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A Review

# Greenbelt New Year 2004 Is Enjoyed by Record Crowd

by James Giese

Bernie and I attended Greenbelt New Year. This time was a little different as we agreed to be volunteers. Doing so not only got us in free but also resulted in us getting golden yellow T-shirts with the Greenbelt New Year logo in green on them. Volunteer coordinator Dan Hamlin assigned us to Magic Mike for the first part of the evening.

Although Magic Mike was making a repeat appearance in Greenbelt, we had not seen him before. Magic Mike does a good magic show. He does the usual tricks of making one rope become several and then become one again (don't ask me how). He also pulls a rabbit from the hat. What we found the best about Magic Mike was his rapport with the little ones who gathered on the floor at his feet. They were totally fascinated and entertained by him.

The magic show lasts nearly an hour. As soon as it is over, Magic Mike begins the next session, which is to make balloon sculptures for the young ones. With an endless supply of skinny balloons and an air pump to quickly blow them up, Mike made one imaginative thing after another. There were dogs on leashes, aliens, swords, guns, closed the line to newcomers so

For the third year my wife crowns and just an endless variety of things. Sometimes he would simply twist a balloon into a shape. Other times he would make knots. Occasionally he would cut off an unused part of a balloon. Sometimes he used Magic Markers to paint on faces,

### Keep in Line

Our job was to control the line of kids waiting for balloons. For the most part, it was orderly, the only problem being with kids who edged closer and broke the line so they could watch Mike at work.

Also helping Mike were three women who I presumed to have been his wife and daughters. One of them brought the rabbit in the hat around for the kids to pet. This white rabbit has dark lines around the eyes. I asked if that was eye shadow, but was assured that it was a natural feature of this special breed of rabbit. The rabbit was well trained. Ever since it first appeared in the hat, it stayed put, never trying to get out, perfectly content to let the little ones pet it.

After about a half-hour, the line for balloons was still long and newcomers to the line quickly replaced those walking away with balloons. Mike's wife that he could finish making balloons before the time of his next show and take a break. Bernie and I then spent a lot of time telling mothers and dads arriving with children to come see the next show and get their balloons after that show.

Mike finished making balloons just in time to begin his next show, for which another crowd quickly gathered. Linda Edwards and Marcia Voigt relieved Bernie and me at that time. Linda told us later that things got a little hairy after the balloon line was closed following that show. She had a couple encounters with irate parents unhappy that their young ones weren't going to get balloon sculptures. One demanded to see the mayor, Linda said.

### Cabaret

Off duty, Bernie and I headed for the multipurpose room, called the cabaret for the evening, for the double delight of hearing John Hill perform and tasting Chef Lou's goodies. Bernie had key lime cheesecake and I had chocolate mousse cake scrumptious and decadent. We were lucky enough to arrive when the line was short and surprised when a few minutes later

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The two door Honda Civic smashed into the public works truck on Crescent Road Tuesday afternoon at 3:45 after crossing the double yellow center line near St. Hugh's school.

### Two Greenbelters Were Killed In Crescent Road Accident

by Mary Lou Williamson

Seventeen-year-old Graciella James-Hinds and her 8-year-old sister, Jovanni Phillips, died as a result of an automobile crash on Crescent Road near Northway on Tuesday, January 6 about 3:45

The young woman, who was driving a green, 2-door Honda Civic, had crossed the double yellow center line, smashing head-on into one of the city's public works trucks, according to MPO George Mathews, Greenbelt police public information officer.

The car, according to Channel

7 news reporter Doug McKelway, may have been traveling 50 to 60 m.p.h. – based on how demolished the front half of the Civic was. There were no apparent skid marks. Karl Pena, News Review photographer, equated the front end of the car to crushed aluminum foil.

The young woman was transported to Doctors Hospital where she was pronounced dead.

Rescue workers removed the roof of the car to extract the

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### **CUA Hall of Fame Athlete** Tom Renahan Sends Greetings Is Greenbelt's Lisa Kellaher And News from His Post in Iraq

Greenbelt resident Tom Renahan is in Iraq helping to establish democratic processes. He sent this letter to his friends back home. It is reprinted with his permission.

Merry Christmas from Amarah, Iraq. Due to circumstances, this will have to be my Christmas card for this year. So it's not that nice-looking; but how many other Christmas cards did you get from Iraq?

For those unaware, I am now an International City/County Management Association staff member, working on the democracy project in Iraq. I am in Amarah, in the Maysan governorate (province) maybe 100 miles north of Basra in the southern part of the country and about 50 miles from the border with Iran. Amarah has probably 100,000 to 200,000 people, but this is a largely agricultural area, with a little more green than the desert areas to the south.

I am safer here than in most other places in Iraq, but nevertheless surrounded constantly by security details (when traveling anywhere) and several security guards (when in our compound).



Tom Renahan

We don't have pro-Saddam demonstrations here, where 95% of the people hated Saddam, many for personal and heart-wrenching reasons. His arrest set off a full day and night of celebratory gunfire into the air (a favorite practice around here - for weddings and for special occasions, like when you just feel like it). I am in the British zone and it has been fun working with them and with Ambassador Bremer's representative here. We are working at the decision-making level, having an impact and feeling great so far about the experience.

**Time Stands Still** 

It has been just a couple of weeks so far, but it seems so much longer. Time stands still here, due to some psychological factor I don't understand. It has been a busy time, however, as I have already written detailed agendas and ballots for the new Maysan Provincial Council (it's wonderful to see your work translated into Arabic), a detailed plan to implement the democracy project in Maysan and a detailed set of standing rules for the new council. (I feel bad for the translator who has to put those 13 pages into Arabic!) Our numerous Iraqi staff are impressive, including some great young people working as interpreters and demonstrating excellent English skills. As for my Arabic skills, I have learned to say hello (As-salaam alaykum).

I am working incredibly long errands or buy groceries or drive

hours. However, it is not as tough as the total hours might make it seem. Consider this for time-saving convenience: I never have to cook, or clean or take the dog out or the trash or do by Dea Nedeff Zugby

Longtime Greenbelters might remember little Lisa Kellaher, who grew up on Empire Place in old Greenbelt with her seven brothers and sisters - Bill, Lori, Gene, Susie, Michael, Frank and Danny. Well, Lisa Kellaher Lisa's children are involved in Doolan is all grown up!

She was inducted into the Catholic University of America (CUA) Athletic Hall of Fame on November 1 for her outstanding contributions to CUA's basketball team (1982 - 1986). Lisa is the daughter of Joanne Kellaher and the late Gene Kellaher, Sr., of Greenbelt.

She and her husband, Ken Doolan, have two children – an eight-year-old son Jordan and a five-year-old daughter Taylor. sports, too – basketball, soccer. T-ball and cheerleading. They reside in Huntingtown, Md. A business analyst with Hewlett Packard in Lanham, Lisa manages the Bank of America ac-

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### What Goes On

Saturday, January 10

9 a.m. to noon, Donation Drop Off, Parking lot between city offices and Community Center

Monday, January 12

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

8 p.m., Regular City Council meeting, Municipal Building

Tuesday, January 12 – Springhill Lake Charette Wednesday, January 14 7:30 p.m., Public Hearing, Greenbelt Board of Appeals, Com-

munity Center 8 p.m., Council Worksession on newspaper racks and standing rules, Community Center

Thursday, January 15 7 p.m., Advisory Committee on Trees, Community Center

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# **Letters**

### Heartwarming Story

Thank you so much for the December 25 story that you ran about the mother who forgave the hit-and-run driver who had killed her daughter. The message of tragedy and forgiveness brought tears to my eyes.

It was truly a special Christmas gift to me and my family.

### Erv Beckert

On behalf of the Greenbelt New Year's Eve Committee, I would like to thank everyone who attended the celebration. It is the committee's hope that everyone had a great time!

A 2004 Thank You

A big thanks also goes to the Greenbelt Recreation Department for their invaluable support and coordination with the Committee. Without them there would be no celebration. Thanks also to Public Works for their support of the event and to the Police Department for their participation which was present during the Celebration. The entertainers are also to be thanked for their talent and professionalism which made for great shows all night long, as well as Sight & Sound DJs and Talk of the Town for their great activities at the Youth Center. Thanks to the Greenbelt Swim Team and Chef Lou for providing great food all evening, to the New Deal Café for great food and jazz and to the Arts Center for some great rock music. Thanks also to GAVA for a great animation show at the movie theater.

A big thanks goes to all the businesses and individuals who provided monetary support for the celebration. A special thanks goes to the Greenbelt Co-op for selling discount wristbands prior to the celebration.

And last, but certainly not least, I would like to thank the wonderful members of the committee and the volunteers who worked that evening. The celebration would not be possible without you. From the bottom of my heart, thank you.

See you next year!

Patti Brothers,

President.

