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Past Outstanding Citizens Are a Distinguished Bunch

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Do You Know Our Next Outstanding Citizen?

by James Giese

The chase is on once more. Who will be caught (by surprise, we hope) when named at the Friday Opening Ceremony of the Greenbelt Labor Day Festival as the 2006 Greenbelt Outstanding Citizen? Who will it be who receives the well-deserved applause of the many Greenbelters in attendance?

Right now no one knows the answer. But you might know just who that person should be. If so, it is up to you to see that the person of your choice receives the full consideration she or he deserves in this year's selection process.

It's time to let your nomination choice be known. A nomination form appears in this week's News Review. You can use it to submit your nomination to Outstanding Committee Chair Bob Zugby. Or you can do it simply by writing Zugby a letter telling all that you know about your choice. The more information the committee has, the better. You can even email him at rczugby@aol.com.

Qualifications

What qualifications does the Outstanding Citizen Committee

look for in making its selection? The choice must be a Greenbelt resident, one whose actions have demonstrated a genuine interest in making our community a better place in which to live. The committee's choice will be a person who has contributed to the community through volunteer efforts. That choice could be someone who has been involved in so many activities that the person's name is well known throughout the community.

Or the person selected could be someone whose contributions have been done in such a quiet, unassuming manner as to be relatively unknown to most except friends and associates. The committee, with great difficulty, makes its choice on the basis of importance and the lasting impact of the contributions made by each nominee.

Often there are several nominees deserving of honor and recognition. The committee must then make the difficult choice of selecting the one and only to receive the honor for that year and hope that those passed over

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Greenbelt Plans Bang-up Fourth of July Celebration

by Matilda Bode



Greenbelt will celebrate the Fourth of July at Buddy Attick Park at Greenbelt Lake with events that include a performance by the Greenbelt Concert Band, games and crafts, food and a floating sculpture exhibit on the lake, all leading up to a crackling fireworks display at dusk.

The Greenbelt Youth Baseball Program tentatively plans to sell food and drinks throughout the afternoon. The day's activities are sponsored by the Greenbelt Recreation Department, free of charge and open to the public.

Fireworks

The fireworks are slated to begin around 9 p.m. and will last 20 to 30 minutes. The cost of this year's display increased nearly 18 percent to \$10,000. Council approved the increase to account for inflation, said Gene Diest, the supervisor of operations at the Department of Public Works.

Fireworks Productions, Inc., of Maryland Line will provide the 2,363 shells that will comprise the display including shells that will fire up to 800 feet in the air.

Parking and Detours

This is a walking affair for most everyone. Monitored parking at the lake is restricted to persons with disabilities and the elderly; however, a handicapped tag or placard will not be required. Temporary No Parking signs will be posted on the nearby streets.

People who park on the median on Kenilworth Avenue to watch the fireworks must be sure their cars are completely off the roadway.

Police are warning motorists that detours will be in place at the conclusion of the fireworks and they are expected to last about 40 minutes. All traffic will be redirected outbound on Crescent Road toward Kenilworth Avenue. Inbound traffic desiring to enter "Old Greenbelt" from Kenilworth Avenue will not be allowed onto Crescent Road until the bulk of the cars have left the area.

Drivers exiting the Beltway

may not proceed north on Kenilworth Avenue but rather will be directed onto southbound Kenilworth Avenue.

Motorists who need to go to "Old Greenbelt" will travel south on Kenilworth Avenue and then east on Greenbelt Road and either Lakecrest Drive or Southway – in other words – take the long way home.

Concert Band

The Greenbelt Concert Band will continue its decades-long Fourth of July tradition with a free concert at 7 p.m. at the bandstand near the lake waterfront prior to the fireworks. The program will last approximately 90 minutes.

The band, comprised of about 40 musicians from Greenbelt and the surrounding area, is led by Director Tom Cherrix.

They will perform a variety of patriotic songs including "Stars and Stripes Spectacular" which is a collection of George M. Cohan songs; "The Home Front," a collection of World War II music; and "The Washington Post March" and "Stars and Stripes Forever" by John Philips Sousa. Additional pieces include "Parade of Chariots" from "Ben Hur," and a salute to the Broadway melodies of Richard Rodgers, Cherrix told the News Review.

Legion Post #136

The American Legion is sponsoring a cookout from 1 to 4 p.m. on the Legion lawn. There will be a DJ, children's games and horseshoes, said Paul Durance, the finance officer. The Legion will be serving burgers, hot dogs, Italian sausage and roast beef. All food will be sold a la carte. No admission will be charged.

Children's Activities

View "Remaking the World," animal sculptures floating on Greenbelt Lake. Creative Kid's Campers made these sculptures based on a Sioux legend about the great flood, said Nicole DeWald, arts supervisor at the Department of Recreation. The sculptures will be available for

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Hilton Garden Inn Celebrated Its Grand Opening Here on June 15

by Sue Krofchik

The Hilton Garden Inn, Washington, D.C./Greenbelt celebrated its grand opening on June 15 with a ribbon cutting, food, tours, music and dancing.

