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The panel of News Review staff members present and past offered history, analysis and anecdotes and current challenges of this community's newspaper. From left (in the lefthand photo) are Virginia Beauchamp, past editor and reporter; Elaine Skolnik, president emeritus and news editor; and Diane Oberg, president and reporter. From left, in the right hand photo, are James Giese, reporter and vice president; Harry Zubkoff, past editor; Mary Lou Williamson, present editor; and Cathy Knepper, moderator.

## News Review Staff, New and Old, Pinpoint Paper's History

by Marat Moore

In July 1966, Elaine Skolnik was stirring chocolate pudding on her stove at 2-E Northway when a Prince George's County deputy sheriff showed up at her door looking for her husband. She greeted him with a smile and took the document in his hand. "I was naïve," she says. "He said, 'Lady, why are you smiling? Read the last page.' When I did, I almost fainted."

The document informed Elaine and her husband, Al, the newspaper's president, of a \$2 million libel lawsuit filed against the Greenbelt News Review and Alfred M. Skolnik by wealthy developer Charles Bresler.

Nearly four years later, after the community had mobilized to

support the paper's free-press claim despite defeat in a lower court, the U.S. Supreme Court handed the News Review – and the nation's press – a landmark victory. In its unanimous decision, the court said that to rule otherwise "would subvert the most fundamental meaning of a free press."

This slice of News Review history was shared as part of a special "Chautauqua" – a discussion of culture and history – held June 7 at the Greenbelt Community Center. The videotaped event, sponsored by the Greenbelt Museum, featured a panel of past and present editors and staff who gave highlights of the history of America's longest-running all-volunteer newspaper and discussed current challenges

facing the News Review.

Dr. Cathy Knepper, author of "Greenbelt, Maryland: A Living Legacy of the New Deal," moderated the discussion.

### Paper's History

The full scope of the newspaper's history – and the commitment of its volunteer staff – was demonstrated on the panel and by the current and former staffers attending the event. The panel's participants and dates when they joined the News Review staff included: Mary Lou Williamson, current editor (1962); Elaine Skolnik, current news editor (1955); Harry Zubkoff, former editor (for 10-12 years during the 1950s and 1960s); Virginia Beauchamp, former editor and current writer and copy editor (1957); Diane

Oberg, president of the News Review board of directors (1980); and Jim Giese, current reporter, copy editor and vice president of the board of directors (1992).

The Greenbelt News Review – created in November 1937 by mimeograph as the Greenbelt Cooperator – was never like a regular newspaper because of its cooperative structure. "People in Greenbelt wanted the whole town to be a cooperative venture," noted Zubkoff. "This was a great advantage – we were nonprofit and we had no profits anyway."

As a result, the concept of the paper's monetary value was hard to grasp. "The staff own the News Review," said Williamson, who has edited the paper for

more than three decades. When an outside offer came in a few years ago to buy the paper, "We thought, what would that mean? People didn't have the concept that there was something of value that could be sold." They didn't sell it, of course.

Like the cooperative core of Greenbelt itself, the newspaper's original 1937 mission statement has worn well for nearly 67 years and still stands. (See sidebar on page 12.)

Moderator Knepper pointed to the mission's last statement as crucial – "to create a 'Good Neighbor' spirit, promote friendship, advance the common good and develop a 'Greenbelt philosophy' of life." She asked

See CHAUTAUQUA, page 12

## Renahan Describes Working Life During Recent Months in Iraq

by Sandra A. Lange

Tom Rehnan, a political scientist from Greenbelt, came back recently from working in Iraq with hope that democracy can take hold there. He went to Iraq last December for the International City Management Association (ICMA)/Research Triangle, Inc. (RTI). He told a June 11 forum of the Franklin and Eleanor Roosevelt Democratic Club of his experiences there.

His Iraqi colleagues called the former city administrator Dr. Tom. He found that they marveled at his ideas on shaping democratic principles out of Islamic rules and traditions and were taken with his earnestness, his compassion and his strong desire to bring stability into a chaotic country.

With Americans being kidnapped and murdered, with mortar fire heard persistently, when an Iraqi woman educator with whom he was working was assassinated, RTI evacuated Tom and his eight-member team of foreign nationals to Kuwait on April 4 – even as Iraqi friends were planning a birthday celebration for

him on April 7. He communicated with them daily for nearly two months before returning to Greenbelt in early June.

Renahan told the 45 people who came to hear him speak that his experience was both rewarding and challenging. He was sent to Amarah, a city of approximately 300,000 in the Maysan Province. In a surrounding rural area of 800,000 people, most are poor and about half are illiterate. Jobs are scarce and unemployment is high. He lived, he explained, "in genteel hardship," behind walls with armed guards 24 hours a day. "It gave the impression that it was secure, safer than living in Greenbelt," he commented to the amusement of some in the audience.

The job of his international team was to advise the provincial council on democratic practices for governing. His specific job was to develop rules and proce-



Tom Renahan

dures for the council. To accomplish this task, he hired 35 Iraqi citizens, most of whom were well educated, many with masters or doctoral degrees.

He helped to conduct town meetings across the province to hear what type of government ordinary Iraqis preferred. They answered "yes" or "no" to questions such as, "People should have rights that cannot be taken away by their governments; Democracy is in harmony with Islam; Government laws should be separate from religious laws, even though they may reflect Islamic principles; Islam stands for equality but cultural traditions in Iraq have given men more rights than women – should women be given rights equal to those of men?" He was astonished to find that a very large majority of Iraqis answered yes to the ques-

See RENAHAN, page 5

## Council Approves Budget, Increases Tax Rate by 2¢

by Thomas X. White

At its regular meeting on June 7, the first order of business for the Greenbelt City Council was adoption of the Fiscal Year 2005 budget. After nine public worksessions and two public hearings, council took final action on a budget totaling \$19,067,200 for the upcoming fiscal year and approved an increase of two cents on both the real property and business property tax rates. The new property

rate will be \$0.716 per \$100 of assessed valuation; the new personal property tax rate \$1.63 per \$100 of assessed valuation.

With Councilmember Edward Putens absent, the four other members took unanimous action in suspending the rules to pass the required budget adoption ordinance before the date required in the city charter of June 10,

See BUDGET, page 9

### What Goes On

- Monday, June 21**  
8 p.m., Regular City Council Meeting, Municipal Building (live on Channel 71)
- Tuesday, June 22**  
2 to 8 p.m., Blood Drive, Municipal Building
- Wednesday, June 23**  
8 p.m., Council Worksession regarding Capital Projects, Community Center
- Thursday, June 24**  
7:30 p.m., Special Meeting, GHI Board of Directors, GHI Board Room
- Saturday, June 19**  
9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Residents and Passholders register for Swim Lessons, Greenbelt Pool
- Sunday, June 20 and Monday, June 21**  
9 a.m. to 2 p.m., All may register for Swim Lessons, Greenbelt Pool

# Letters

## Center Concert Was Too Loud!

The outdoor concerts at the Roosevelt Center are too loud. I live in the apartments across from the Center. Even with my windows closed, the music is louder than my television and my own stereo. I cannot open the windows to enjoy the fresh air. Why so loud? Why has the New Deal Café and the city refused to turn down the volume?

The Roosevelt Center is not an outdoor concert venue. It is located in a residential area. Noise carries from Roosevelt Center to the apartments across the street. The topography of this area is like the Hollywood Bowl, where all seats can hear the performance. And I don't want to hear the concerts.

If New Deal and the city want to put on concerts, turn down the volume. Go acoustic, go unplugged. Go somewhere else. Set up in Boxwood Village, Springhill Lake or Greenbelt East. See if the residents there want the noise.

Three times since spring, the concerts have gone past 11 p.m. Why? Most concert venues have time limits, strictly enforced. They also enforce sound levels.

I ask that anyone else that finds the concerts too loud to telephone the city manager and city council at 301-474-8000. I also ask that you call the New Deal Café at 301-474-5642.

J. Thompson

## Hay Fever Season: Be Prepared

Learn ways to control hay fever and get relief. Washington Adventist Hospital will offer a free program on how to control hay fever Tuesday, June 22 at 10:30 a.m. at the Margaret Schweinhaut Senior Center (1000 Forest Glen Road, Silver Spring).

The lecture is free and open to the public.

For more information call 301-681-1255.

### We Goofed

In last week's photo essay of Greenbelt Day, the adorable little girl in overalls is not Charlotte Potter-King, as identified in the caption. Can anyone tell us who she is?

The News Review regrets the error.

