

# GREENBELT News Review

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## Two Greenbelters Relate Their Post-Katrina Aid Experiences

by James Giese

Think of an area from Greenbelt through Beltsville then up to Baltimore devastated with most buildings destroyed and most utility poles broken and wires down. Picture large trees uprooted and lying on their sides, some falling so as to split homes in two. Imagine giant parking lot light poles bent over from the force of wind. Imagine a soundless area, no birds chirping, no insect noise. At night, imagine the area with but a few electric lights showing.

This is how Greenbelters Rena Hull and Cass Cooney describe Jefferson Parish, Louisiana, when they first arrived on Labor Day, September 5 as part of a contingent of 89 volunteer members of the Maryland Defense Force's (MDDF) Medical Reserve Corps (MRC) sent there to temporarily provide health care to Hurricane Katrina storm victims. By the time they left on Saturday, September 17 the birds were singing again and people were returning to their homes.

The Maryland relief effort called "Operation Lifeline," was named "a lighthouse on a dark shore" by Jefferson Parish President Aaron Broussard, according

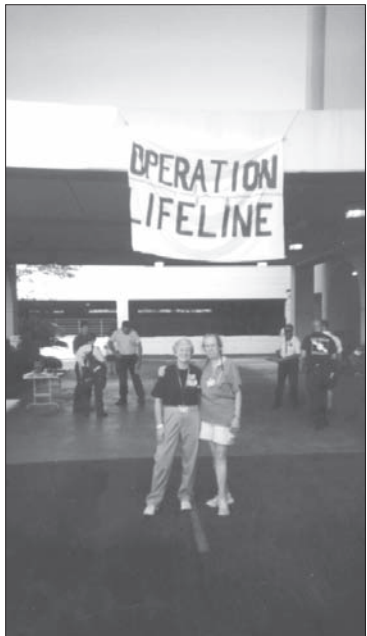


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**Cass Cooney (right) and Rena Hull stand before the Operation Lifeline banner which Cooney helped make at the Meadowcrest Hospital.**

to a September 13 Baltimore Sun article by Andrew A. Green.

Green's article reported that Maryland Homeland Security Director Dennis Schraeder said the state decided to concentrate its civilian relief efforts in one place,

Jefferson Parish, just outside the city of New Orleans on the west bank of the Mississippi River. Because of the way the river winds, it is actually south of downtown.

In 2003 the Maryland Board of Nursing solicited volunteers to train as emergency management technicians (EMTs). Both Hull and Cooney joined. Hull is a newly retired Prince George's County school nurse supervisor with pediatric mental health counseling qualifications. Cooney is a pediatric nurse practitioner in the medical office of Dr. Angela Hubbard on Greenway Center Drive.

### Brief Notice

Both were called late in the evening of September 4 and asked to report at 9 a.m. the following morning to the Glen L. Martin State Airport to be flown to New Orleans. When they asked what they should take, they were referred to an internet website. When asked where the airport was (northeast of Baltimore), they were referred to another website.

Hull tells of doing some very

See **RELIEF**, page 6

## Annexation, Collective Bargaining Proposals Are Before City Council

by Thomas X. White

At its September 12 regular meeting, the Greenbelt City Council took a first step to significantly expand the city's boundaries through annexation of the planned South Core of Greenbelt Station and other adjacent properties by instructing staff on what properties to include in a formal annexation resolution. Council also continued discussion of the Greenbelt Fraternal Order of Police (FOP) proposal for collective bargaining and received a compromise proposal made by the FOP to undertake fact finding instead of binding arbitration in case of impasse.

### Annexation

As part of the agreement that the city and Greenbelt Metropark, LLC (Metropark) entered for the Greenbelt Station development, the developers submitted a petition to annex the unincorporated lands comprising the South Core of Greenbelt Station to the city. At its August 8 meeting council received the petition for annexation of the approximately 86.5 acre property located south of the Greenbelt Metro Station property, east of the CSX/Metro rail tracks, north of Branchville Road and west of the State of Maryland

open space parkland.

Based on a Greenbelt city staff report, the annexation petition includes only properties owned by Greenbelt Metropark and therefore satisfies the Maryland Code requirements regarding concurrence of the annexation action by a minimum of 25 percent of impacted property owners.

However, staff has identified other separately-owned properties in the area which could be included in the annexation process while still maintaining the concurrence of the owners of more than 25 percent of the property to be annexed. They are: the State of Maryland property consisting of approximately 75.5 acres; a small site owned by PEPCO just over one acre; a property known as Hercules Fence just under an acre; the University of Maryland Concrete Institute also just over an acre and the PG Scrap property which is nearly 10 acres.

The staff report also points out that the PG Scrap property may only be included if the state owned land is annexed concurrently, otherwise the unannexed state property would constitute an enclave surrounded on all sides by one municipality, a violation of state law. Staff rationale for

including all of the properties in the annexation is that it would have a smoothing effect on the city's jurisdictional boundary along Branchville Road. In addition, it would enable the city to better influence any development that may occur near the South Core.

The staff report noted that there may be conflicting concerns regarding annexation of some of the properties along Branchville Road. It appeared that council was well aware of those concerns as the mayor has had conversations with the mayor of Berwyn Heights regarding the issue.

Mayor Judith Davis made a motion to include only three of the separately-owned properties in the Greenbelt annexation: the State of Maryland property, the PG Scrap property and the Concrete Institute. After seconding Davis' motion Councilmember Edward Putens offered an amendment adding the Hercules Fence property but failed to get a second. The original motion was then approved by a four to one vote with Putens opposed.

See **COUNCIL**, page 9

## Community Center's Tenth Anniversary Coming Up

by Nicole DeWald

Guests of all ages are invited to join in the celebration of the Greenbelt Community Center's 10th Anniversary at the October 2 Artful Afternoon from 1 to 5 p.m. Get to know the history of this National Historic Landmark and explore its terrific array of current uses through free performances, exhibits, open houses and hands-on activities.

The facility now known as the Greenbelt Community Center was built in 1936 as Center School. The building's facade incorporates an artistic treasure – a series of bas reliefs by New Deal artist Lenore Thomas depicting the preamble of the national Constitution. During the city's early years, this elementary school was used also for community meetings, continuing education classes, as a library and for religious services. Its role in civic life continued and expanded when the building was acquired from the Prince George's County School Board, renovated and rededicated as the Greenbelt Community Center in 1996.

Ten years into the new life of

this tremendous public amenity, residents of Greenbelt and surrounding communities are invited to share in the triumph of vision and the commitment to a rich quality of life which the Greenbelt Community Center represents. In honor of this occasion, a full schedule of activities is provided by the Greenbelt Recreation Department in partnership with tenants and community groups now based at the Center.

### Chautauqua

The Community Center story will be told by participants in a Chautauqua panel discussion at 1 p.m. A regional institution today, the Center came to be through the slimmest margin of public support. Learn how this premier example of Art Deco architecture was saved and emerged from intense local controversy to become the hub of intergenerational community activity that it is today. The panel, organized by the Greenbelt Museum, will be moderated by former Greenbelt Mayor Gil Weidenfeld.

See **ARTFUL**, page 9

## Misses Greenbelt Winners: Ivy, Fendlay and Thompson

by Shamla K. Shakir

This year's Miss Greenbelt Pageant, part of the Greenbelt Labor Day Festival weekend Sept. 2-4, marked the 50th anniversary of the contest with the crowning of new Miss, Junior Miss and Little Miss Greenbelts, as well as with a reunion of former pageant winners and directors.

The weekend began on Friday evening with the contestants modeling cocktail dresses as they introduced themselves. Saturday morning the



PHOTO BY SHARON NATOLI

**Miss Greenbelt Emily Ivy waves to the Labor Day crowd.**

Miss Greenbelt contestants were interviewed by a panel of judges (Junior and Little Miss contestants had their interviews the previous week) and later that night there was an optional talent show. On Sunday the girls wore evening gowns and each answered a single question on stage.

Natasha Jewell, director of the Miss Greenbelt Pageant and vice

See **MISSES**, page 12

### What Goes On

**Monday, September 26**

**7:30 p.m.**, Drawing for Ballot Place, 1st Floor Conference Room, Municipal Building

**8 p.m.**, Regular City Council Meeting, Municipal Building

**Tuesday, September 27**

**7:30 p.m.**, Board of Elections Meeting, Municipal Building

**Wednesday, September 28**

**7:30 p.m.**, Council Worksession with Goddard Space Flight Center – Update on Soil Conservation Road, Community Center

**Saturday, October 1**

**9 to 11 a.m.**, Recycling and Environment Committee, Lake Park Clean-up

**Sunday, October 2**

**1 to 5 p.m.**, 10th Anniversary of Community Center

# Letters to the Editor

## Two Different Church Groups

In James Giese's News Review summary of Labor Day Festival events, the Hope Fellowship dunking booth was associated with Greenbelt Baptist Church (which had the face-painting booth). While there are many deep and long-standing friendships between the members of these two Baptist congregations, Hope Fellowship and Greenbelt Baptist Church are actually two distinct churches. As a friend to both congregations, I recommend that all members of the Greenbelt community visit each of the two (along with the other congregations in Greenbelt) and see if either one helps meet their spiritual and social needs and assists them in putting their gifts to God's service.

Tom Fishbeck

## Crosswalk Violation Ignored by Police

While stopped at the intersection of Greenhill and Crescent about 4:15 p.m. this past Saturday, I witnessed an event which both bewilders me as a teacher and parent and bothers me as a resident of Greenbelt.