The owners are not planning for this to be a sleepy little inn nestled in the Golden Triangle on Walker Drive. They plan instead to play an active role in the Greenbelt community by working with the city on annual landscaping and beautification projects. After opening their doors in May, the proprietors took no time to rest, as two projects are already being planned.

The Greenbelt Hilton Garden Inn is owned and operated by Shamin Hotels, Inc., a family-owned Richmond-based hotel management company founded in 1979 by P.C. Amin and B.N. Shah. Currently they own 24 properties in Virginia, North Carolina and Maryland. This is the first Shamin-managed hotel in the Maryland area according to Paula Rinker, director of sales for Hilton Garden Inn.

Welcoming Words

Mayor Judith F. Davis, accompanied by Councilmember Edward V.J. Putens, welcomed and congratulated executives from Shamin and the Hilton Garden Inn on their grand opening. Not-



PHOTO BY ON QUE PHOTOGRAPHY

Mayor Judith Davis and Councilmember Ed Putens welcome (from left) Shamin Hotels Chief Operating Officer Neil Amin, Hilton Garden Inn General Manager Kiran Athale and Shamin Hotels Vice President of Development Jay Shah.

ing that "Greenbelt is a direct descendant of the garden city movement," Davis told the audience the Hilton Garden Inn has expressed interest in partnering with the city every year on specific projects to help beautify Greenbelt.

The Hilton Garden Inn will provide financial resources to buy materials and the city will supply the labor. Fund-raising events with other well-known corporations may help finance some of

the larger or more expensive projects.

Because the owners of the Hilton Garden Inn are interested in the history of Greenbelt, Davis and Putens presented them with the book "Greenbelt: History of a New Town 1937-1987" during the ribbon-cutting ceremony.

Community Projects

Neil Amin, chief operating officer (COO) for Shamin Hotels

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What Goes On

- Saturday, July 1**
- 9 a.m. to noon**, Lake Park Clean-up, Buddy Attick Park
- Sunday, July 2**
- 1 to 5 p.m.**, Artful Afternoon, Community Center
- Tuesday, July 4**, City and GHI Offices Closed in Observance of Independence Day
- 7 p.m.**, Greenbelt Concert Band, Buddy Attick Park
- 9 p.m.**, Fireworks at Buddy Attick Park (in case of rain Wednesday, July 5, 9 p.m. or next clear evening)
- Friday, July 7, 2:15 p.m.**, "It's Almost Recess," a capella concert, Community Center

Letters

Often Spoke Strongly

First, let me thank James Giese for acknowledging the hard work Joe Hanyok and George Loutsch have done over the years, appearing before council during budget hearings, "As I Remember It," June 22.

He then states that "they would leave, climb into their Lincoln Town Cars . . . and keep silent until the next year." The record will show that my Uncle Joe spoke up often at council meetings, not just at budget review time. He spoke in a strong commanding voice – and his thoughts were the same as those of many of us – watch the spending, control the taxes.

Government officials are responsible to the will of the people. How this action of citizen responsiveness can be thought of as "annoying" is beyond me.

Mark Hanyok

Doesn't Like Speeders

I don't like people that speed and when they don't look for kids or other people when they go across the street.

When they go across the street they don't stop at stop signs. Please be more careful when cars go across the street.

Thank you.

Madison Davis, age 7

Well Done Equus

There are so many happenings that make living in Greenbelt such a joy. We were lucky enough to experience one of them last Saturday when we attended the final performance of Equus. We want to thank the Greenbelt Art Center for staging this production. This is a difficult play to produce and the company did an outstanding job. Well done!

Sylvia and Robert Lewis

THANKS

Thank you so much to the workers of the Co-op and others who came to assist me when I fell on June 12 and broke my wrist. Also I want to thank the cashiers and others who work at the store for allowing my friends and family to buy food for me with my check.

People of Greenbelt are always there to help. It has been that way since 1937 when my family moved here and I was just a child.

Betty (Gussio) Shifflett

THANKS

In spite of rain and flood in the area, the Blood Drive of June 27 was a success. Thanks to all who donated blood. The blood collected at the drive will help the American Red Cross continue its service in the face of the nation's severe blood shortage. Thanks are given to the Red Cross personnel and volunteers for their outstanding service.

The next scheduled blood drive will be Friday, September 15 from noon to 6 p.m. in the Greenbelt Community Center.

Call 301-397-2212 to make an appointment if you have not been contacted by the Red Cross. Walk-ins will be accepted to fill spaces for people who do not appear for their appointments.