Greenbelt New Year's
Eve Committee

### **THANKS**

Four paws up for those who contributed to our pet donation collection. I was overwhelmed by the amount of goods people donated. With a full truckload of donations, my neighbor Sterling Tropp and I took the goods to P.G. Animal Shelter in Forestville. The staff greatly appreciated the donations. Special thanks to the New Deal Café and Greenbelt Aquatics and Fitness Center for hosting this event.

Dan Celdran

# Good Feelin', Good Eatin' -A Great Night at Home

by Sandra A. Lange

Imagine coming home one night and being greeted by a tall, slender, smiling young woman with honey blonde hair who has prepared a gourmet dinner just for you and your spouse, partner or special friend. But first, she invites you to experience the ultimate in relaxation and pampering, a deep-tissue facial or Swedish massage. This is what Greenbelter Sandy Greene offers in her business called "Table to Table" – a massage and a meal in the comfort of your own home.

Sandy grew up in Greenbelt, graduating from Eleanor Roosevelt High School in 1983. She worked as a cashier at the Co-op for several years. After completing her studies at Towson State College, she worked in the Greenbelt Nursing Home as an assistant activities director and occasional cook.

She always loved food and worked for a while in the bakery at Whole Foods. She took classes part-time at L'Academie de Cuisine in Bethesda and got a job as a cook and manager of Le Bon Café on Capitol Hill. While she enjoyed the restaurant work, she found the profession hard on her body and social life. Since she was interested in massage therapy, she decided to attend the School of Massage in Baltimore part-time. Since becoming certified, she continues to take classes in order to stay fresh and learn new techniques such as sports massage and massages tailored for elderly clients.

When a friend suggested Greene combine her two talents of cooking and massage therapy to start her own business, she decided to quit her restaurant job and take the plunge. Using her contacts on Capitol Hill and advertising in the Metro Services Guide, she targeted Montgomery County, Northern Virginia and the District of Columbia. The advertisements and personal endorsements and a review in the Washingtonian Magazine helped her business grow so that now she is completely booked until March.

She has also learned to pace herself. She doesn't usually book Table to Table clients on Friday, Saturday and Sunday nights. She gives herself a night off during the weekend to pursue her own social life. She likes to eat out herself and, "When people cook for me, I am so happy," she exclaimed.

In a typical week she will do several massages during the day. On her Table to Table days, she will grocery shop, usually at Whole Foods, in the morning. In the afternoon, she will prepare as much as possible in her own small Greenbelt kitchen. Sometimes people ask for a special menu and she will accommodate

### Correction

In the Top Stories 2003 article last week Tom Renahan is incorrectly identified as Ed Putens in the photo and caption of the Candidates Forum. Renehan was representing Putens. When the article first appeared months ago the photo and caption were incorrect then as well. Therefore the News Review has the ignominious honor of blowing it twice. As to the statement that Leta Mach was unable to attend, she was available and participating in the forum by phone.

them, especially if there are food allergies or strong dislikes. Or she uses menus she creates herself. Always she bakes her own bread be-



Sandy Greene

cause, as she says, "It is so easy and so wonderful to have fresh bread."

When she arrives at people's houses, she will do the 40minute massages first. Often the person has purchased the event as a special birthday or anniversary surprise. Then she will serve the four-course meal consisting of appetizer, salad, entrée and vegetable dish and dessert. Wine is included for an extra charge. The entrée is prepared while the couple are eating their appetizer. She is packed up and ready to leave in less than three hours. Her pleasure is listening to the couple talking and enjoying each other's company. "I've never had a bad experience," she pro-

She remembers in particular the weekend following September 11 and wondering if her business would suffer. On the contrary, "people wanted to snuggle up in their own homes," she commented.

Greene enjoys her work and plans "to do it until I don't love it anymore," she stated. Because the massage therapy is very physical, she tries to stay healthy herself. She finds that she needs to take time off and has learned to say "no" on occasion. She accepts the perils of being her own boss with no sick or annual leave to fall back on if she can't work.

She rarely has had to cancel a job because of weather. In last year's giant snowstorm, she credits the City of Greenbelt's Public Works Department for allowing her to get out of her court and to her clients' homes.

While she has only a few massage clients in Greenbelt, her business is expanding. "No one else does what I do," she exclaims. Local residents who want to take advantage of Greene's skillful massages and creative meals can contact Table to Table by phone on 301-474-1501 or by email at 1greenes@msn.com. But be prepared to take a number!

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# OLD GREENBELT THEATRE Week of Jan. 9 SOMETHINGS GOTTA GIVE (PG13) Friday \*4:30, 7:15, 9:50 Saturday \*1:45, \*4:30, 7:15, 9:50 Sunday \*1:45, \*4:30, 7:15

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Our sympathy to Betty Shifflett of Hillside Road and her family on the death of her husband Carol Shifflett.

Condolences to the White family on the death of their mother, Lucille Mary White.

Greenbelters were sorry to hear of the death of former Greenbelter Annie Butler of Laurel. Our condolences to her family.

### Congratulations -

To Thomas Browne of Manassas, Va., and Kaaba Jones of Silver Spring, Md., who were promoted to the rank of Sergeant First Class by Greenbelt's Armory. During a holiday function at the 94th Aerosquadron Restaurant, the two members of Greenbelt's C Company, 1-115th Infantry Battalion, 29th Infantry Division were honored for their promotions.

To Community Center artistin-residence Elizabeth Lundberg Morisette who has been selected to participate in the All Media Juried Show 2004 at the Artists' Museum in Washington. The show will be on display January 4 to 25, with an opening reception to be held Friday, January 9 at 6 to 8 p.m. Two of Morisette's works from her new ebay series will be on display including "Webster" which won first prize at the Labor Day Art Show.

And to Matthew Dwyer, who was commissioned a Second

Lieutenant in the U.S. Marine Corps on December 12 at Quantico, Va. Matt attended St. Hugh's and St. Vincent Pallotti schools and graduated from the University of Maryland this past May. He will continue training at Quantico for the present time. Matt's parents, Robyn and Tom Dwyer live in Berwyn Heights and his grandparents, Tom and Shirley Dwyer are longtime Greenbelt residents.

### **GHI Notes**

Events for the week of January 12 through 16:

January 13 – Marketing Committee, 7:30 p.m. in the Board Room:

January 14 – Ad-Hoc Education Committee, 4:15 p.m. and Woodlands Committee, 7 p.m. in the Board Room.

The next Board of Directors meeting will be January 22 at 7:30 p.m. in the Board Room.

The next Pre-purchase Orientation will be January 26 at 7:15 p.m. in the Board Room.

### **NARFE Meets**

NARFE Chapter 2146 will hold its monthly meeting at 1:30 p.m. on Wednesday, January 21 at the New Carrollton Municipal Center. Important business will be discussed and all members are requested to attend.

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# **Community Events**

### **SPCA Sponsors Cat Adoptions**

The Prince George's County SPCA/Humane Society is sponsoring a cat adoption day on Sunday, January 11, noon to 3 p.m. at Beltway Plaza Mall, 6000 Greenbelt Road. The cats' foster parents will be present to answer questions and accept adoption applications. For information call 301-262-5625 or visit the website at www.pgspca.org.

### Simplicity Group **Now Forming**

Interested in creating a simpler and more satisfying life? Explore topics such as external and internal clutter and new approaches to freeing up time and money. Meet with like-minded people as part of a study group focused on "Voluntary Simplicity." An introductory meeting to discuss the possibility of forming an eight-session study group in Greenbelt will be held on Thursday, January 15, 7 to 9 p.m. at the Greenbelt Arts Center in Roosevelt Center. Those who cannot attend but would like to learn more about study circles forming in Greenbelt, can contact Marat Moore by phone on 301-474-2721 or by email at SimplicityGrpsMd@aol.com.

### **Exploring Opera**

Come and explore the world of opera in all its glorious music, costumes and scenery when Explorations Unlimited hosts a presentation by John Cahill on Friday, January 16. Learn about the history of opera, look at video excerpts from familiar and not so familiar operas to enjoy the variety of expressions on the theme of love and death portrayed in productions from around the world.

Cahill has B.A. and M.A. degrees and has been teaching a variety of courses in Adult Continuing Education programs in several county public school systems and community colleges in Maryland, including the SAGE program for Prince George's Community College. He has taught courses in ancient and Biblical Greek, classical and ecclesiastical Latin, classical mythology in the arts, Latin and Greek etymology, ancient Greek civilizations and opera.

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

### Jazzy, Rocking Blues at New Deal

This Friday, January 9, the New Deal Café welcomes back regulars J.R. Robusto and Waverly Milor for an evening they describe as their "special brand of jazzy, rocking, acoustic blues."

Joined on guitar by Eddie Becker, a veteran of 35 years on the D.C. music scene, and percussionist Scott Green, the group's performance will begin at 8 p.m. For more information, call the café at 301-474-5642.

