purchased at the Community Center now through December 25. Tickets after that date are at a slightly higher price. Children under five are free. Call 301-397-2208 to reserve yours now or for more information. Also check out the New Years website at www.ci.greenbelt.md.us/New Year.

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M	Caribbean with Trinidad & Tobago	Room C & D Giant, Children's Craft Rooms	Show #1	Snack Bar Open during Break Children's	Lesson and	dollar - Call now for ou market analysis and selling
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and/of volunteering please Contact the Greenbelt Community Center at 301-397-2208. if you are interested in spon

## **U.S. Fish and Wildlife Interpretive Programs**

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Saturday, January 22, 10:30-

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The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service announces the following programs at the Patuxent Research Refuge located at Rt. 198 between the Baltimore-Washington Parkway and Rt. 32 in Laurel, Maryland.

#### Beavers: Makers of the Marsh

Monday, January 17, 1-2 p.m., for ages 8+. Discover how beavers can create marshes and how they are adapted to their environment.



#### **Our Feathered Friends**

Saturday, January 29, 10:30-11:30 a.m. or 1-2 p.m., ages 4-6. Discover how unique birds are and how to help them.

Programs held at the National Wildlife Visitor Center, located on Powder Mill Road between the Baltimore-Washington Parkway and Rt. 197 in Laurel, Maryland: Where Have All the Monarchs

Gone?

Sunday, January 9, 2:30-3:30 p.m., ages 10+. Discover the life cycle, migration routes, and wintering habitat for the monarch butterfly during this presentation. Hello

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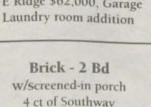
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#### **GREENBELT NEWS REVIEW**

## U.S. Fish and Wildlife Viewing Blind Opens

Those interested in hiking, bik- tended its multiple use trail sysing, hunting, observing, and pho- tem to include a new two-mile tographing may want to visit the section, designated as the "Or-U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's ange Trail." The new Orange newest Wildlife Viewing Blind at Trail will be available to hikers, the Patuxent Research Refuge, bicyclists, and horseback riders, The refuge's North Tract has ex-

## **Trail Walkers** Needed at Park

National Park Service, is seeking Canada geese and other waterent trails in the park. Each trail and gray fox, and wild turkeys. walker will make reports on the conditions of the trail. Enjoy the to visitors on Sundays through benefits of good fitness while meet- January, then daily during the ing all different kinds of people.

Coordinator Kevin P. Barry at 301-344-3944.

**Holbert's** 

and leads to a new Wildlife Viewing Blind that overlooks a meadow and a nine-acre pond. Wildlife that may be seen from Greenbelt Park, a unit of the the accessible blind include deer, volunteers to help walk the differ- fowl, wading and shore birds, red The trail and blind will be open spring and summer. Call 410-Contact Park Ranger/Volunteer 674-3304 for more information.

tunities for permitted deer and waterfowl hunters. The blind is fully accessible and will enhance opportunities for mobility-impaired hunters. Interested hunters should contact Meade Natural Heritage Association at 301-317-3819 for further information regarding the Refuge hunting program and use of the blind. <del>\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*</del>

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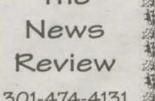
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## JAEGER

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drive in opposition to the development. The committee favors the remaining undeveloped land being incorporated into Greenbelt Park.

Letters to state and federal officials seeking park acquisition have also been sent out by neighboring municipalities-Greenbelt, Berwyn Heights and New Carrollton. College Park is expected to send out a similar letter.

#### History

The Jaeger tract was one of a number of tracts originally designated for purchase for the planned model town of Greenbelt, along with other lands that now constitute Greenbelt Park. However, purchase appropriations lapsed before the purchase could be consummated. The DiCamillo tract, now Parkside, located off Good Luck Road was another tract with a similar history. When the Public Housing Administration divested itself of Greenbelt in the 50s, it transferred most of the Greenbelt land south of Greenbelt Road to the National Park Service for Greenbelt Park.

According to the January 30, 1964 News Review, the Jaeger tract was designated to be added to Greenbelt Park. However, "through an error, a congressional bill allocating funds for all the parcels comprising the park listed the Jaeger property at 56 acres. The owner contested the acreage figure and Congress never made a supplemental appropriation."