Janet Goldberg
Recreation Coordinator

News Review Special Deadline for July 4

Because of the Tuesday, July 4 holiday, all News Review deadlines must move back by one day to Monday, July 3.

All copy, ads and photographs must reach us by no later than Monday evening, July 3 in order to be included in the Thursday, July 6 issue. We can accept material as early as Friday, June 30 and will be open from 2 to 5 and 8 to 10 p.m. on Monday.

Material brought in on Wednesday will be too late for July 6 and will need to be held until the July 13 issue. Please assure all news and information reaches the community next week by getting it to us before the end of the day Monday so it can be included in the paper.

Summer Reading Is Hot!

by Karen Seaton, Library Information Staff

Over 200 children aged 6 to 12 years and over 100 children up to five years have picked up the brochure for the Summer Reading Program at the Greenbelt Library! "Clue Into Reading" is your key to fun reading activities and prizes for children. For your convenience, staff have mounted a special display for children by grade level starting kindergarten through seventh grade to make it easy to find suggested reading. The teen program, "Get Animated" and the adult program "Escape to Reading" are also offered. Get more information about the Summer Reading Program by coming into the library, or at www.pgcmlls.info or call 301-345-5800.

Did you know that the library has a collection of entertainment videos for a nominal fee for two nights? Both DVDs and videocassettes are available. Call or drop by to see if your favorite film is available. Free bonuses

are as follows: videos borrowed on Friday are not due until Monday; and, if the library is closed on Monday for a holiday, videos borrowed on Friday are due on Tuesday.

Download Ebooks or audio books (drop by to set up a free account at the library with your library card). Renew books by phone, online or in person. Up to 75 items may be borrowed with your library card.

Coming Events

Mark Jaster, local mime artist, will perform "Piccolo's Trunk," Wednesday, July 12 at 2 p.m.

At the Library

Tuesday July 4 – Library closed for the July 4 holiday.

Wednesday, July 5, Toddler-time, at 10:30 a.m. and again at 11 a.m. For ages 18 to 35 months with caregiver, limit 15 children.

Thursday, July 6, 10:30 a.m. Drop-in Storytime for ages 3 to 5. Limit 20 children.

Home Victory For Swim Team

by Leslie Hilliard

The Greenbelt swim team chalked up a second season victory Saturday, June 24 against the Pointer Ridge Swim and Racquet Club. Greenbelt out swam their opponents by 42 points, with a score of 289.

Three Greenbelt swimmers achieved "triple winner" status, winning first place in three events. They are Stephen Irving in the 9 to 10 age group, for the 25 meter butterfly, 25 meter breaststroke and 25 meter backstroke; Joseph Lau in the 15 to 18 age group for the 100 meter freestyle, 50 meter backstroke and 100 meter individual medley and Maresa Like-Mathews in the 15 to 18 age group for the 100 meter freestyle, 50 meter backstroke and 100 meter individual medley.

Next week will be Greenbelt's second home meet of the season, swimming against the Fort Washington Pool swim club.

Museum Seeks Veterans' Memories

The College Park Aviation Museum is participating in the Veterans History Project, a nationwide program documenting the stories of war veterans and civilians involved in war efforts. Persons wishing to share wartime experiences should call the museum at 301-864-6029, TTY 301-864-4765 to schedule an appointment for an interview.

College Park Aviation Museum is located at 1985 Cpl. Frank Scott Drive in College Park and is owned and operated by the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission, Department of Parks and Recreation, Prince George's County.

Libraries Sponsor Kids' Reading Club

The 2006 "Clue into Reading" summer reading program began in June at all Maryland public libraries including Greenbelt Library. Readers from pre-school through high school can participate in this program by registering at the library.

When students sign up they will get a game board with activities and reading clues for a summer of fun. The program is a cooperative project with the Maryland State Department of Education, Division of Library Development and Services, which funds the game boards with federal dollars from the Institute of Museum and Library Services.

"Clue into Reading," also runs this summer in the Maryland Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped. The program is free to all children and teens who register.

OLD GREENBELT THEATRE

WEEK OF JUNE 30

An Inconvenient Truth (PG)