### **Democrats to Hold Straw Vote Party**

The Eleanor & Franklin Roosevelt Democratic Club of Greenbelt will meet on Thursday, January 15, with the Governor Oden Bowie Democratic Club of Bowie and several other northern county clubs for a "Straw Vote" party. This event will take place at 7 p.m., at the Glenn Dale Firehouse on Rt. 193 (Greenbelt Road) in Glenn Dale.

Surrogates for most of the nine Democratic candidates for President of the United States will present his or her candidate's points of view and answer questions. Following the presentation, the Democratic club members will take a straw vote and announce the outcome to the press. (This meeting will take the place of a Greenbelt meeting which would have been held on the third Friday of the month, January 16.)

A small donation is suggested so that refreshments can be served at a post-vote social hour. Several elected officials are expected to attend from Prince George's and Anne Arundel Counties.

Maryland's Presidential Preference Primary will take place throughout the state on Tuesday, March 2. Only those voters who registered as Democrats by December 10, 2003, will take part in that election. The 2004 presidential election in all 50 states will be held on Tuesday, November 2.

For further clarification or membership details call the E&FDR president, Bill Hunt, at 301-982-0111.

### Other Events

There are two events for local members of the United Democratic Women's Clubs of Maryland in January. The Southern Maryland Region women will meet on Saturday, January 10 at the Gateway Restaurant, Brooms Island Road, Calvert County for a 12:30 p.m. luncheon and discussion of plans for the March primary.

A state-wide meeting will be held on Saturday, January 17 at Fisherman's Inn, Grasonville, Kent Island. The afternoon will include an executive board meeting at 11 a.m., followed by luncheon at noon with remarks by Mayor Martin O'Malley of Baltimore. A brief business meeting will follow with Pat Unger, of Greenbelt, presiding. A committee will be selected to plan UDWC's 80th birthday luncheon for Thursday, May 20. For reservations or information, call Pat Unger, Roosevelt club's corresponding secretary, at 301-474-

### Chronic Pain **Group Meets**

On January 14 from 10:15 to 11:45 a.m. Pain Connection's monthly meeting will focus on a discussion of "Grieving for Your Lost Self." The meeting will be in the ground floor conference room of the Greenbelt Library. Park in the back. Bring pillows, mats, ice or hot packs to be comfortable. Call 301-300-2444 or visit www.pain-connection.org for more information.

### Starlight Shimmy At New Deal Café

There will be a free evening of performances by professional and semi-professional belly dancers on Saturday January 17 from 8 to 10:45 p.m. at the New Deal Café in Roosevelt Center. Patrons can enjoy the delicious food and comfortable atmosphere of the café while being regaled by the sights and sounds of Middle Eastern dance.

### The GES Notebook

by David Lange

Greenbelt Elementary School is one of more than 1,000 schools nationwide that have accepted the Reading Is Fundamental (RIF) Community Reading Challenge. From January 5 through 16, parents and other members of the Greenbelt community will be reading books aloud in the various classes. Anyone who is willing to read may call GES at 301-513-5911 and leave a message for Ms. Hall.

RIF is a federally funded program to promote literacy in schools, including the distribution of a free book for each student.

### Speed Math

Mr. Weeks has been giving his fifth grade math students a test of 100 multiplication problems to be done in five minutes. The first time, the average test score for all fifth graders was 72 percent, with six students getting 100 percent. After two weeks of practice, the average rose to 93 percent and 30 students scored 100 percent!

The names of the 30 students are: Tiarra Bell, Scott Burnett, Shanay Campbell, Patrick Douglas, Jonathan Fordyce-Bindah, Kalinskie Gilliam, Emmanuel Harris, Roberto Martinez, Ryan Mattox, Ima'n Sams, Breanna Santigo, Katelyn Smith, Amani Watkins, Kyndal Campbell, Analiz Cedeno, Jasmine Cole, Caitlin Cummings, Miles Donelson, Jessica Fordyce-Bindah, Tera Ford, David Henriquez, Matthew Hurtt, Shanti Mahabir, Drew Matzo, Messiah Ponds, Marco Ralph, Eric Redd, Tyler Siegel, Sarah Smith and Tierra White.

### At the Library

Tuesday, January 13, 10:30 a.m. Cuddletime for newborns to 18 months with caregiver.

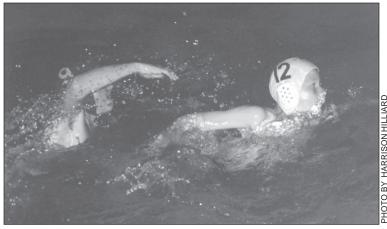
Wednesday, January 14, 10:30 a.m. Toddler Time for 18 to 36 months with caregiver. 4 p.m., children's book discussion for ages 8 to 12.

Thursday, January 15, 10:30 a.m. Drop-In Storytime for ages 3

### **ERHS Grad Night Fund Raiser**

The Eleanor Roosevelt High School Grad Night Committee is sponsoring a fund raiser at Chevy's Restaurant in Greenway Center on January 22 from 5 to

Diners should tell the Chevy's hostess that they are participating with the Roosevelt High School grad night group. Proceeds will go to support "Grad Night" for Roosevelt High School 2004 seniors. For more information call 571-221-2430 (a local call).



William Ornham hotly pursues Wesley Hilliard (#12) in Greenbelt water polo team action.

### Water Polo Practices on Saturdays

been reserved for the resumption of indoor water polo at the Greenbelt Aquatic and Fitness Center.

Practice Schedule: January 10 (Saturday) 9 – 11 p.m., January 24, February 7 and 21, March 6 and 20, April 3 and 17, May 1

The team is looking for more players to join its core group age 13 - 16. New players 11 and up

The following dates have are invited to come for the clinic and a deep water scrimmage for the experienced kids and a shallow water scrimmage alongside it for the less experienced. There is a drop in fee or commit to all 10 dates and be on the "team" that will scrimmage other youth groups as the season goes on.

> Call Larry Hilliard at 301-474-7504 or Clement Lau at 301-345-6110 for more information.



Greenbelt water polo players practice the eggbeater kick in front of a goal. (L. to R.) Rick Loutsch, Tommy Lee, Jill Lau, Michelle Schuett, Jeff Li, Melissa Gray, Daniel Rehner, William Dunham, Harrison Hilliard, Ahmed Ali, Joseph Lau and Wesley Hilliard.

### **Greenbelt CARES**

Judye Hering held the winter session of CARES' babysitting course. Students learned the responsibility and safety issues of babysitting. Twelve students attended the course.

During the month of December, 11 families on average were seen for counseling at CARES. Forty-four individuals on average came on a weekly basis among whom 12 were 18 years of age and younger. Thirty-three students participated in tutoring ser-



### **ATTENTION PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS**

Greenbelt Homes, Inc. (GHI), one of the largest and most established housing cooperatives in the country, is offering brief and informative presentations designed to introduce cooperative life style to you. The presentation will explain what a cooperative is, how it operates, what services are provided members, and financing sources which are available. This information will be useful to you whether or not you purchase membership in the cooperative or decide to purchase a home elsewhere. This is an ideal opportunity for you to learn about GHI in a relaxed atmosphere and afford you the opportunity to make an informed decision about your future housing needs.

The next presentations are scheduled as follows:

Saturday, January 10, 2004 11 a.m. Monday, January 26, 2004 7:15 p.m.

Please call the Receptionist at (301) 474-4161 for reservations and information. The sessions are free, and there is no obligation. There are lists of "Homes for Sale" at the GHI office. There is no charge.

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# **Obituaries**

### Carol Dean Shifflett

Carol Dean Shifflett, 74, died on December 23, 2003 at his home at 19 Hillside Road, where he and his wife Betty had lived



for 50 years. Born December 2, 1929 in Norristown, Pa., he was one of eight children and as a child moved with his family from Pennsylvania to Berwyn Heights. He was a 1947 graduate of Greenbelt High School, where he met his future bride, Betty Gussio. She graduated in 1950 and they were married in 1951. Two years later, with their infant daughter, they moved to their home on Hillside Road.

Mr. And Mrs. Shifflett raised their daughter Dorothy and son Dean in Greenbelt. Mr. Shifflett worked in numerous capacities in the Washington area: for the federal government in Washington, D.C., at Harvey Dairy in Brentwood until the company closed, at Southern Railway as a steward and at the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission until his retirement in 1989. Mrs. Shifflett retired three years later from her position at the University of Maryland Graduate School.

Following their retirement, the couple divided their time between Greenbelt and their home in the peaceful community of Piney Point, Md. A devoted family man and a beloved neighbor, Mr. Shifflett spent long hours trimming the hedges of 19 Court Hillside, as well as the extensive public hedges across Hillside Road. In the court he mowed neighbors' lawns, shoveled their snow, pruned their trees and always had a kind word for everyone.

