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## Council Delays Budget Approval, Considers Added Tax Increase

by James Giese

Those who tuned into cable channel 71 at 8 p.m. Monday, June 3 to watch the city council adopt the budget for the new fiscal year were surprised to hear Mayor Judith Davis read an announcement stating that action on the budget is postponed until the Monday June 10 regular meeting. By city charter, that is the very last day upon which the council can adopt a budget. The reason for taking such a step is that council has



Greenbelt's finest monitor their radios - and their City Council - Monday night at a Council meeting to discuss police pensions and the city budget.

PHOTO BY ANDY CARRUTHERS

just received cost information on providing a new and better police officers pension plan - Law Enforcement Officer Pension System (LEOPS) - that is substantially more costly than the MCLEO plan now provided. The council is considering amending the budget to provide for this plan. Such a change could mean a much larger increase in the city tax rate than that previously agreed to—up to a 2.7 cent increase per hundred dollars of assessed valuation on both real and personal property. This would be on top of the 0.4 cents increase a majority of council previously agreed to in work session. Council will hold a third public hearing on the budget on June 10 before deciding on further change to the tax rate and

adopting the budget.

After reading the statement, Davis asked if any member of council wished to speak. Both Rodney Roberts and Allen Turnbull noted that while they agreed to defer action, that should not be regarded as their agreement to include extra funding for the LEOPS plan as they had reservations about doing so. Thomas White then cut off further talk by moving adjournment, quickly seconded by Edward Putens. The non-debatable motion carried by a 3-2 vote, thereby ending the meeting.

That did not send the council home, however, or end talking. Council simply switched from chairs at the council table to chairs at the worktable, gathered back staff, police command and

the Fraternal Order of Police (FOP) President Craig Rich and continued with a work session on what to do about funding LEOPS. That work session, also televised, began an hour before the formal meeting, recessed for that meeting, and continued following it for nearly two more hours.

The result of the work session is that city staff will prepare four alternative scenarios for the budget adoption on June 10. One will be to proceed with adopting the 0.4-cent tax rate and

not providing for the new pension plan this year. The other three would fund LEOPS, but would make various adjustments to other budget items and increase the amount of the tax rate increase for the new fiscal year. These increases would range from 1.4 cents to 2.7 cents with a majority of the council appearing to go for the 1.4 cents or thereabouts.

### LEOPS

Sometime back the council agreed to ask the Maryland Retirement and Pension System to make an actuarial study to determine what it would cost the city to participate in the LEOPS, a pension plan that would provide officers with a 50 percent pen-

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## Emergency Preparedness Plan Accepted by Council

by Barbara Hopkins

Greenbelt's Emergency Preparedness and Operations Plan, developed in 1997 and recently reviewed by the Public Safety Advisory Committee (PSAC), was submitted to council for review and discussion at its meeting on Tuesday, May 28. City Manager Michael McLaughlin explained that the plan is designed to be a general guideline to define city operations during and after an emergency and is meant to be a supplement to the emergency preparedness plan of Prince George's County. The plan will be reviewed and updated annually and when county or state plans are updated.

Councilmember Thomas White suggested that the plan be put on the city's website so citizens could view it there or download it. Councilmember Edward Putens requested that some type of guidelines be distributed to all Greenbelt citizens.

McLaughlin said that the old civil defense sirens were dis-

mantled some years ago, but there has been discussion locally and nationally about reactivating that warning system, at least as a means of telling people to go to a source of information, such as radio or television.

All members present voted to accept the plan, with the understanding that there would be annual revisions. Councilmember Alan Turnbull was absent from the meeting.

During the discussion, McLaughlin told council he recently had been to a briefing on emergency preparedness at Doctors Community Hospital, and he was very impressed with their apparent level of readiness to deal with a major emergency.

### Pedestrian Safety

Master Police Officer Scott Kaiser presented council with a two-year summary of accidents involving pedestrians and talked about the department's upcoming

See **PLAN**, page 16

## Photographers Document Their Take on Greenbelt

by Sandra A. Lange

Everyday life in Greenbelt is captured in a series of photographs taken by nine individuals who participated in a workshop sponsored by the Greenbelt Museum and the city's Recreation Department. Eighty-one black and white images are showcased in a special exhibition in the Gallery of the Greenbelt Community Center, open daily 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Most of the photographers are Greenbelt residents. A few had lived in the city only a short time when they decided to take the workshop to chronicle an aspect of Greenbelt life. They have met one evening a week since mid-April to discuss their project under the instruction of Greenbelt Museum curators Katie Scott-Childress and Jill Parsons-St. John. The workshop was funded in part by a grant from the Maryland Humanities Council from a grant by the National Endowment for the Humanities.

Journalist Marat Moore, one

of the group, has lived in Greenbelt only one year, and the experience has changed her life. Coming from the urban environment of Adams Morgan, she says that living in Greenbelt has influenced her outlook and her goals. During one 14-hour day in May, she photographed activities in the Greenbelt Community Center.

"I photographed in growing astonishment as people danced, sang, worked on an independent film, created pottery, exercised, painted on canvas, studied ancient Greek, enjoyed a meal, played Bingo, worked on the city's budget, held meetings, proofed pages for the Greenbelt News Review, and cared for children as they played and danced and made art," she wrote in the gallery guide. "The Community Center is magical," she beamed during the opening reception for the exhibition on Greenbelt Day, June 2. "[The Community Center]

See **PHOTOS**, page 7

## A Sampling of Sunday's Artful Afternoon Activities

by Barbara Young

"This project is about renewing the social landscape," the Recreation Department's Nicole DeWald said proudly, as she described the busy workshop where parents and children were collaborating to create fantastic sculptures of wire and painted paper. The floating art project was part of the Artful Afternoon held in the Community Center last Sunday, and it was a sight to see.

There was a huge blue dolphin created by Elena Shipley. There was a "Greenbelt moray eel" being constructed by Lillian Childress and her father, who, as he applied thick green paint, told the News Review (tongue in cheek), "This is the material expression of my deep love for my children." Lillian's mother, smil-

ing Greenbelt Museum Curator Katie Scott-Childress, was nearby, as was workshop instructor AnyaLee Suderman, who beamed on the creativity burgeoning around her.

The sculptures will float on Greenbelt Lake with battery-powered lights inside them on the Fourth of July, after which families will be invited to take them home, DeWald said.

The hall of the Community Center outside the floating art workshop reflects still more of DeWald's determination to provide ways for people, especially families, to share in the creation of art. "The Great Glowing Snake," a huge, colorful creation of Elizabeth Morissette, worked on

See **ARTFUL**, page 6

### What Goes On

#### Monday, June 10

7 p.m., Recycling and Environment Advisory Committee, Community Center

8 p.m., Regular City Council Meeting; Public Hearing on Proposed Transfer of Cable Television from Comcast to ATT/Comcast; Public Hearing on FY 03 Budget, Municipal Building.

#### Tuesday, June 11

7 p.m., Public Safety Advisory Committee, Community Center

7:30 p.m., Youth Advisory Committee, Youth Center

#### Wednesday, June 12

8 p.m., City Council Worksession, Greenbelt Station Beltway Interchange, Community Center

#### Thursday, June 13

7:30 p.m., GHI Board Meeting, Hamilton Place

#### Friday, June 14

6 p.m., USO Benefit, Greenbelt Marriott Ballroom



Lillian Childress working last Sunday on her "Greenbelt moray eel."

PHOTOS BY NICOLE DEWALD

**EDITORIAL****New Lush and Verdant Shoreline at the Lake**

The vision being carried out in beautifying the north shore of Greenbelt Lake is truly beginning to pay off. Now as you walk across the dam, a collection of mature shrubs and low-growing plants, some with blossoms, creates a lush and verdant shoreline view before you. At separate points along this inviting prospect, the waterline rocky outcroppings with their paved patio-like spaces and benches offer visual variety. Obviously they are popular spots for resting and, for children, to spin off their cache of small stones across the water.

This attractive area is now being augmented with the recent plantings of wetland species to the east and the creation of flagstone walkways leading down to the water's edge. Two attractive stone benches are now in place at another rock outcropping, inviting the stroller to pause a bit and look out over the water. Low rock walls that edge some of the paths are being put in place, a few feet at a time, as volunteer or city staff labor can be utilized. These design solutions to the serious erosion that had been going on for years at the lake's edge seem to be working out as planned. We commend this lovely accomplishment.

**ATTENTION PHOTOGRAPHERS**

The advances in digital photography have meant that the News Review is receiving more usable photos, that are both interesting and of good quality. We love the images of our community at work and play, but we are often provided with electronic files that are difficult to use or support in the office.

**When you take photographs for publication, observe the following guidelines:**

- Be sure that you do not date stamp your photos. We have to crop this information off and it often distorts the picture.

- Use a good quality resolution to start with, targeting 150 - 300 dpi.

- Gather the necessary information to provide us with a caption that describes the content of your photograph.

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- Pay attention to the file size, especially if you plan to send it by e-mail. Your photographs need not be more than 4 inches in width. We do not need poster size murals for print purposes. When the files are enormous, we often cannot even open them by e-mail. Sizing is relatively basic in any imaging software. If you cannot figure it out, save the photo(s) on either a zip disk or a CD-ROM and hand carry them to the News Review office.

- Save your photographs in grayscale format. Full color photos carry a large amount of information, making their size unwieldy.

- If the files are large, do not place multiple photographs in one e-mail transmission.

- Provide your name and phone number for two reasons - in case we have any problems and to give you credit for your work!

**HLEP! HEPL! EHLP! LEPH! HELP!**

The News Review needs help with its Wednesday nit proofreading session. If you can spot the mistakes, in the add and give at least to hours, one nite a month, we need you. This is a volunteer job with only nominal pay.