### A Review

## Coward's "Private Lives" Spotlights Marriage

by Sabine Hentrich

"It's love that does it; to hell with love!" exclaims one of the characters in Noel Coward's witty comedy, "Private Lives," directed by Stephen E. Cox at the Greenbelt Arts Center. And love, of course, is at the center of this comedy. Coward caricatures love, marriage and divorce in this play of many strange coincidences, twists and turns.

This play, written in 1930 and first produced with Coward and Laurence Olivier in the male leads, is basically a satire of the British upper class system. Coward exploits many familiar stereotypes, such as the infamous "stiff-upper-lip" British trademark attitude, the upper class accent, the British love for alcohol and even the relationship of the spoiled British folk with their always cross and extremely rude French maid – played by a marvelous actor with fluent French.

The premise of the play is highly contrived. Two separate couples – the Chases and the Prynnes – with one partner in each couple recently divorced, are honeymooning in adjacent suites in a hotel in France. Coincidentally the two who were divorced turn out to have been married to one another previously. They discover that they are still in love with each other and, you guessed it, they elope.

Richard Atha-Nicholls, who played Elyot Chase, turned in the best performance of the ensemble. His upper-class British accent was hilarious; it could not have been done better by anyone. Atha-Nicholls nailed this role. His facial expressions, especially during the scene where he plays the piano for his former wife Amanda (Susan Harper) – now married to Victor – reminded one of the likes of Rowan Atkinson, alias Mr. Bean.

The other actors, however, were somewhat miscast. The women, in particular, would have been better had they swapped roles. The very talented and funny Denise A. Levien – whom the audience last admired as one of the sisters in "Nonsense" – would have made a fabulous bad girl. She would have been the perfect Amanda Prynne. Yet she was cast as Sibyl Chase, the whiny and complaining new wife of Elyot.

Atha-Nicholls could have produced a lot more chemistry with Levien than he did with Susan



"Private Lives" runs on Fridays and Saturdays at 9 p.m. through June 26. A Sunday matinee will also be held on June 20 at 2 p.m. at the Greenbelt Arts Center.

Harper, who was cast as Amanda – the improper, promiscuous seductress who was his character's former spouse.

Bob Kleinberg, as Amanda's new husband Victor, seemed unsure in his role. Maybe this was just opening night jitters, but he needs to add more bite to his bark. Lastly, Zoey Siwek, as the French maid Louise, was dead-on in her character. Her movements, her French, her gestures – she hit every stereotype with wit and cunning.

One has to acknowledge that this is not an easy play to do in 2004. The whole idea of the British "caste" system is a bit difficult to grasp for Americans, who pride themselves on having invented the opposite type of system. Additionally, half of all married couples get divorced nowadays. It is a sad fact that many people, not just the upper class, act as though marriage is a casual thing. It is hardly a big deal these days to be married for the second time.

Though the performance needs more zest and spice and possibly even a casting adjustment (obviously not possible at this point), the Greenbelt Arts Center put together an enjoyable evening. The play certainly has its funny moments, especially brought out by Atha-Nicholls and Siwek. It needs more work, however, to come together smoothly.

Whoever is interested in love, lust and adults behaving badly is likely to really enjoy this play.

# Festival Notes

**Fundraising**  
Fundraising for the 50th Labor Day Festival continues. Bake sales will be



John or Gloria Winfrey at 301-345-3794 for more information.

### Information Day

held on a regular basis outside of the Co-op. Raffle tickets for groceries and a 50/50 drawing are currently being sold. Advance orders for "50th Festival" commemorative T-shirts are now being taken and "Proud to Be American" T-shirts are still on sale. Gianni pizzas and dessert items can still be ordered. These items are available at the bake sales and can also be purchased by calling Patti Brothers at 301-982-2312. Other fundraising activities will be held in the near future, including a raffle for Bowie Baysox tickets and a raffle for a Longaberger wooden chest. There will be a festival yard sale late in July. Donations are currently being accepted. Call Brothers for more information.

### Miss Greenbelt

There will be a meeting of all individuals interested in entering the Miss Greenbelt pageant on Thursday, June 24 at the Youth Center. There are still opportunities in all three categories – Miss Greenbelt (ages 14 to 19), Junior Miss Greenbelt (ages 11 to 13) and Little Miss Greenbelt (ages 7 to 10). Call Natasha Jewell at 301-352-8665 or Kathy Patsas at 301-513-7759 or visit the website at [www.missgreenbelt.com](http://www.missgreenbelt.com).

### Carnival Booths

Carnival booths are a great opportunity for all community groups to earn extra income and introduce their group to festival goers. Booths must be staffed from Friday through Monday. Letters to previous booth sponsors will be sent out soon. Call

Saturday, September 4, is Information Day. All groups are invited to participate in the opportunity to share their cause, mission or product (no sales are permitted) with festival goers. Contact Dave Pitts at 301-345-9605 for more information and an application.

### Talent Show

Now is the time for all performers to sign up for the annual Labor Day Festival Talent Show to be held on Saturday, September 4 at 6 p.m. All types of entertainers are wanted – singers, dancers, musicians and much more. Call Dennis Lewis at 301-552-9078 to discuss participation.

### Parade

Parade Chair Linda Ivy is taking applications for this year's Labor Day parade. Marching bands, majorettes, dancers, dogs, horses and groups of all types are invited to participate. Contact Ivy by email at [Lindaivy@aol.com](mailto:Lindaivy@aol.com).

### Outstanding Citizen

Nominations are now being accepted for this year's Outstanding Citizen. Call Bob Zugby at 301-345-2065 for information.

### Business Contributions

Area businesses wishing recognition for contributions to the festival can call Patti Brothers at 301-982-2312. The success of the festival is directly related to the monetary support it gets from area businesses.

### Volunteers

Volunteers are still needed to help with this year's festival in all areas. Call Patti Brothers at 301-982-2312 for information.

Festival Notes is written by Committee Chair Patti Brothers and will appear in the News Review regularly until Labor Day.

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Greenbelt Community Center at 15 Crescent Rd.  
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# Community Events

## Mamas and Papas Meet June 23

The Greenbelt Mamas and Papas will meet Wednesday, June 23 at 11 a.m. at the playground across from Greenbelt Library, 11 Crescent Road. Meet other local parents while the children play. For information contact Anne Gardner at annegard@smart.net or 301-220-1721.

## Attick Park Picnic Celebrates Simplicity

The success of the voluntary simplicity movement in Maryland will be celebrated at a picnic on Saturday, June 26 from noon to 4 p.m. at Buddy Attick Park at Greenbelt Lake. It will be the first-ever statewide picnic for people involved in simplicity groups and those interested in connecting with others interested in de-cluttering, reducing consumption, relieving time stress and in other ways simplifying their lives. Over 57 groups have started in the state since 2002, including four in Greenbelt.

A potluck meal is planned as well as time to meet new friends and learn about the past year's successes and plans for the year to come. Participants can enjoy the lake and its newly installed wetlands area. More details, including directions and food info, will be provided to participants.

To sign up and meet simplicity neighbors in Greenbelt as well as other areas of Maryland, RSVP to Greenbelter Janet Kane by phone at 301-345-2571 or at janetkane@earthlink.net. Space at the lake is limited.

## Golden Age Club

by Bunny Fitzgerald

The June 9 meeting of the Golden Age Club was opened by President Ellie Rimar and began with an invocation given by Shep Odum.

Greenbelt volunteer fire-fighters gave a very informative talk about the restoration of the antique fire truck with slides and pictures. The fire department had acquired it as an old rusted heap and has now turned it into a great shiny truck. They plan to display it in the Labor Day parade as well as in other parades. It is a part of Greenbelt history and we say "great job" to the volunteers. Donations are still needed.

The club welcomed Dolores Capotosto, who is visiting from Florida, and greeted new member Margaret Smith.

On June 23 Councilmember Rodney Roberts will speak. Bingo will be played on June 30.

The club extends condolences to Irene Janosko on the death of her husband, Elmer Janosko.

## Water Polo Returns

Water polo returns to the Greenbelt Aquatic and Fitness Center on Thursday, June 24 from 8 to 10 p.m. The summer program welcomes good swimmers ages 10 to 18 who want to try this team sport for the first time. Players need not be on the Greenbelt swim team.

The Greenbelt club, Bullish on Water Polo (BullWP), will be holding the Thursday sessions from June 24 until July 29. Call Larry Hilliard at 301-474-7504 or Clement Lau at 301-345-6110 for more information.