Students attending the school where I teach – a 12-year-old boy and his 6-year-old sister – were stopped at the pedestrian crosswalk on Crescent and Greenhill. They had come out of the woods with their two dogs after a walk by the lake and were waiting to cross Crescent. My neighbor in her station wagon had come to a complete stop before the crosswalk and had motioned to them to proceed across the street. I was waiting at the Stop sign at the intersection of Greenhill while a police cruiser stopped along the other side of the crosswalk – heading west on Crescent. The two cars behind my neighbor's station wagon peeled out onto the shoulder and passed her on the right. Fortunately the older child was vigilant enough to see the two cars behind my neighbor coming and was able to stop his sister from walking into these fast-moving cars. My neighbor laid on her horn to both express her outrage toward the passing motorists and to warn the children.

As a parent and teacher I can hardly think of the ramifications that such a tragedy could have had on the family and community of these children if they had been struck. Worse yet, as a parent I am at a loss to explain to my own child (who was in the car at the time) why the police officer who had stopped at the crosswalk did not pursue the two motorists who broke the law and drove unsafely through the crosswalk risking the life of these children. As a resident of Greenbelt I have always felt safe and protected by our police department. How can I explain to the very students I have taught over and over that the police are here to help and protect us that this time they fell short on the job?

Martha Kristy

I would like to tell the two children standing at the crosswalk on Crescent Road at Greenhill on Saturday, September 17 about 4:30 p.m. that they were acting responsibly and conscientiously by trying to use a

crosswalk to cross Crescent Road. The adults involved in this incident were not.

The three drivers who did not stop at the crosswalk to allow you to cross the road put you in great danger as they sped past you. Two of them drove partly on the shoulder of the road. The police officer who witnessed these last two drivers did nothing.

The police officer that stopped at the crosswalk was headed in the opposite direction from the two cars that drove partly on the shoulder and did not stop. After they passed, the officer waved you to cross. The officer then continued along Crescent at a leisurely speed and did not turn around to pursue the two drivers.

You took your lessons about using crosswalks seriously but these adults did not. I commend you.

Sue Krofchik

## THANKS

Greenbelters turned out in large numbers to donate blood at Greenbelt's Blood Drive on Friday, September 16. The Red Cross will use the blood in Iraq and for Hurricane Katrina victims.

Red Cross personnel performed their usual high-quality work and volunteers provided themselves to make the blood drive successful.

The next blood drive is scheduled on Friday, November 11 at the Greenbelt Community Center. The Red Cross will contact donors to make an appointment. Those not contacted by the Red Cross may call Janet Goldberg of the Recreation Department at 301-397-2212 to make an appointment. Walk-ins will be accepted.

Janet Goldberg  
Recreation Coordinator

## An Apology

This is a reply from the Peace & Justice Coalition, Prince George's County to Celeste May who wrote in complaint of a remark from someone marching (almost certainly among us) at the Labor Day Parade. The letter headed "Rude Words Cross the Line" was published Sept. 8. Our answer reflects the reactions shared since then among several of our members who took part in the parade.

Although Ms. May is careful not to cast blame on all of us, we offer her an apology, as a group, for the expression of personal hostility she heard. We aren't sure whether or not the still unidentified person who made it intended to come across that way. We'd like to believe she was incompletely or incorrectly heard. We do emphatically agree that the remark as quoted was out of order; its beligerence contradicts those "whose point is to spread peace," as Ms. May put it. The incident was certainly not representative of our group's principles and practices. We accept participants openly on trust and don't anticipate hostile attitudes among people choosing to join an activity for promoting peace and justice.

Some of us may have offered leaflets that day to people who'd already declined them from another of us; but we did not intend to push them on anyone and regret any appearance of

having done so. We also promote civil liberties and respect others' rights to disagree with us in our practice of democracy.

In peace –

Lucy Duff, Lanham;  
co-coordinator,  
Peace & Justice Coalition  
Donna Hoffmeister, Greenbelt  
Catherine Turner, University Park

A P.S. to the many onlookers who gave us applause or "thumbs up" along the parade route: Thank you and please note you're welcome to join us in the Sept. 24th "Out of Iraq!" rally downtown.

## Skate Park Missing

After sojourning in Southern California for about two years I am very happy to be back permanently in green Greenbelt. It is so good to appreciate the cleanliness, the open spaces, the tall shade trees and the planting of young trees. How nice to greet old friends and make new ones. There is one change I expected to see but have not found and that is the skate board facility.

Before I moved away I listened in on council meetings of great plans for a skate board facility. The youngsters who spoke for it two years ago may still be around to benefit from it and there are surely others who would benefit from this activity. I really was surprised to learn that, as yet, there is no skate board court. Greenbelt is so great at providing opportunities, activities for all ages. It would be nice to have this for those young people who do not participate in team sports.

Jean Snyder

## ERHS Hosts Education Event

On Saturday, October 1 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Eleanor Roosevelt High School the Department of Family and Community Services will host the 20th Annual Comer School Development Program (SDP) Team Retreat and Family/Community Resources Day. The event provides a specialized training opportunity and resource fair on comprehensive school reform to improve student achievement for school system staff, educators, parents and family members, students, childcare workers, social services personnel and business and community leaders. Special guest will be Dr. James P. Comer, founder of SDP. All are welcome. For information call 301-552-4294.

## OLD GREENBELT THEATRE

Week of SEPT 23

CONSTANT GARDENER (R)

Friday

\*4:50, 7:30, 9:55

Saturday

\*2:15, \*4:50, 7:30, 9:55

Sunday

\*2:15, \*4:50, 7:30

Monday - Thursday

\*4:50, 7:30

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## NOTICE OF SPECIAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

THURSDAY, September 29, 2005

7:00 p.m.

GHI BOARD ROOM

### KEY AGENDA ITEMS:

- 2005 Fall Concrete Contract – 2nd Reading
- 2005 Masonry Concrete Porch Roof Repairs – 1st Reading

Dorothy Lauber  
Secretary

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DEADLINES: Letters, articles and ads—10 p.m. Tuesday. Materials for publication may be mailed to address above, deposited in our box in the Co-op grocery store (by 7 p.m. Tuesday) or brought to our office in the Community Center, 15 Crescent Road, during office hours. Mail subscriptions—\$35/year.

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

# Community Events

## K of C Holds Soccer Shootout

On Sunday, September 25 from noon to 3 p.m., the St. Hugh Knights of Columbus will hold a soccer shootout at Schrom Field for all boys and girls 18 and under. Those who show the best shoot, kick and throw will be awarded a prize. There will be separate divisions for boys and girls and separate age divisions. Winners advance to a statewide competition. For additional information call 301-345-0166.

## Greenbelt Seniors Mark Top Season

Greenbelt beat Bowie Gold to close out the Baltimore Beltway Senior Softball League season with 15 wins, its best record in recent years. Final score on Wednesday, September 14 at Bowie was 22-5. Sterling Tropp pitched five innings and got the victory; fellow veteran John Strelkel finished up. Jim Harbaugh, a newcomer this season, doubled to start the game and singled twice, scoring three times for Greenbelt. John Benish homered, doubled and singled; Dave Kerr – another newcomer – doubled and singled twice; stroking two hits were Fred Bohle, Eli Flam, Rodney Hull (all three with a double), manager Ray Reed, Jim Dugan and Lefty Smith (tripled and singled). Irv Salzberg also tripled and Paul Williams, Harlan Park and Larry Dandridge singled as Greenbelt got 25 hits and aims for an even better season next year.

Unable to be present at the last game were Burt Kerr and Al DeFrancis.

## Peace Month Begins With Workshop

On Tuesday, October 4 at 7 p.m. the Peace and Justice Coalition will start off Peace Month activities with a workshop at the Community Center on "Nonviolence Theory and Practice." A weekly series of workshops during Greenbelt's Peace Month, the first workshop will be presented by Bertram Donn. Donn is founder and co-coordinator of the Peace & Justice Coalition, Prince George's County. For information call 301-474-1353 or email justpeacepg@earthlink.net.

## Film Festival Needs People to Volunteer

Attention film buffs! GATE (Greenbelt Access Television) is seeking volunteers for its first international independent film festival, the Greenbelt Utopia Film & Video Festival, to be held November 11-13 in Greenbelt. Volunteers are needed to work two-hour shifts Friday, November 11 and Saturday, November 12 from 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. both days and on Sunday, November 13 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Also needed are ticket takers, greeters/program distributors, projectionists and gophers at the following venues: the Old Greenbelt Theatre, Municipal Building Council Chambers, Greenbelt Arts Center and Greenbelt Library.

Volunteers will get free passes to screenings at the festival. Call Director George Kochell or Malia Murray at GATE studios in the Greenbelt Community Center, 301-507-6581.

## Learn about Hiking On Appalachian Trail

On Friday, September 30 Explorations Unlimited will host a presentation by Amy Skowronek, who will talk about what it's like to hike long distance on the Appalachian Trail – who does it, what kind of gear they carry, how far people walk during a day, what typical foods are and what one does for sanitation. She will bring along a backpack with some of her ultralight gear to display.

The Appalachian Trail stretches for over 2,000 miles along the Appalachian mountain chain. The Trail starts on Springer Mountain in Georgia and ends on Mt. Katahdin in Maine, or vice versa. (The International Appalachian Trail extends into Canada.) A small percentage of the 2,000 to 3,000 "through-hikers" who start it every year actually finish. Most drop out at the first convenient road crossing, despite spending a lot of money on equipment, traveling to Georgia (or Maine) and taking off several months from work (or even quitting their jobs).