Call Mary Lou at 301-441-2662, Barbara at 301-474-8483 or Eileen at 301-513-0482 to volunteer, please.

**GHI Notes**

The Marketing Committee will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the GHI Conference Room on June 11.

The Board/Woodlands Committee will meet for a work session on June 11 at 7:30 p.m. in the GHI Board Room.

The Woodlands Committee will meet at 7:30 p.m. June 12 in the Conference Room.

The Board of Directors will meet in the GHI Board Room at 7:30 p.m. on June 13.

The next informational seminar for prospective members about GHI is scheduled for Saturday, June 15 at 11 a.m. in the GHI Board Room.

Members are always welcome to attend Committee and Board meetings.

**Living History In Glenn Dale**

Roman Legion XX will display ancient military and domestic living history in a two-day encampment on Saturday and Sunday, June 8 and 9 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on the grounds of Marietta House Museum, 5626 Bell Station Road, Glenn Dale.

The encampment will feature re-enactments of camp life, craft demonstrations, displays of period apparel, weapons, antiquities, battle tactics and gladiatorial demonstrations.

There is a small admissions fee.

For further information, call 301-464-5291; TTY 301-699-2544; [pgparks.com](http://pgparks.com).

**Letters****Task Is Daunting**

I would like to express my deep appreciation for your encouragement and good wishes following my appointment to the new Prince George's County Board of Education. For those of you who know me, you know that I will do my best to do what I can to restore confidence and promote quality in our school system. For those of you whom I have not yet met, especially those who have been disappointed to have their right to elect their school board taken away from them, I will try hard to hear your concerns and earn your confidence.

The task before the new board is daunting, but we can't miss if we just keep the needs of the children and their teachers front and center. This is a time of great opportunity and hope for our schools. Be in touch.

Abby L. W. Crowley, EdD

**EDITOR'S NOTE**

This newspaper is declaring a moratorium on the Romeo review. The board has read the letters received this week and enjoyed the barbs of the Old Curmudgeon on the issue. Much discussion has already occurred and one of the new letters is not acceptable in its entirety for publication. As we decline to continue the controversy, neither the letters nor the cartoon will run this week.

P.S. The Rude Mechanicals are apparently still in business. Readers are

**Mediation Board Receives Grant**

The Maryland Mediation and Conflict Resolution Office has approved a grant request in the amount of \$2,800 for the Greenbelt Community Mediation Board (GCMB). The stated purpose of the grant is to support the professional development of the volunteers and auxiliary staff of the GCMB.

**OLD GREENBELT THEATRE****Week of June 7****Lantana (R)****Lord of the Rings (PG13)****Friday**

Lantana \*5:10, 7:30, 9:50

**Saturday**

Lord of the Rings \*1:45  
Lantana \*5:10, 7:30, 9:50

**Sunday**

Lord of the Rings \*1:45  
Lantana \*5:10, 7:30

**Monday - Thursday**

Lantana 7:30

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**The Old Curmudgeon**

"Of course we communicate with the C.I.A. . . . we tap their phone lines!"

**Correction**

In our condolences in the Our Neighbors column last week, the name of Nancy Spong Ward was incorrect. The News Review regrets the error.

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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—\$35/year.

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## Combating Invasive Plants and Insects

"Invasive Plants and Insects" is the topic for the Greenbelt Home and Garden Club's June 11 meeting at the Community Center.

Bob Trumbule, a Greenbelt resident who works for the Maryland Department of Agriculture, will provide help for gardeners having troubles of their own with invasive plants or insects.

The meeting will begin at 7:30 p.m. and is open to the public.

## Stargazers Gather On Saturday

Explore the universe with the Greenbelt Astronomy Club. The club is holding a star gazing party on Saturday, June 8 and the public is invited. The event begins at dusk and is scheduled to last until at least 11 p.m. Club members will be on hand with a variety of telescopes and binoculars to share views of star clusters, nebula, constellations and more. Party-goers will gather at the Northway Ball Fields, at the end of Northway. The event is free. In the event of hopelessly cloudy skies, this event will be cancelled.

For further information, directions and a map, go to <http://lheawww.gsfc.nasa.gov/docs/outreach/gac/GAC.html>.

## NARFE Meets

The next meeting of NARFE (National Association of Retired Federal Employees) will be at noon on June 12, at the New York Buffet Restaurant in Beltway Plaza, across from the Dollar Store. At this time the group will vote on a regular place to hold meetings.

There will be no meetings in July or August. Join now.

To learn more call 301-474-7427.

## Donation Drop-Off

The city's Donation Drop-Off, which it co-sponsors with the American Rescue Workers will be held Saturday, June 8, behind the Municipal Building from 9 a.m. until noon.

Bring clean, usable clothing, small household items, curtains, towels, bedding, sheets, toys, puzzles and books. Donations will be used by needy people in Prince George's county and are tax-deductible. Donation Drop-Off is held the second Saturday of every month.

## At the Library

Tuesday, June 11, 7 p.m. Cliffhangers, for ages 5 to 8.

Wednesday, June 12, 4 p.m. BOOKIDS Discussion Group, for ages 8 to 12.

Thursday, June 13, 10:15 a.m. Drop-In Storytime, for ages 3 to 5.

## Moonlight Swim At Greenbriar

Greenbriar/Glen Oaks residents are invited to bring the entire family to the Family Moonlight Swim on Saturday, June 15, 8 p.m. to midnight. Enjoy a night of swimming, dancing with music by a Bristol Sounds DJ, snacks and games at Greenbriar's community pool. Advance tickets are available at a lower price than at the door. Children two and under are free. Munchies, soft drinks and beer will be available.

Volunteers are needed to help with setup, take tickets, and serve beer. Call Tina at 301-441-1096 for tickets or to volunteer.

# Community Events

## Juneteenth Festival At Greenbelt Park

Greenbelt Park will present a special event entitled "Juneteenth Summer Festival" on June 15, noon till 5 p.m. Rain date is June 22. The original Juneteenth was a celebration of the ending of slavery in Texas two months after the end of the Civil War. People have maintained this celebration through the years. Greenbelt Park will present universal family-oriented entertainment, natural exhibits, and musical groups in celebration. There will be clowns, face painting, hay rides, wildlife exhibits, and exhibits by environmental and community/municipal organizations. Also featured will be the 54th Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry Co. B, Kung Fu demonstrations, children's stories by Baba C, and Billy Redwing Tayac, magic shows by "The Paranormal Manipulator," Damion Joyner, and music by the Fred Foss Youth Orchestra and Fertile Ground band.

This will be a free event in the Sweetgum picnic area of the park. For information, call 301-344-3944.

## Greenbriar Boards Combine Meeting

The Greenbriar Phase III Board of Directors will hold its regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, June 11 at 6 p.m. The combined meeting of the Phase I and II boards will be held on Tuesday, June 11 at 7:30 p.m. The Greenbriar Community Association (GCA) Board of Directors will meet on Wednesday, June 26 at 6 p.m. All meetings are held in the Commons Room at the Greenbriar Community Building. These meetings are open and all homeowners are welcome to attend their Board meeting and the GCA Board meeting. For further information call 301-441-1096.



Beautiful homes and gardens were the focus of attention on the annual GHI Home and Garden Tour last week. This fairy gracing Katrina Boverman's gardens at 3 Gardenway checks out a decorative tile. See story on page 6.

## Homeschooling Co-op Organizing

A new co-op is forming in Greenbelt. Local homeschoolers are coming together to provide enrichment activities, learning adventures, and support. The Greenbelt Homeschooling Co-op invites all Greenbelt home-schooling families (and those interested in homeschooling) to an organizational meeting to determine what sorts of activities will be offered in the future. The meeting will be held in the Senior Room of the Community Center on Sunday, June 9 at 8 p.m. For more information, contact Deborah Taylor at PGHLNeditor@aol.com or 301-345-2485 or Tanya Nordberg at 301-486-0017.

## Festival Committee To Meet June 13

The next meeting of the Labor Day Festival Committee is Thursday, June 13 at 7:30 p.m. in the Community Center. This is the fourth meeting of the committee. Plans for this year's Festival are proceeding. There are still a few vacancies on the committee. Call Patti Brothers at 301-982-2312 for more information or come to the meeting to volunteer.

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## PRELIMINARY AGENDA MEETING OF GHI BOARD OF DIRECTORS



Thursday, June 13, 2002  
(Immediately following GDC Meeting)

GHI Board Room

### GHI Key Agenda Items

- Member Request to Sell Boiler Room
- Flat Roof Contract - 1st Reading
- Underground Utility Contract - 1st Reading
- Cost to Repair Brick Exterior
- Property and Business Owners Insurance Renewal - 2nd Reading
- Woodlands Committee Recommendations

Regular board meetings are open to members.

## Jr. Ranger Ecology Volunteers Needed

Help a Junior Ranger program at Greenbelt Park by teaching environmental principles to young children. Share a love of ecology and the outdoors with children. Commitment varies from one to two days a month for summer months. This is a volunteer position with no pay.

For more information call Greenbelt Park at 301-344-3944.

## Local Author Hosts Book Signing

by Judy Bell

Local author Peggy Rooney will be at Beltway Plaza's Bookland store on Saturday, June 8 at 2 p.m. to sign her new book, "Uncommon Conversations with God." The book jacket describes the book as "97 brief but inspirational conversations with God about day-to-day events and observations."

Rooney states that she began to talk to God as a child and "found great comfort" and also "learned that there is nothing too insignificant, nor too great, to talk with God about." As a single mom with limited resources, Rooney reports, she often saw God provide awe-inspiring miracles in her everyday life.

The author has already written a sequel to her book to be published if this book does well. She has also written a novel and is working on another.

Greenbelt has been home to Rooney for over 30 years. She is secretary to Cardinal Hickey, Archbishop Emeritus of Washington, and a member of St. Hugh's Parish. Rooney has four grown children and eight grandchildren.