## Summer Tutoring Continues at SHL

The free summer tutoring program (Grades 1 to 12) will start on Saturday, June 19 and continue through August 14 at the Springhill Lake Recreation Center from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Levels of tutoring will be remedial, review and advanced as needed.

Computer and tutorial learning software are available and will be used as appropriate. SAT help will be provided on request. The program will be patterned after the Homework and Tutoring Program and the Greenbelt Moving Ahead Program which were held during the school year.

The first hour of the first meeting will be devoted to an explanation of the program, registration and grouping. Adults and students are encouraged to attend. Also, adults are needed who can serve as tutors. If time permits, tutoring will commence shortly afterward.

If possible, textbooks should be borrowed from the schools. Otherwise, students should select an appropriate book from the library to use during tutoring and at home.

For further information call Janet Goldberg at 301-397-2212.

## GHI Notes

Upcoming GHI meetings include:

June 22, Encroachment Problems and Determining Yard Lines, 7 p.m. in the Board Room.

June 24, Ad-Hoc Education Committee, 4:15 p.m. in the Conference Room.

Ad-Hoc Committee to Form a Non-Profit Organization, 7 p.m. in the Conference Room.

## Jr. Rangers Sought For Greenbelt Park

The rangers of Greenbelt Park are looking for children eight to 12 to become Greenbelt Park 2004 Junior Rangers.

Greenbelt Park is an 1,100-acre forest featuring 10 miles of trails, picnic areas and a campground. Junior Rangers will participate in environmental education, field trips and become stewards of the National Park Service.

Applications for the 2004 Junior Ranger program are available at the park headquarters and Ranger Station. Pre-registration is mandatory. All applications will be reviewed and applicants will be contacted about approval.

The first session will be held Tuesday, June 29 through Friday, July 2. Each session will be from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Deadline to register for the first session is Thursday, June 24.

The second session will be held Tuesday, August 3 to Friday, August 6. Deadline to register for the second session is Thursday, July 29.

For more information, call 301-344-3944.

## Women's Fast-pitch Off to a Tight Start

by Catherine Zaranis

If the season opener for the Greenbelt Women's Fast-pitch Softball League is any indication of what to expect this season, we will be watching tight games at Braden Field this summer. On Tuesday night June 8 with the help of newcomer Alison Blankenship, the Western Buggettes managed to hold the Lady Stealers to a tie game (4-4) in the league opener. However, the Lady Stealers fired up their bats in the second game with back-to-back singles by Lauren Hebb, Moe Abbott and Tonja Braxton leading them to victory. With a few additions to its roster - Sarah Kopple, Lisa Martin and Megan Shavoni - the Outlaws ended the night with two wins over the new team, the Young Gunnz, which made its debut Thursday night. The Regional Electric F5 Tornados, reigning champs, also came away with two wins over the Western Buggettes. Those who make it to an upcoming game will surely notice the healthy mix of athletes ranging from young developing talent to seasoned veterans. All games are played at 7 p.m. at Braden Field on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays. Standings are as follows: Tornados (2-0), Outlaws (2-0), Stealers (1-0-1), Buggettes (0-3-1), Young Gunnz (0-2).

## CARES Offers Free Babysitting Course

Greenbelt CARES Youth and Family Services Bureau offers a summer session free babysitting course on Wednesday morning, June 30 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road.

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

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

For more information and enrollment, call 301-345-6660, ext. 2016.



**Mishkan Torah's  
Choir Spring Concert**

Sunday Evening, June 20, 7 p.m.  
at  
Congregation Mishkan Torah  
10 Ridge Road  
Adults-\$12.00/Children-\$8.00  
301-474-4223



## GHI Members

The GHI Investments Committee will next meet on Wednesday, June 30, 2004 at 7 p.m. in the GHI Conference Room

The agenda for the evening includes:

- Investment Update
- Discussion of Socially Responsible Investing

Don't forget this meeting - mark your calendar now.

## Greenbelt Baseball

### Major League Schedule

Date	Time	Game	Teams
Mon., June 21	6 p.m.	1	NL #4 vs. NL #3
Tues., June 22	6 p.m.	2	AL #4 vs. AL #3
Wed., June 23	6 p.m.	3	Winner Game 1 vs. NL #2
Thurs., June 24	6 p.m.	4	Winner Game 2 vs. AL #2
Fri., June 25	6 p.m.	5	Winner Game 3 vs. NL #1
Sat., June 26	10 a.m.	6	Winner Game 4 vs. AL #1
Sat., June 26	1 p.m.	7	AL Loser Game 2 vs. AL Loser Game 4
Sat., June 26	3 p.m.	8	NL Loser Game 1 vs. AL Loser Game 3

### Major League Standings as of Tuesday, 6/15/04

American League	W-L	Seed	National League	W-L
Giants	13 - 3	1	Cardinals	11 - 5
Tigers	11 - 3	2	Cubs	9 - 6
Orioles	4 - 11	3	Lions	7 - 6
Athletics	3 - 12	4	Indians	1 - 13



## PRELIMINARY AGENDA SPECIAL MEETING OF THE GHI BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Thursday, June 24, 2004

7:30 p.m.

GHI Board Room

### Key Agenda Items

- Approval of Membership Applications
- 2004 Flat Roof Contract - 2nd Reading
- Van Purchase - 2nd Reading
- 2004 Garage Doors Contract - 1st Reading
- 2004 Parking Lots Contract - 1st Reading
- 2004 Addition Roofs Contract - 1st Reading

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# Obituaries

## Charles R. James

Charles Russell James, 69, died on June 14, 2004, of respiratory failure at Doctor's Community Hospital.

Born June 27, 1934, in Washington, D.C., Mr. James was a longtime resident of Laurel Hill Road. He was a retired electrician.

He is survived by wife Janet Smith James, brother Walter James, sister Delores James, both of North Beach; six children, Teresa Purdy, Charles James, Jr., Larry Smith, Richard James, Frank Manning and Anita Campbell and numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Services will be held at a later date.

## Emily Nutku

Emily Nutku, longtime resident of Plateau Place, died on Saturday, June 12, 2004. The family plans to hold a memorial service in a few weeks.

## 14 Scholarships For Greenbelters

Delegate Anne Healey, District 22, has awarded 63 Maryland State House of Delegates scholarships for the academic year 2004-2005, including 14 for Greenbelters. Awards are recommended by a volunteer citizen's committee, chaired by Mayor Andrew Hanko of New Carrollton.

Greenbelt students receiving the awards were: Irene Akanda, Joshua Attick, Christina Chiddo, Thomas Mays, Nyssa Cummings, Anna Emembolu, James Gonzalez, Nichelle Green, Alan Keiter, Olabode Leight, Danielle Miller, Blessing Ohameje, Anjan Patel and Jacqueline Tull.

## St. Hugh's Church Gets New Pastor

Father Thomas Crowley, longtime pastor of St. Hugh's Church, announced in early June that he would be leaving Greenbelt. In the Catholic Church priests do not choose their own assignments; they are assigned by their bishops. June is a traditional time of year for such changes to be announced. Crowley has served as pastor at St. Hugh's since 1990. Effective June 15 he will become pastor of Our Lady, Help of Christians parish in Waldorf. Father Walter Tappe, who had been assigned to St. Hugh's in the past, will return as the new pastor. Father Tappe, in addition to his duties as pastor, will also continue as director of the Archdiocese of Washington Office of Worship.

Crowley was honored at gatherings after masses on Sunday, June 13.

## Historical Society Presents Lecture

The Prince George's County Historical Society will sponsor a free lecture by Dr. Debra Newman Ham entitled "Is Africa My Home? (The Debate about the Colonization of Maryland Blacks in the 19th Century)" on Saturday, June 26 at 11 a.m. at Dorsey Chapel Historic Site in Glenn Dale. The event is sponsored by the Maryland Humanities Council.

Dorsey Chapel is located at 10704 Brookland Road, Glenn Dale off Route 193 and just north of Route 450/Annapolis Road. Due to limited onsite parking, a shuttle service will take visitors to the chapel. Call 301-464-5291 or TTY 301-699-2544 for specific parking instructions.

## Spring Concert At Mishkan Torah

The choir of Mishkan Torah Synagogue will give its fourth annual spring concert on Sunday evening, June 20 from 7 to 9 p.m. at Mishkan Torah Synagogue. The choir's repertoire includes music from renaissance to modern, both liturgical and popular classics in Hebrew, Yiddish, English and Ladino, all with a Judaic theme.