The few who keep going or who return year after year to section hike, learn to accept and even enjoy a daily life filled with the toil of walking up and down mountains carrying food and shelter. Burning as many as 6,000 calories per day, they grow thin while eating as much as they're willing to carry (and devastating all-you-can-eat buffets up and down the eastern seaboard).

Skowronek is a 35-year-old Unix Systems Administrator working at NASA Goddard Space Flight Center in Greenbelt. She has a B.S. in physics from the University of Maryland. Hiking 140-180 miles in 3-4 weeks is her typical annual vacation. So far she's completed approximately 600 miles of the Appalachian Trail.

Explorations Unlimited is held every Friday from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Greenbelt Community Center in the Senior Classroom, Room 114. Everyone is welcome to attend. Call 301-397-2208 for more information.

## Senior Lunch Menu

The Senior Nutrition program provides lunches for seniors Monday through Friday at the Community Center. Meals need to be reserved before 11 a.m. the day before participants are planning to eat to assure sufficient quantities of food are ordered. Call 301-397-2208, ext. 4125 to make reservations.

Meals are served beginning at noon. All meals include bread and margarine, coffee or tea and 1 percent milk. Lunches for the week of September 26:

Monday – Orange juice, meatloaf with gravy, brown rice, green beans, fresh nectarine.

Tuesday – Cranapple juice, bar-b-que pork chops, blackeyed peas, chopped collards, baked apples.

Wednesday – Creamy broccoli soup, sliced turkey on croissant with mayonnaise, sliced beets, bag of popcorn, red apple.

Thursday – Grape juice, stuffed cabbage with sauce, mashed potatoes, peas and carrots, cherry turnover.

Friday – Apple juice, curried meatballs with gravy, wide egg noodles, Japanese vegetables, strawberry parfait.

## TOPS Group Holds Open House Tues.

The Greenbelt TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) group will commemorate its 40th anniversary with an open house on Tuesday, September 27 from 7 to 8 p.m. The group meets at Greenbelt Baptist Church. Using a quiz show format, club members will recall 40 years of diets and devices. The open house will be held in the lower level of the Greenbelt Baptist Church, 101 Greenhill Road at the corner of Crescent.

TOPS is a nonprofit weight loss support organization established in 1948 around the Milwaukee, Wis., kitchen table of Ester Manz. Each week chapters around the world meet to provide members mutual support and encouragement to adopt and maintain a healthy lifestyle.

Last year, members of the Greenbelt chapter set a group goal to walk 30 miles a week, the distance between Greenbelt and Annapolis where the annual state convention was held. The small group achieved this goal and collectively walked 2,830 miles. This year the group is on track to walk 50 miles a week, the round trip distance between Greenbelt and Baltimore, the location for the 2006 state convention.

For more information or directions call 301-464-3858.

## Golden Age Club

by Bunny Fitzgerald

The Golden Age Club enjoyed the presentation by Paul Kirkpatrick on September 14. He gave excellent information about "Depression in Later Life" and a phone number for the crisis center in Prince George's County. Everyone should know that help is just a call away.

The club will help the Community Center celebrate its tenth anniversary on October 2. The Center provides so much for all of us – the Senior Lounge, the game room, class rooms, the multi-purpose room and food and friendship in the lunch room just to name a few that seniors enjoy. The club will take part in a silent auction and a raffle will be held for a "Recreation Basket." Call 301-397-2208 for information.

We were saddened by the sudden death of Theresa Scullen, a longtime member. Condolences to her family.

Our thoughts are with Lydia Goldstein, Mary Geiger, Chris Elliott, Verna and Tom Dwyer. We hope they continue to recover.

## GHI Announces Special Board Mtg.

A special board meeting of the GHI board of directors will be held on Thursday, September 29 at 7 p.m. in the GHI Board Room.

## Greenbriar Community Yard Sale

SATURDAY, OCT 1  
9AM-2PM

VENDORS NEEDED

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## Walk to School Day Scheduled Oct. 5

On Wednesday, October 5 Greenbelt Elementary School will join schools from around the world to celebrate International Walk to School Day. Walkers can meet at either Roosevelt Center (8:30 a.m.) or the playground on Ridge Road at Plateau Place (8:40 a.m.) and walk to school with other classmates or simply follow their normal routes and converge at the school.

In just one generation, walking to school has gone from the norm to the exception. Only 10 percent of American school children walk to school. Walking or biking to school can be one way for children to get the 60 minutes of physical activity recommended by the Surgeon General and to help reduce air pollution and traffic congestion at the same time.

The Greenbelt Elementary School Walk to School Day is organized by parent volunteers with the support of the school's PTA and Principal Katherine Curl. Neighbors can help by trimming shrubs and vines that are obstructing walkways or by simply waving to the kids. For further information contact George Branyan at 301-474-3720 or visit [www.walktoschool-usa.org](http://www.walktoschool-usa.org).

## Silver Diner Collects For Katrina Victims

Through Sunday, September 25 customers at Silver Diner can help Hurricane Katrina victims by adding a donation to their bill in increments of \$1, \$3 and \$5. All money raised this way will be donated by the Silver Diner to the Red Cross.

## Invasive Plant Removal at Park

Help remove invasive plants at Greenbelt Park. This is an easy, safe way to get involved and help the local environment. Participants should bring gloves and meet at the Sweetgum Picnic area on Saturday, October 1 at 11 a.m.

People of all ages, backgrounds and interests are invited to spend a fun day outdoors while learning the differences between native and non-native plants and helping to preserve the native wildlife of this natural area.

Invasive plant removal is conducted the first Saturday of each month. The entrance to Greenbelt Park is located at 6565 Greenbelt Road between Baltimore-Washington Parkway and Kenilworth Avenue.

For more information call 301-344-3944 or visit the website at [www.nps.gov/gree](http://www.nps.gov/gree).

## At the Library

Tuesday, September 27, 10:30 a.m. – Cuddletime for newborns to 17 months with caregiver, limit 15 babies.

Wednesday, September 28, 10:30 a.m. – Toddlertime for ages 18 to 35 months with caregiver, limit 15 toddlers.

Thursday, September 29, 10:30 a.m. – Drop-in Storytime for ages 3 to 5 years, limit 20 children.

For more  
Community  
Events  
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Mowatt Memorial United Methodist Church is having a Spaghetti Dinner on October 8, 2005 from 5:00 to 8:00 PM.

All You Can Eat of Spaghetti, Salad, Dessert  
at 40 Ridge Road. BENEFIT OF HEAT PUMP DEBT  
Adults \$8.00 5-12 yrs. \$5.00 Under 5 yrs. FREE  
Homemade Pies For Sale  
Any questions, call 301-474-7291.

## Fall Harvest Festival

Saturday, Oct. 1  
and Sunday, Oct. 2  
in Roosevelt Center

See story on page 8 for specific times.

Hourly music concerts and regional artists selling hand-made items.  
Bake sale by the Greenbelt Nursery School.

This free, outdoor event is produced by Friends of New Deal Café (FONDCA) with additional funding from the City of Greenbelt and Prince George's County.

### Project Backpack Aids Young Victims



The Greenbelt Mamas & Papas invites all Greenbelt residents to help children whose lives were changed by Hurricane Katrina.

The Greenbelt group is partnering with Project Backpack, an effort begun in Bethesda by three sisters, ages 14, 11 and 8, as a kid-to-kid project. The sisters want to "give kids what they left behind" when they lost their homes.

From Saturday, September 24 through Saturday, October 1, individuals, families, civic groups and children are encouraged to drop off at the Greenbelt Co-op bin new or gently used items that children from birth through age 18 would appreciate when displaced from their homes.

#### Childrens' Role

The group requests the children gather the items themselves from around their own home, considering what they would miss if they too had lost their home. Children should accompany donations with a letter, photo or picture made by them along with a self-addressed stamped envelope so the recipient child can write back to the donor and family.

Suggestions of items to include will be posted at the donation bin as well as on many neighborhood bulletin boards. Details can be found at [www.projectbackpack.org](http://www.projectbackpack.org) along with ideas on how to help expand the effort. People with items to donate but no backpack or vice versa, should still donate what they have. All items should arrive in a sealed sack or ziplock bag, if not in a backpack, with the age and sex of the intended recipient clearly marked in permanent ink on a tag or tape applied to the bag.

The goal is to pack love. Donations should not include any food, drinks or edible treats, chewing gum, sharp or dangerous items (including non-safety scissors or pocket knives), stuffed animals (allergy concerns), opened or copied music (copyright violations), lighters, overly worn clothing, worn undergarments or money/gift cards.

#### What to Pack

Acceptable items include small toys, playing cards, stationery, magazines specific to the age group chosen, unused sports bottles, inflatable toys or balls, notebooks or journals, paper or other craft or school supplies, books, bottles, small blankets or clothing items like unused underwear (specify sizes on the backpack label) and toiletries (sealed in a Ziplock bag). Volunteers will remove items that cannot be sent. The Mamas & Papas requests donors check the posted "what not to pack" list before depositing their bags into the drop-off bin.

The Mamas & Papas Playgroup is excited to help the Greenbelt community share its abundance with the children who have survived the storm. Said Laura Holman, a Greenbelt Mama, "We also hope that through this effort we also can help our children understand what happened, still their fears and show them how wonderful it can be to give freely to those in need."



Our sympathy to News Review staffer Pat Davis on the death of her fiance, David Kelly.