## Annual New Deal Folk Festival

On Saturday, June 8, the City of Greenbelt and the New Deal Café Collective will host the third annual New Deal Folk Festival in the Roosevelt Center Plaza. Free live music will be presented, rain or shine, from 1 to 10 p.m.

Eight artists and ensembles are scheduled to perform, including outstanding traditional folk and blues musicians from the Baltimore/Washington area. Additional artists are encouraged to participate during open mike segments of the festival at 1 p.m. (with sign-up at 12:30 p.m.) and approximately 9:30 p.m. At 2:30 p.m., Rene Carawan will take the stage with Celtic group Rhianon. Singer Melissa Sites will present Appalachian ballads in two sets, at 3:30 and 6:30 p.m. Sites, a Greenbelt resident, is an artist of remarkable range whose performance and recording experience also includes material in Latin, German, French, and Italian, as well as a capella and heavy metal styles.

Terry Mulligan will perform American folk selections at 4 p.m., followed by country music with Geff King at 4:30. BanjerDan featuring traditional banjo picker and storyteller Dan Mazer will perform at 5:30. At 7 p.m., the Jones Family will perform American folk and Celtic selections, followed by the versatile Stan Brown singing songs of the open road at 8 p.m..

Open Door Policy will round out the scheduled line-up with a set of "down and dirty blues," including both classic and original selections beginning at 8:30 p.m. Open Door Policy features Greenbelt resident Waverly Milor on harp and vocals, along with other fine musicians. Following this set, an open jam session will be held inside the New Deal Café.

For additional festival information, contact the New Deal Café at 301-474-5642.

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## Greenbelt Baseball

### Major League Schedule

Monday, June 10	6:00	Lions @ A's
Tuesday, June 11	6:00	O's @ Cubs
Wednesday, June 12	6:00	Indians @ Cards
Thursday, June 13	6:00	Giants @ Tigers
Friday, June 14	6:00	O's @ A's
Friday, June 14	7:00*	Cubs @ Cards
Saturday, June 15	10:00	Giants @ Indians
Saturday, June 15	1:00	Tigers @ Lions

### Standings

(As of Tuesday, June 4)

American League	W - L	National League	W - L
Athletics	10 - 3	Lions	14 - 0
Orioles	7 - 5	Cards	9 - 5
Giants	6 - 7	Cubs	3 - 10
Tigers	2 - 11	Indians	2 - 12



Unless otherwise indicated, all games will be played at McDonald Field this week.

\*Game at Braden Field

A Review

# Shade and Breeze Make Annual Concert Delightful

by James Giese

For its annual Greenbelt Day Concert on June 2, the Greenbelt Concert Band tried out a new location, one that offered some very pleasant benefits, but presented the band with challenges as well. The new location was the front lawn of the Greenbelt Community Center, under the shade of two magnificent spreading trees. The concert was well attended, and the audience enjoyed the delightful day under the shade with a pleasant breeze blowing. Without a band shell, or amplifiers, some of the band sound was lost, but enough carried for all to hear. What a nice location this would be for the Thomas X. White gazebo and band shell to honor that councilmember's record-breaking service on the city council.

Besides the lack of directional amplification, the main problem with the location was that beautiful breeze. Music clips and clothes pins were not enough to keep the music in place. Conductor Tom Cherrix displayed added dexterity as he waved his directions to the band members while turning pages of his sheet music to return it to its right place after the wind played with it.

The band was in good form, although I thought the brass section was a little weak. Following the National Anthem, the band played the now traditional Greenbelt Day march, the Heart of Greenbelt, written by Semour Levine and arranged by Fred Morden. The more I hear it, the better I like it. It's an honor for this little burg to have its own march.

The program ranged from familiar old tunes from Walt Disney movies to melodies from the opera. Also thrown in were classical selections, other marches and even the Samba, Cumana. The concert closed with one of the best patriotic airs, God Bless America. The audience was asked to sing along with the band during the final round of the melody.

How many small towns can offer their own community band, an institution that has existed here in Greenbelt for most of its history, and in its present form for some 50 years. Our band offers an opportunity for amateur musicians from Greenbelt and elsewhere to get together weekly and play in harmony and to perform free concerts at various locations and at all major city events. And they really do sound pretty good, at that. For the little Greenbelt spends in support of the band, it gets a great bargain.

The band can always use more members. Interested musicians should contact Cherrix at 301-552-1444 or General Manager



PHOTO BY JAMES GIESE

On a delightful day under the deep shade of two large spreading trees on the front lawn of the Greenbelt Community Center, the Greenbelt Concert Band with Tom Cherrix as conductor, performed its annual Greenbelt Day Celebration Concert.

David Clarke at 301-384-5674.

**Photo Exhibit**

Following the concert, we dropped in on the Greenbelt at 65 photography exhibit at the Community Center. It was a nice display of familiar and unfamiliar scenes about town. We particularly enjoyed seeing the works of News Review staffers Marat Moore and Mary Moien, particularly Moore's hands-up photo of our beleaguered editor, Mary Lou Williamson, and Moien's candid photo of center bum and Old Curmudgeon, Isadore Parker. We wished for better lighting as the brilliant day light flooded in the room's windows and reflected off the glass frames of the pictures on the opposing wall.

**House Tour**

By the time we left the Community Center, there was only about an hour left for the scheduled GHI Home and Garden Tour. We visited three homes open in

the 13 court Ridge. All featured remodeled kitchens, each different, but each offering good ideas to those who want to take on this challenging home improvement. Although to me the work done at the Holly Wheeler home to create a modern kitchen in the art deco style resulted in too many conflicts between modern and old to have fully achieved the art deco look, it still resulted in a easy to look at and convenient to use kitchen area. Each home displayed, as well, pleasant ways to expand living space into the home's compact yards. Particularly admired by many visitors was the enclosure installed on the garden side of Barbara Tanen's home. We equally admired some of the work other homeowners in the court had done to their yards, even though they were not on tour, and, in particular, the larger end-unit yard at 13-H.

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**"Justice Coalition" Hosts Peace Talk**

"Seeking peace for Palestine and Israel" is the theme of a town meeting to be held on Sunday, June 9 at 7 p.m. in the Multi-Purpose room of the Community Center. Two accounts of the Middle East situation, from the viewpoints of Palestinian and Israeli peace activists, will set the stage for a community discussion. The event is sponsored by the Prince George's County Peace and Justice Coalition.

Jean Snyder, a Greenbelt resident and coalition member, will give an "eyewitness report on the West Bank and Jerusalem, April 2002" and show slides of pictures taken during her month's visit there.

Presenting an Israeli viewpoint will be Lewis Roth of Americans for Peace Now, an organization working to enhance Israel's security through a negotiated peace.

After these reports, audience participation will be encouraged. For more information about the coalition or the town meeting, call 301-474-1353 or write by email to [justpeacepg@earthlink.net](mailto:justpeacepg@earthlink.net).



Greenbelters were saddened to learn of the death of Thomas J. McAndrew on Tuesday, June 4. Condolences to his wife Margaret "Peg" McAndrews and to the family, many of whom live in Greenbelt.

Congratulations to Greenbelters Abby Crowley and Jose Morales on their appointments to the Prince George's County Board of Education.

Recipient of University Honor at a University of Michigan convocation in March was David Roth of the College of Literature, Science and the Arts. Congratulations, David.

**Methodists Hold Summer Bible Class**

Mowatt Memorial United Methodist Church's Vacation Bible School will be held June 17 through June 22, 6:30 to 9 p.m.; at 40 Ridge Road.

Children will learn stories from the Bible, sing songs, play games and make creative crafts. For information, call 301-474-1450.

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sion after 25 years of service instead of the 28.7 percent offered by the current plan. Those cost figures did not arrive until late last week. To begin the plan this fiscal year, council must decide to do it before adopting its budget. The cost was much higher than staff and council had hoped for.

City Manager Michael McLaughlin quickly met with Finance Director Jeff Williams, Chief James Craze, Rich and others to put forth a proposal for the council to consider. That proposal would have required a one-cent across the board property tax increase on top of the 0.4 cents agreed to by the council for real property only.

The city was advised that the total cost for the LEOPS plan for the first year would be \$814,000, \$434,000 more than what the city expects to pay for MCLEO. To offset that added cost, staff proposed deleting from the budget \$25,000 for a police cadet which council had agreed to add, not replace one of the squad cars included in the budget (\$26,000) and reduce salaries by \$45,000 to provide for a six-month lag instead of three in hiring new officers to fill existing vacancies. With the FOP's concurrence, staff also proposed deleting a five percent of salary city contribution for each officer to a deferred compensation plan and to reduce from five percent to 2.5 percent a city match to officer contributions to the deferred compensation plan with the understanding that this match would be gradually restored to a full five percent. These changes would add \$217,500 of savings to help fund LEOPS. For the \$104,000 still not funded, staff proposed the one-cent added tax levy.

### Council Reaction

At the work session, Davis, White and Putens expressed support for funding LEOPS, but felt that the staff proposal needed modifying. They differed, however, on what changes to make. Roberts refused to take a position that night, wishing to hear from the public first. He was opposed to any plan that would not assure adequate funding of the new plan in future years as well the new year, if the city decided to provide it to the officers. Turnbull also refused to make any commitment until a realistic funding plan was devised.

After discussion and debate, councilmembers agreed to have staff prepare four alternative scenarios for amending the budget.



PHOTO BY ANDY CARRUTHERS

Outside the City Council session were parked 11 Greenbelt police cruisers. Inside the audience was dominated by Greenbelt officers, uniformed and in plain clothes.

All alternatives will include the 0.4-cent increase in the tax rate previously decided upon. The first alternative would be not to go along with the new pension plan and leave the budget the same as had been previously agreed to by the council majority.