The choir was established by Mishkan Torah four years ago under the direction of Rebecca Silverstein, to explore a medium of Judaic culture that has not been widely exposed in the synagogue. In four performances this past year the choir has won acclaim.

There also will be a silent auction to benefit the synagogue and buy music and supplies for the choir.

## SHA Public Meeting On Route 1 Study

The proposed U.S. 1 College Park study will be the subject of a public meeting hosted by the State Highway Administration on Wednesday, June 23 from 6 to 9 p.m. at the College Park American Legion Post #217, 9218 Baltimore Avenue in College Park.

The purpose of the public meeting is to afford interested persons the opportunity to present their views regarding the proposed location and general design of the project alternatives, including associated social, economic and natural environmental effects.

For more information on the project, call the SHA at 410-545-8570 or toll-free at 1-800-548-5026.

## Chamber Music At Clarice Smith

On Friday, June 25 at 7 p.m. at the Gildenhorn Recital Hall, Clarice Smith Performing Arts Center, U. Md., National Orchestral Institute participants will perform a chamber music repertoire. This concert is free.



Greenbelters were sorry to hear that Elizabeth (Betty) Beers died early Monday, June 14, 2004. Burial will be in Ohio on Friday, June 18.

Our sympathy to Janet Smith James and family on the death of her husband Charles Russell James. The James family are longtime residents of Laurel Hill Road.

Condolences to the family, friends and neighbors of longtime Plateau Place resident, Emily Nutku, who died Saturday, June 12, 2004.

### Congratulations to

– David E. Wolf, son of Glenn Wolf and Elizabeth Eny of Greenbelt, who recently graduated from Allegheny College, Meadville, Pa. A graduate of Queen Anne School, Wolf received a B.S. in geology. While a student at Allegheny, Wolf volunteered for the West Mead #2 fire department and was a member of the geology club. He also earned honors as an Alden Scholar his junior year, achieving a grade point average of 3.2 or higher.

– Anupan Netyanun of Greenbelt, who graduated from Oregon State University in Corvallis, Ore., on June 13. Netyanun received a M.S. in mathematics.

– Hee Y. Yoo of Greenbelt, who graduated from Boston Uni-

versity with a B.A. in English.

– Lester and Beverly Whitmer of Ridge Road, who recently celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary. The Whitmers moved to Greenbelt as newlyweds in 1964 and have lived here ever since.

– Eleanor Roosevelt High School senior Adam Yarian, who won the world championship in old-time ragtime piano playing at the 30th Annual World Championship Old-Time Piano Competition held in Peoria, Ill., on May 28 to 31. Yarian competed with 25 other contestants from the United States and Canada and won for his outstanding performance of "I Found a New Baby Rag" and "Royal Garden Blues" in the finales. Yarian was World Junior Champion in old-time piano from 1998 to 2000. He just graduated from ERHS on June 10 and plans to major in music performance at the University of South Carolina beginning in the fall.

– Greenbelt Police canine Baron and his partner MPO Marvin R. (Randy) Marks, who graduated on June 11 from a 16-week Basic Patrol Dog School conducted by the Prince William County Police Department. They began serving the citizens of Greenbelt on Sunday evening, June 13.

### 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.

## Greenbelt Community Church

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST



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Sunday Worship

10:15 a.m.

Daniel Hamlin, Pastor

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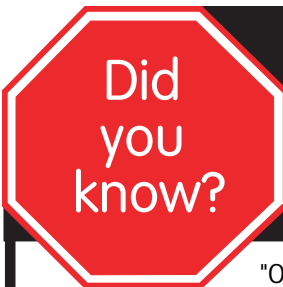


## St. George's Episcopal/Anglican Church

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
Wednesdays:	1:30 pm	Signed Mass (last Sunday of each month only)
	7:00 pm	Simple, quiet Mass

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– The Holy Qur'an 49:11

To find out more about Islam, call 301-982-9463 or e-mail us at muslimguide@hotmail.com or visit the website www.islam-guide.com.



### Catholic Community of Greenbelt MASS

Sundays 10 A.M.  
Municipal Building

### Paint Branch Unitarian Universalist Church

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no Church school



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

### Baha'i Faith

The Baha'i International Community has launched a Website that for the first time includes the sacred writings of the Baha'i Faith in English, Arabic, and Persian at <http://reference.bahai.org>

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

www.bahai.org www.us.bahai.org

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Corner of Crescent and Greenhill Roads 301-474-4212  
[www.greenbeltbaptist.org](http://www.greenbeltbaptist.org) [greenbelt.baptist@verizon.net](mailto: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

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Sunday	8:00 a.m.	Worship
	8:45 a.m.	Fellowship
	9:15 a.m.	Sunday School
	9:15 a.m.	Bible Class
	10:30 a.m.	Worship
Wednesday	7:30 p.m.	Evening Worship



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301-474-9410  
SUNDAY



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[www.gbqm-UMC.org/mowatt](http://www.gbqm-UMC.org/mowatt)

Sunday School	9:45 am
Worship Service	11:00 am
Wed. Prayer Meeting	7:00 pm
Third Friday, Games Night	7:30 pm

Rev. DaeHwa Park, Pastor

June 20 3rd Sunday after Pentecost  
Sermon: "To the Way Which We Are Supposed to Be"  
Traditional Service

# RENAHAN

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tions asked, clearly giving a positive signal to people like him that they were on the right track.

But American policy is meeting so much resistance, he said, because the United States government made several important mistakes, e.g., no back-up plan when many Iraqis showed they'd never like us. He also said, "Military control by outside forces almost always invites a counter movement."

### Election Crucial

Renahan views the election process as crucial to any hope of success. It is the only strategy that will enable Iraqis to achieve a democratic government, he maintained. The more time it takes to register voters, to develop constituencies and to educate people on the voting process, the more favorable he believes the outcome will be. If the election is rushed, he said, we can expect a worse outcome.

Elections are now slated to take place no later than January 31, 2005, under the auspices of the United Nations. But election rules need to be developed, he noted. "Will people be voting for reasonable candidates or Islamic extremists? Will elections be held in a safe environment?"

Recent events, such as the torture of Iraqi prisoners in Iraq, have developed into "a public relations nightmare that undermines the credibility of the United States." But he feels there will be a tremendous gain for the Iraqis and the world if the election process works.

### To Return?

Renahan is not scheduled to return to an unstable Iraq. But he also feels responsibility for the employment and safety of those 35 Iraqi people who worked for him. He worries about what will become of them, how they will survive, whether they will be targeted by the militants. They were his friends as well as his subordinates. He understands the dangers, but "I want to be there to work on the elections," he concludes fervently. "I want to go back."

## Attend Meeting On ICC Status

Area residents are encouraged to attend the Alternatives Workshop Open House for the Inter-county Connector Study (ICC) on Thursday, June 24 from 2 to 8:30 p.m. at American Legion #60, 2 Main St., Laurel. A separate meeting with the same agenda will be held on Saturday, June 19 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at James Blake High School, 300 Norwood Road, Silver Spring. The proposed ICC is intended to link the I-270 and I-95/US 1 corridors. Display boards will show the design concepts and layout of this project. Public comment forms will be available.

The purpose of these open house meetings is to inform the public of the status and updates of the ICC study. For more information about the meetings as well as the latest project information, visit [www.iccstudy.org](http://www.iccstudy.org), or call toll free 1-866-462-0020.



# City Information

**CITY COUNCIL**  
**Municipal Building Council Room**  
**Regular Meeting – 8 p.m.**  
**June 21, 2004**

**COMMUNICATIONS**  
**Presentations**  
 Municipal Government Week – 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 Committee on Education, Report #03-2004 (ACE Reading Tutor Program)  
 Arts Advisory Board, Report #04-005 (Recognition Group Applications)

**LEGISLATION**  
 Resolution to Repeal Resolution Number 948 and Establish Service Charges for Garbage, Trash, and Recycling Collections in the City of Greenbelt, Maryland, Effective July 1, 2004 (2<sup>nd</sup> Reading, Adoption)  
 End-of-the-Year Budget Adjustment Resolutions  
 An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 4, Buildings and Building Regulations, of the Greenbelt City Code for the Purpose of Allowing the City to Amend Section 4-287, "Fees And Penalties" to Increase Fees for Inspection of Residential Rental Dwellings, Effective July 1, 2004 (1<sup>st</sup> Reading, Suspension of the Rules; 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading, Adoption)  
 An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 17, Solid Waste, of the Greenbelt City Code for the Purpose of Allowing the City to Increase Fines for Littering and Dumping (1<sup>st</sup> Reading)

**OTHER BUSINESS**

- Briefing on Suicide Prevention Campaign
- Fiscal Year 2005 Program Open Space Application
- Award of Purchase – Police Repeaters
- Award of Purchase – Equipment for Public Works Vehicle
- Award of Bid – Aquatic & Fitness Center HVAC Units
- \* 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](mailto:kgallagher@ci.greenbelt.md.us) to reach the City Clerk.