Mr. Shifflett is survived by his wife, Betty; daughter Dorothy Chrismer; son Dean Shifflett; sonin-law Ron Chrismer; daughter-inlaw Paula Eardley; brother William Shifflett; four sisters: Winifred Daves, Opal Mitchell, Margie Schinner and Sue Long; and grandsons Jeffrey Chrismer and Wesley Shifflett. Two brothers, Norwood and Ronald Shifflett, preceded him in death.

The funeral was held on December 27 at Borgwardt Funeral Home with interment following at Greenbelt Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to Prince George's County Hospice, 11700 Beltsville Dr., Ste. 100, Beltsville, MD 20705.

### Annie Roberta Butler

Former Greenbelter Annie Roberta Butler of Laurel died on January 1, 2004. She and her late husband Floyd raised five sons on Gardenway. They lived in Greenbelt over 30 years.

She is survived by sons Charles, Douglas, Wayne, Glenn and Roscoe Butler, five grandchildren and three great-grandchildren, many relatives and friends.

Funeral services were held at Fort Lincoln Cemetery Mausoleum, Brentwood, on Tuesday, January 6, 2004. Interment was in Fort Lincoln Cemetery.

### Baha'i Faith

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

www.bahai.org/

### In Memoriam - Carol Shifflett A True Greenbelt Neighbor

Greenbelt is known for its window or any other problems. good neighbors and the residents of 19 Court Hillside lost one of the best in Carol Shifflett, who died two days before Christmas. Carol - whose name was supposed to be "Carroll" according to his wife Betty, but wasn't because a typo when he was a baby was never changed - was, as former neighbor Ed Chabot put it, "the grandfather of the court."

He was also our court's sage, storyteller, groundskeeper, historian and a Pied Piper to the canines of the court with a steady store of delicacies for the squirrel-hunting Peaches, the skittish Bear who feared all men except Carol and the late Daisy, who would drag her owner to his porch for a treat. Cardinals flocked to his feeders. People, too, gravitated to Carol. "When you were talking to him, other people would always come up. People liked to be around him," noted my husband, Steve Lindner.

I think it was because of his twinkly eyes and big heart. As a close neighbor, he had the gift of tact, being the eyes and ears of the neighborhood without being nosy, added neighbor Juanita Beck. When Ed Chabot traveled to Bosnia, Carol called his parents to alert them about an open

He took care of everything and everyone around him. Since he was retired, Carol was at home much of the day but was rarely idle. He was a meticulous hedgetrimmer, even in stifling heat, using manual shears on the court's hedge and on the two long public hedges across Hillside Road. In winter, he shoveled out sidewalks. In summer, he mowed neighbors' serviceside yards. When Betty Price worried about a large tree too close to her home, he pruned it. He offered his tools and his shed space freely and, having lived in the court for 50 years, filled us in on the history of the trees, hedges, buildings and their occupants.

From his porch at the intersection of Hillside and Research Road, he kept a close watch on the scofflaw drivers who sped through the stop sign, finally alerting Greenbelt police. More often, he could be seen returning waves from passersby or calling a greeting.

How lucky we were, I realize now, to move two doors down from Carol and Betty in 2001. Those of us who knew him will never forget Carol Shifflett, a true Greenbelt neighbor.

Marat Moore

### Lucille Mary White

Former Greenbelter Lucille Mary White, age 76, died on December 30, 2003, of emphysema.

Mrs. White grew up on a farm in Wisconsin. Later her family moved to Washington, D.C., where she graduated from Eastern High School. She taught ballroom dancing and jitterbug until operations on her legs curtailed that career. She could still dance and enjoyed dancing at Blob's Park on Friday evenings.

She was an operator at the telephone company until she married Hosea White in 1951. They raised four children in the 2 Court of Southway. Mrs. White stayed home with the children but returned to work after her divorce.

She worked nights at the Government Printing Office to be at home with the children during the day. She eventually went back to the telephone company starting out as a supply clerk and proudly retiring as a central office technician.

Mrs. White is survived by four children - Steven, Karen, Ruth Ann and Elizabeth; seven grandchildren - Steven, Michael, Meghan, Blair, David, Kelly and Sarah; three great-grandchildren -Angela, Riley and Amy; her sonin-law Aaron (Elizabeth's husband) and grandson Steven's wife

The service was private.

### In Memoriam – Lucille White

My mom, better known as "Mema" by many, was born March 18, 1927 in Wisconsin. Later her family moved to Washington, D.C.

After her marriage to my father she stayed home with us children until after her divorce when she had to work. Then she worked nights so she could be with us during the day.

My mom was always there for her children and grandchildren. I couldn't have raised such a fine son as Blair if it hadn't been for my mom's never-ending help. I believe she received her most joy out of doing things for us and others. She was active in Center School's PTA.

For a while she lived in Green Ridge House in order to take care of my grandmother, Katie Basinger. She was proud of retiring as a central office technician from the telephone company. She wore her watch with the telephone with a ruby in it on her wrist throughout her illness.

Unfortunately the last two and a half years she spent in assisted living and nursing homes were not happy for her. I believe it was because she could no longer help any of us.

Lots of times she'd call me and

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Congregation

Mishkan Torah

### GREENBELT BAPTIST CHURCH

Corner of Crescent and Greenhill Roads 301-474-4212

www.greenbeltbaptist.org greenbelt.baptist@verizon.net Dr. Mark Johnson, Pastor



Sun. Worship 8:35 am, 11:00 am Wed. Praise and Prayer 7:00 pm Wed. Living Proof, Youth Event 7:00 pm

"Building Bridges to the Family of God thru the Love of Christ"

# MASS SCHEDULE:

Sunday 8, 9:30, 11 a.m. Saturday 5 p.m.

Daily Mass: As announced Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 3:45-4:45 p.m. Rev. Thomas F. Crowley, Pastor Rev. R. Scott Hurd, Pastoral Associate Part Time Ministry

### ST. HUGH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

135 Crescent Road, Greenbelt, Md.

### **III HOLY CROSS LUTHERAN CHURCH** 6905 Greenbelt Road • 301-345-5111

Sunday

Wednesday

8:00 a.m. Worship

9:15 a.m. Sunday School 9:15 a.m. Bible Class

10:30 a.m. Worship 7:30 p.m. Evening Worship

Fax 301-220-0694 • E-mail myholycross@erols.com

"Open Door, Open Heart, Open Mind!"

### UNITED METHODIST CHURCH **Mowatt Memorial United Methodist Church**



40 Ridge Road, Greenbelt 301-474-9410 **SUNDAY** 

Sunday School 9:45 am Talk & Listen (Coffee Hr.) 10:15 am Worship Service

7:00 am

7:00 pm

HANDICAPPED ACCESSIBLE www.gbgm-UMC.org/mowatt

**Tues. Lectionary Study** Wed. Prayer Meeting Third Friday, Games Night 7:30 pm

Rev. DaeHwa Park, Pastor Jan. 11, Baptism of the Lord Sermon Title: Holy Spirit in a Bodily Form Friendship Dinner

Rabbi Jonathan Cohen Cantor Phil Greenfield A warm, comfortable and involved congregation Creative nursery school for two to four year olds Pre-K to post-confirmation education program First year school FREE for one child Reconstructionist/Conservative affiliation www.mishkantorah.org

10 Ridge Road, Greenbelt, Maryland 20770, 301-474-4223

Services: Friday, 8 p.m.; Saturday, 9:30 a.m. Family, 7:30 first Friday of the month

### Greenbelt Community Church UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST



Hillside & Crescent Roads Phone: **301-474-6171** mornings

www.greenbelt.com/gccucc/ **Sunday Worship** 10:15 a.m. Daniel Hamlin, Pastor

"A church of the open mind, the warm heart, the aspiring soul, and the social vision..."

### St. George's Episcopal/ Anglican Church 7010 Glenn Dale Road

(Lanham-Severn Road & Glenn Dale Road) 301-262-3285 | rector@stgeo.org | www.stgeo.org

Sundays: 8:00 am Simple, quiet Mass 9:00 am Christian education for all ages

10:00 am Sung Mass with organ and folk

music, ASL interpreted Signed Mass (last Sunday of each 1:30 pm

month only)

Simple, quiet Mass Wednesdays: 7:00 pm

### STOP, LOOK and LISTEN

to the beauty of the world around you.

"Verily, in the creation of the heavens and the earth, and in the alternation of night and day, and the ships which sail through the sea with that which is of use to mankind, and the water (rain) which God sends down from the sky and makes the earth alive therewith after its

death, and the living creatures of all kinds that He has scattered therein, and in the veering of winds and clouds which are held between the sky and the earth, are indeed signs for people of understanding."

- The Holy Qur'an, 2:164

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That was the timeless message sent down to the Prophet Muhammed (peace be upon him) nearly 1400 years ago. That's what Muslims believe, how about you? For more information about Islam, contact 301-982-9463 or visit www.islamworld.net.