#### Congratulations to

— Adrianna Terrell, a Japanese major, attending the University of Findlay in Findlay, Ohio. Adrianna, the daughter of Kate and Alan Terrell of Hedgewood Drive, is a 2005 graduate of ERHS and the recipient of a Findlay President's scholarship.



— Sandy Dutton, a member of Greenbelt's American Legion Unit #136, who presided over the 85th American Legion Auxiliary Convention in August in Honolulu. Approximately 2,000 auxiliary members and guests attended the convention.

Army Pfc Ashley S. Blake has graduated from basic combat training at Fort Jackson, Columbia, S.C. She is the daughter of Catherine Blake of Greenbelt Road. Blake is a 2003 graduate of Charles Herbert Flowers High School.

— Greenbelt artist Shayna Skolnik on publication of Gloria Liebenon's newest book, "Corned Beef on Lies - The Laugh Track from My 83-year Life Trek," which Skolnik illustrated. The book is a funny anecdotal account of Liebenon's life story from her childhood in Chicago as one of three children of Russian parents who emigrated from Kiev and Odessa after World War II through growing older in modern society.

### Next Star Party Is Saturday, Sept. 24

Weather permitting, the Astronomical Society of Greenbelt will host a star party on Saturday, September 24 at Wolfe Fields on Northway extended to begin at 7:30 p.m. Telescopes will be available to share views of celestial objects.

Future GAC events can be found on line at <http://www.greenbeltastro.org/events.html>. If it rains or there are hopelessly cloudy skies, the star party will be cancelled without further notice.

### GATE Offers Free Children's Program

GATE will sponsor its monthly screening at the New Deal Café on Wednesday, October 5 at 7:30 p.m. The program will re-show the children's animation productions. The lineup will also include Eileen Murray/Alan Haley's animation of the "Little Boy Blue" poem. "Green Concrete" is the children's ani-

### Baha'i Faith

Poetry Reading  
Donna Denize reads from her new book "Broken Like Job"  
Sunday, Sept 25, 5PM at  
Borders Bookstore in  
The Boulevard at  
Capital Centre,  
931 Capital Centre Blvd, Largo

Classes for children, youth and adults, Sundays at Springhill Lake Elementary School, 10AM-12noon. The public is welcome. This Sunday the adult class will discuss "The Oneness of Humanity."

Greenbelt Baha'i Community  
P.O. Box 245  
Greenbelt, MD 20770  
301-345-2918 301-220-3160  
[www.bahai.org](http://www.bahai.org) [www.us.bahai.org](http://www.us.bahai.org)

### GREENBELT BAPTIST CHURCH

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



(starting July 3)  
Sunday School: 9:00 am  
Worship Service: 10:15 am  
Weds. Worship: 7:00 pm  
(Adult Bible Study/Prayer & Children's Ministry)

Helping People Connect with Christ and His Family through Loving Service



### St. George's Episcopal/Anglican Church

7010 Glenn Dale Road  
(Lanham-Severn Road & Glenn Dale Road)  
301-262-3285 | [rector@stgeo.org](mailto:rector@stgeo.org) | [www.stgeo.org](http://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  
1:30 pm Signed Mass (last Sunday of each month only)  
Wednesdays: 7:00 pm Simple, quiet Mass

An inclusive congregation.



**YIELD** to the guidance that has been provided to you.

"Fasting is prescribed for you as it was prescribed for those before you, that you might become pious."  
— The Holy Qur'an, 2:183

The blessed month of Ramadhaan is nearly upon us. Muslims make efforts during this 30-day period to fast from food, water, sexual relations and negative influences from dawn to sunset. In addition to being a demonstration of our faith in God, fasting has cleansing effects on the body, encourages unity with the poor who experience thirst and hunger on a routine basis, and teaches patience and self-discipline.

This is the guidance sent forth to humankind by the Prophet Muhammed (peace be upon him) nearly 1400 years ago. For more information about fasting or about Islam, call 301-982-9463 or email us at [searchislam@mail.com](mailto:searchislam@mail.com) or visit [www.islamguide.com](http://www.islamguide.com).

### Open House/Dinner For Ramadhaan

A Ramadhaan Open House Dinner will be held at the Al-Huda School on Sunday, October 2 at sunset (7:30 p.m.). Anyone interested is invited to come partake of dinner and an opportunity to get to know Muslim neighbors.

The month of Ramadhaan will be observed by an estimated 8 million American Muslims and 1.2 billion Muslims around the world.

The event is free but preregistration is required. To register, call 301-982-9463 or visit <http://www.LearnAboutIslam.org>. Include name, phone, email and number of guests. The school is located at 5301 Edgewood Rd. in College Park.

mation class project for 2003 sponsored by Greenbelt Homes, Inc. The final selection will be a showing of "Cinderella's Wish" hosted by the Greenbelt Arts Center in 2002. The event is free. For information contact the GATE studio at 301-507-6581.

### Basket Bingo To Benefit Festival

Basket Bingo to benefit the Labor Day Festival will be held this Friday, September 23 at the Greenbelt American Legion. Doors open at 6:15 p.m. The games begin at 7:15 p.m. There will be filled baskets, raffles, door prizes and more. Great refreshments will also be available. Fee is less in advance. Call Patti Brothers at 301-910-0050 for more information.



**Catholic Community of Greenbelt MASS**

Sundays 10 A.M.  
Municipal Building

### Mowatt Memorial United Methodist Church

40 Ridge Road, Greenbelt

301-474-9410 [www.gbgm-umc.org/mowatt](http://www.gbgm-umc.org/mowatt)



Rev. Dr. Paul C. Kim, Pastor

Sunday School 9:45 am Worship Service 11:00 am  
Handicapped accessible Easy parking



### HOLY CROSS LUTHERAN CHURCH

6905 Greenbelt Road • 301-345-5111

Sunday 8:00 a.m. Worship Service  
9:15 a.m. Sunday School/  
Bible Study  
10:30 a.m. Worship Service



Fax 301-220-0694 • E-mail [myholycross@verizon.net](mailto:myholycross@verizon.net)

### ST. HUGH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

135 Crescent Road, Greenbelt, MD 20770  
301-474-4322



#### Mass Schedule:

Sunday 8:00, 9:30, 11:00 a.m.  
Saturday 9:00 a.m., 5:00 p.m.  
Daily Mass: 7:15 a.m.

Sacrament of Penance: Saturday 3:45-4:45 p.m.  
Pastor: Fr. Walter J. Tappe  
Pastoral Associate: Fr. R. Scott Hurd

### Greenbelt Community Church

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

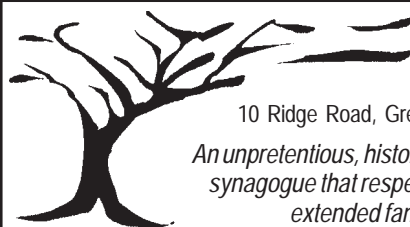


Hillside & Crescent Roads  
Phone: 301-474-6171 mornings  
[www.greenbelt.com/gcucc/](http://www.greenbelt.com/gcucc/)

**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..."



### Congregation Mishkan Torah

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

An unpretentious, historic, welcoming, liberal, egalitarian synagogue that respects tradition and becomes your extended family in the 21st century.

Shabbat services: Friday evening at 8:00 PM, except 1st Friday of the month, i.e. family service at 7:30 PM. Saturday morning services at 9:30 AM. Educational programs for children K-12 and for adults. Combined innovative full family educational program for parents and children. Conversion classes. Concert choir. Social Action program. Opportunity for leadership development. Moderate, flexible dues. High holiday seating for visitors. Sisterhood. Men's Club. Other Social Activities. Interfaith families are welcome.

Historic synagogue dually affiliated with United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism and the Jewish Reconstructionist Federation



# City Information

## GREENBELT CITY COUNCIL

Municipal Building-Regular Meeting  
September 26, 2005 - 8:00 p.m.

### COMMUNICATIONS

#### Presentations

**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 (Capitol Cadillac Expansion)

### LEGISLATION

A Resolution to Establish the Authority and Responsibility of the Chief of Police (Chief Executive Officer) in Accordance with the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, Inc. (1<sup>st</sup> Reading)

Resolution of Negotiated Purchase for a Police Gun Range Trailer (1<sup>st</sup> Reading)

A Resolution Providing for a Referendum to Be Held at the Regular Municipal Election on Tuesday, November 8, 2005, for the Purpose of Submitting to the Voters of the City of Greenbelt, Maryland, the Question of Amending the City Charter to Permit the Provision of a Labor Code to Recognize the Right of Certain Employees to Organize and Bargain Collectively (1<sup>st</sup> Reading, Suspension of the Rules; 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading, Adoption)

### OTHER BUSINESS

- Skateboard Park – Update
- BARC Disposal Strategy
- \* Election Survey
- \* Designation of NLC Congress of Cities Voting and Alternate Delegates
- \* Advisory Group Resignation
- \* Advisory Group Reappointments

### 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 10am on the meeting day. Deaf individuals are advised to use MD RELAY at 711 or e-mail kgallagher@greenbeltnmd.gov to reach the City Clerk.

*City Council Meeting tapes are now available to borrow at the Greenbelt Library!*

### GREENBELT MUNICIPAL/ PUBLIC ACCESS CHANNEL 71

**MUNICIPAL ACCESS:**  
301-474-8000: Monday, September 26 at 8pm: City Council Meeting Live, Tuesday & Thursday, September 27 & 29: 10am & 6pm "Ask the Expert-Hearing," 5pm "Miss Greenbelt Pageant 2005," 8pm Replay of City Council Meeting of 9/26.