**Meetings for June 21-June 25th**  
*Monday, June 21, 8:00pm, REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING, at*  
 Municipal Building. (Live on Channel 71)  
  
*Wednesday, June 23, 8:00pm, COUNCIL WORK SESSION, re:*  
 Capital Projects, at Community Center.

**OPENINGS ON BOARDS & COMMITTEES**  
**Volunteer to serve on City Council advisory groups.**  
**Vacancies exist on the:**

Advisory Committee on Education  
 Arts Advisory Board  
 Board of Elections  
 Employee Relations Advisory Board  
 Park & Recreation Advisory Board  
 Recycling & Environment Advisory Committee  
*For more information, please call 301-474-8000.*

GREENBELT AQUATIC AND  
 FITNESS CENTER

**CHILDREN'S SWIM LESSONS**  
**SUMMER SESSION I**  
**June 22-25, June 29-July 2**  
 Passholders and Residents may register  
 Saturday, June 19 from 9am-2pm.  
 All may register Sunday, June 20 &  
 Monday, June 21 from 9am-2pm  
 For class schedules and information, download the  
 Recreation Brochure at [www.ci.greenbelt.md.us](http://www.ci.greenbelt.md.us)  
**On June 19th the Greenbelt Swim Team will host a swim meet. The outdoor pool will open at 1:00pm on that day.**

**BLOOD DRIVE**  
 Tuesday, June 22nd from 2:00pm – 8:00pm  
 Greenbelt Municipal Building  
**If you would like to make an appointment, please call Janet Goldberg at 301-397-2213.**  
 Each time you schedule an appointment to donate blood between May 1 and September 6, 2004, you will be automatically entered into a drawing for a cruise for two to the Bahamas!

**ATTENTION SUMMER CAMP PARTICIPANTS:**

**The start date for Greenbelt Recreation Department Summer Camp Programming will remain: TUESDAY, JUNE 22nd.**

The Greenbelt Recreation Department originally changed its programming date due to the first change in the Prince George's County school calendar. When the school system once again changed its calendar to end on Friday, June 18th, all arrangements and budgets for summer camp programs had already been finalized.

We apologize for any inconvenience which this may place on your family, and hope that you understand that this decision will allow us to provide the best possible experience for your family with the resources available to us. If you need to contact us concerning this matter, please call 240-542-2193.

**GREENBELT CARES**  
**BABYSITTING COURSE**  
**Wednesday, June 30th from 10am-1pm**  
**Municipal Building-1st Floor Conference Room**



This free course is targeted toward students completing grades 5-8. Students will learn responsibility and health and safety issues of taking care of children, as well as learning about poison control and fire prevention. Students completing the course will receive a certificate and be eligible to participate in the Greenbelt CARES ODD JOBS/JOB BANK program.

**Info/Enrollment:**  
**301-345-6660, ext 2016 or**  
**[jhering@ci.greenbelt.md.us](mailto:jhering@ci.greenbelt.md.us)**

**GREENBELT MUNICIPAL/PUBLIC ACCESS CHANNEL 71**

**MUNICIPAL ACCESS 301-474-8000: Monday, June 21 at 8pm: City Council Meeting; Tuesday & Thursday, June 22 & 24: 10am & 6pm "Ask the Expert Diabetic Foot Care;" 10:30am & 6:30pm Pedestrian Safety Information 7:30pm "Greenbelt Concert Band;" 8:30pm "Replay of Council Meeting."**

**PUBLIC ACCESS (GATE): 301-507-6581: Wednesday & Friday, June 23 & 25: 7pm "Public Safety;" 7:30pm "Future View", 8pm Greenbelt Arts Center presents "Much Ado About Nothing."**

## New Silver Diner Opens in Greenbelt

Greenbelters will have expanded dining options when the latest Silver Diner opens June 22 at Beltway Plaza. Ype Von Hengst, co-founder and executive chef, promises "outstanding food quality, distinctive flavors, generous portions and affordable prices – real home cooking at a real fair price."

The Greenbelt location will create nearly 100 local jobs.

Silver Diner restaurants conduct weekly community fund-raisers for local charities including schools, churches and youth groups. Robert Giaimo, co-founder and CEO, says, "We are proud to be part of the dynamic Greenbelt community and look forward to being part of its economic growth."

The company's original plan in 1988 was to open its first store in Greenbelt but permit restrictions hindered the plan. Now 15 years and 12 stores later, it is opening its newest prototype in Beltway Plaza Mall. "Greenbelt has all the attributes Silver Diner looks for in a location, which include high visibility, a great shopping center and a strong and growing neighborhood population that's very active in local affairs," Giaimo said, "and we plan to do great things in Greenbelt and be highly involved in the community."

## Clifton Gunderson Adds to Staff

Local CPA and consulting firm Clifton Gunderson LLP announces the addition of staff member Manijeh Poorahrab. She is a Greenbelt resident and graduate of the University of Maryland. Poorahrab specializes in governmental and auditing services.

## New Ownership At T.G.I. Friday's

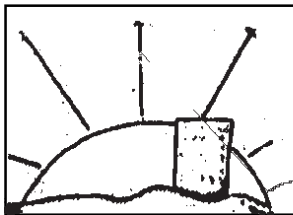
The T.G.I. Friday's restaurant in Greenbelt has recently been bought by Atlanta Restaurant Partners, an outgrowth of Jackmont Hospitality of Atlanta. Jackmont, which owns the Friday's restaurant franchise at Hartsfield International Airport in Atlanta, also manages food services at Spelman College, Morehouse College and other facilities.

The acquisition also includes a Friday's restaurant in downtown D.C. and two in Philadelphia. Jackmont was founded by the late Maynard Jackson, mayor of Atlanta, and others.

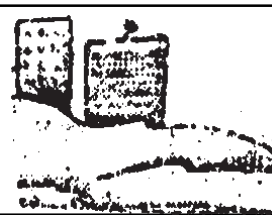
According to the press release, "Each of the new restaurants is located in an urban community which offers a unique opportunity to market casual dining to a young and diverse consumer group that has been loyal to T.G.I. Friday's restaurants and the casual dining segment."

## Giant Aids Schools

Many local schools took part in the A+ Bonus Bucks program sponsored by Giant Food. The program replaces the "Apples for Students" program which assisted schools in getting computers and software. For the first year of the A+ Bonus Bucks program – from October 5, 2003, to April 3, 2004 – local schools benefited as follows: Eleanor Roosevelt High School, \$3,354.97; Greenbelt Elementary School, \$497.95; Greenbelt Middle School, \$232.01; Goddard Child Development Center, \$415.78; Magnolia Elementary School, \$152.96; St. Hugh's School, \$566.59; and Springhill Lake Elementary School, \$254.79.



# Greenbelt's Business



## Giant Merger Reduces Staff

As part of the integration of Ahold USA's Giant of Landover and Stop & Shop headquarters operations, Bill Holmes, Stop & Shop executive vice president of sales and operations, has been named executive vice president and general manager of Giant of Landover. A 39-year veteran of the retail food industry, Holmes started his Stop & Shop career at the store level and brings to Giant of Landover a wealth of experience. Giant President and Chief Executive Officer Dick Baird previously announced his decision to retire in July after more than 30 years of service with Giant.

Giant of Landover administrative functions will be combined with Stop & Shop operations. As a result of the change, approximately 650 of Giant Landover administrative associates could be impacted – less than three percent of Giant's total workforce of approximately 26,000 associates. The company is working to identify other employment throughout the combined organization for those affected and has already begun offering new positions with Stop & Shop's operations in Quincy, Mass. Those eligible associates who are unable to remain with the company will receive a support package including severance benefits and outplacement assistance.

The changes will not impact Giant store managers or associates at the store level. In fact, the combined organization is expanding its store support.

## Safeway Pharmacy Starts Own Program

Safeway has established its own Medicare discount prescription drug card, available without any enrollment fee to eligible senior citizens through a partnership with ScriptSave. Although the company has its own discount prescription card, Safeway pharmacists will act in the best interests of the customer when asked to provide assistance about the drug card program most suited for the particular shopper.