In 1963, when B.F. Saul proposed the Westchester Park development, the Greenbelt City Council fought the rezoning proposed and actively sought national park acquisition, without success. However, after the original development occurred, more than 28 acres of undeveloped Jaeger property was donated to the park service for the park in the late 70s. More recently, in 1995, while Parkside, now developed with single-family homes, was in the planning and development stage, Anne MacKinnon, then chairwoman of the Prince George's County Council, asked the park service to acquire two of the undeveloped parcels of the Jaeger tract, consisting of 17.4 acres. (The two parcels are the proposed site for the single-family homes.) Not a Priority

In an August 17, 1995 letter, Joseph W. Lawler, acting field director for the National Capital Area of the National Park Service responded to that request. He said the park service would not buy the land and gave the following reasons why. Budget restraints have plagued the national land acquisition program over the past several years, he said. A backlog of land to be purchased. more than 19,000 acres estimated to cost in excess of \$1.3 billion, remained unfunded. Competition is rigorous to obtain such funds as become available, therefore priorities have been established for acquisition, he continued. The park service is mandated to pursue only those properties that possess either

natural or cultural resources of national significance.

Lawler then stated that the two parcels of the Jaeger tract did not meet those tests. He also noted that the Prince George's County Council had recently rezoned the vacant property from a residential high-rise classification to the very low density rural residential zoning category as part of a sectional map amendment process. Thus, "The impending threat to park resources as a result of the 'Jaeger tract's' future development has...been significantly lessened," his letter said.

Lawler did tell MacKinnon that "stewardship" of the existing resource will continue to be the park service's priority. He noted how working in partnership with the local community had achieved success in mediating the potential impact from the Parkcrest (now, Parkside) development.

(Elaine Skolnik also contributed to this article.)

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## "Lilly," Childrens Play At Kennedy Center

The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts offers family fun for the holidays. Kevin Henkes' delightful children's stories about the young and spirited mouse Lilly have been adapted for the stage by Kevin Kling for this new Kennedy Center production. "Lilly," with her rambunctious cast of friends will play in the Kennedy Center Theater Lab through Dec. 28.

December and holiday break performances are as follows: Dec. 17 at 7 p.m., Dec. 18 at 11 a.m. and 1 p.m., Dec. 19 at 1 p.m., Dec. 23 at 11 a.m. and 1 p.m., Dec. 26 at 1 p.m., Dec. 27 at 1 and 3 p.m., Dec. 28 at 1 and 3 p.m. The Dec. 18, 1 p.m. performance will be sign-interpreted.

Specially priced tickets can be purchased at the Kennedy Center Box Office or by calling 202-467-4600.

**Resident to Sue** A suit on behalf of a Charlestowne Village resident, Joanne Janus, was recently brought in District Court against Charlestowne Village Condominium, Inc. and Condominium Venture, Inc., seeking \$25,000 in damages. The suit alleges that

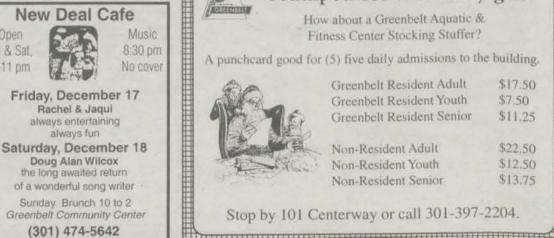
defendants failed to provide the required notice of intent to cut down a healthy, mature sweetgum tree. The tree was cut down in September.

The plaintiff's attorney, Patrick J. McAndrew, said on November 30 that he had not yet received copies of a response from defendants.

Efforts by the News Review to reach Condominium Ventures have not been successful.



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\$25 per person, per day. Call for before-care, after-care and non-resident fees.

Adult Pick-up Hockey - Every Sunday from 9:30pm-11:30pm. Adults 18 and over with full equipment, including a face mask or shield, come out for a game of ice hockey. Join the fun. The fee is \$8.25 per person. Call for nonresident rates.

Group Special - Bring a group of ten (10) or more to ice skate for the special rate of \$4 per person, per session (includes admission and skate rental). Advance reservations and pay ment required to receive this special deal! Call for non-resident rates.

11:00am ice skate with your school friends. The fee is only \$2 per person, per session (includes admission and skate rental)

Holiday Schedule 12/24/99-1/2/00

Admission Fees-

Friday, December 24

\*Adults \$4.50 •Children (17 & under) \$3.50 \*Senior Citizen (60 & Up) \$3.50 Skate Rental \$3,50

12:00-2:15pm 2-30-4-30om Saturday, December 25 CLOSED

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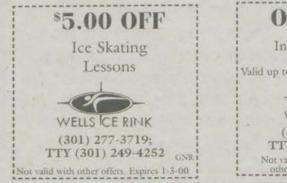
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Saturday, January 1

Sunday, January 2

12:00-2:15pm 3:00-5:00pm 7:30-9:30pm 12:00-2:15pm 2:30-4:30pm 11:30-1:30pm 2:00-4:00pm 4:30-6:30pm 7:00-9:00pm 10:30-12:30pm 1:00-3:00pm 3:30-5-30pm 7:00-9:00pm Pick Up Hockey 9:30-11:30pm Sun., December 26 and January 2