**PUBLIC ACCESS (GATE):**  
301-507-6581: Wednesday & Friday, September 28 & 30: 7pm "GATE Filmworks Festival 2005-Monday Afternoon," 8:30pm GAC presents "Shakespeare on the Green-Henry VI part I."

### Call for Entries

2005 Festival of Lights Art & Craft Fair

**Application Deadline:**  
October 7

**Event: December 3 and 4**  
Greenbelt Community Center  
15 Crescent Road, Greenbelt, MD

Last call to apply! Applications for the Greenbelt Recreation Department's annual Festival of Lights Art and Craft Fair are due October 7. This juried show is a favorite with shoppers and exhibitors alike. There is no fee to apply; a booth fee will due upon acceptance to the show. The application can be downloaded from: [www.greenbeltnmd.gov/arts/FOL\\_05\\_application.pdf](http://www.greenbeltnmd.gov/arts/FOL_05_application.pdf) For additional information, contact Barbara Dickey Davis at 240-542-2062.

### OPENINGS ON BOARDS & COMMITTEES

Volunteer to serve on City Council advisory groups. Vacancies exist on the:  
Advisory Committee on Education  
Employee Relations Board  
Recycling and Environment Advisory Board  
For more information, please call 301-474-8000.

### Meetings for September 26-30

**Monday, September 26th, 8:00 pm, Regular Council Meeting,** Municipal Building  
**Tuesday, September 27th, 7:30 pm, Board of Elections,** Municipal Building.  
**Wednesday, September 28th, 7:30pm, Council Work Session, Re:** GSFC-Update on Soil Conservation Road, Greembelt Community Center.  
**Thursday, September 29th, 7:30 pm, Four Cities Meeting,** Municipal Building.

### LAKE PARK CLEAN UP

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1st-9AM – 11AM  
VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Come and join members of the Recycling and Environment Committee to help remove litter and other debris from the shoreline and path at Buddy Attick Park.

- \* Bring your work gloves.
  - \* Wear Comfortable Clothing and Boots – or old shoes.
- Attention Students – Community Service Hours will be given. Bring your forms!!**  
For more information, call the Public Works Office at 301-474-8004.

### FALL FEST

Saturday, October 8th  
2-6pm

Schrom Hills Park

Family fun and entertainment for all!

Pumpkin Patch, Scarecrow Making, Kidcare IDs, Moonbounces, Mini Golf, Facepainting, Hayrides, Kiddie Train Rides, Interactive Art, Honky Tonk Confidential, "Kingsinger Jim" Hossick, Fantastic Food and so much more!

**Call 301-397-2200 for more information.**

Visit the City's new website at [www.greenbeltnmd.gov/](http://www.greenbeltnmd.gov/)

### CITY ELECTION INFORMATION

DRAWING FOR  
ORDER OF  
BALLOT PLACEMENT

Drawings to determine the order of candidates' names on the ballot for the November 8<sup>th</sup> election and the order for placement of campaign signs on public property will take place in the 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Conference Room of the Municipal Building on Monday, September 26 at 7:30 p.m. For more information, call Kathleen Gallagher, City Clerk, at 301-474-8000, or send e-mail to [kgallagher@greenbeltnmd.gov](mailto:kgallagher@greenbeltnmd.gov).

## Greenbelt Community Center 10th Anniversary Celebration

October 2, 2005 from 1:00pm to 5:00pm at the Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Rd.

### Join in this celebration for all ages!

**The Community Center Story!** Told through a Chautauqua panel discussion at 1pm. Organized by the Greenbelt Museum and moderated by former Greenbelt Mayor, Gil Weidenfeld.

**Music will fill the air!** From 2:30-4:00pm enjoy the authentic Swedish folk tunes of Spelkanraterna, a Greenbelt based ensemble. All ages can join in easy traditional ring dances. At 4:00pm the Greenbelt Concert Band will perform under the direction of Tom Cherrix AND a reunion chorus from Camp Encore and Creative Kids camp will perform three songs from Chris Cherry's original musical *The Cookie Caper*.

**Workshops Galore!** Woodworking from 1-3pm; Strategy Games from 1-5pm; Clay Play from 1-3pm, Movement to Music from 1:30-2:30pm; Improv from 1:30pm-3:00pm; Spontaneous Writing from 2-3pm; Stationery Crafts from 3-5pm; Darkroom Printing from 4-5pm.

**Visit the many different community groups located in the Greenbelt Community Center!**

Department of Planning and Community Development, the News Review, the Greenbelt Museum, Greenbelt Writers Group, G.A.T.E., Greenbelt Nursery School, Greenbelt Adult Day Care, G.I.V.E.S., Knit for Charity, Artists Studios and more!

**Gallery Reception!** Enjoy an exhibit of linoleum cut prints reflecting work and play at the Community Center called *Community Prints: Community Pride*.

**Support Creative Opportunities for all ages!** Participate in a raffle to benefit arts program scholarships at the Greenbelt Community Center. Prizes include original artwork, pottery, afghans, Greenbelt Museum items and more.



### FIT 'N' FUN AEROBICS

M, W, F from 9:30am-10:45am; Class starts September 26.

Call Greenbelt Community Center at 301-397-2208 for registration information.  
Babysitters wanted for Fit 'N' Fun Aerobics Class at Greenbelt Community Center. Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, 9:30am to 11:00am. \$7.25/hour.  
Call 301-397-2208 for more information

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verylate-night shopping while her daughter Katrie obtained a sleeping bag from a boyfriend. When Cooney called Hubbard to tell her she wouldn't be in to work, she was told to take anything from the doctor's office which she could use. She took her stethoscope. Hull also took a new photo-capable cell phone she had just gotten the day before. Her daughter had to give her quick lessons on how to use it.

The two were flown on Maryland Air National Guard C-130 airplanes. Hull says they rode on sling seats, packed in like sardines. Ambulance equipment accompanied them. When Hull boarded, crew personnel took her backpack. Since it held all her personal materials to use during the flight, she sat doing nothing for three and a half hours.

Hull noted that when they landed, she saw airplanes from Texas and Rhode Island. The Maryland group was put on buses from Missouri and Illinois. Their emergency vehicles came from Anne Arundel, Cecil and Howard Counties.

The group had been assigned to help staff the West Jefferson Hospital but when they got there, accompanied and protected by members of the Arkansas National Guard, they learned they were not needed. There was talk of their returning to Maryland but local officials intervened and insisted that they could be used elsewhere. They were sent to the abandoned Meadowcrest Hospital in Gretna, Jefferson Parish, as base for their operations and as their residence.

### Cleanup

When they arrived in Gretna, the hospital had no electricity; however, electricians quickly restored generator power. One crew, Hull noted, was from Germany. There was water and sewer service but the water was not drinkable.

The group spent the first day cleaning up. It was a diverse group – medical personnel, members of the National Guard and defense workers. There was almost no complaining. Both Cooney and Hull commented on how well everyone worked together and pitched in, whether to clean up or to provide medical services.

All patients had been removed from the hospital to other locations. The proprietors had stayed but fled when attacked by looters. The property had been ransacked. There were rumors that a dead body had been found in an elevator. While the two could not verify the story, they said stains in the elevator gave credence to it. Dead bodies had been left unrefrigerated in the morgue. The hospital had a horrible odor.

Cooney tells of a surgeon who helped clean up the kitchen and found what appeared to be a very large salami. When he touched it, it exploded, covering him with a foul-smelling mess.

That night a motorcade of Emergency Medical Response (EMS) teams from several Maryland counties arrived after 24 hours of hard driving, bringing with them the brand-new Anne Arundel County Mobile Communications and Command unit.

On the second day, the group set up six clinics. Cooney told her husband, who sent her comments to others, that four pharmacists did a superb job of going through all the hospital supplies and those at a nearby doctors' office building, sorting what they

found and then dividing them among the clinics. Each day supplies were transported in ambulances to the clinics and brought back to Meadowcrest at night.

All the volunteers of MDDF, MRC and the EMS Response Teams coordinated their efforts with the Arkansas, Oklahoma, Missouri and Maryland Army National Guard, Louisiana State Police and Jefferson Parish police. They delivered supplies and personnel to the strategically placed clinics, many of which had no running water or electricity, according to Operation Lifeline Chief Nursing Officer Captain Skolnik in a website report. Skolnik praised the industrious and resourceful MRC members for gathering enough materials within the hospital to supply the clinics. At night, cleaning of the hospital continued.

### Clinic

Hull's clinic was set up in the station of the Marrero Estelle Volunteer Fire Company No. 1. In it was an old fire truck that barely ran, she said. There was no electricity or toilet. Water had risen almost to the station's door but had receded. There was concern about alligators, but Hull said they never saw one.

At that time hardly any people were about. Hull said that workers were hailing cars to check on medical needs and to offer needed tetanus and other shots. For the first couple of days there was no power and the temperature reached 95 degrees. Surgery was performed with people holding flashlights. One day Cooney served as the pole for an IV solution because there was no place to hang the bag. "It was primitive but safe medicine that we practiced," Hull said.

As people returned to their homes or began to move about, more came to the clinic.

Kenny Grey, former assistant manager of the Greenbelt Aquatic Center, was one of the Howard County paramedics there. "He worked so hard down there," Cooney said. "He must have lost 10 pounds. He was screening and doing triage. Everyone did what was needed."

Overall, the six clinics treated over 4,000 people in the 10 days of operation.

The clinic Cooney worked in was at a school. She told her husband that the school was one of the poorest she has ever seen. There were no signs of school supplies and the furniture and furnishings were badly run down. Both Cooney and Hull want to adopt schools and provide help.