As a transition, Medicare prescription benefits will actually begin in 2006. As of June 1, 2004, all interested Medicare recipients can enroll in one of the Medicare-approved drug discount programs. Depending upon the company, the enrollment fee varies from zero to \$30 per year. For more details interested Medicare recipients may visit or call a local Safeway pharmacy.

Safeway is an approved provider of the Pharmacy Care Alliance (PCA) Medicare Drug Discount Card program, enabling the grocer's pharmacies to serve customers who participate in any of the nearly 30 discount drug insurance programs being offered. This card is intended to provide Medicare recipients with a cost-effective option to purchase a variety of government-approved medications.

## Local Engineering Firm Expands

Greenhorne & O'Mara, Inc. (G&O), a Greenbelt engineering consulting firm, has announced an expansion in corporate operations across its geographical regions and the appointment of four new vice presidents. G&O's strategic growth objectives provide for further expansion initiatives in its Southeast and Mid-Atlantic regions and the four new positions were created to support that effort.

The appointments include Alan K. Arnold, P.E., vice president, Land Development/Mid-Atlantic. Arnold joined G&O in 1980 and has extensive experience focused on the design and construction of development projects, roadway facilities and utility systems. He has been involved in the development of many significant projects in Prince George's County, such as FedEx Field for the Washington Redskins and the Prince George's County Sports Complex. Arnold earned his B.S. in civil engineering from the University of Maryland and an M.B.A. in finance from the University of Baltimore. He is located in G&O's corporate headquarters in Greenbelt.

## GIVE BLOOD

Greenbelt Blood Drive  
Tuesday, June 22  
from 2 - 8 p.m.

## Giant Food Stores Help Food Banks

Giant Food LLC is appealing to the public to donate funds at any Giant Food or Super G store to help area food banks over the summer months when food and fund donations traditionally decrease. Giant's "Checkout Hunger" program offers customers the opportunity to donate to local food banks as they pay for their purchases at the register. The donation program will benefit food banks throughout the mid-Atlantic region.

Monetary donations can be made at all Giant and Super G stores by tearing off a donation coupon at the check-out register. "As schools let out for the summer, many children lose access to free lunch programs and this is where the food banks step in to fulfill an important need. Fully 100 percent of all contributions made at our stores will be given to area food banks," said Barry Scher, vice president of public affairs for Giant Food.

"Combined, the Capital Area and Maryland Food Banks serve over 127,000 people every week," said Bill Ewing, executive director of the Maryland Food Bank. "One-third of low-income people report having to choose between paying for food or paying for rent or health care costs. The local food banks rely on the funds collected from Giant's Checkout Hunger program to help hungry people avoid those tough choices," Ewing added.

Greenbelt businesses are encouraged to send their stories for this page.

## Great Gifts for Father's Day!

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Ceramic & Concrete  
Pots, Planters, Statues,  
Birdbaths, Fountains,  
& Garden Accents.

## Special Plants for Special Dads!

Friday, Saturday and Sunday, June 18, 19 and 20, 2004:  
Children will receive a free plant to give as a gift on Father's Day. Choose one (\$4.99 value): flowering summer annual pot or 2 year old native tree (1-2½ ft. tall). At all stores while supplies last.

## Earn Your Super Summer Savings Coupons Now!

Earn a \$25 coupon for every \$50 of your purchase total through July 5. Redeem a \$25 coupon for every \$50 you spend during Founder's Day Weekend, July 9, 10 and 11, 2004.

Listen to "Garden Sense"  
Saturdays at noon on WMAL 630 AM!

A father carries pictures where his money used to be. --Author Unknown



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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

6100 block Breezewood Drive, May 30, 4:40 p.m., a 12-year old Greenbelt youth was arrested for first degree assault and second degree assault after he allegedly threatened to shoot an adult after he was involved in a verbal altercation with another youth. He was located and found not to be armed, but was in possession of what could have been mistaken for the butt of a handgun. The youth was released to a parent pending action by the Juvenile Justice System.

7300 block Hanover Parkway, June 2, 11:18 a.m., a nonresident man was arrested and charged with two counts of second degree assault, resisting arrest, fleeing and eluding in a motor vehicle and fleeing and eluding on foot. Police responded to a report of an assault in progress, with the suspect possibly armed. While responding to the scene police received information that the man had fled the scene in a van which they located. When the police attempted to initiate a traffic stop the man continued driving to a dead end, exited the van and fled the scene on foot. He was located in the 6600 block of Lake Park Drive, where he ran toward the police in a threatening manner. The suspect was apprehended after a short foot chase and resisted attempts to handcuff him. He was released to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a District Court Commissioner.

## Robbery

6200 block Breezewood Court, June 5, 4:08 p.m., a man of no fixed address was arrested and charged with robbery with a deadly weapon, two counts of assault and burglary. The victims reported that they came home to find a man in their apartment. The man claimed that he was there to fix a leak, but could produce no identification or a key. He then grabbed a bottle and threatened to hit the victims unless they let him leave the apartment with property belonging to one of the victims. Police arrived and arrested the suspect on the scene. He was released to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a District Court Commissioner.

Greenway Shopping Center, June 9, 2:41 p.m., a teller at the Chevy Chase Bank reported that a man approached her booth and displayed a note announcing a robbery, but no weapon was displayed. After obtaining an undisclosed amount of money, he fled the scene on foot in the general direction of the Safeway Store. The suspect is described as a black male, 19 to 20 years of age, 5'7" with an average build and a very dark complexion wearing a T-shirt, dark pants and a white hat.

## Indecent Exposure

Beltway Plaza Mall, June 11, 12:31 a.m., a nonresident man was arrested and charged with disorderly conduct, indecent exposure, failure to obey a lawful order and resisting arrest. Police responded to a report of a disorderly person in the parking lot of Bennigan's Restaurant. The man was observed shouting profanities from inside a vehicle at another person and refused to cease his actions. He was told that he was

under arrest, but he refused to exit the vehicle and had to be forcibly placed into custody. The victim advised that the man had earlier exposed himself to two patrons inside the restaurant. The suspect was released to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a District Court Commissioner.

## Drugs

Greenway Shopping Center, June 9, 12:14 p.m., a nonresident man and woman were arrested and charged with possession of paraphernalia. Police responded to the CVS Pharmacy for a report of a shoplifting in progress. Upon arriving on the scene, police were advised that the suspects were in a vehicle in the parking lot. The vehicle was located occupied by two people, both of whom were found to be in possession of hypodermic syringes. A computer check revealed that the woman had an open warrant with the Prince William County Police. Both were charged on citation, with the woman released to the Department of Corrections for service of the warrant.

## Theft

Greenway Shopping Center, June 8, 1:34 p.m., two men entered the Starbucks café and removed two espresso machines. They fled the scene in a vehicle described as a white Chevrolet Cavalier 2-door. They are described as two black males in their twenties. One was 5'9" with a medium build, short black hair and a medium-dark complexion, wearing a white T-shirt, blue jean shorts and dark sunglasses. The other was 6'1" with a thin build, short black hair and a medium-dark complexion, wearing a tan linen suit.

5800 block Cherrywood Lane, June 8, a man reported that he observed a tow truck towing his vehicle from a parking lot. The tow truck caused his vehicle to strike another vehicle parked next to it. The victim followed the tow truck in another vehicle to the 8900 block of Edmonston Road, where the tow truck driver dropped off the victim's vehicle and fled the scene after allegedly attempting to ram the car following him. A computer check revealed that the tow truck, a red 2003 Ford tow truck, Maryland tags 7973TT, had been reported stolen to the Prince George's County Police.

Jeffrey Allen Kline, 32, 2 Court Crescent Road, and Linda Lee Davis, 43, 8 Court Research Road, were charged with forgery, uttering and theft in reference to the theft of personal checks from a vehicle on March 26.

## Disorderly Conduct

7500 block Hanover Parkway, June 10, 6:21 p.m., a nonresident man was arrested and charged with disorderly conduct when police responded to a report of a domestic argument. The man, who did not live at the residence, was observed shouting in the apartment hallway, disturbing other tenants. He was ordered to leave the building by agents of the property and was arrested when he returned a short time later. He was released on citation pending trial.

## Trespass

Eleanor Roosevelt High School, June 4, 10:45 a.m., a nonresident youth was arrested for

trespass after she was observed inside the school. She was not enrolled in the school and did not have permission to be on the property. She was released to a parent pending action by the School Board and the Juvenile Justice System.