The most costly alternative simply adds in the extra cost for LEOPS over MCLEO but also includes eliminating the five percent of salary contribution the city now makes towards each officer's deferred compensation plan. That alternative would cost \$289,000 and require a 2.7-cent additional tax rate increase.

The one that appears to garner majority support by the council, although the figures may be tweaked a little is to further reduce the budget impact by accepting staff recommendations to eliminate replacing one squad car and reduce salaries by providing for a six-month salary lag. The council would also eliminate half of the city's match of five percent to officer contributions to deferred compensation with the understanding that over time the match would be restored. That alternative increases city costs by \$145,000 and would require a 1.4-cent tax rate increase.

Turnbull proposed the last alternative. He argued that if the plan was to be funded, it should not be by deferring expenses that the city would have to pay later thereby forcing a further tax increase in the future. He proposed not increasing the salary lag time, as a full year of salaries will have to be provided next year for the new officers. Also, he proposed replacing all the squad cars previously approved for replacement. To further reduce city costs, he felt the officers should give up more to achieve this better plan, and proposed that the city stop matching in entirety officer contributions to the deferred compensation plan. The cost for the Turnbull plan is \$164,000 and would require increasing the tax rate by 1.5 cents.

## Golden Age Club

by Bunny Fitzgerald

The Golden Age Club meeting opened in regular form on May 29.

The "Show and Tell" program was enjoyed as several people brought interesting displays.

President Ima Davis had mementos from their 50th wedding anniversary party.

Betty Maher showed a picture of her husband, Jim, as a Sea Scout with Captain Eddie Rickenbacker at the Waldorf Astoria; Dorothy Meyers showed some first grade workbooks and glasses with a famous trademark and a clipping of the model.

Bunny Fitzgerald presented a "Family Doll Collection."

Arlie Dobbins read from her autobiography and showed her outstanding student award from her adult education classes.

"Time" was Bill Souser's theme with many different clocks: some that talked, a bathroom clock, a desk clock with messages and a bank clock in the form of a penguin that needed money to quiet it.

Sunshine Committee acting chair Ellie Rimar thanked everyone for the cards. Harold Miller has been in Washington Hospital Center for tests and is now at home.

The 50/50 winners were Jim Holohan and Shirley Egenrieder.

Ernie Varda announced the program for June 12 will be a



PHOTO BY JAMES GIESE

The Greenbelt Golden Age Club took a day trip under the leadership of travel committee members John Taylor, Phyllis Budin and Lorie Moran to the United States Capital Botanical Gardens and the National Art Gallery Sculpture Garden on May 30. At the newly renovated and enlarged Botanical Gardens they received a guided tour of the facility, some parts of which are still under construction.

presentation by Jean Snyder of her trip to Palestine. This should be very interesting at this time with the Mid-East on the daily news.

Everyone enjoyed a great trip to the Botanic Gardens. Washington is a beautiful city.

Lorie Moran is still taking reservations for "Shear Madness" on July 21 at the Kennedy Center.

Remember the yard sale on June 8 at the Roosevelt Center.

## Bike Racks on Buses Coming to Region

The Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) will install 1,400 bike racks on the front bumpers of all of their area buses. WMATA and local area bicyclist groups conducted a study of bike racks in use in other areas of the country. The racks were found to work well and have a good safety record.

The project will cost \$1.6 million and will take several years to complete. Each rack holds two bikes at a time and fold up when not in use. The only problem reported with the racks is that people sometimes forget to take their bike when they exit the bus, needing to be reminded by the driver to retrieve their bike.

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# Greenbelt Day Activities Enjoyed by All!

## Vids by Kids Get Awards

by Barbara Simon

"Vids by Kids 3," the third annual film festival featuring video shorts made by filmmakers 18 years and under, brought 75 people to the Old Greenbelt Theatre on Sunday morning, June 2. The free event was produced by the Greenbelt Association for the Visual Arts (GAVA) and Greenbelt Access Television (GATE). The theater was again made available without charge by Paul Sanchez, proprietor and president of P&G Theatres. Advice and assistance were provided by the Arts & Cultural Heritage Division of the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission.

### Prize Winners

"The Admirer" received the award for best drama. It was produced by Marcus Terry and Adam Burns, both of whom were students at Eleanor Roosevelt High School. "Jordan Forever" by Kyle Postell received the award for best commercial. Kyle, a Greenbelt resident, was also a student at Eleanor Roosevelt High School. Marcus and Adam received certificates from Greenbelt Video in Roosevelt Center entitling them to a free movie every week for one year and Kyle received a similar certificate entitling him to a free movie every week for nine months.

Blockbuster Video donated the prizes for all of the following awards. In each case, the winner received a card entitling them to

a free movie every week for six months. The award for best animated short created by an individual went to "Downhome Cookin'" by Peter Enns. Peter, from Hyattsville, is a student in GAVA/GATE's animation classes taught by George Kochell, who served as the emcee for the festival. The award for best animated short created by a group or class went to the students at Paint Branch High School in Burtonsville for "Move Over Moon," with instructor Lelia Cabib.

Students from T.C. Williams High School in Alexandria, Virginia, again this year earned awards. "I Am Po," which explored the life of a 13-year-old, earned the best documentary award for Sam Rust, Caroline Smealey, Devin Daniels, Mehert Geshaw and Karla Espinoza, and "Plaque Avenger" by Roma Kaundal and Juan Cardenas shared first prize for satire with "The Swamp Creature" by Peter Sachs and Steve Nissley.

And finally, a special award for high technical merit went to Claire Vogelstein of Owings Mills for her film, "Behind the Presidency," a satirical look at high school politics. The entire film program included 22 entries, the most so far for this festival, displaying a wide variety of techniques and subject matter.

### A Review

## 1939 World's Fair Inspires Dance Performance

by Virginia Beauchamp

A look back at the New York World's Fair of 1939, which was itself a look forward into the future ("The World of Tomorrow," as it was called) appeared in an entrancing dance theater performance Friday and Saturday nights in the Community Center gymnasium. Part of the city's Greenbelt Day Weekend, it was sponsored by the city's Recreation Department and, as its co-producer, arts coordinator Nicole DeWald, pointed out, involved participants ranging in age from 14 months to over 80 years.

Even more extraordinary than the age range was its choreography, which DeWald said was developed entirely by the cast members themselves. They utilized themes from the fair — innovative technologies, such as streamlined cars, washing machines and other electrical won-

ders, as well as inspirational ideas like the four freedoms (speech, press, assembly and religion). The trick was to make these concepts visual in dance.

This they managed by marvelous props and costume suggestions. Franklin Roosevelt himself, pushed in a wheelchair, dedicates the fair. Fairgoers of all sizes and both genders — every single participant in white shirt and pants — mill around, taking in the sights. Across the back of the performing area is a painted set depicting highlights of the fair, trylon and perisphere among other geometric forms suggesting modernistic exhibits. Above these forms is a New York City skyline silhouette.

This backdrop was placed on the gym floor the long way, below and slightly in front of the windows. It formed a visual bar-



Honora Hammett with mother Carolyn from the "Theatre of Time and Space" sequence, *The World of Tomorrow*.

PHOTO BY HOLLY TOMINACK

## Home and Garden Tour Mixes Old with New

Sunday afternoon was a beautiful time to look at other people's houses and landscaping, courtesy of the fifth annual Home and Garden tour sponsored by Greenbelt Homes, Inc. Several of the gardens featured landscaping that didn't need mowing, instead using a mix of groundcovers, perennials, and paths.

The homes featured on the tour showcased the homeowners varied solutions to updating 1930s architecture to meet the needs of 21st century life. So floorplans were opened up, closets converted to powder rooms, and storage added. The updated kitchens are quite a contrast to the original setup shown in the Greenbelt Museum.



PHOTO BY JAMES GIESE

Judy Bell, center, of 13 court Ridge shows off her new kitchen to Bernie McGee Giese, left and Martha Tomecek.



PHOTO BY JAMES GIESE

To mark the House and Garden units open on the tour, Greenbelt Girl Scouts created "Cirque de la Stick" artwork with the assistance of the Greenbelt Recreation Department. This one was in the 13 court of Ridge.



PHOTO BY BARBARA BROWN

Barbara Tanen explains to visitors the work she had done when she built a patio enclosure and remodeled her kitchen in the 13 court of Ridge.

This comical stone face grins from beneath many leaves in Katrina Boverman's garden, 3 Gardenway. Here is a perfect example of how to plant a gorgeous garden without the benefit of direct sunlight.

PHOTO BY JAMES GIESE

rier behind which costumes could be changed and performers redeployed. We in the audience sat on folding chairs arranged in a somewhat flattened semicircle at the same level as the performers. Behind us were stepladders with arrangements of spotlights to highlight and enhance a variety of scenes. Many children in the audience lounged comfortably on the floor. Everyone was assured a perfect view.

In that first scene already mentioned, the perisphere idea was carried out as the dancers moved apart, throwing silver-painted balls from one to another to the tune of Glenn Miller's "In the Mood." It ended with one immense white ball — perhaps really a balloon — that the program credited to another Miller, this one named Michael.

Highlights of the second

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by many, hangs just outside the Recreation Department office. Two large white "Dancing [polar] Bears," sculpted by Alice Sims and various children for the city's New Year's celebration, stand nearby like jolly sentries.

### Pottery

Another part of the Artful Afternoon was going on upstairs, where a large collection of handmade pottery was for sale, and where pottery student Tippawan Nuk was putting finishing touches on two clay pieces. Formerly of Thailand, now of Greenbelt, Nuk is a graduate student in statistics at the University of Maryland. Greenbelt resident Jean Sickle, although employed full-time, said she was happy to take a recent weekend workshop on glazing. She called her pottery work "a great outlet," citing the flexibility of the clay. Having

signed up for "open studio," she is able to make pottery at odd hours.