Friday
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Saturday
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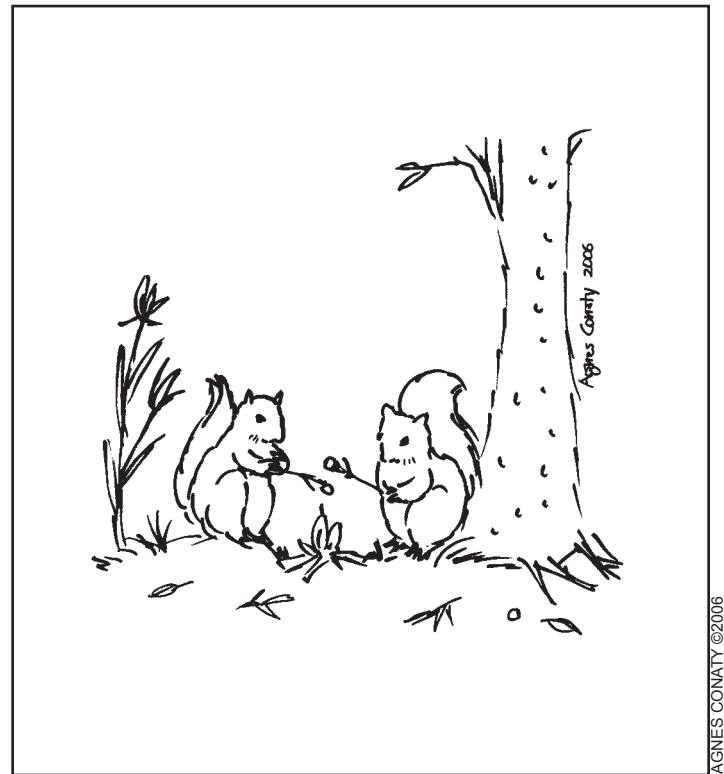
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On Screen

"The Truth" Hits Home

The most acclaimed film of the year, "An Inconvenient Truth," opens Friday, June 30 at Old Greenbelt Theatre. In a 100-minute documentary, Al Gore gives an incisive warning about what global warming – brought on, as widely attested, by mankind's missteps – is doing to the earth. The former presidential candidate, who disclaims any new political aspirations, goes deeply and widely into environmental concerns and deprecations and what can be done about them. He draws extensively on a full trove of studies in a lively, clearly focused presentation directed by Davis Guggenheim. "An Inconvenient Truth" bids fair to draw more attention than any documentary since Michael Moore's "Fahrenheit 9/11." PG.

– Eli Flam

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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.

Free Blood Pressure Screenings in Town

Potomac Home Support will provide free blood pressure screenings on Wednesday, July 12 from 10 a.m. to noon in the Municipal Building, 2nd floor library.

From 1 to 3 p.m. for Green Ridge House residents only the company will provide blood pressure screenings at Green Ridge House.

Monday Is Trivia Night at New Deal

Trivia Game Night will be held at the New Deal Café on Monday, July 3 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Game nights are held on the first Monday of each month.

Participants will play "Wits & Wagers," a game created by Greenbelt's local gamemakers. Players can win without answering any questions correctly and can experience a Vegas-style casino game by betting on answers provided by other teams. There are prizes for the winning teams. There is no fee to play; food and drink specials are available for purchase.

For more information contact 301-313-0448 or trivia@northstargames.com.

Explore France This Friday

On Friday, June 30 the summer Explorations Unlimited travel video series continues with "Best of Travels in Europe: France." This PBS video, narrated by Rick Steves, covers Paris, Provence and the Loire Valley, Normandy and Brittany as well as Steves' back door travel tips. Viewers will visit Paris, stroll among Left Bank cafés and bookstores and take in the nightlife of Saint Chapelle and the art collections at the Rodin Museum and Musee D'Orsay. Relive the glory of imperial France at the Tomb of Napoleon Bonaparte in the Musee Militaire.

Travel on to Provence and the Loire Valley and get swept away by the Renaissance grandeur of the Chambord and Chenonceau castles in the Loire Valley. See Roman ruins at Arles and the wonderfully preserved Palace of the Popes at Avignon.

Travel from the landing beaches used by the Allies during the D-Day invasion to Rouen, where Joan of Arc faced trial. See the famed Bayeux Tapestry, amble through pastoral landscapes, then stop to sample such regional favorites as crepes, apple brandy and Camembert cheese. In Brittany, visit Fougères Castle, a symbol of the Celtic struggle against France.

Explorations Unlimited is held every Friday from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Community Center. This presentation will be held in the Senior Lounge. Everyone is welcome to attend. Call 301-397-2208 for more information.

Art Excursion To Smithsonian

There will be an "Art Excursion" to the Smithsonian's American Art Museum's Re-opening Festival on Saturday, July 1 from 11 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. sponsored by the Greenbelt Recreation Department. The "Art Excursion" vans depart from the Greenbelt Community Center parking lot. Register in advance (activity #383600-1) at the Greenbelt Community Center Office or call 301-397-2208 for more information. There is a fee.

Community Events

Greenbelt East Committee Meets

The Greenbelt East Advisory Committee will meet Thursday, July 6 at 7:30 p.m. The meeting will be held at Greenbriar.

Explore Spain On Friday, July 7

The summer Explorations Unlimited travel video series continues on Friday, July 7 with "Best of Travels in Europe: Spain." Narrated by Rick Steves, this PBS video covers Madrid and Toledo, Seville and Andalusia, Barcelona to Segovia and Granada to Tangier. Viewers will visit Madrid, the capital and a bustling urban center, which is home to the Prado's splendid collection of the Spanish masters Velasquez, El Greco and Goya.