Eleanor Roosevelt High School, June 9, 3:56 p.m., a nonresident youth was arrested for trespass after she was observed inside the school without permission. She was released to a parent pending action by the School Board and the Juvenile Justice System.

## Burglary

9300 block Edmonston Road, June 6, 11:08 p.m., a nonresident man was arrested and charged with burglary, assault, theft and malicious destruction. Police responded to a report of a burglary in progress. A woman reported that the suspect, who is known to her, forced his way into her residence by breaking out a window. Once inside the man assaulted the victim and took property before fleeing the scene. He was apprehended nearby and transported to Doctor's Hospital for a cut hand sustained during the break-in. A computer check revealed that he had an open warrant with the Prince George's County Sheriff's Department. The suspect was released to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a District Court Commissioner and for service of the warrant.

20 Southway, June 7, 12:25 p.m., commercial burglary.

6400 block Ivy Lane, June 10, 8:51 a.m., commercial burglary.

## Vehicle Crimes

The following six vehicles were reported stolen: a 1994 Dodge Caravan, June 2, from the 9100 block Edmonston Court, recovered the same day by the Prince George's County Police, no arrests; a 1993 Honda Civic 4-door, June 2, from the 9100 block Edmonston Road, recovered the same day by the Riverdale Park Police, no arrests; a black 1996 Mercury Grand Marquis 4-door, Maryland tags MMP068, June 5, from Beltway Plaza Mall; a green 1997 GMC Safari van, Maryland tags AAD35V, June 7, from Beltway Plaza Mall; a green 1998 Dodge Neon 4-door, Maryland tags MDC633, June 8, from Beltway Plaza Mall; and a 1998 Dodge Stratus 4-door, June 9, from the 9100 block Edmonston Court, recovered the next day by the Metropolitan Police, no arrests.

Nine stolen vehicles were recovered, four by Greenbelt police and five by other police departments. No arrests were made in any of the recoveries.

Vandalisms to, thefts from or attempted thefts of vehicles were reported in the following areas: Beltway Plaza Mall (three incidents), 9100 block Edmonston Court, 9200 block Edmonston Road, 9300 block Edmonston Road, 6000 block Springhill Drive (three incidents), 5700 block Greenbelt Metro Drive, 200 block Lakeside Drive, 100 block Westway, 6 court Ridge Road, 100 block Northway, 7400 block Greenbelt Road, 7500 block Hanover Parkway, 7200 block South Ora Court, 7800 block Mandan Road and 8100 block Mandan Terrace.

## White Honored by GVFD



On June 3, Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department (GVFD) President Jay Remenick invited former Councilmember Thomas X. White to attend Company 35's regular monthly meeting. To White's great surprise, Remenick formally bestowed honorary membership to him for his many years of support and dedication to the fire department in every capacity while serving on the city council. White was accompanied by his wife Helen.

## A Review

# Creative Art Show Sings In Multi-part Harmony

by Shirl Hayes

The Greenbelt Community Center Art Gallery will be the home of the Creative Process show through July 10. New work by 11 professional Greenbelt artists is featured in this juried display for which Tom Baker is the curator. The show was juried by artist Eileen Cave, president of the Hyattsville Alliance.

The works on display range from paintings in oils and acrylics to drawings, mosaics, stained glass, ceramics, sketches and water colors. There are several voices in the room. Standing in the middle of all the works and looking over them quickly is like being in the center of a ring of chamber singers humming a major chord in multi-part harmony.

This effect is enhanced by the way that some of the pieces, even though they are all by the same artist, are not hung together but mixed in with the work of everyone else, keeping any one voice from dominating or creating any monolithic blocks of

personality that might disrupt the flow of the show. It is a point/counterpoint method that challenges the visitor to be more than a passive receptor of the collective communications and emotions of the artists.

Walking around the gallery, close to the walls, brings each work, each individual voice, into focus and pulls gently, but insistently at the viewer's attention, requiring a moment of consideration that tempers one's mood and adds another dimension to one's thoughts.

The themes range from the outer world of nature, "The Green Man Is Back" – stained glass, colored pencil on vellum to the inner worlds of spirit "The Devil and You/River of Blood" – mixed media, stained glass and mirror.

"You the viewer continue the 'Creative Process' as you enter the art gallery," says Baker in the written greeting. "You bring your unique set of life experiences, thoughts, emotions and intuitions with you."

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2004. There was little or no dissent as council members took turns moving on and taking action on all changes previously agreed to at the council's final budget worksession on May 17 and on two additional changes discussed at an executive session on June 2 dealing with the city manager's salary and benefits. Council approved a salary increase of \$5,500 for the city manager and took action on an additional expenditure of \$13,000 from the replacement reserve to replace the city manager's 1992 Ford Taurus wagon.

During separate council actions on motions approving changes, only one garnered a negative vote. Councilmember Leta Mach moved to approve changes in the proposed community development budget to add a fourth compliance inspector position and make the current office associate position full time at an additional cost of \$66,500. Councilmember Rodney Roberts voted no because he opposed adding the fourth inspector position.

### Red Light Camera

In approving retention of the red light camera at the intersection of Kenilworth Avenue and Cherrywood Lane (requiring a \$20,000 addition to the proposed budget), Mayor Judith Davis, Mach and Councilmember Konrad Herling noted that more information on the camera's performance at that location and a staff recommendation on more effective and appropriate locations was needed. Staff assured council that more information would be forthcoming when changes are made later this year to existing camera arrangements.

After completing action on

the budget, Roberts said he would "like to see the day when we don't have to raise taxes." Davis thanked her colleagues, city staff, department heads and citizens who had expressed concerns on the budget increases. She noted the difficulties in managing the city's needs in light of the "rough times" we are having with state-shared funding and the "structural problems" associated with maintaining adequate reserve funds.

### Parking Tickets

In other actions, council approved a resolution to negotiate the purchase of parking citation collection services from Data Ticket, Inc. of Newport Beach, Cal. Under the new agreement Data Ticket would attempt to recover older unpaid citations from before July 2003. The city and Data Ticket would split the proceeds of any collected tickets - 60 percent to the city and 40 percent to Data Ticket. Data Ticket would also receive \$0.64 for each delinquency it mails and a \$3 fee per citation to manage the database for all citations issued after July 2003.

The new agreement will provide a Motor Vehicle Administration interface so that vehicle registrations may be "flagged." In such cases the city retains 100 percent of revenue for tickets paid as a result of notices or MVA flagging. Although it is difficult to estimate what amount each party would receive, the value of all outstanding citations (approximately 14,000) is about \$800,000.

Council also introduced for first reading a resolution authorizing an increase in the city's refuse collection fee and recycling-only pick-up fee. If adopted, the refuse collection fee will be increased \$1.50 to \$45.50

per quarter, effective July 1. The recycling-only pick-up fee is increased \$3 per year to \$23.

### Trail Signs

The city manager also briefed council on a project to install pedestrian way-finding signs in the city historic areas as part of the Anacostia Trails Heritage Area (ATHA). Under the program Greenbelt is one of four communities selected for a pilot project on way-finding signage. ATHA requests a city contribution of \$10,000 to fund about one half of the estimated \$20,000 cost to develop, produce and install nine signs in the center of town.

The city's just-approved capital projects fund for FY 2005 includes funds for the project. City Manager Michael McLaughlin noted that this project is directed only to pedestrian signage in the city center. A previous identified need for highway and street signage to direct travelers to Roosevelt Center, not part of the ATHA project, will have to await State Highway Administration agreement on appropriate signage.

# True's Denizens of the Deep Photos Grace Café's Walls

by Shirl Hayes

For the month of June, the underwater photography of Karen Temple True, enhanced and printed by Michael Smallwood, will be on display at the New Deal Café. Taken in Bonaire, Netherlands Antilles, 28 images capture a wide variety of marine life in ways most people never get to see outside a book.

The images are vivid and colorful windows into the deep that range from a slender, graceful trumpet fish to the familiar oval of a gliding hawksbill turtle to the stark, sleek lines of a Caribbean reef shark suspended in the vast, blue, quiet of the sea.

On another wall a green moray eel peers out from its brain coral hiding spot as if to say, "Go away!"

The photo of the leaf lettuce coral is especially eye catching with its brilliant, sunlit white sand in the foreground and the delicate coral fronds backed by the dark blue of deep water behind them.

True learned to snorkel and then scuba dive in 1994. She became certified in 1995 and began taking pictures in 1996, since then

managing two dives a year. "Coral is probably the most compliant of undersea life to take pictures of [because] it doesn't move," says True. Other creatures are more difficult and camera shy.