### Tour

Outside the Community Center on the lawn sat GHI representatives of the Home and Garden Tour, handing out information to people wanting to take a walking tour of Greenbelt homes. At about 3:30 p.m., Tour Coordinator Stephen Oetken said almost 200 people had stopped by to take the tour, which included nine houses plus a visit to the Greenbelt Museum. Enthusiastic workers Eve Gresser, Dorothea Leslie and Sylvia Lewis laughed about two notable events namely, the blowing away of a canopy over their site, and the blowing up of a nearby transformer. There was no charge for the tour.



PHOTO BY ANDY CARRUTHERS

**A member of the Sity Stars Double Dutch team exalts after completing her routine successfully in a practice at the Springhill Lake Recreation Center.**

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is the big, generous heart of Greenbelt...." Moore had the excruciating experience of losing her original nine rolls of film for the project and had to re-shoot.

**Double Dutch**

Andy Carruthers chose to display an historically old Greenbelt activity with a new twist. His nine photographs capture the spirit and enthusiasm of jumping rope by the Greenbelt Sity Stars, a group that specializes in the Double Dutch techniques of jumping, spinning and hopping with two ropes, two turners and often two jumpers. He "marveled at the fantastic display of spirit and dexterity that is Double Dutch...the drama, athleticism and charisma of the sport...." Carruthers followed the team around for several weeks, shooting hundreds of photos, selecting the best for display.

Donna Hoffmeister has traveled and lived all over the world before arriving in Greenbelt a year ago. She was interested in showing how the modern American suburb co-exists with the older planned community. Hoffmeister studied Greenbelt's history to learn about the development of Greenbelt East during the 1980s and 1990s. Her photographs show the sleek, contemporary Maryland Trade Center in the Greenway development, colonial architecture in the Greenbrook subdivision, a jogger enjoying the fitness trail in Schrom Hills Park. She was fascinated by the way the modern buildings "address the tastes and needs of [Greenbelt's] young, upwardly mobile residents."

**Greenbelt Lake**

Barcu Karagoi-Ayan, a native of Turkey and student at the

University of Maryland, chose the Buddy Attick Lake Park as her subject. Living at Lakeside North, she often enjoys serene walks along the lake path. Her photographs capture the diversity of the people who use the park, from the children feeding the ducks to the older couple studying their Bible on the fold-up table and benches they brought themselves.

**Diversity**

All of the photographers learned a lot about Greenbelt as well as about photography. Betsy Hill learned that the Springhill Lake apartment community is the third largest apartment complex in the country. She shows the lives and diversity of young families who live in Springhill Lake. Barry Moien learned about the tireless work of those employed in the Public Works Department who pick up trash, remove snow, grow trees and flowers, operate the recycling center and perform a thousand other tasks.

Mary Moien (Barry's wife) photographed activities at the Roosevelt Center, "still the hub of daily life, especially for those Greenbelters who live in the old part of the city and Greenbelt East, now connected by an overpass." Bree Garczynski learned that "riding along with the Greenbelt police [is] not as glamorous as on the popular television show." Garczynski stated in the gallery guide that, "The experience was one I will never forget, and I hope that this exhibit will prompt all Greenbelt residents to appreciate the Police Department for the outstanding service they provide."

The exhibit will be up for several weeks.

**Fish at National Wildlife Refuge**

To celebrate the upcoming Centennial of the National Wildlife Refuge System, the Patuxent Research Refuge in Laurel is hosting a "Take Me Fishing on a National Wildlife Refuge" event on June 9 from noon to 4 p.m. This event will take place at Patuxent's National Wildlife Visitor Center and will include activities in fly tying, casting, fish handling, safety, laws and ethics and a

showcase of fishing supplies and equipment. Youth may bring their own fishing rods or may borrow donated rods. The National Wildlife Visitor Center is located off of Powder Mill Road between Md. Rt. 197 and the Baltimore/Washington Parkway, south of Laurel.

For more information, call 410-674-3304.



**City Information**

**MEETINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JUNE 10-14  
CITY COUNCIL**

**Monday, June 10, 8pm, City Council Room, REGULAR MEETING; PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED TRANSFER OF CABLE TELEVISION FRANCHISE FROM COMCAST CABLE TO ATT/COMCAST; PUBLIC HEARING ON FY03 BUDGET (Channel 71)**

**Wednesday, June 12, 8:00pm, Greenbelt Community Center, WORKSESSION, Greenbelt Station Beltway Interchange**

**ADVISORY BOARDS AND COMMITTEES**

**Monday, June 10, 7:00pm, Greenbelt Community Center, RECYCLING & ENVIRONMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**Tuesday, June 11, 7:30pm, Youth Center, YOUTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**Tuesday, June 11, 7:00pm, Community Center-Multi-Purpose Room; PUBLIC SAFETY ADVISORY COMMITTEE.**

**MAIL IN REGISTRATION FOR GREENBELT RECREATION SUMMER CLASSES IS NOW UNDERWAY! CLASSES BEGIN THE WEEK OF JUNE 24TH. INFO: 301-397-2200 OR www.ci.greenbelt.md.us**

**Fused Glass Workshop with Artist Kathie Lynch Saturday, June 8 2-5pm Greenbelt Community Center**

The Greenbelt Recreation Department will host a single-session fused glass workshop with artist Kathie Lynch. Participants ages 16 and up will create an original piece of jewelry by "collaging" glass, which will then be fired in a kiln. No art experience is required in order to participate. Registration is required and fees apply. INFO: 301-397-2208.

**Folk and Blues Festival Roosevelt Center**

**Saturday, June 8, 1:00-10pm, FREE For information, contact the New Deal Café at 301-474-5642**

Enjoy music from these diverse talents! 1:00 open mic (sign-up at 12:30); 2:30 Rhianon; 3:20 Melissa Sites; 4:00 Terry Mulligan; 4:30 Geff King; 5:30 BanjerDan; 6:30 Melissa Sites; 7:00 The Jones Family; 8:00 Stan Brown; 8:30 Open Door Policy

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**Parking lot between the City Offices & the Community Center.**

The American Rescue Workers accepts donations of usable Household Goods (clothing, furniture, small appliances, curtains, towels, bedding, books, puzzles and toys). **For further information contact the City of Greenbelt Recycling Office at 301-474-8308.**

**GREENBELT ACCESS CHANNEL 71**

**Municipal Access 301-474-8000:** Monday, 6/10 at 8:00pm-City Council Meeting, Public Hearing Transfer of Cable Franchise from Comcast to ATT/Comcast, Public Hearing on FY 03 Budget "live"; Tuesday & Thursday 6/11 & 6/13: 6:00pm "Perils for Pedestrians; 6:30pm "World of Tomorrow," a community production; 7:30pm "Replay of Council Meeting"

**Public Access 301-507-6581:** Wednesday & Friday, 6/12 & 6/14: 7pm "Vids by Kids III" 9:15pm "Bruce Bowman: A Tribute"



**NEW...END OF THE DAY ART & MUSIC CLASSES**

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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.

### Robbery

6100 block Breezewood Drive, May 31, 1:31 a.m., a man was getting into his vehicle when two other men approached him. One of them produced a silver handgun and announced a robbery. After taking the victim's wallet, both fled on foot. The suspects are described as a black male about 20 years old, 5'5", 140 lbs., dark complexion, wearing a white T-shirt and black jeans, and a black male about 20 years old, 5'7", 140 lbs., medium complexion, wearing a white T-shirt and black jeans.

### Assault

9000 block Breezewood Terrace, May 28, 4:33 a.m., the victims were sleeping when they heard what they believed to be gunshots. Investigation revealed that entry had been gained by breaking out a window. The suspect fired several shots inside the apartment before fleeing the scene on foot. No one was injured. The victim's blue 2001 Plymouth Neon four-door was taken. The suspect is described as a black male, 14 to 15, 5'7", thin, wearing a black and red sweatshirt with a hood.

### Unattended Child

7400 block Greenbelt Road, May 27, 12:51 p.m., a 23-year-old woman of Northwest Washington was arrested and charged with leaving a child unattended in a motor vehicle. Officers discovered three children, ages six, two, and six months alone in a vehicle. The mother returned to the scene a short time later and was released on citation pending trial. Ambulance personnel responded to treat the children on the scene for possible heat exhaustion.

### Burglary

16 Court Parkway, May 25, 12:17 p.m., after entry was gained by tampering with a door lock, a video game player, DVD player and money were taken.

9000 block Breezewood Terrace, May 25, 10:40 a.m., entry was gained by prying a door open. Money was taken.

6100 block Springhill Terrace, May 27, 11:28 a.m., entry was gained by breaking out a window, and a television and cordless

telephone were taken.

9300 block Edmonston Road, May 17, 6:33 p.m., someone entered a vehicle impound lot and removed a 1986 Honda Accord four-door. The towing company recovered the vehicle the same day in Lanham, Maryland.

### Theft

100 block Lakeside Drive, May 27, 7:54 p.m., a lawn mower was taken from the carport of a residence.

With reference to a theft reported April 2 at Capitol Cadillac, an arrest warrant has been obtained charging a Landover man, 27, with theft, credit card misuse, and related offenses.

Greenway Shopping Center, May 27, 7:46 p.m., someone removed a wallet from an unattended purse in an office suite.

### Vandalism

With reference to a vandalism reported on Fayette Place on May 21, a 16-year-old Greenbelt resident has been charged with malicious destruction of property.

### Trespassing

Willy K's Restaurant, May 27, 1:19 a.m., a Silver Spring man, 23, was arrested and charged with trespassing when he refused to leave the restaurant after being so instructed by agents of the property. The man was released on citation pending trial.