### Grateful Patients

Both women remarked about how helpful and appreciative residents and patients were to the clinic personnel. Hull commented on how the children and parents would arrive at the clinic clean and well dressed. Cooney told how several of the people who were treated at her clinic returned daily to help distribute water and food and help unload trucks and other supply vehicles. (The clinic areas were also used by other groups to distribute food, water, ice, baby diapers, bug sprays and other items.)

The two Greenbelters told of how they initially ate MREs (Meals Ready to Eat), which contain their own small heating unit. One couple found a Winn Dixie supermarket open, bought a lot of chicken and sausages and cooked them on a charcoal grill for the

volunteers, Cooney told her husband. The next day the same couple fried up a mess of chicken in their house and brought that over, too. Cooney noted that someone brought them oranges and how great it was to have fresh fruit. Patients who came in wouldn't stop thanking the volunteers for coming and helping in the crisis. Later the Red Cross provided food by arrangement with a local caterer.

Hull also benefitted from the aid of the volunteer firemen and the chief's wife, who also brought tomato soup. Between giving shots and treating cuts and puncture wounds, Hull provided counseling to children stressed by the storm. Her "office" was a narrow space in the fire station between the truck and wall, without lights. The residents gathered up toys for her which she put in the openings in a fence. She told the kids she counseled that the toys needed a home.

With no bathrooms, the workers avoided drinking too much water. Hull said that a bush behind a nearby Baptist Church was designated as the latrine. But in order to go there, you had to be accompanied for protection by two National Guardsmen. Portable toilets arrived later.

Cooney tells of having chili for lunch one day and beans for supper and then coming back to Meadowcrest to find out that the toilets weren't working.

### School

Hull said that a badly damaged Woodmore Elementary School was behind her clinic. She met the principal who asked that aid be in the form of gift cards that teachers could use to buy supplies.

One day a man accompanied the principal and came to the clinic to get a tetanus shot from Hull. She told him he looked like a Kennedy with his bushy brown hair, etc. He asked how did she know. It was Mark Shriver (John F. Kennedy's and Ted Kennedy's nephew), head of Save the Children. His organization was considering assisting the school. The principal felt that if the assistance was obtained, the school could be re-opened in a matter of months rather than years.

The Woodmore school provided free lunch to 90 percent of its 800 students, Hull was told. Many of the parents relied on casinos for jobs and the casinos were all destroyed. Jefferson Parish hopes to get some of their schools reopened and to then double up on their use by running two shifts.

Hull said she saw determination in the people to rebuild their lives. Cooney said they were overwhelmed by the generosity of the people there. "We've seen a lot of negatives," Hull said, "but then we've also seen a lot of positives."

The women found it toughest to treat patients with chronic illnesses requiring specialized equipment that was unavailable. Many diabetics had suffered physical damage from lack of insulin, which Hull and Cooney were able to provide. They found some seriously ill with diabetes who had never before been diagnosed.

### Satisfaction

On the positive side they found satisfaction in treating patients who were "really, really scared," Cooney said, and in being able to help them. Hull found satisfaction in letting child patients know that it was okay to cry and to get them to come back for more counseling



Supplies are unloaded from a National Guard helicopter in front of the severely damaged Woodmore Elementary School.



PHOTOS COURTESY OF RENA HULL

Among the supplies delivered were emergency kits and other needed goods provided by the Church World Service. Hull and other Greenbelt Community Church members have made emergency kits and provided funds to this organization.



Maryland Defense Force Captain Rena Hull (fourth from left standing) with her clinical group.

and begin to smile.

One dapperly dressed elderly gentleman came to Hull's clinic. He didn't really have any medical problems but was just lonely, she felt.

Noting that humor distinguishes humans from all other animals, Hull said they used a lot of it. She told how one day two men came in for shots and they stuck a giant needle on the end of a large tube of medicine. The men were bug-eyed until they learned that the staff were just kidding.

The two told of relaxing in the "lounge" on the roof of the hospital, a place where they could get away from the stench and breathe fresh air. Cooney noted that their lounge even had a pool – a spot on the roof where water puddled. They could see the tall buildings of downtown New Orleans from the roof. At first they saw few lights at night but more and more gradually came on.

Businesses have gradually returned to the area. Hull commented on how well prepared K-Mart had been, having had loaded trucks ready to ship water and other needed supplies to restock and open hurricane area stores as quickly as possible. Medco brought in a portable pharmacy to fill prescriptions, offering needy victims free 30-day supplies. By the time they left, three pharmacies in the area had

reopened.

Hull was also delighted to find emergency relief packets and other supplies provided by the Church World Service. Earlier this year she and other members of her church, Greenbelt Community, had helped to make emergency relief packets consisting of necessary toilet items and had contributed funds to this relief organization.

### Going Home

While the two would have stayed longer, if needed, local people were ready to take over their work. They returned home exhausted from their long days of work with little rest. But their faces and their enthusiasm show the great satisfaction they have in what they accomplished in that time.

Before they left, the commanding officer of the Arkansas National Guard unit assigned to protect them asked to speak to their group without the presence of his personnel. He said that his unit was too emotional to be present. He told how they had been in Iraq and had seen horror and how ugly people could be. The time they had spent with the Maryland group, however, had brought beauty back into their lives.

(Hull announced that if anyone wanted to hear more of their experience, she and Cooney will come "as a duo.")

***Greenbelt Consumer Co-op Ad***

# POLICE BLOTTER

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

## Robberies

September 11, 9:52 p.m., 5900 block of Cherrywood Terrace, a strong arm robbery was reported by a man who was removing boxes from his vehicle when he was approached by a group of seven to 10 juveniles. The victim was assaulted and punched several times. The juveniles took one of the boxes and fled on foot. There are no detailed descriptions of the suspects.

September 11, 10:43 p.m., 5800 block of Cherrywood Lane, a strong arm robbery was reported by a victim who was pushed into a laundry room in an apartment building, grabbed by the neck and demanded by a man to give up money. After obtaining money, the man fled on foot. He is described as a black male, about 25 years of age, wearing a white shirt, black shorts and black sandals.

September 12, 8:09 p.m., Greenbelt Metro Station, a cab driver reported that while waiting in his taxi in the "Kiss and Ride" area he was approached by a man who produced a handgun and demanded money. After obtaining money, the man fled the scene on foot toward Cherrywood Lane. He is described as a black male, 20 to 30 years of age, 5'10", 180 pounds, bald and wearing a yellow shirt and blue jeans.

## Assaults

September 11, 4:37 p.m., 9100 block Springhill Lane, a girl playing outside was struck in the head with a beer bottle by a man wearing a bandana and a black shirt, who then fled toward the Beltway Plaza shopping center. The victim was transported to Doctor's Community Hospital for treatment for a head laceration.

September 15, 7:36 a.m., area of Cherrywood Lane and Springhill Drive, a woman told police that she was involved in a minor vehicle accident just outside the city and that she and the other driver drove to the parking lot in this area. She left her vehicle to attempt to exchange information with the other driver. That driver verbally threatened the victim and attempted to back into her vehicle before fleeing the scene. The vehicle is described by the victim as a blue 1993 Dodge Caravan with North Carolina tags RSW 2346. The suspect is described as a black male, 20 to 29 years of age, 6', 150 pounds, black hair, brown eyes and wearing a white T-shirt and blue shorts.

## Sex Offenses

September 7, 1:20 p.m., Eleanor Roosevelt High School, Greenbelt Police arrested a 16-year-old Lanham youth for fourth degree sex offense and two counts of indecent exposure after he allegedly touched a female student inappropriately and ex-

posed himself to two other students. He was placed on suspension by the school pending action by the school board and the juvenile justice system.

September 12, 8:45 a.m., 5900 block of Cherrywood Lane, a student advised that while walking to Springhill Lake Elementary School a man pulled up in a vehicle next to her and allegedly stated "Come here, I have something to show you." The girl refused and went to a friend's house. The suspect is described as a black male in his 40s with a heavy build, black hair and possibly a goatee, wearing a white T-shirt and blue jeans.

## Drugs

September 9, 12 p.m., Marriott Courtyard Hotel, police received a report of the smell of marijuana coming from a hotel room. When officers knocked on the door, a man came to the door holding a glass pipe commonly used to ingest crack cocaine and held a quantity of suspected crack cocaine in his other hand. Located in the room was a quantity of suspected marijuana and more suspected crack cocaine. The man, a Silver Spring resident, was arrested and charged with possession of cocaine, possession of marijuana and possession of paraphernalia. He was transported to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a District Court Commissioner.

September 10, 2:43 a.m., the ramp from Kenilworth Avenue onto Greenbelt Road, officers responded to a report of a man passed out behind the wheel of a car. As officers approached the vehicle, the driver took his foot off the brake and the car traveled across all lanes of Greenbelt Road and stopped after striking a concrete wall on the westbound side of Greenbelt Road. The driver was found to be in possession of a quantity of suspected marijuana and paraphernalia commonly used to store marijuana. The Cheverly man was arrested and charged with possession of marijuana and paraphernalia and resisting arrest. He was taken to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a District Court Commissioner.

September 10, 11:15 p.m., Greenbelt Elementary School, an officer responded to a report of an abandoned vehicle in the parking lot. Found in the vehicle was a quantity of suspected marijuana. A 17-year-old Lanham youth returned to the vehicle and claimed ownership of the marijuana. He was released on citation pending action by the juvenile justice system.