"There are also the ocean currents to consider when trying to take a picture as not only do the fish not stay still for you, you can't always stay still either!" says True.

## Teacher's Job Fair At ERHS Saturday

The Prince George's County public school system is hosting a general education job fair at Eleanor Roosevelt High School on Saturday, June 19 from 8 a.m. to noon. Interest areas include early childhood, elementary and secondary education (content areas include math, foreign language, science and English). Specialty areas also include art, tech ed, family and consumer science, music, physical ed. Speech pathologists and psychologists are also needed. For details call 301-952-6033 or visit [www.pgcps.org](http://www.pgcps.org).



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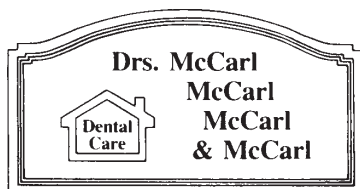
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**City Notes**

The streets crew painted double yellow center traffic lines and single white traffic lines on a number of city streets and painted parking stencils and directional arrows in the parking lots at the post office and library as well as handicapped spaces throughout the city. They also repainted the posts for the Braden Field tennis court nets and painted yellow curbs in Lakeside, Boxwood and Lakewood.

The facilities maintenance crew began making repairs to the exterior wood on both buildings at Schrom Hills Park that had been damaged by carpenter bees. The crew made repairs at both the police station and the Aquatic and Fitness Center, including repairs of fire sprinkler systems and the replacement of drywall. The crew completed its monthly inspection of street lights needing repair. Outages and problems will be reported to Pepco.

One public works employee was on duty through the night to assist with any problem that could have arisen with the preparation for Grad Night.

The cleaning crew refinished

the floors in the Schrom Hills Park clubhouse and at Springhill Lake Recreation Center.

The parks crew collected refuse in city parks and facilities and along roadsides, received 200 cubic yards of wood carpet and spread it at Schrom Hills Park in the new playground area and installed new playground equipment there. The parks crew also continued work on the stone retaining wall at Roosevelt Center parking lot.

The horticulture crew began installation of the landscaping of the new pathway between the Community Center, the municipal parking lot and the Youth Center.

**Recreation Dept.**

Renovation on Braden Field tennis courts was completed and courts are now open. There was a final camp meeting to update staff paperwork, discuss staff orientation and update emergency plans. All camps will begin on Tuesday, June 22. Facilities were inspected by the county fire inspector. The Youth Center and Community Center both passed inspections with no problems noted.

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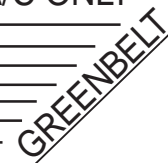


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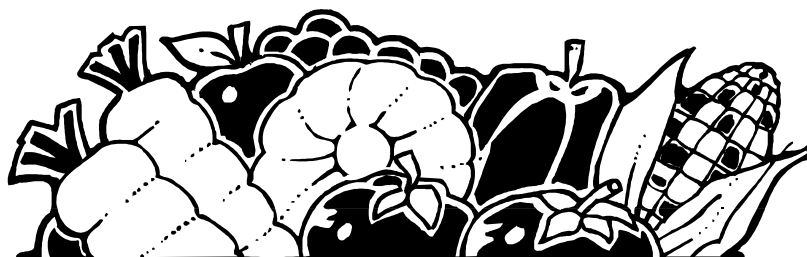
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Jeannette Zubkoff holds a photo of Elaine Skolnik and her daughter Barbara on the steps of the Supreme Court. The photo was taken by Jeannette and Harry's son Earl Zubkoff and appears as the chapter photo for the libel suit years in "Greenbelt: History of a New Town 1937-1957." David Lange is on her left.

panelists, "How did you keep that in mind?"

Skolnik replied by quoting from a 1985 article by Barbara Likowski, the paper's current assistant editor. "Volunteerism has been an integral part of life in Greenbelt from the beginning," Likowski wrote. The early staff of the newspaper were expected to be active in other volunteer groups such as the American Legion and Greenbelt Civic Association.

Zubkoff said that many people have had an impact on the News Review. Among them was Al Skolnik, who believed passionately in fair coverage. On the role of news and editorials, "We went round and round," Zubkoff said. He believed that editorials could present a point of view on an issue but "Al felt that editorials should give both sides. He prevailed," Zubkoff noted wryly.

That legacy – commitment to fairness – continues, Williamson said, noting that current staff have "a deep seriousness" about being fair. She added, "One of our failings, though, is that we don't do as many editorials as we should."

Giese explained that the editorial process has changed. "In the early days the editor wrote editorials. Now they are a product of at least a majority of board members. It's a consensus statement, which limits our ability to do editorials."

### Social, Political Role

Knepper asked the panel to address the newspaper's role in Greenbelt's active social and political life.

Replied Zubkoff, "The seminal event in Greenbelt's history was the sale of the community

to the residents and the News Review played a huge role." For more than six months the newspaper covered the options available to residents and took a stand supporting sale to residents. "The impact of the News Review was decisive," he said. Greenbelt is the only "greentown" of three created in the United States that residents now own.

Beauchamp said that elections for the board of directors for Greenbelt Homes, Inc. (GHI) and city council were often contentious. "The pages of the News Review were always open for discussion and every candidate could have a bio published in the paper," she said.

Giese, a former city manager, was the subject of articles long before he joined the paper as a writer and editor and he says, "The paper always tried to be fair." He added that Greenbelt's strong sense of local identity is the result of several factors, "but the most important is the strong role the newspaper plays in the city's life."

In the tumultuous 1960s high-density development loomed and the News Review covered each zoning petition request, Skolnik recalled. "We reported the time and dates of the meetings and told people about carpools being formed. Our mission was to retain the quality of Greenbelt as a planned community," she said.

### Lawsuit

The lawsuit that ended at the U.S. Supreme Court was a classic David-and-Goliath clash that grew out of these development battles. Bresler accused the newspaper of libel related to articles, headlines, editorials – and even a letter to the editor – that appeared over a nine-month period. Residents formed a Greenbelt Freedom of the Press Committee and a legal fund was built through a door-to-door campaign. The Washington Post's law firm offered to represent the News Review on a pro bono basis.

Abraham Chasanow, the local realtor and lawyer representing Bresler, had been blacklisted during the Joseph McCarthy era. One of the ironic moments in the trial, Williamson recalled, was when Chasanow displayed names of Greenbelters and accused Al Skolnik and others on the staff of knowing people in Greenbelt. "He tried to prove there was a conspiracy against his client," she said. "I should have said,

### Mission Statement: Still Good as New

1. To serve as a nonprofit enterprise
2. To remain nonpartisan in politics
3. To remain neutral in religious matters
4. To print news accurately and regularly
5. To make its pages an open forum for civic affairs
6. To develop a staff of volunteer writers
7. To create a "Good Neighbor" spirit, promote friendship, advance the common good and develop a "Greenbelt philosophy" of life.

– November 24, 1937

"Sir, your wife was my real estate agent."

"It was really sad that someone who was a victim of blacklisting became a perpetrator," Zubkoff observed of Chasanow.

In the end, the Supreme Court "all but pinned medals on our reporters," Skolnik said, and added, "The News Review has insurance now – so writers shouldn't be afraid to join us!"

### Volunteers Still Needed

The need for volunteers is greater than ever – especially to help sell ads, cover city council meetings, type on the late-night shift and to assess computer problems. The remarkable continuity of staff over the past 40 years – in contrast to the early years when there was rapid turnover – poses a significant challenge and potential crisis for News Review leadership.

"We need young people," said Zubkoff. The newspaper will continue to advertise for volunteers and may again reach out to high school and university students, although the real need is for reliable volunteers who will continue to devote time to production of the weekly newspaper.

"I can't remember a time when everything went smoothly – when there were no problems," said Williamson, who became editor in 1972. "But somehow, we continue."

As of this week, in fact, Greenbelt volunteers have produced 3,462 issues of the News Review – and haven't missed a single publication date.

To join the News Review staff call the newspaper office at 301-474-4131.



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The Greenbelt News Review staff celebrate the newspaper's 25th anniversary in November 1962. Seated left to right are Bess Halperin, Harry Zubkoff, Al Skolnik, Virginia Beauchamp and Bernice Kastner. Standing left to right are: Isadore Parker, Rita Fisher, Victor Fisher, Thea Lovell, Russell Greenbaum, Elaine Skolnik, Margaret Thompson, Mary Lou Williamson, Dorothy Sucher, Sid Kastner and Dorothy White.

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