### Drug Arrests

6000 block Springhill Drive, May 24, 9 p.m., an Oxon Hill man, 23, was arrested and charged with possession of cocaine with intent to distribute and related charges. The suspect was observed throwing what turned out to be crack cocaine onto a balcony as he fled the scene. He was apprehended after a short foot chase, and was released to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a District Court Commissioner.

6000 block Springhill Drive, May 25, 7:53 p.m., a Greenbelt woman, 21, and an Indiana resident, also 21, were arrested and charged with possession of marijuana (the Greenbelt suspect) and paraphernalia (the Indiana suspect). The latter was released on citation pending trial; the Greenbelt resident was released

to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a District Court Commissioner.

### Vehicle Crimes

The following vehicles were reported stolen: a blue 1991 Toyota Camry four-door, Pennsylvania tags DWH6606, May 28, from the 6400 block Ivy Lane; a gold 1990 Honda Accord four-door, Md. tags AO25913, May 30, from the 6100 block Breezewood Drive, and a white 1992 Dodge Caravan, Md. tags M448068, May 30, from the 6200 block Breezewood Drive.

Vandalism to, thefts from and attempted theft of vehicles were reported in the following areas: 7800 block Hanover Parkway; 9100 block Edmonston Court; 7700 block Greenbelt Road; 5800 block Cherrywood Terrace; area of Cherrywood Lane and Cherrywood Court, and 9100 block Edmonston Road.

Two vehicles stolen prior to the period of this report were recovered, one in Anacostia and one in Landover. One arrest was involved, in the Landover case.

With reference to a carjacking which took place May 14 in the 6100 block of Breezewood Drive, the vehicle, a 2003 Toyota Corolla, was recovered the same day by Hyattsville Police.

## Robbery Victim Is Stabbed at Office

The AlternaCare office on Hanover Parkway was robbed on May 29 at around 10 p.m. The robber, who produced a knife, demanded money and drugs. The person in the office gave the robber money. However, the robber continued to demand drugs. When told that there were no drugs in the office, the robber became agitated and stabbed the victim in the stomach and then fled on foot. The victim was transported to the Prince George's County Community Hospital and treated for a non-life-threatening stab wound.

The robber is described as a black male in his thirties, light complexion, wearing a black skullcap, dark blue hooded sweatshirt and dark blue sweatpants.

The Department is offering a reward of up to \$500 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of a suspect in any of the unsolved crimes reported in the blotter. Citizens may anonymously report suspected drug activity by calling the Drug Tip Line at 301-507-6522. Victims of the theft of lawn ornaments, tools, lawn mowers, etc., should contact Criminal Investigations at 301-507-6530. Some items have been recovered and police would like to return them to owners.

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# “Tree City” Loses Six at Exxon Site

by Dorothy Sucher

Six Bradford pear trees near the Exxon station at Greenbelt Road and Hanover Parkway were cut down early Sunday morning, June 2. In Greenbelt, which became an official “Tree City USA” in 2000, this means trouble. (Greenbelters may have noticed the Tree City flag sharing a flagpole with the familiar green-and-white flag of Greenbelt next to the city office.) One of the trees was located in the public right-of-way. The remaining five trees were on the private property of the Exxon station. Even so, all the trees are shown on the lot’s site plan, which was approved at the time the original application to build the station was approved.

According to a memo from Michael McLaughlin, Greenbelt city manager, the station owner is believed to have acquired the station three to four months ago. He has already been cited for trash on the site (still unresolved) and for storing cars on the Royal Gourmet site (which has been remedied). He has now been cited for two new violations: one for removing the tree in the right-of-way, and the other for improper signage on the site, according to McLaughlin’s memo.

Celia Craze, director of Planning and Community Development, stated: “We are investigating the incident and will be pursuing whatever corrective action is necessary.” However, enforcing the loss of the five trees on private property will be more difficult than the loss of the tree on the public right-of-way. The city staff will be working with the station owner to find an acceptable replacement for the trees. This may be an opportunity to work with the Greenbelt Road Neigh-



Stump of a Bradford pear tree, one of six cut down at the Exxon station at Greenbelt Road and Hanover Parkway.

borhood Conservation Program, a state highway program with the goal of improving the appearance of various state highway corridors. The state highway department will be making recommendations for landscaping on Route 193.

In addition, the city has a similar program for improving Hanover Parkway, including landscaping recommendations. Since the Exxon site is located at the corner of Greenbelt Road and Hanover Parkway, it is hoped that the landscaping recommendations for the Exxon station can be tied into those for the two road improvement projects.

Craze commented, “All this will take some time. Also, we’re now going into the hot, dry summer period. If your readers don’t see something happening immediately, this doesn’t mean we are not pursuing the matter. We would prefer to wait until cooler, moister fall weather to start plant-

ing.” She also pointed out that progress will depend on how cooperative the property owner proves to be.

## Maryland Sculptors To Be at Montpelier

The Montpelier Cultural Arts Center presents a major sculpture exhibition every summer: the Montpelier Invitational Sculpture Exhibition. Its 22nd exhibition will feature the work of some of Maryland’s best sculptors: Rodney Carroll, John Ruppert, John Krumrein, James Opasik, Mary Deacon Opasik, and Leonard Streckfus. The exhibition will take place in the Center’s Main Gallery and runs from June 7 through August 20, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. seven days per week. A public reception is planned for Friday, June 14 from 7 to 9 p.m.

For more information call 301-953-1993 or 410-792-0664 or TTY 301-490-2329.

## DANCE continued from page 6

scene, which depicted the denizens of the sideshows, were the Siamese twins, two little girls (Kiva Brick and Ana Newheart) who were held together inside one wide and flowered dress. In a later scene Ana performed again, this time in a pink bathing suit, when she did cartwheels under and through two immense unwound and undulating bolts of deep blue cloth that represented the blue lagoon.

### Frozen Alive

Throughout most of the scenes, the Frozen Alive Girl leads us through experiences of the fair. She was played by Laura Schandelmeier, co-producer and co-director. In scene two she emerges from her block of ice (actually a columnar rectangle covered with clear plastic, with a long-enough slit for an arm and leg and finally her body to slip through). She has sprinkles of glitter on her skin and her lips are blue. At times we see her shivering. She has moments that require her to perform vigorously, often confused and thrown about.

### The Future Theme

This reviewer particularly enjoyed the Theatre of Time and Space. Here adult dancers dressed in black carried shiny wheels that they turned as they moved. They represented the Ford Motor Company’s Road of Tomorrow. Each figure had a fantastic piece of a chrome auto part, or some such metallic object, to create a futuristic head-dress. Moving behind and among these figures was a rocket, piloted by young Jeremiah Hammett. But the extraterrestrial pilot, who got the most applause of the evening, was that baby we had been told was in the cast. Honora Hammett, encased in an impressive flying saucer with only

her little head showing above it all, soared far above the crowd, carried on the shoulders of an adult whose own head was hidden within that saucer device.

We also liked the Hall of Electrical Living, set off in the darkness by single lights (flashlights?) held by individual dancers dressed in black. Then on an empty stage two 30s-style housewives in their stereotypical aprons showed off and danced around their new white appliances — a stove for one and a washing machine for the other, complete with the rolls of its wringer.

The show lasted about an hour without intermission but with breaks between scenes as dancers changed costume or queued in new alignments. Their props were inventive and impressive, like the pink heart on one and the pink lungs on another arrayed against simple black leotards to depict new understandings in medical science.

But what impressed most of all was the spirit of disciplined enthusiasm emanating from this mix of ordinary Greenbelt folks that produced a program so delightful.

## Greenbelt CARES

The week of May 20 Carol Leventhal participated in a strategic planning meeting sponsored by the Maryland Association of Youth Services Bureau in Annapolis. This coming year will be the 30th anniversary of the Youth Services Bureaus in Maryland. Bureaus plan to celebrate the anniversary by emphasizing the importance and cost effectiveness of the programs to legislators and the general public.

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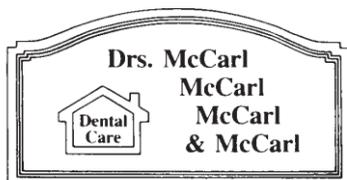
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## Roosevelt Seniors Win Honors and Awards

by Mary Moien

Eleanor Roosevelt High School (ERHS) recognized 127 seniors at the 2002 Awards Program on May 21. More than 500 parents, faculty, students, and local officials attended including Greenbelt Mayor Pro tem Rodney Roberts, Greenbelt City Councilmember Thomas White, Greenbelt Advisory Committee on Education (ACE) chair Leta Mach. Also attending were Maryland State Senator Leo Green and Maryland State Delegate James Hubbard.

Principal Sylvester Conyers presented The Superintendent's Award to Daniel Gingold and Kimberly Still. It is the highest recognition a student may receive and is presented to a senior boy and girl demonstrating character, service to the community and school, leadership, initiative and scholarship. The second highest award was the Principal's Award presented to Richard Henrikson and Omobonike Olorunoba for outstanding school service.

### Scholarships and Awards

Twenty-five Greenbelt students were among those recognized at the ceremony. Ben Kepler won the Walters Memorial Scholarship presented to a senior who exhibits exemplary service, character, and interest in music. Huy Do was awarded the Judy Frank Memorial Scholarship as the senior who has the strength to overcome adversity. Hui Kim was awarded the Skolnik Memorial Award, presented to an outstanding Greenbelt journalism student, given in memory of former Greenbelt News Review President Alfred M. Skolnik.

Wendy Mackall won the Daughters of the American Revolution award, presented to a student demonstrating achievement, patriotism, leadership and character. The Thelma Elaine Maddux

Price Memorial Award was present to Raishawn Cooper for demonstrating leadership qualities and outstanding work ethics. Laura Soto was honored for being a National Hispanic Finalist for attaining superior scores on the PSAT/NMSQT. Heraa Haj-Eisafi was named a National Achievement Finalist as an African American senior attaining superior scores on PSAT/NMSQT.