### Mary Alice Carroll

A memorial service for Mary Alice Carroll will be held in the Terrace Room of Greenbriar on Saturday, January 17, 2004, from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m.

Ms. Carroll served as secretary of the Phase II Board of Directors of Greenbriar. She taught elementary school and was a member of state and national educators associations. She was a member of the city's Advisory Committee on Education.

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think she was at work or at Mrs. Wilson's. Mrs. Wilson was my mom's best friend and she spent many wonderful times at the beach with her, her family and our family. This may have been her way of dealing with where she really was. Her long battle with emphysema ended during the late evening of December 30, 2003.

I will miss her.

Karen White



# Sturdivant Elected To Regional Council

James L. Sturdivant, member of the Greenbelt Baha'i community, was elected to the nine-member Regional Baha'i Council of the Southern States. The council is responsible for administrative and spiritual leadership activities for 16 southern states and the District of Columbia. The mid-November election was held by secret ballot by members of some 350 local administrative bodies called Local Spiritual Assemblies. Baha'i elections are held without nominations or campaigns. Ballots are cast privately in a prayerful setting.

For the past 27 years Sturdivant has served as a member of the Greenbelt Baha'i Spiritual Assembly. He represents that body as a member of the Greenbelt Interfaith Leadership Association (GILA). Members of GILA speak and act for the faith communities of Greenbelt and as a group actively promote and host interfaith activities.

### Paint Branch Unitarian Universalist Church

3215 Powder Mill Road, Beltsville/Adelphi (301-937-3666) Welcomes you to our open, nurturing community

January 11, 10 a.m.
"Adlerian Psychology:
A Psychology for UUs"
by guest speaker Barbara Fairfield,
therapist



Barbara Wells, Jaco B. ten Hove, co-ministers



Catholic Community of Greenbelt

MASS

Sundays 10 A.M. Municipal Building



# City Information

### CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Municipal Building, Council Room, Monday, January 12, 2004, 8:00 p.m.

### COMMUNICATIONS

### **Presentations**

- Charlestowne North
- Acquisition of Sunrise Property
- Awards from Citizens Concerned with A Cleaner County Proclamation

**Petitions and Requests** (Petitions received at the meeting will not be acted upon by the City Council at this meeting unless Council waives its Standing Rules.)

- \*Committee Reports (Items on the Consent Agenda marked by \* will be approved as recommended by staff, subject to removal from the Consent Agenda by Council.)
  - Advisory Planning Board and Park & Recreation Advisory Board, Report #03-06 (Lake Watershed Assessment)
  - Park & Recreation Advisory Board, Report #04-01 (Skateboard Park)

### LEGISLATION OTHER BUSINESS

- Award of Purchase of Red Light Camera Services and Memorandum of Understanding
- Application for Transfer of Liquor License Chipotle Mexican Restaurant
- Report on City Snow Removal on Walkways
- Metro Ramps Feasibility Study Staff Briefing
- \*Community Center Bas-Reliefs Grant Application to Maryland Historical Trust
- \*Letters of Support on Behalf of PJ Siegel
- \*Letter of Interest to Robert Wood Johnson Foundation
- \*Resignations from Advisory Groups
- \*Reappointments to Advisory Groups

### MEETINGS

NOTE: This is a preliminary agenda, subject to change. Regular Council meetings are open to the public, and all interested citizens are invited to attend. If special accommodations are required for any disabled person, please call 301-474-8000 no later than 10 a.m. on the meeting day. Deaf individuals are advised to use MD RELAY at 711 or e-mail *kgallagher@ci.greenbelt.md.us* to reach the City Clerk.

### FOREST PRESERVE TASK FORCE

In October, the City Council adopted an ordinance to establish a Forest Preserve program for Greenbelt. At its December 15 meeting, the Council adopted a resolution establishing a Forest Preserve Task Force for the purpose of providing advisory guidance to the Council in formulating management and maintenance documents for the Forest Preserve, as well as making recommendations for the designation of Forest Preserve areas. It is expected that the Task Force will meet at least monthly for a period of up to two years.

The Task Force will comprise eleven members, five of whom will be appointed from the membership of City Council advisory boards designated in the resolution. The other six members will serve at large. They must be residents of the City and may not be current members of City Council advisory boards or committees.

Anyone who wishes to be considered for appointment as an atlarge member of the Task Force should send a written expression of interest to Kathleen Gallagher, City Clerk, no later than January 30, 2004, at 25 Crescent Road, Greenbelt, MD, 20770, or kgallagher@ci.greenbelt.md.us. Please briefly describe the basis of your interest and experience for serving on the Forest Preserve Task Force, and give appropriate contact information for reaching you for an interview during February.

### FALL GED COURSE

Greenbelt CARES begins **the WINTER 10-WEEK-GED COURSE** on <u>Tuesday, January 13, 2004.</u> Course for Greenbelt residents is free, \$150 for non-Greenbelt residents. Students will be required to purchase calculators and textbooks as well. Classes are held every Tuesday and Thursday, for 10 weeks in the Municipal Building. GED I begins 10:30 - 12:30, GED II begins 1:00 - 3:00.

For enrollment information, call CARES, 345-6660, ext. 144 or email: jhering@ci.greenbelt.md.us.

### OPENINGS ON BOARDS & COMMITTEES

Volunteer to serve on City Council advisory groups.

Vacancies exist on the:

Advisory Committee on Education

Arts Advisory Board

Park and Recreation Advisory Board

Senior Citizens Advisory Committee

Youth Advisory Committee

For more information, please call 301-474-8000.

### **MEETINGS FOR JANUARY 12-16**

*Monday, January 12*, 8:00pm, Regular City Council Meeting, "live on Channel 71."

Monday, January 12, 7:00pm, Recycling and Environment Advisory Committee, Greenbelt Community Center.

Wednesday, January 14, 8:00pm, Council Work Session, re: Newspaper Racks and Standing Rules, Greenbelt Community Center.

*Wednesday, January 14*, 7:30pm, Public Hearing Greenbelt Board of Appeals, Greenbelt Community Center.

*Thursday, January* 15, 7:00pm, Advisory Committee on Trees, Greenbelt Community Center, Senior Classroom. All interested persons invited to attend. Info:301-474-8004.

### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING Greenbelt Board of Appeals

Notice is hereby given that the Greenbelt Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing on **January 14, 2004 at 7:30 pm** in the Greenbelt Community Center (Senior/Conference/Gallery), 15 Crescent Road, Greenbelt MD on the following Variance applications:

- I. An application filed by Travis & Woosbeth McNeil for consideration of a request for a variance on premises located at 6601 Springcrest Drive. The applicant is requesting permission to encroach 7 feet into the required 25-foot yard setback for the purpose of constructing a deck.
- II. An application filed by Chipotle Restaurant/Cherrywood LLC for consideration of a request for a variance on premises located at 5506G Cherrywood Lane. The applicant is requesting permission to encroach 3.5 feet into the required 10-foot side yard setback for the purpose of installing awnings with logo images.

For more information call 301-345-5417

# GREENBELT MUNICIPAL/PUBLIC ACCESS CHANNEL 71

MUNICIPAL ACCESS 301-474-8000: Monday, January 12 at 8pm: Regular City Council Meeting "live" Tuesday & Thursday, January 13 & 15th: 6:00pm "ACE Reading Club-Greenbelt Elementary 2nd Grade" 6:30pm "From the Three Greenbelt Towns, Lessons for Today's Community Builders" 7:45pm "Your Board at Work-Part 2" 8:30pm "Replay of Regular Council Meeting of 1/12"

**PUBLIC ACCESS: 301-507-6581 Wednesday & Friday, January 14 & 16: 7pm** "Public Safety" **7:30pm** University of Maryland Repetoire Orchestra" **8:45pm** ERHS presents "One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest."

### **DONATION DROP-OFF**

Saturday, January 10, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Parking lot between City Office and 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 301-474-8303.

Attention City of Greenbelt Woodworkers
Seasoned Roughed Sawn Lumber from City trees is
available. This includes oak, maple and sweetgum.
Cost is \$1.50 a board foot. For information, contact Bill
Phelan at Public Works at 301-474-8004.

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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.

### **Assault**

Beltway Plaza Mall, December 27, 11:08 p.m., several individuals were removed by the management of the AMC 8 Theaters for entering the theater without paying. One of the individuals threatened to fight with the manager and refused demands to leave the premises in the presence of police. As the officer was escorting the individuals from the property, one of them assaulted him and resisted arrest. Two other individuals came to the aid of the suspect and hindered the officer's attempt to place the suspect into custody. A nonresident woman was arrested and charged with disorderly conduct and released on citation pending trial. A nonresident youth was charged on petition with disorderly conduct and released pending action by the Juvenile Justice System. Another nonresident youth was charged on petition with assault, resisting arrest, disorderly conduct and theft and was released to a parent pending action by the Juvenile Justice System.

### **Burglary**

7400 block Greenbelt Road, December 27, 3:21 a.m., attempted commercial burglary.