El Greco's works can also be seen in his adopted home town of Toledo, a city rich in the lessons of its tangled history. Wander the winding streets of white-washed Andalusian villages, visit Seville, the region's Islamic-influenced capitol, then enjoy a lively demonstration of the traditional Spanish Flamenco.

In Barcelona, see antique shops, cafes and squares hidden in its gothic maze of streets and alleys. Travel to El Escorial, a 15th-century palace and monastery, then savor Spanish cuisine at Segovia's Mason de Candido.

Visit Granada's Royal Chapel, then on to the sun drenched beaches of Costa del Sol. The trip concludes with a stop at the bazaars of Tangier, Morocco in North Africa.

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GHI Notes

Upcoming meetings and events:

Tuesday, July 4 – GHI Offices Closed

Wednesday July 5, 7 p.m. – Sustainable Design & Practices Energy Group meeting, Board Room

Tuesday, July 11, 7 p.m. – Sustainable Design & Practices meeting, Board Room

7 p.m. – Member & Community Relations meeting, GHI Lunch Room

Wednesday, July 12, 7 p.m. – Woodlands Committee meeting, GHI Lunch Room

7:30 p.m. – Companion Animal Committee meeting, GHI Library

7:30 p.m. – Architecture & Environment Committee meeting, Board Room

Thursday, July 13, 7 p.m. – Special Board of Directors meeting, Board Room.

IlyAIMY to Play At New Deal Café

The Baltimore acoustic group IlyAIMY (i love you And I Miss You) will perform on Saturday, July 1 at the New Deal Café at Roosevelt Center. The band is releasing their new CD, "The Fifth Circle." Those who purchase the CD will also receive a signed glossy poster of the cover artwork. There will be a raffle drawing for the original cover artwork.

"Wayward Saints" Coming to Greenbelt

"A Company of Wayward Saints" by George Herman will be the next production at the Greenbelt Arts Center. The Out-of-the-Black-Box Theatre Company based in Bowie is producing the play which will run three weekends beginning July 7.

La Compagnie de Santi Ostinanti, a classical improvisational troupe still performing in the Renaissance style "while others have switched to light sex comedies and are amassing fortunes," has lost its way. Times are tough, squabbling actors and actresses are at each other's throats (literally) and the troupe is broke. Their last hope lies in the hands of a wealthy nobleman who promises to pay for their return home on the condition that they can improvise an entire show of his choice – to his satisfaction. Characters include Commedia dell'Arte favorites Harlequin, Scapino, Dottore, Pantalón, Columbine and others.

OutoftheBlackBox Theatre Company or O²B² is dedicated to the art of theater about theater. Founded in 2004 the company focuses on black box theater venues and productions with theater-related themes. "We are all about experimentation," says artistic director Betsy Delaney. The company's first production, Robert Brustein's updated treatment of Luigi Pirandello's "Six Characters in Search of an Author," was performed at GAC in September 2005. "A Company of Wayward Saints" is its second production. Plans for "Rosencrantz and Guildenstern Are Dead," its third production, are currently being finalized.

For more information visit www.outoftheblackbox.org.

Golden Age Club

by Bunny Fitzgerald

The Golden Age Club enjoyed the June birthday pot luck luncheon with members and several guests. A birthday poem by our own Joe Rimar always adds to the affair.

Jean Cook gave a talk on her stint with "Habitat for Humanity" in Guatemala and promised to speak again about her trip to Bolivia. It's wonderful to hear firsthand about the work that's being done for very needy people.

On July 12 Stephanie Trifoglio, M.D. will speak to the club. She is a geriatric specialist and cares about us seniors. She is very generous with her time and always answers lots of questions.

We say "good bye" to Harold Miller, who is moving to Rockville. We wish him well.

Dixie Power Plays At Artful Afternoon

The Dixie Power Trio will perform on Sunday, July 2 at 3 p.m. as part of the Artful Afternoon at the Greenbelt Community Center. The band, which is actually a quartet, uses traditional New Orleans instruments to play Dixieland, zydeco, swing, Cajun and rock 'n' roll music. This event will also feature hands-on crafts from 1 to 3 p.m. and is free to all.

**MOBILE POSTAL VAN:
Monday, Wednesday, Friday
10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the
Municipal Building Parking**

GAIL Newsletter

The Greenbelt Assistance in Living (GAIL) newsletter provides useful, timely information for seniors and other residents needing community support.

The current issue outlines how to participate in the new Greenbelt Preferred Provider Program for home care. Other articles cover the Brown Bag program (groceries for seniors) and the Daughter for the Day program (volunteer personal help). Free blood pressure screenings and "Ask the Experts" topics are also listed.