## Burglary and Theft

September 9, 1:28 p.m., 5800

block of Cherrywood Lane, it was reported that the front door of a residence was forced open and two televisions, a DVD player, a personal computer, stereo equipment, a digital recorder, jewelry and money were taken.

September 13, 10:15 p.m., T.G.I. Friday's Restaurant, two non-residents were arrested and charged with theft after they left the restaurant without paying their tab. They were released on citation pending trial.

## Vandalism

September 13, 7:00 to 7:00 block of Mandan Road, 12 incidents of reported vandalism to automobiles.

September 14, 7:08 a.m., 7600 Ora Court (new Greenbelt postal facility), electrical cables were reported cut.

## Motor Vehicle

September 14, 9 a.m., 9100 block Edmonston Road, as a result of the investigation of a motor vehicle accident, a 16-year-old Greenbelt youth was arrested for false statement, unauthorized use of a motor vehicle and driving without a license. He was released to a parent pending action by the Juvenile Court.

Three residents were arrested for driving under the influence and driving while impaired on September 10 and 14. One was stopped during a criminal investigation, a second as a result of a motor vehicle accident and the third after being stopped for a traffic violation. The man involved in the accident was also charged with leaving the scene of the accident and two counts of giving false statements. That man was taken to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a District Court Commissioner while the other two were released on citation pending trial.

Two previously reported stolen vehicles were recovered by other police; one in the District, the other in Lanham.

September 14, 7800 block Mandan Road, a green 2004 Honda Pilot truck, Maryland tags 276M409, was reported stolen.

September 15, 7400 block of Frankfort Place, an orange 2004 Volkswagen Beetle convertible, Maryland tag THREE8S, was reported stolen.

Other thefts from and vandalism to vehicles during the week were reported at 3 Court Research Road, 6100 block of Breezewood Drive, 14 Court Ridge, 9100 block of Springhill Lane (2 incidents), 5800 block of Cherrywood Terrace, 6000 block of Springhill Drive, 7900 block of Greenbury Drive, 7800 block of Hanover Parkway, 7200 block of Mandan Road, Beltway Plaza, Greenway Center, 12 Court of Ridge Road, Greenbelt Metro Station and unit block of Lakeside Drive.

## Fall Harvest Will Bring Music and Crafts to Center

by Eileen Peterson

A Fall Harvest Festival will fill Roosevelt Center with live music and arts and crafts on Saturday and Sunday, October 1 and 2.

Free concerts by 11 music groups will begin Saturday at noon and run till 8 p.m. Sunday's hours will be noon to 5 p.m.

Texas singer/songwriter Nick Annis will be on stage Saturday at 1 p.m. At 4 p.m. "Watermelon Sugar," an upbeat alternative country duo will entertain. Local traditional mountain folk duo "Rain Crow" returns to the outdoor series at 7 p.m.

Greenbelt and regional artists will bring a variety of goods to Roosevelt Center from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday. Handmade jewelry and ornaments, glass painting, photography and hand-knit felt handbags and scarves are among the early sign-ups. Artists wishing to be in the fair should call 301-474-1979 for appli-

cations.

The Greenbelt Nursery School will hold a sale of baked goods. (See next week's News Review for times.)

## Sunday

At 3 p.m. "Sho Sho," a world beat and folk quartet, will step on the stage set up in front of the Mother and Child statue. (Next week's News Review will include a complete list of musicians and artists.)

This is the last of the monthly events held from April through early October outside in Roosevelt Center produced by Friends of New Deal Café. The Harvest Festival receives funding support from the City of Greenbelt and Prince George's County.

In case of steady rain, music will move inside the New Deal Café and artists may move under eaves or be rescheduled.

## Beaverdam Creek Workshop Offered

There will be a Beaverdam Creek watershed education workshop on Saturday, October 1 from 9 a.m. to noon at the Beltsville Agricultural Research Center. This will be an opportunity to learn more about the Beaverdam Creek watershed. People can learn how to get involved in the protection and restoration of this unique area, which is home to a diverse array of plants and animals.

All those interested are welcome to attend. The free program will be held in Building 005 BARC West, Room 21, 10300 Baltimore Avenue, Beltsville. RSVPs are appreciated to Kate Levendosky at 202-962-3374 or email klevendosky@mwkog.org.

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### Music and Games

Music will fill the air at this special celebration. From 2:30 to 4 p.m. enjoy the authentic Swedish folk tunes of "Spelkamraterna," a Greenbelt-based ensemble. All ages can join in easy traditional ring dances. At 4 p.m., the Greenbelt Concert Band will present a band concert under the direction of conductor Tom Cherrix. Sharing the bill for this performance will be a reunion chorus of Creative Kids Camp and Camp Encore alumni.

Fun and games will abound! From 1 to 5 p.m. learn new strategy games or play an old favorite. Also join Creative Kids Camp staff member Jesse Folks for improvisation games and on-the-spot skits from 1:30 to 3 p.m.

The Greenbelt Community Center is a great place for creative expression and the anniversary celebration provides many opportunities. From 1 to 3 p.m. discover the fun of woodworking with instructor Steve Bernheisel and create with clay in a workshop with instructor Gina Mai Denn. Instructors Monica Mische and Laura Holman invite people to share in the joy of movement to music from 1 to 2:30 p.m. The cooperative Greenbelt Nursery School will host children's drawing, painting and necklace-making from 1 to 5 p.m. in their Community Center classrooms. Learn techniques to create fantastic cards and stationery with instructor Amanda Gordon from 3 to 5 p.m. Create unique photographic prints without negatives in a darkroom workshop with Art Studio Manager and instructor

John Norden from 4 to 5 p.m. Workshops are open to children, teens and adults.

For additional inspiration, enjoy a reading with the Greenbelt Writers' Group from 1:30 to 2 p.m., followed by a participatory spontaneous writing session from 2 to 3 p.m. Visit the studios of Greenbelt's 12 visual artists-in-residence in a studio open house from 1 to 5 p.m. Attend the opening reception from 2 to 4 p.m. for the exhibit "Community Prints, Community Price" including original linocuts by local artists and children celebrating work and play at the Community Center. Also from 2 to 4 p.m. meet the members of the Knit for Charity group led by instructor Eve Gresser and learn about ways for beginners and experts alike to make unique, creative contributions to local service agencies.

Support creative opportunities for all ages by participating in a raffle to benefit arts program scholarships at the Greenbelt Community Center. Prizes include original artwork, pottery, afghans, Greenbelt museum items and more. Tickets will be on sale from 1 to 4:30 p.m., at which time a drawing will be held.

With 55,000 square feet of floor space, the Community Center has many nooks and crannies which some visitors may have yet to discover. From 1 to 5 p.m. visit and learn about the services provided by the Greenbelt Department of Planning and Community Development, the Greenbelt News Review, Greenbelt Access Television, the Greenbelt Nursery School, the

## COUNCIL continued from page 1

The issue of moving from the meet and confer arrangement that has existed between the city council and the FOP for many years to a formal collective bargaining agreement has been discussed off and on for several years. Last year the FOP began to press the issue as its top priority in discussions with council. Those discussions continued until the council met with representatives of the FOP at a work session on Wednesday, August 31. At that meeting, the council indicated that it would not support binding interest arbitration and that it preferred to continue with the meet and confer relationship. Although no decisions were made at that meeting, council stressed that it was willing to discuss other options but it was concerned that the binding interest arbitration requirement would remove council's ultimate authority for financial (budget) decisions and give it to a third party.

Faced with these concerns, the FOP delivered a letter to each member of council prior to the meeting proposing a compromise collective bargaining arrangement that would substitute advisory (non-binding) fact finding for binding arbitration. This compromise was also presented at the meeting by MPO John Rogers, the chairman of the FOP's Collective Bargaining Committee. Also, submitted by

Greenbelt Intergenerational Volunteer Exchange Service (GIVES) and the Greenbelt Adult Care Center (offering special prizes to the first 250 guests).

the FOP was a draft amendment to the Greenbelt city charter that would authorize the new collective bargaining relationship between the City of Greenbelt and the representatives of Greenbelt police officers.

The FOP representatives described the new approach that would be used if an impasse arose in the bargaining process between the city and FOP. An independent group (or individual) would provide a written fact finding report that would not be binding on either party. Following the report any agreement between the FOP and the city would still require the approval of city council. If the council can not reach a decision on the compromise, the FOP requested the council to place the charter amendment language on the ballot of the November 8 city election and allow Greenbelt voters the opportunity to decide.

Davis said she appreciated the effort made by the FOP to offer a compromise but "Since council has not been able to discuss (the new proposal) prior to the meeting, further council consideration would be required and possibly another meeting with the FOP." Councilmember Rodney Roberts continued to express his preference for the meet and confer approach which he considered to be a much more efficient process. He postulated that money that would be required for arbitration might better be spent on pay and benefits for police officers. Putens wondered if FOP members would accept increased dues necessary to support either binding

or fact finding arbitration. Councilmember Leta Mach asked the FOP, "How long is the compromise good for?" Rogers responded, "I can't answer that."

Although the meeting was well attended, only a few citizens spoke on the issue and they were fairly evenly split, some appalled that the city did not have contracts with its public safety employees; some offering their own personal experiences with labor agreements; some supportive of the council position to retain the meet and confer approach and some reminding that discussion of just and fair compensation include all Greenbelt employees.

Later in the meeting, the council scheduled an executive session for Wednesday, September 14 to discuss the FOP compromise position.

(Subsequently council placed on the agenda for its September 26 meeting an agenda item to consider a resolution to hold a referendum at the November 8 regular election to amend the city charter to provide for collective bargaining.)