### **Drugs**

9100 block Springhill Lane, December 25, 11:04 p.m., police stopped a suspicious vehicle and one of the occupants was found to be in possession of suspected marijuana and CDS paraphernalia. A resident man was arrested and charged with possession of marijuana and possession of CDS paraphernalia and was released on citation pending trial.

7700 block Mandan Road, December 30, 6:10 p.m., a resident man was arrested and charged with possession of paraphernalia. An officer observed a suspicious occupied vehicle in a parking lot. Located in the vehicle was paraphernalia commonly used to smoke marijuana. The man was released on citation pending trial.

### **Theft**

6500 block Greenbelt Road, December 26, police stopped a vehicle for a registration violation. A computer check revealed that the operator's driving privilege was suspended in Maryland and that the tags on the vehicle had been reported stolen to the U. S. Park Police. A nonresident woman was arrested and charged with driving while suspended and another nonresident woman was arrested and charged with theft under \$500. Both women were released on citations pending trial.

### Vandalism

7900 block Mandan Road, December 23, 1:12 a.m., a bank of mailboxes was vandalized and the locks broken. It is unknown if any mail was taken.

### **Counterfeit Currency**

Greenway Center, December 23, 10:10 p.m., a counterfeit \$100 bill was used to purchase merchandise at Theresa's Garden

### Vehicle Crimes

The following vehicles were stolen: a red 2001 Plymouth Voyager van, Maryland tags M779746, December 27, from the 5800 block Cherrywood Lane; and a silver 2000 BMW 323 CIC, Georgia tags 8470APZ, December 28, from the 6600 block Lake Park Drive.

Greenbelt police recovered a 1990 Chevrolet Lumina and a 1998 Kia Sportage. A warrant has been issued in the theft of the Sportage. A vehicle tag was also recovered.

### **Chief Craze Named** To IACP Body

The Greenbelt Police Department has announced that Chief James R. Craze has been appointed to the Executive Committee of the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP).

The Executive Committee is the policy-making body of the IACP and is responsible for developing the means by which the association provides leadership in the world of law enforcement. Craze will head the "Group 3" region of Maryland, New Jersey and Delaware. His term will expire in 2005.

Craze, a 32-year veteran of the Greenbelt Police Department, served as the president of the Police Chief's Association of Prince George's County in 2000. In 2003 he served as the president of the Maryland Chiefs of Police Association.

A 1998 Dodge Caravan was recovered by the Prince George's County police with no arrest.

Thefts from, vandalisms to and attempted thefts of vehicles were reported in the following areas: Beltway Plaza Mall (two incidents), 47 Court Ridge Road (three incidents), 2 court Westway (two incidents), 1 Court Southway (two incidents), 7900 block Lakecrest Drive, 6400 block Ivy Lane, 6500 block Capitol Drive, 7200 block Mandan Road, 6900 block Hanover Parkway, 5800 block Cherrywood Lane, 5900 block Cherrywood Terrace, 6000 block Springhill Drive, 6200 block Springhill Court and 6100 block Breezewood Drive.

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.

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young girl who was then flown by helicopter to the trauma center at Children's Hospital in Washington, D.C. Officer Mathews told Pena, who was still on the scene, that he'd just received word that the girl had died also.

The crew of the medium-sized public works truck towing a leaf vacuum had been out all day vacuuming leaves that residents had piled along city streets.

The truck was coming from the North End, headed for the public works facility at the end of the work day. Both the driver and passenger were treated for minor injuries and released.

Through traffic along Crescent Road was diverted for about three hours following the acci-

(Judy Bell also contributed to this article.)



The extent of the damage to the Honda Civic in the fatal accident is seen from a different angle here.

### **Explore Abroad** As Exchange Student

Between the ages of 15 and 18? Still in high school? Interested in being an exchange student in one of 15 countries, including Canada, Mexico, Japan, China, Taiwan, Thailand, Brazil, Chile, Australia or New Zealand? ASSE International Student Exchange Program is looking for exchange students to live with a caring host family while attending high school and learning about the language and people of the host country. Call 1-800-677-2773 or log on to website www.asse.com for an application.

### Drama Scholarships Are Available

NVTA, a non-profit organization of community theaters in the Washington, D.C. metropolitan area, announces its eighth annual scholarships for high school seniors interested in performance or technical theater. A \$1,000 performance scholarship in drama or musical theater will be awarded as well as a \$1,000 technical scholarship in either set design, costuming, lighting or makeup/ hair design. The application deadline is February 9. For information call Anne Ridgway at 703-330-2787, ext. 13.

### Senior Resource of the Month GovBenefits.gov

by Christal Parker Batey, Community Resource Advocate

GovBenefits.gov is the first government-wide resource for citizen benefits. It is a website that helps people determine if they or someone they are helping may be eligible to receive government benefits or assistance. GovBenefits.gov helps people access benefit eligibility information and conduct eligibility screening through a free, confidential and easy to use online questionnaire. Launched in April 2002, GovBenefits.gov consolidates information about hundreds of government benefits and assistance programs including federal and state programs, previously spread across nearly 31 million web pages. New programs are regularly added to the

There are three easy ways to search for government benefits for people or someone they are helping: 1) search all programs - answer questions about the situation and find all the benefit programs that may be applicable; 2) search specific programs - search by benefits program categories, answer questions related to those categories and find benefits programs that may be applicable; 3) keyword search – search by keyword for benefits programs administered at the federal

GovBenefits.gov helps any citizen, social service caseworker, person working for a professional or faith-based organization, community center, library, college or university. Federal, state or local benefits agency or other interested party determine the full spectrum of benefits and assistance programs that are available. Whether it is a direct payment, loan, insurance, training or other assistance, there may be a government program that can help.

The categories of benefits are: caregivers, children, disability, disaster assistance, education, employment, farming, food and nutrition, health care, housing, parents, retirement, senior citizens, teaching and research, taxpayers, veterans and more.

For more information visit www.GovBenefits.gov. Anyone who would like to access this service but does not have a computer can contact Christal Parker Batey, Community Resource Advocate, City of Greenbelt Assistance in Living Program at 301-474-8000, ext. 2012.

### New Organization Artwork on Display For Education

Prince George's County business and education leaders will conduct a press briefing on Monday January 12 to announce formation of a new organization designed to mobilize the county's business community to advocate on behalf of public education. The Prince George's Business-Education Alliance, which includes major firms and business organizations, will work to secure the financial support needed for county schools and colleges to provide a world-class education for all students and to improve public perceptions of the school system.

Speakers at the press briefing will include Hubert "Petey" Green, president of the Prince George's Black Chamber of ommerce; Dr. André J. Hornsby, CEO of the Prince George's County Public Schools; Dr. Ronald A. Williams, president of Prince George's Community College and County Councilmember Thomas P. Hendershot.

The Alliance will outline its agenda for the coming year including plans to work for full funding by the Maryland General Assembly of the Bridge to Excellence Act, commonly known as the Thornton Bill. The group also will release the results of a recent public opinion survey of Prince George's residents on education and other issues. The briefing will be held at 10:30 a.m. in the Planetarium at the Howard B. Owens Science Cen-



# At Research Refuge

The artist on display for the month of January in the Patuxent Research Refuge National Wildlife Visitor Center's Hollingsworth Gallery is Monica Marcu. Marcu specializes in paintography, or photography enhanced by brush strokes.

Marcu began taking photographs as a young girl but did not begin studying photography until a few years ago. Since then she has won several honors, including being accepted for inclusion in "Best of Photography" for 2001 and 2002. She is a member of several professional societies, including the Photographic Society of America, the Maryland Federation of Art, the National Geographic Society and The Nature Conservancy.

Marcu says her photograp shows her view of nature and through it she strives to remind people to remember the wonder and greatness surrounding them. She has a strong conservation ethic. Sickly as a child, she credits nature for her current robust good health. She encourages all who are stressed and tired to take advantage of nature's restoring bounty. So take her advice and visit the Patuxent Research Refuge for a nature walk. While there, stop by to look at Marcu's exhibit in the gallery.

The National Wildlife Visitor Center is located off Powder Mill Road between the Baltimore-Washington Parkway and Rte. 197, just south of Laurel. For more information, visit http:// patuxent.fws.gov or call 301-497-

### 1-800-GIVE-LIFE **GIVE BLOOD**

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The children enjoyed a chance to get a "wacky hairdo."

it snaked to the door.

John Hill was as enjoyable as we had found him previous years as he played and sang a wide selection of popular tunes. We also enjoyed talking with old friends who joined us at our table. Konrad Herling, now a city councilmember, stopped by to chat. He was working on what he would say as Master of Ceremonies for the event. He was preparing a top ten list of reasons why you know that you have lived in Greenbelt too long. We gave him some ideas – some worthy, some not.