Call 301-345-6660, ext. 2012 or 301-474-8000, ext. 2012, to receive this free newsletter at home or email Christal Batey at cbatey@greenbeltmd.gov.

Astronomical Society Sidewalk Party July 2

The Astronomical Society of Greenbelt will host a sidewalk star party on Sunday, July 2 at Roosevelt Center near the New Deal Café. Members of the society will begin setting up to view the moon and other celestial objects at approximately 8:30 p.m.

In the event of rain or hopelessly cloudy skies the event will be cancelled without further notice. Information about other events can be found on the society website at <http://www.greenbeltastro.org/events.shtml>.

Garland's Tissue Art On Display at Café

Tissue paper artist Jan Garland will be exhibiting her work in the back room gallery at the New Deal Café for the month of July. All are invited to join in the opening and artist reception for "People and Places in Tissue Paper Collage" on Sunday, July 2 from 7 to 9 p.m. with free hors d'oeuvres.

Garland is a self-taught artist who has been practicing in tissue paper collage work since high school art class (1966). Her collages are painting-like, colored by using mostly tissue paper in place of paint. The show consists of mostly contemporary/abstract figures and cityscapes, often with a quote added.

This exhibit, on display through July 30, is sponsored by Friends of the New Deal Café with support grants from the Prince George's Arts Council and Prince George's County.



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Greenbelt Labor Day Festival Committee, Inc.

NOMINATION FORM Greenbelt's Outstanding Citizen

**Submit this form or a letter by Monday, August 7, to:
Robert Zugby, Chair
94 Ridge Rd., Greenbelt, MD 20770**

Name of Nominee _____

Address _____

Nominated By:
Name(s) (please print) _____ Signature(s) _____ Phone _____

Please attach a statement (preferably printed or typed) which explains why the nominee deserves recognition as Greenbelt's Outstanding Citizen. Possible subjects include a list of organizations or activities in which the nominee has participated, including length of time; specific accomplishments during each period of service; the impact on Greenbelt or on people within the city; and personal qualities which make the nominee special. Award is for volunteer (unpaid) work only. Supporting printed material will be accepted but is not required. Testimonials by others as to the person's good works will be helpful. The more information you can provide the committee the better.

Note: All nominators must sign. Use separate sheet if necessary. Thank you!!

Obituaries

Lucille Howell

Lucille Howell, 91, formerly of Lakeview Circle, a Greenbelt Pioneer, died on Tuesday, June 27, 2006.

Visitation will be Friday, June 30 from 2 to 4 p.m. at Gasch's, 4739 Baltimore Avenue. Funeral services will be held Saturday, July 1 at noon at St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church, 5820 Riverdale Road.

An obituary will appear in the next issue.

A Book Signing At Beltway Plaza

Author and former Washington Post editor Frank S. Joseph will sign his debut novel "To Love Mercy" at 1 p.m. on Saturday, July 1 at the Books-A-Million store at Beltway Plaza.

Set in Chicago in the late 1940s, "To Love Mercy" confronts race and ethnicity within the segregated city. The book follows two boys, one black, one white, lost in the city together and exploring with innocent enthusiasm while their families tear each other apart in fear. Racial tensions thread through the novel and personal choices are made against the pressures of the city.

Our Neighbors

Greenbelters were saddened to hear of the death of Lucille Howell on Tuesday, June 27.

Congratulations to Shawn Dwyer, who graduated from the Montgomery County Fire and Rescue Service school on June 23. He has been assigned to the Takoma Park VFD as a paid fireman. Shawn, son of Tom and Robyn Dwyer of Berwyn Heights, is the grandson of long-time Greenbelters Tom and Shirley Dwyer.

Hail and farewell to Harold Miller, an active member of the Golden Age Club, who is moving to Rockville. Miller has also made many trips with the Recreation Department's senior program.

Alice Murphy, 16, to Be A Student Ambassador

Alice Murphy, 16, departs on July 4 for Auckland, New Zealand, as a member of the People to People Delaware Delegation. Her first night will be spent in an authentic Maori meetinghouse and will include a welcome from the Maori in a traditional ceremony.

Her three-week stay down under will also include a home stay with a New Zealand family, a visit to the Christchurch Antarctic Centre and snorkeling on the Great Barrier Reef, as well as meetings with government officials in both Australia and New Zealand.

While in Australia Alice will also celebrate her 17th birthday. She will be bringing pictures of her family and Greenbelt to show her host family in New Zealand.

Ice Competition

Alice is traveling with the Delaware delegation instead of the Prince George's County delegation because they depart earlier in July.

Alice required the earlier departure because two days after her return she will be flying to Boston to compete in the ISI World Recreational Skating



Alice Murphy performs on the ice.

Competition. Alice will be representing Herbert Wells Ice Rink in College Park and will compete in the technical and artistic events with her Freestyle 7 programs.

Alice earned first place medals with both programs at the District IV competition in April held at Bowie Ice Arena.