### Forex Trading Talk At New Deal Café

Mark Billops will give a presentation and demonstration on trading foreign exchange at the New Deal Café on Wednesday, September 28 at 6:30 p.m. The free talk will take 30 minutes. Anyone planning to attend should email Bill Cornett at [imageexcellence@cs.com](mailto:imageexcellence@cs.com).

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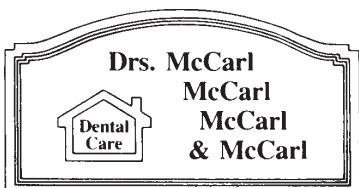


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GHI Townhome - Two bedroom frame unit; long floorplan with updated kitchen and bathroom. Fenced yard & shed; backs to woodlands. SOLD

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president of the Labor Day Festival committee, said the girls were judged in the following areas: modeling, the private interview, the onstage question and participation.

Jewell, who has been involved with the pageant since 1984 and became the director in 1990, said the competition went very well. "We had a great group of talented, lovely, intelligent women competing this year." She added that the girls gain a great deal out of the experience. "Parents find that their contestants grow as human beings . . . they [the contestants] learn how to put their best foot forward." But it's not all about competition, she said. "We try to stress the fun and getting to meet new friends, as opposed to winning the competition."

The contestants had met weekly since July for dance rehearsals and workshops. They learned about modeling, interviewing, hair and makeup and speech techniques. In addition the girls held a bake sale at the Co-op to raise money for the pageant.

Fourteen girls competed in the Miss Greenbelt category, eight girls in Junior Miss and 10 girls in Little Miss.

### Miss Greenbelt

The title of 2005 Miss Greenbelt went to Emily Ivy, 18, a senior at Eleanor Roosevelt High School. Ivy first entered the contest in 1997 and won the title of Junior Miss in 2000. She said "it was a lot of fun."

"All the girls were such close friends that none of us were worried about winning," Ivy said. "It was the best experience I had in the pageant because everyone was so close."

On Sunday, the onstage question she received asked what the one thing she would be remembered for in the community, and why. "I said, 'The one thing I would be remembered for in my community would be my dedication to it.'"

"I think that it's important for everyone to volunteer in the community," she said. "The whole Labor Day Festival is based on volunteers and, if you think about it, we would not be able to have the festival or the pageant if we didn't have volunteers."

She added that the whole pageant "was a great experience. I think that younger girls should be in the pageant because it gives you a lot of confidence. It teaches you that you don't have to be the smartest or the prettiest; you just have to be yourself



**Junior Miss Greenbelt Devin Fendlay, left, hugs Little Miss Greenbelt Alexis Thompson.**

and accept you for who you are."

Ivy was awarded a \$1,000 continuing-education scholarship. She plans to major in early childhood development and hopes to teach young children one day.

Jason Doane, Ivy's boyfriend, said, "I'm very happy for her. They chose the right person." He added that "she's a good inspiration . . . she's like a big sister."

In fact, Ivy wanted to send a message to Junior Miss Devin Fendlay and Little Miss Alexis Thompson: "I'm really happy that I have two younger sisters to look over."

### Junior Miss

Junior Miss went to Devin Fendlay, a 13-year-old eighth grader at Holy Redeemer. Fendlay isn't a newcomer to the contest: in 2001, she was awarded second runner-up and Miss Congeniality.

She enjoyed the experience a lot. "I really like performing and it was great being on stage with everything . . . also, everyone was just so nice."

Fendlay did participate in the talent show, performing with her friend Amanda Dorsey. Together they danced to "Nowadays" from the movie "Chicago."

On Sunday night, she was asked if she had to pass on one special keepsake, what would it be and why. Fendlay answered that it would be a special dollhouse given to her by her Aunt Chris, who later died. "It would help me share the memories of her with my children."

Her mother, Frann Fendlay, said, "I was so proud. She's just an incredible kid and a real go-getter."

"I told her she couldn't do it [enroll in the pageant] and she just went ahead and did," Frann Fendlay said. "She sets her sights on something and then she goes out and gets it."

Both Junior Miss and Little Miss Greenbelt were awarded with a cash prize.

### Little Miss Greenbelt

Little Miss Greenbelt, St. Hughes fifth-grader Alexis Thompson, 9, said this was her third year of participation. "I loved it," she said. "Really the main reason I joined was to have fun and to see my friends."

The person who helped Thompson prepare the most was her

mother Debbie Thompson. "She helped me with everything, with a capital E." Her twin sister, Allison, competed with her all three years and was the 2005 third runner-up as well as awarded Most Spirited.

The question Thompson was asked was if she could join a current musical group, what instrument would she play - Thompson answered that she would sing and play the guitar with country music star Martina McBride.

Thompson appreciated the pageant experience. "It's always fun to be there," she said. "We always have a good time."

## City Notes

Code enforcement staff re-inspected Roosevelt Center exterior lighting and Lakeside North Apartments. Forty-four commercial false alarms were reported which resulted in 19 invoices for fines. Animal Control responded to three cat complaints, one dog running at large, two injured birds and one rescued squirrel. A deceased pet was removed from a private residence. Four cats are available for adoption.

Registration for the fall classes is ongoing at the Aquatic and Fitness Center and at the Youth Center.

Community Center staff members Judy Scheifele, Priscilla Mizani and Tom Simpson were recognized for 10 years of service to the city. All have worked at the Community Center since it opened.

### CARES

Judye Hering gave a presentation at the University of Maryland to introduce the Greenbelt CARES tutoring program. Brochures and literature, an application form and contact information were provided to interested students.

Liz Park spoke with graduate students at Bowie State University and the University of Maryland about CARES and the upcoming Depression Screening Day in Greenbelt.

## Adults 50+ Invited To Free Job Fair

Attention adults 50 and up - attend a free job fair on Thursday, September 29 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Prince George's Community College, 301 Largo Road, Largo.

The Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission, Prince George's County Department of Family Services/Area Agency on Aging, Prince George's Community College and Maryland AARP sponsor this event.

For information call 301-265-8490, 301-445-4500, TTY 301-445-4512.

## Garden Club Holds Plant Sale Oct. 1

The Beltsville Garden Club will sponsor a fall plant sale on Saturday, October 1 from 8 a.m. to noon, (rain or shine) at High Point High School, 3602 Powder Mill Road, Beltsville. Vendors will be on hand to provide good quality bulbs, shrubs, houseplants and mums at reasonable prices.

For more information call Geoff White at 301-937-1539 or visit the club website at [www.beltsvillegardenclub.org](http://www.beltsvillegardenclub.org).

## Museum Lecture Features A New Town in England

by Jill St. John

On Tuesday, September 27 Sally Stokes, a long-time member of the Friends of the Greenbelt Museum, will present a talk about one of the English New Towns - Crawley - that was built after World War II. Several such towns were chartered in 1946 by an Act of Parliament. The lecture will be held at 7:30 p.m. in the Multipurpose Room of the Community Center.

Stokes developed her interest in Crawley through her long-standing interest in the 20th century British author Noel Streatfeild who has written many popular novels for children. Some of her best-known books are "Ballet Shoes," "Tennis Shoes," "The Bell Family" and "New Town."

"New Town," written in 1960, is about a London family's move to "Crestal New Town," a fictional British postwar new town among several that share many of the same design roots as the greenbelt towns in the U.S.

Much has been written about their social and architectural environments over the years. For example, three novels of the 1960s were based on the new towns, of which Streatfeild's book was the first.

The other novels are Keith Waterhouse's "Jubb" and Angus Wilson's "Late Call." Although Streatfeild was writing for children, her book contains a veiled commentary on the new towns and their effects on the social interaction of the new residents.

Stokes already had an interest in new towns through her earlier exposure to Greenbelt. Barbara Havekost loves to tell people that Stokes joined Friends of the Greenbelt Museum (FOGM) before she even moved to Greenbelt. She was living in Columbus, Ohio, in 1987 and had just accepted a job with the National Trust for Historic Preservation Library at the University of

Maryland. A colleague at Ohio State recommended Greenbelt as a great place to live.

Stokes joined the museum a few months before moving to University Square and eventually she bought a GHI honeymoon cottage on Ridge Road. She met her husband-to-be, Sam, in the Trust Library and they were married in 1988. They truly regard 39-G as their honeymoon cottage because they lived there for six weeks after they were married.

Although Sally and Sam have lived in Silver Spring for many years, they and their son Tom, now 15, are members of FOGM. Sally, a past FOGM board member and former docent in the museum, worked at the National Trust Library until 2003. She is now an independent historian and librarian.

In 2004 Stokes received a Helene Gladstone Williams Fellowship to enable her to spend a month in England conducting research on Noel Streatfeild with exploring the setting for "Crestal New Town" as one of her goals. It became apparent to her that Crestal was probably based on Crawley New Town in West Sussex.

Stokes visited Crawley in August 2004, where she met with the local history librarian and two Crawley pioneer residents, Gillian and Brian Pitt. In her talk for the Greenbelt Museum, Stokes will review the background of the British New Towns, recount her research adventures in Crawley New Town, describe some of its features and consider Noel Streatfeild's 1960 children's story, "New Town" and its message about how new communities are solidified through the cooperation of their residents.

Her lecture on September 27 is free and open to the public. For information contact the museum office at [museum@greenbeltmd.gov](mailto:museum@greenbeltmd.gov) or 301-507-6582.

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**Devin Fendlay, left, and Amanda Dorsey dance to "Nowadays" from the film "Chicago."**

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