At around 10:30, we decided to check out other venues. We had already received a good review of the John Guernsey Jazz Group playing at the New Deal Café, but didn't feel like donning coats to get over there. So we headed for the room in which Don Bridges was offering family music. On the way we checked to see if we could still get a wacky hairdo or make a crown, but we were too late. Bernie was able to get an historic felt hat for the celebration with the help of Katie Scott-Childress at

the venue operated by the Greenbelt Museum.

### **Don Bridges**

There were only a few noisy listeners to Don Bridges music when we arrived. Strewn across the floor were a variety of tambourines and other noisemakers in the shape of fruits and vegetables or whatever. So we picked up the instruments of our choice and joined the other noisy listeners beating time to Bridges songs with our clanging, ringing instruments. We found Bridges' music to be enjoyable and were surprised the audience wasn't larger. Perhaps the lateness of the evening had something to do with it as the number of little ones roaming about was rapidly dwindling.

Bridges continued playing an extra 15 minutes, but ended his program at about 11:30.

It was then time for the grand finale in the gym with DC Motors. The place was jumping. As usual, by this time of the evening, seats were hard to come by, even though most of the crowd was up front jumping to the beat of the band. We found ourselves near the oldest volunteer of the evening at 94, Florence Holly. I asked her how her volunteer job had gone. She told me it had been a snap.

At about ten of midnight, the band, with difficulty, was stopped from playing and Konrad Herling came on stage to say a few words. By this time, recreation employees had passed out the necessary rattles and horns for bringing in the New Year and there was pandemonium. Only a few of us tried to listen to Herling and the din prevented that from happening. Herling quickly realized that the time was not right for his presence on stage and quickly departed as

the band quickly resumed play. (Suggestion: New Year's Eve is not a time for speech-making, but it would be appropriate to give recognition to the Greenbelt New Year Chair Patti Brothers, the volunteer committee and others who make the evening happen. If done, however, it should be during a band break and not at the countdown for the New Year.)

### Midnight

Finally the score clock on the wall to the left of the band, which had been counting down all evening, began to count in tenths of seconds and then it was the New Year and the crowd erupted in celebration. From the ceiling a measly (in my estimation) bunch of balloons fell onto the crowd which happily began pummeling them back and forth until they broke. The band continued to jump and played for a good while longer. (Once again it would have been nice if they had played just one slow tune for the lovers in the crowd.)



Nevin, 21 months, found a partner and enjoyed dancing to the music of Trinadad and Tobago.

We heard that ticket sales were up for this event and that they had run out of wrist bands for sale at the door and had had to use ones from a previous year. However, I thought the crowd in the gym was smaller, if anything. Later I checked with Julie McHale, recreation assistant director of programs. The final sales count is still not in, but sales were around 900, about 100 more than last year. Sales were very slow until after Christmas, she said. This year, however, advance tickets were sold at the Co-op Supermarket and after Christmas over 500 tickets were sold there making that change in sales procedures a great success. McHale couldn't comment on the size of the crowd at the Community Center because she was not there, but she felt that the crowd at the Youth Center where the teens gathered was larger, much like a grad night, she said. She also said that the band at the Greenbelt Arts Center, Adrenaline, was a big draw and that when its performance ended there was a large influx into the Youth Center. Unfortunately, a second band cancelled out from the Arts Center that

### Fireworks

Missing from this year's festivities were the fireworks. We had commended the beauty of the displays held in prior years and missed their presence this year. The budget for city special events for the current fiscal year had been cut by \$3,000 and the fireworks were the event chosen for elimination. I am told that fireworks are an important part of the New Year's celebration among Hispanics and their popularity at this time of year is growing. However, the early hour of the city display did not seem to me to be an appropriate time for them and the crowd watching them was quite small.

### Herling's Top 10

All evening at Greenbelt New Year 2004 designated Master of Ceremonies Konrad Herling worked on his top 10 list of reasons that tell you when you have lived in Greenbelt too long. Unfortunately, the celebrating crowd, armed with horns and rattles, was in no mood to hear speeches, even from Herling, and few heard his list, which we have printed below along with his attribution of authorship.

1. You bought your last suit from S. Klein's (Herling)

- 2. You know your way anywhere in Greenbelt (Jim Giese)
- 3. You remember when women couldn't wear shorts in the Roosevelt Center (Herling)
- 4. You remember when men couldn't be bare chested at the swimming pool (unless swimming in the pool). (Tom Hieber and daughter Janet)
- 5. You can remember when your tax bill went down (Jim Giese)
- 6. You think the "Center" is the center of the universe (Jackie Downs)
- 7. It takes two hours to shop at Co-op (Dan Hamlin)
- 8. You remember when you could shop at North End (don't recall)
- 9. When you know the "Little Miss Greenbelt" who's just moved to Green Ridge House (Kevin Hammett)
- 10. When you call the weekly newspaper The Cooperator (Dan Hamlin).

What the best answer is for future fireworks, I don't know, but we, for two, surely did enjoy them.

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### **Plants from Guianas** At Botanic Garden

Learn about ornamental and medicinal plants from the Guianas on Friday, January 16 from noon to 1 p.m. at the U.S. Botanic Garden. Dr. Robert A. DeFilipps frequently conducted plant research in the Guianas and will lecture on his recommendations. The program is free and registration must be made by calling 202-226-4082.

### **Community Service Grants Available**

The Bubel/Aiken Foundation and Youth Service America have announced the availability of the first annual Clay Aiken Able to Serve Awards. Thirty-three awards of up to \$2,000 each are being offered to encourage young people between the ages of 5 and 22 with developmental disabilities to create community service projects for National and Global Youth Service Day on April 16 to 18 and beyond. Award applications are available at www.ysa.org. The deadline for submitting proposals is Feb-

### **Activity Book Helps** Kids with Surgery

Former Greenbelter Marjorie Bergemann has written a children's coloring and activity book, "Sweet Dreams at the Hospital," published by the American Association of Nurse Anesthetists. In writing the book, Bergemann sought to help children and their parents confront their fears about undergoing surgery and to understand what they will face in the hospital or surgical center.

Bergemann is a nurse anesthetist who lived in Greenbelt for 44 years and worked at several area hospitals. She is now retired and lives in Leesburg, Va.

The 27-page book, illustrated by Karen Monckton, features pictures to color, a connect-thedots, a maze and a picture-word match game. Single copies may be ordered free of charge by email from shorton@aana.com or by calling 847-692-7050, ext. 3009.

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Taxpayers who itemize may deduct the "points" paid to obtain a home mortgage as interest. They may deduct the points on the mortgage related to a home purchase or a home improvement in the year paid but for other loans such as a refinanced mortgage they must deduct the points over the life of the loan.

To figure the annual deduction amount, divide the total points paid by the number of payments to be made over the life of the loan. Usually, this information is available from the lender. For example, a homeowner who paid \$2,000 in points on a 30-year mortgage (360 monthly payments) could deduct \$5.56 per payment or a total of \$66.72 for 12 payments. Taxpayers may deduct points only for those payments actually made in the tax year.

A taxpayer who uses part of the refinanced mortgage money to pay for improvements to the home and meets certain other requirements may generally deduct the points associated with the home improvements in the year paid, spreading out the rest of the points over the life of the

When refinancing for a second time or paying off a loan early a taxpayer may deduct all the not-yet-deducted points from the first refinancing when that loan is paid off.

Other closing costs such as appraisal fees and processing fees generally are not deductible. Taxpayers with adjusted gross income above \$139,500 (\$69,750 if married, filing separately) also face limits on the amount of deductions they can take.

IRS Publication 936, "Home Mortgage Interest Deduction," has details on deductions related to refinancing. It is available at the IRS website, www.irs.gov or by calling 1-800-829-3676.

### **City Notes**

During the week of December 29 the main focus of the Public Works Department was staffing additional trucks to clean up the extra volumes of refuse and recycling. Also, several crewmembers were involved in preparations for Greenbelt's New Year celebration. Two crewmembers worked with the Recreation Department staff through the night to ensure the success of the celebration.

The facilities maintenance crew replaced ceiling tiles in the Senior Game Room at the Community Center, replaced damaged floor tiles in the Nursery School classroom in the Community Center, assisted the streets crew and contractor with forming and pouring concrete for the new natural gas filling station at Public Works and assisted with preparation for the New Year's Eve celebration.

The streets crew continued traffic control by flagging for the construction crew working on Hanover Parkway and assisted and supervised the contractor who installed the island for the natural gas pumps at Public

The parks crew picked up discarded Christmas trees throughout the city and installed two benches at the Community

The horticulture crew cleaned landscaped beds for the winter at the Community Center and planted several Adopt-a-Trees.

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### **Legion Launches Support Website**

The American Legion, responding to increasing public interest unveiled a new section of its Internet website that answers the question: "How can I support our men and women in uniform?"

Visitors to www.legion.org can click the "Support Our Troops" link to find ways to reach out to U.S. service members and their families, become a participant in prayer, or for volunteer opportunities, blood donations or making scholarship contributions.