Marcus Terry won a Comcast Scholarship as well as an award for TV Productions.

Chacorey Davis and Charlene Gerring were recognized for having won the ACE Award presented by the Greenbelt Advisory Committee on Education.

### Honors and Awards

Several Greenbelters graduated with a 4.0 grade point average including Amber Dupree, Zahra Kasim, and Nana Ofosu. Nicholas Dobson won the award for second place Grand Prize in the Science Fair. Bora Chung, William Harvey, Margaret Roju, and Crystal Sermons were honored by the Academy Program. Annis Seopaul was presented an award for her Courthouse Internship. Art awards went to Ben Kepler and John Norden, while Joseph Pugliese won his for drama; and Kristian Talor for Interior Design.

Joshua Allen was named a senior athlete; Chacorey Davis and Leah Jones won awards in physical education; and Disha Jain for Foods and Nutrition. Nana Ofosu won an award in Character Education.

### Entertainment

The ERHS Flute Choir, under the direction of Judy Moore, provided several musical selections as a prelude and during the presentations. An ERHS singing group, The Pearls, presented "It's My Turn" during an interlude.

## ERHS Student Wins Vocational Award

by Dorothy Sucher

Christian Benson, a senior at Eleanor Roosevelt High School, has received an award as the outstanding student in Cooperative Vocational Education (CVE) at ERHS this year. CVE is a work-study program in which students take classes in the morning and work at jobs out in the community during the afternoon. Benson, 18, has been working as an intern in the comptroller's office at the University of Maryland.

The CVE program in Prince George's County is divided into four "academies," including the Finance Academy in which Benson was enrolled. Brenda Chapman, the coordinator of the finance program, stated, "Christian did such a wonderful job as an intern that he'll be able to stay on, full-time, for the entire year. He's very self-motivated, and once you give him a task he pursues it aggressively. He's very goal-oriented and aware."

### His Goal: Cooking

Benson's ambition is to become a chef, like his father. He often helps his parents in the kitchen and cooks for his friends "all the time." He says he has no particular specialty at this

point, but likes to make grilled pork chops, barbecue, and macaroni salad. He hopes to attend the French Culinary Institute in New York City.

Benson has lived in Greenbelt ever since he started school. "I like the convenience," he said. "You can walk anywhere you need to go."

His parents are Mark Benson of Greenbelt and Patricia Benson of Bowie.



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## Nine New Members Appointed to Board

The new, nine-member appointed Prince George's County Public Schools Board of Education was sworn in by the Honorable Rosalyn Pugh, clerk of the Circuit Court for the Prince George's County Government, on Saturday, June 1.

The new members of the Board of Education are: Dr. Beatrice Tignor, board chair; Howard Stone, board vice chair; John Bailer; Abby Crowley; Dr. Charlene Dukes; Robert Duncan; Judy Mickens-Murray; Jose Morales; and Dean Sirjue. Crowley and Morales are both residents of Greenbelt. Crowley was unable to attend the first board meeting and was sworn in the following week.

At its first official meeting, the board extended to Dr. Iris T. Metts a one-year contract as Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Prince George's County Public Schools. The terms of the contract are to be negotiated.

In a news release, the school system indicated that, in an effort to restore confidence in the school system, the board unanimously voted to extend the contract to Metts to continue the stability and the reform agenda. In doing so, the contract extension also offers assurances that all pending litigation will be withdrawn by all parties. The Board of Education will proceed immediately with a nationwide search for a new CEO.

## Schoolhouse Dedicated Saturday

On Saturday, June 8, at 11 a.m., an historic one-room schoolhouse will be dedicated by the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission. The dedication ceremony will be followed by a picnic. The schoolhouse, Seabrook School, is located at 6116 Seabrook Road, Lanham. For more information call 301-699-2407, TTY 301-699-2544.

## Local Resident Wins Educational Award

by Judy Bell

Twenty-five year Greenbelt resident Judy Goldberg-Strassler was recently nominated and elected by her peers at Bowie's Yorktown Elementary School to receive a City of Bowie Excellence in Education award.

Goldberg-Strassler has been in the Prince George's County school system for

26 years, spending eight years as a special education teacher and the last 18 years as an elementary school guidance counselor. She has been at Yorktown for three years, where she has a job-share appointment. In that time she has spearheaded a myriad of programs, with the support of Principal Linda Posko. "Working with wonderful teachers, students and families makes it so easy" to do a good job, said Goldberg-Strassler about Yorktown. Her many accomplishments include

advising a peer mediation program, student council, a diversity program called the C.O.M.E. Together grant which involves children of many ethnicities, the G.O.L.D. Committee (Generating Outstanding Leadership Development) program, a youth development group that goes to Chapel Forge Elementary - a school for special-needs children - to work with the population there, three teams of a Destination Imagination program, and a character education program, where children receive public recognition and certificates for their excellent character.



Judy Goldberg-Strassler

PHOTO BY LISA PIERSON

The maxim that Goldberg-Strassler espouses: "I love working with parents and teachers to give their children roots to grow and wings to soar." Her philosophy: "My educational philosophy is that in an educational atmosphere where individuals feel welcome, supported and respected, they consequently will support each other in creating a warm, caring community where diversity is respected, where conflicts are resolved through a variety of peaceful strategies, where individuals feel safe to ask for help when they need it and to offer help when they feel ready to provide it, and where children feel secure enough to investigate, create, invent, discover, learn, and grow as individuals and as part of a team."

The Goldberg-Strassler family have all been active in Greenbelt over the years, participating in activities such as Brownies, Cub Scouts, Creative Kids plays, and Mishkan Torah programs, with husband Robert and son Jesse coaching sports. One of the things that all three children have in common is delivering the Greenbelt News Review. College student Jesse passed his route down to seventh-grader Dina, and 11th-grader Ari continues with his route.

Of his wife, Robert spontaneously and proudly stated, "She's special."

## Doug Peters - An Endorsement

Letter to the Citizens of Greenbelt

Maryland is blessed with an abundant population of well-educated, highly trained, experienced and productive workforce. Prince George's County reaps daily many benefits from this versatile resource of dedicated men and women. They served with distinction in the armed forces of our nation during a time of hostilities and national need. Now, as veterans, they occupy respected positions of leadership in civilian and governmental organizations in the communities of Greenbelt and Bowie, Maryland.

As a thirty-six year resident of Greenbelt and member of the world's largest wartime veteran's organization, The American Legion, I have had the privilege of working closely on numerous occasions with my good friend and fellow veteran, Doug Peters of Bowie. As wartime veterans, we share a common bond of working for the preservation and enhancement of veterans' issues. We have shared concerns on local issues that are dear to the hearts of the residents of the communities of Greenbelt and Bowie such as a better and safer place to live, to work and to raise a family.

Doug Peters is a Gulf War era veteran with a vision for the future. He is not only a strong advocate for veteran's rights, but also a respected elected leader in the Bowie community. Some of his leadership positions include serving as the Commander (Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer) of Disney-Bell American Legion Post #66, Bowie, Maryland for two terms; President, Board of Trade, Prince George's County; and Councilman and Mayor Pro-Tem of Bowie, Maryland.

Doug is a strong advocate for protecting the environment and for permitting municipalities to have planning and zoning authority. He opposes county legislation that would allow overcrowded schools. These are just some of the leadership attributes that make Doug Peters, a front-runner in the race for the next Prince George's County Councilman from District 4.

Richard J. Santos  
Vietnam Veteran of Greenbelt, Maryland

By authority: Pat McAndrew, treasurer

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# Greenbelter Receives Education Award

by Judy Bell

"Every day is a great day when you're a teacher," says Greenbelter Brenda Cooley. She was recently awarded the Excellence in Education award from the City of Bowie, where she has been teaching seventh and eighth graders at St. Pius X Catholic School for 12 years.



Brenda Cooley

PHOTO BY LISA PIERSON

large classrooms do not interfere with learning. Cooley says she's known as the "Queen of Stuff" at school.

If teachers are looking for something they need, she probably has it, because as she puts it, she's a "stuff collector."

Cooley has been a Greenbelt resident for 38 years. She serves on the Advisory Committee on Education, has been a judge for city and federal elections, and has served on the Task Force for the Community Center.

Before joining the staff at St. Pius, Cooley was a principal at St. Phillip the Apostle in Camp Springs. She plans to retire in June, remarking that her husband has been retired for a few years and she wants to find out what he's been up to.

The school's spelling bee, the national geography bee (from which one of her students went on to the state finals) and the oratorical contest are among activities which Cooley has overseen. She has also served as the social studies chairperson, overseeing the teachers and the curriculum.

Cooley reports that St. Pius has 35 students to a classroom. She comments that large classrooms are not a problem for her and says statistics show that



PHOTO BY JAMES GIESE

Little Miss Greenbelt Jenny Lindvall and Junior Miss Greenbelt Marie Crenwelge, along with Jackie Shabe-Rochefort of the Greenbelt American Legion, sold tickets for the June 14 USO Benefit Ball at the Greenbelt Marriott. Tickets can still be purchased from Shabe-Rochefort at 301-345-4967 (e-mail jackieUSN@hotmail.com)

## JUNE IS PEDESTRIAN SAFETY MONTH!

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## DEFERRAL OF ADOPTION OF FISCAL YEAR 2003 BUDGET

The Greenbelt City Council was scheduled to adopt the Fiscal Year 2003 budget on Monday, June 3, 2002. However, because information was received just last week related to a proposed change in the retirement plan for the City's police officers, the City Council deferred the adoption of the budget to its regular meeting of June 10, 2002. This change in retirement systems would likely require an increase in the City's tax rate over and above the four-tenths of a cent (\$0.004) increase that was proposed at the May 28, 2002, Public Hearing. Based on preliminary calculations, this additional increase is estimated to be in the range of 1.4 to 2.7 cents. The decision to defer the adoption is to enable the Council to consider this matter and its possible impact on the budget and tax rate, and to enable the Greenbelt citizenry to comment on it at the June 10, 2002, Council meeting. For more information, please call the City Offices at 301-474-8000.