She was recently certified as a Junior Coach by the ISI and will be teaching classes at Bowie Ice Arena when she returns from the competition.

— Susy Murphy (Alice's mother)

Storm Leaves Little Damage But Oil Spill Is a Mystery



PHOTO BY BILL GORNETT

Prince George's County fire department personnel placed a boom across the creek leading into Greenbelt Lake to address an oil spill. The county's hazardous waste team has been unable to find the source of the spill, which is being classified as a minor spill and "is contained," according to Public Works Director Kenny Hall. The county is still investigating.

In the face of torrential rain over the past few days – more than seven inches throughout the metropolitan area and more than 10 inches recorded in Hyattsville – Greenbelt has again escaped unscathed, mostly.

"Two large trees were down at Stream Valley Park between Woodland Hills and the Lakewood subdivisions," reported Kenny Hall, director of Public Works, commenting on storm damage from the recent downpours.

There were also three trees down on the pathway near the Spellman Overpass.

Greenbelt is "really fortunate" to have so little damage, Hall added.

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Worship Service: 10:45 am

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Folklife Festival Opens on Mall

This summer the Smithsonian Institution 40th annual Folklife Festival will celebrate world cultural diversity with programs originating from three different areas – Alberta Canada, Native Americans and Chicago Latino music. The festival will be held Friday, June 30 through Tuesday, July 4 and Friday, July 7, through Tuesday, July 11. The festival is held outdoors on the National Mall between 7th and 14th Streets, near the Smithsonian museums. Admission is free. Festival hours are from 11 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. each day with concerts, dance parties and special events until 9 p.m. The festival is co-sponsored by the National Park Service.

Through performances, demonstrations and educational programs “Alberta at the Smithsonian” brings together more than 120 of Alberta’s musicians, storytellers, cooks, craftspeople, occupational specialists and cultural experts.

“Carriers of Culture: Living Native Basket Traditions” will examine ways in which Native baskets – and their makers – are literally and symbolically “carriers of culture.”

“Nuestra Musica 2006: Latino Chicago,” the third program in the festival’s four-year Latino Music Project, will highlight the music and cultural expressions of Chicago’s diverse Latino communities.

In addition to the three programs the festival also will offer evening concerts on June 30 and July 7 and 8. Co-sponsored by the National Museum of African American History and Culture, these concerts will pay tribute to the vibrant African American musical traditions in the Gulf Coast regions affected by hurricanes Katrina and Rita. The concerts will begin at 5:30 p.m.

Maryland State Arts Program Gives More

An increase of more than \$4,000 in the 2007 fiscal year has been designated to the City of Greenbelt’s arts program by the Maryland State Arts Council. According to Nicole DeWald, the city’s arts supervisor, the total amount awarded is \$13,971. In the words of DeWald: “Every little bit helps!”



City Information

HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

City Offices will be closed Tuesday, July 4th in observance of Independence Day. The Greenbelt Connection will not be operating.

REFUSE/RECYCLING SCHEDULE

Week of July 3rd

Monday Route – Regular Schedule

Tuesday Route – Collected Wednesday

Wednesday Route – Collected Thursday

Thursday Route – Collected Friday

There will be no appliance or yard waste collections on Friday, July 7th.



FOURTH OF JULY BUDDY ATTICK PARK!

Tuesday, July 4th

Fun for All Ages!

2-8pm see “Remaking the World” animal sculptures floating on Greenbelt Lake. Creative Kids Campers and other Greenbelter made these sculptures.

4-7pm: Games and Crafts

7pm: Greenbelt Concert Band

Around 9pm: FIREWORKS!

In the event of inclement weather on July 4th fireworks will be set off at 9:00PM on July 5th.

ATTENTION ALL RESIDENTS: Please inform all members of your household about this scheduled event. We do not want anyone to be alarmed by the explosions and flashes of light from the fireworks. Please visit www.greenbeltmd.gov for safety and traffic information.

UPCOMING ARTS ACTIVITIES

Saturday, July 1, 11am-3:30pm: Arts Excursions. Visit the Re-opening Festival of the Smithsonian American Art Museum. Van departs from library parking lot. \$10 registration-Activity #383600-1.

Sunday, July 2 at 3pm: “Dixie Power Trio” zydeco, jazz and more at the Greenbelt Community Center. FREE Part of the monthly ARTFUL AFTERNOON from 1-5pm. Hands on crafts will be available from 1-3pm.