The American Legion's Family Support Network is a key program providing crucial aid to spouses and children of military personnel. Through the Family Support Network, local posts adopt military families by helping to pay bills, providing childcare and other services.

Looking to the future, the American Legion September 11th Memorial Scholarship Fund is being funded to ensure the children of active-duty service members killed following September 11, 2001, including during Operation Iraqi Freedom, will have an opportunity for higher educa-

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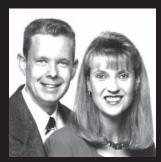
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Recently I had the pleasure of meeting Lisa to interview her for this article and was struck by her enthusiasm and love for her family and this community in which she was raised.

### **Athletic Family**

The entire family was athletic; the parents were involved in their children's sports activities from the very beginning with the Greenbelt Boys & Girls Club. Lisa was the first girl on an allboy soccer team. She also played basketball. Lisa's education began at St. Hugh's Catholic School and continued at Elizabeth Seton High School in Bladensburg, where she placed All MET. She attended the Catholic University of America and graduated with a B.A. in 1986.

### **Statistics**

The following statistics are from the varsity records maintained at CUA: Lisa Kellaher Doolan, 1982 - 1986; NCAA Division III Basketball All-American in 1986; leading scorer in CUA women's basketball history (1,592 points); scoring average (17.3 points); assists (253); holds the record for the most free throws made in one game (18); and holds the all-time single season field goal record (242); led CUA to three winning seasons and to the Franklin & Marshall Tournament Championship and the CUA Invitational Championship during her senior year. She scored 25 points as CUA stunned the defending national champions, Scranton University, for a 74-71 win that year. The Washington Archdiocese Catholic Youth Organization (CYO) selected her as the College Player of the Year in 1986. In 1984, 1985 and 1986 she was selected MVP of CUA's Invitational. She also was named to the "Catholic All-America Team" in Iowa in 1984 and 1985, and



Lisa Kellaher with her family husband Ken Doolan, son Jordan, 8, and daughter Taylor, 5.

earned MVP honors at the Franklin and Marshall Tournament in 1986.

### **Growing Up**

Lisa continues her interest in basketball, officiating at games at the college and high school level for the past 13 years in Prince George's, Howard, Calvert, Charles and St. Mary's Counties.

During the interview for this article, Lisa reminisced about growing up in a large family in Greenbelt and the heartfelt memories she carries of her brothers and sisters and of her wonderful parents and the great sacrifices they made to provide her and all her siblings with a Catholic education. She had earlier spoken of the intense passion she felt for basketball and winning; however, what truly touched my heart was her obvious love, actually her intense passion, sincere appreciation and gratitude for all that her family has done for her and her siblings. "I feel so blessed to have grown up in a place like Greenbelt," Lisa said.

I am truly blessed to know Lisa Kellaher Doolan. Congratulations, Lisa!

### **Teacher Achieves National Honor**

Greenbelt resident Ed Crowley is one of 8,195 elementary and secondary school teachers nationwide who achieved National Board Certification in 2003, according to the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards (NBPTS). This achievement brings the total number of National Board Certified Teachers to

Crowley teaches Early Childhood Special Education at Fort Foote Elementary School. He has been a teacher for seven years and holds degrees in English (B.A.) and Recreation (M.A.).

"NBPTS celebrates and congratulates all teachers who went through the rigorous National Board Certification process," says NBPTS Board Chair Roy E. Barnes. "This impressive achievement is widely recognized at the national, state and local levels as a benchmark for teacher quality. This is also an indication that policymakers, educators, business and community leaders and parents recognize that when it comes to a quality education, quality teaching matters."

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### Magnolia Elementary Brings in the Cans

Magnolia Elementary School had a very successful can drive according Wendy Deemer, counselor Magnolia.

From December 1 through 12 children at Magnolia brought nonperishable canned food for the needy during the holiday, culminating in the grand total of 1,440 cans.

for publicity, the

drive gained strength as competition among the classes escalated. A long chart was put up in the hall with each teacher's name on it. For every five cans brought in, a shopping cart was added to each classroom teacher's part of the chart. Some math was involved, especially for the younger children, as the children had to decide how many more cans would be needed to make the five necessary for the shopping cart. Older children could figure out how many cans their classes brought in by multiplying, etc.



Members of the Magnolia Elementary Student Council executive board: Lauren Sanders, president, Jessica Ramirez, vice president, Callie Ellis, secretary, Erich Fredersdorff, treasurer, Beginning by Jennifer Kim, assistant secretary and Jordan sending out flyers Tillman, assistant treasurer.

> This drive was the work of the student council which is composed of two representatives from each class, including kindergarten. These representatives kept track of their classes every day on their own class chart and could visualize it on the chart in the hallway.

> Mr. Price's fourth grade class won the competition with a total of 327 cans. The class was told they could choose something that was free as a prize. They chose a free homework pass (one assignment which didn't need to be completed).

### Football Player Derrick Harvey Honored

Derrick Harvey of Eleanor Roosevelt High School has been nominated as an Old Spice Red Zone Player of the Year.

A Greenbelt resident, Harvey is among a select group of players who are eligible to be chosen and be honored in a fullpage feature in USA Today in February.

For the third year, Old Spice is recognizing high school football players who go above and beyond the call of duty, particularly in the "red zone." These athletes embody leadership, performance and desire and serve as examples to their teammates on and off the field.

Harvey is also eligible to be named one of 50 national Players of the Year. The top 50 players nationwide will be named Red Zone Players of the Year and will receive a plaque and other awards.

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a car or answer the telephone. Not bad for an official hardship post.

### Hardships

Not to say it's not a hardship in other ways. We cannot walk around freely or go anywhere without security, we are quite frustrated with the electricity going out every hour or so and the days without water to take a shower (and the lack of a real shower stall), though at least we have generators (which most Iraqis do not). The compound is a constant renovation zone, things frequently break down, I can't get American news or sports scores on TV (but get all the latest cricket and rugby scores on the BBC), have no newspaper to read and of course cannot read any of the signs (though many do have English versions). Then there are the quirky things. Napkins are apparently not used in Iraq, nor paper towels and although we are well fed, desserts seem to be banned in Iraq, along with canned or packaged anything.

### The Team

The Team Leader, a Yemeni from New York City, is great to work for. Other team members include the utilities specialist originally from Haiti, the security coordinator from Western Australia, the Iraqi native from Arizona. You see the coalition from here: all the British, many Aussies, the

non-governmental organizations from Denmark and Czechoslovakia, plus the Salvation Army. Then there is the Arab-American Naval Academy graduate who was casually perusing the list of new assignments from the Navy when he suddenly saw his name and then saw "Iraq" and was sure it must be some mistake.

It's all a strange and exhilarating experience and I feel every mile of the distance between here and there. It is the adventure of a lifetime.

Here's wishing you a holy and wonderful Christmas.

### Student Playwrights' Work to Be Read

Plays written by students from the Hyattsville Middle School, Magnet for the Creative and Performing Arts, will be read at the Gildenhorn Recital Hall of the Clarice Smith Performing Arts Center, University of Maryland, on Friday, January 16 at 7:30 p.m. The readers will be actors from the National Players, "America's Longest Running Classical Touring Company. The actors are doing this reading as the culmination of a fall semester residency with the Olney Theatre Center for the Arts. The program is free.

# Christmas Tree Collection

Your discarded Christmas Tree can be recycled. The Public Works Department will pick up trees at the locations listed below. The chips will be used as mulch around trees and flower beds. Please bring trees to any of the following areas

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- Crescent Road & Ridge Road-Playground at junction
- Parkway Road
  - Corner across from Community Church Corner across from 58 Court
- 7 Court Southway Road-Playground at Little League Field
- 11 Court & 13 Court Ridge Road-Park area between courts

### **Boxwood**

- Ivy Lane and Lastner Lane-Playground <u>Lakewood</u>
- Greenhill Road and Crescent Road (by Baptist Church)

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- Southeast corner of Hanover Parkway and Greenbrook Drive
- Mandan Road and Mathew St.-in front of barricade Greenwood Village
- Opposite 8175 Mandan Terrace
- Opposite 7646 Mandan Road
- Opposite 7648 Mandan Road

### Greenspring and Greenspring II

- Southwest corner of Megan Lane and Craddock Rd.
- Park area between 7926 and 8006 Greenbury Drive
- Corner of Spring Manor Drive and Springshire Way - Open area between 6519 and 6515 Springcrest Drive
- Corner of Vanity Fair Drive and Prince James Way
- Open area between 7800 and 7801 Vanity Fair Drive
- Open area beside 7962 Vanity Fair Drive

### Greenbelt Lake Village

- Open area between 6729 & 6715 Village Park Drive
- Open area across from 6632 Lake Park Drive
- Open area across from 6510 & 6512 Lake Park Drive