## GREENBELT CITY COUNCIL AGENDA Municipal Building Council Room Regular Meeting Public Hearings - FY 03 Budget and Cable Franchise Transfer June 10, 2002 - 8:00 p.m.

### I. ORGANIZATION

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Meditation and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag
4. Consent Agenda - Approval of Staff Recommendations  
*(The consent agenda comprises those items marked by an asterisk [\*], subject to such revisions as may be made by the Council prior to approval.)*
5. Approval of Agenda and Additions

### II. COMMUNICATIONS

6. Presentations
  - Chesapeake Bay Trust - Presentation of Check for Wetlands Educational Facility
  - National Small Cities Day - Proclamation
7. Public Hearings
  - Transfer of Cable Television Franchise from Comcast to AT&T/Comcast
  - 3rd Public Hearing on Proposed FY 2003 Budget
8. Petitions and Requests  
*(Petitions received at the meeting will not be acted upon by the City Council at this meeting unless the standing rules are waived by the Council.)*
- \* 9. Minutes of Meetings
- \* 10. Administrative Reports
- \* 11. Committee Reports

### III. LEGISLATION

12. Legislation to Amend the City Code Enforcement Program
  - A. An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 4, "Buildings and Building Regulations," of the Greenbelt City Code for the Purpose of Allowing the City to Update Sections of the Code, Replace Article III, and Establish Requirements for Property Inspections of Day Care Centers (2nd Reading, Adoption)
  - B. An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 12, "Parks and Recreation," of the Greenbelt City Code for the Purpose of Allowing the City to Give Postings at Park and Recreation Facilities the Force of Law (2nd Reading, Adoption)
  - C. An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 14, "Planning and Development," of the Greenbelt City Code for the Purpose of Allowing the City to Update Certain Sections of the Code, Clarify the City's Authority to Enforce Sediment and Erosion Control Plans and Requirements, and Revise Fees for Erosion and Sediment Control Permits (2nd Reading, Adoption)
13. A Resolution to Repeal Resolution Number 931 and to Establish Service Charges for Garbage, Trash, and Recycling Collections in the City of Greenbelt, Maryland, Effective July 1, 2002 (2nd Reading, Adoption)
14. A Resolution to Repeal Resolutions 930 and 947 and to Establish Admission Fees and Pass Rates for the Greenbelt Aquatic and Fitness Center, Effective September 2, 2002 (2nd Reading, Adoption)
15. Ordinances to Make End-of-the-Year Budget Adjustments to the General, Cemetery, Replacement, Unemployment, Temporary Disability, 2001 Bond, and Debt Service Funds (1st Reading, Suspension of the Rules, Second Reading Adoption)
16. Adoption of the Budget
17. An Ordinance to Adopt the General Fund, Cemetery Fund, Debt Service Fund, Replacement Fund, Special Projects Fund, Temporary Disability Reserve Fund, Unemployment Compensation Reserve Fund, Green Ridge House Fund, Capital Projects Fund, 2001 Bond Fund, and Community Development Block Grant Fund Budgets for the City of Greenbelt, Maryland, to Appropriate Funds and Establish Real Estate and Personal Property Tax Rates for the Fiscal Year 2003, Beginning July 1, 2002 and Including June 30, 2003 (1st Reading, Suspension of the Rules, 2nd Reading, Adoption)

### IV. OTHER BUSINESS

18. Transfer of Franchise Agreement from Comcast to AT&T/Comcast
19. Program Open Space 2003 - Application for Funding
20. Approval of Job Descriptions - Assistant Directors, Recreation
21. Overcrowding at Springhill Lake Elementary School - Letter to County
22. Appointment to COG Committee on Noise Abatement and Aviation at National and Dulles Airports
- \* 23. Cable Modem Service Franchise Fees
- \* 24. National Capital Planning Commission - Proposed Federal Capital Improvements Program, FYs 2003-2008

### V. MEETINGS

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Kathleen Gallagher  
City Clerk

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split evenly between pedestrians and drivers in 24 accidents, and fault was not determined in four others. For the sake of the study, pedestrians included skateboarders, bicyclists, and one person in a motorized wheel chair. There was one fatality, and Kaiser said that pedestrian was intoxicated. Nine of the 24 pedestrian crashes reported in the study occurred in shopping center parking lots which are private property where police are unable to enforce traffic laws.

Kaiser explained that during the pedestrian safety campaign, officers will be observing crosswalks and issuing warnings, or citations where indicated, to both motorists and pedestrians. Mayor Judith Davis commended Kaiser for securing a grant from the state to pay for overtime to staff the campaign. He also obtained a "Smooth Operator" grant to enforce aggressive driving violations. This program will run throughout the summer and supplement the pedestrian safety campaign.

A "Keep Kids Alive, Drive 25" campaign reminding drivers to slow down when children are present has been completed at Greenbelt Elementary School. Kaiser said it resulted in a slight decrease in vehicle speeds in that area. Next fall the same campaign is planned for Springhill Lake Elementary.

Celia Craze, director of the city's Department of Planning and Community Development, showed council one of the four new pedestrian signs which will be placed at uncontrolled crosswalks on Crescent Road. Craze said the sign is much-improved over the last ones the city had, which did not hold up to traffic abuses. The new signs have a recycled rubber base enabling them to pop back into place after being toppled by passing traffic. The sign itself is easy to replace, said Craze. In response to a question, she said only four signs were purchased at first, but the company is local and it will be easy to obtain more if they are found to meet the city's needs.

### Change in Redistricting

Council also approved a letter to the president of the Prince George's County Board of Elections requesting modifications to recently drawn precinct boundaries. The changes would place all of the land in the city within a Greenbelt voting precinct. The state redistricting plan placed three parcels of undeveloped land within the city boundaries

into precincts outside the 23<sup>rd</sup> District, in which the rest of Greenbelt lies. State and county districts cannot contain a partial precinct, so council is asking the County Board of Elections to redraw precinct boundaries to put the affected areas in Greenbelt precincts to keep all of the city in the 23<sup>rd</sup> District. The parcels, which include Greenbelt Park and the Metro Station area, are not currently inhabited, but could be at some future time.

### BARC Bee Research

At the request of Councilmember Rodney Roberts, council agreed to send a letter to government officials opposing transfer of the bee research program from Beltsville Agricultural Research Center (BARC) to a centralized facility in Texas. Roberts said his concern is that the centralization of bee research elsewhere may be the start of a slow decline in BARC programs to the point where the facility is not needed by the Department of Agriculture. McLaughlin said that Congressman Steny Hoyer has been taking the lead in opposing this change at BARC.

### Poet Laureate

Should Greenbelt have a poet laureate, and if so, by what process should that honor be bestowed? Council debated these questions after receiving feedback on the idea of a poet laureate from the Arts Advisory Board and the Greenbelt Writers' Group. The feedback was in response to a letter from Pauline Bordas last August suggesting that Joe Rimar be appointed Honorary Poet Laureate of Greenbelt to recognize his talent and show appreciation for his many contributions to the community. The Arts Advisory Board responded with appreciation for the work of Rimar and also to Bordas for recognizing the value of his work, but the group decided that a poet laureate, even an honorary one, should not be named without an open, competitive selection process.

It was noted that the question posed to the Greenbelt Writers' Group concerned whether or not a poet laureate position should be created in Greenbelt. Response to this question from three individual members of the group also expressed the need for an open selection process before naming an individual to this position.

Roberts wants to run an ad to see if there are nominations and thinks the open selection process would take a long time. White suggested that Peace

Month could be an occasion for soliciting poetry samples for selection of a poet laureate. Davis suggested the idea be referred back again to the same two groups for development of a process. It was also suggested that members of any viable poetry group in the city be invited into the process.

Council agreed to send Rimar a letter of appreciation which Davis said she would hand deliver to him at a Golden Age Club meeting.

### Miscellaneous

In other actions, council introduced two ordinances, one that would update and clarify city code to facilitate enforcement of sediment and erosion control plans, and another to establish requirements for property inspections of day care centers and modify building regulations and property maintenance code. There was also legislation introduced that would allow the city to give the force of law to postings at parks and recreation facilities.

A resolution was introduced to increase the refuse collection fee to \$44 per quarter, an increase of \$1.30 per quarter. If adopted at a later council meeting, the increase will be effective on July 1. The increase was part of the proposed budget.

Another resolution was introduced to raise pass rates to the Aquatic and Fitness Center by three percent effective on Labor Day and incorporate recent changes to the center's fees.

Presented for second reading and adoption was an ordinance to establish a bond fund to provide for the receipt of the proceeds of the sale of bonds authorized by council and any other revenues, fund transfers, and disbursements related to financing the costs of these projects.

Council also reviewed responses to the 2001 election questionnaire and approved two new job descriptions for assistant directors in the Recreation Department.

### Aviation Museum Seeks Volunteers

The College Park Aviation Museum needs volunteer support; the museum is open seven days a week and needs volunteers on weekends and weekdays to serve as greeters and gift shop sales people. Additional positions are available. Call Jane Welsh at 301-864-6029 for more information.



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Admiring the flowers in bloom in the garden in front of the Lenore Thomas carved-stone reliefs on the front of the historic Greenbelt Community Center on Greenbelt Day was Greenbelt Recreation Director Harry G. Irving. More photos and articles from the weekend activities can be found on pages 6 and 7.



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