Friday, July 7 at 2:15pm: “It’s Almost Recess,” a cappella group. Family Friendly! FREE

Info on these events: 301-397-2208

Volunteer Maryland Coordinator – The City of Greenbelt is partnering with Volunteer Maryland, an AmeriCorps program of the Governor’s Office, to provide an opportunity for a Volunteer Maryland Coordinator (VMC) to work within the City. The VMC will work with the Community Resource Advocate, the coordinator for the Greenbelt Assistance in Living (GAIL) Program. The VMC will be responsible for specific volunteer programs and conducting orientation for new volunteers. Volunteer supervision of existing programs will also be required. This is a one-year part-time position as a member of AmeriCorps. VMC receive a living allowance of \$6500, and a post-service educational benefit of \$2362. Experience working with seniors is desired. Applicants must be at least 17 years of age, have a High School diploma or GED and be a U.S. citizen or permanent resident alien. The service year begins September 6, 2006. Deadline to apply: August 18, 2006. Apply: City of Greenbelt Personnel, 25 Crescent Road, Greenbelt, MD 20770. EOE.

SUMMER GED COURSE

Greenbelt CARES is offering a summer 4-week GED Course beginning Thursday, July 6. Classes are held on Tuesdays and Thursdays at the Greenbelt Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road in the small library. GED I is from 10:30am-12:30pm and GED II is from 1:00-3:00pm. Course is free for Greenbelt residents and \$75.00 for non-residents. Calculators and textbooks must be purchased. To enroll call Greenbelt CARES at 301-345-6660 or email jhering@greenbeltmd.gov.

GREENBELT MUNICIPAL/PUBLIC ACCESS CHANNEL 71
MUNICIPAL ACCESS: 301-474-8000: Tuesday & Thursday, July 4 & 6: 10am & 6pm “Ask the Expert-Pain Management,” **6:30pm** “SHL DARE Graduation,” **7:30pm** “Greenbelt Elementary DARE Graduation.”
PUBLIC ACCESS (GATE): 301-507-6581: Wednesday & Friday, June 28 & 30: 7pm “Nuneguala Rising,” **8:15pm** “GAC’s Cabaret.”



LAKE PARK CLEAN-UP
Saturday, July 1
9am-12noon

Buddy Attick Park 555 Crescent Rd

The Greenbelt Recreation Department Park Rangers and the Youth Advisory Committee invite all interested volunteers to come out and spend time with their friends and neighbors in getting “Buddy Attick” Lake Park ready for this year’s July 4th Celebration! Meet at the band stand at 9am. Wear long sleeved shirts and long pants. If you have gloves, please bring them. Some will be provided. Refreshments (bottled water, sodas, watermelon, etc.). Please park in designated areas only! For information call the Greenbelt Recreation Department at 301-397-2200.



In case of inclement weather call 301-474-5525.

CERT TRAINING

The Summer Community Emergency Response Team training sessions will be condensed into one Saturday & Sunday session from 8am-4pm each. It is mandatory to complete both days in order to graduate and receive recognition as a member of the Prince George’s County Community Emergency Response Team Program. In order to register for one of the weekend sessions, please contact Tony Hairston at 301-583-1899.

SESSION TWO

Saturday, July 8 & Sunday, July 9 from 8am-4 pm

Cranford/Graves Fire Services Building

6820 Webster Street, Landover Hills, MD 20784

Registration is limited to the first 25 to register.

VACANCIES ON BOARDS & COMMITTEES

Volunteer to serve on City Council advisory groups.

Vacancies exist on the:

Arts Advisory Board

Park and Recreation Advisory Board

Youth Advisory Committee (youth and adult positions)

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

Independence Day Holiday Hours for Greenbelt Recreation Facilities

Greenbelt Aquatic and Fitness Center

Monday, July 3rd 6 am to 10:30 pm – Normal hours & entrance requirements
 Tuesday, July 4th 8 am to 8 pm – Residents & pass holders ONLY

Greenbelt Outdoor Pool

Monday, July 3rd 11 am to 8 pm – Normal hours & entrance requirements
 Tuesday, July 4th 10 am to 8 pm – Residents & pass holders ONLY

Greenbelt Community Center

Monday, July 3rd 9 am to 10 pm
 Tuesday, July 4th 12 noon to 5 pm

Youth Center

Monday, July 3rd 12 noon to 10 pm
 Tuesday, July 4th 12 noon to 6 pm

Springhill Lake Recreation Center

Monday, July 3rd 12 noon to 10 pm
 Tuesday, July 4th 12 noon to 6 pm

Free Blood Pressure Screenings

Wednesday, July 12 from 10:00 am – 12:00 noon
 Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road, Greenbelt, MD and 1:00 – 3:00 pm at Green Ridge House – 22 Ridge Road, Greenbelt, MD 20770 for Green Ridge House residents only. Provided by Potomac Home Support

GREENBELT TEMPORARY SKATE



PARK SUMMER HOURS

Beginning on Monday, June 12th the Temporary Skate Park, located on the Lakecrest Tennis Courts, will be open: 12-5pm – 7 Days a Week

Visit www.greenbeltmd.gov for information on City Government Information, Services and Events.

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Devil Wears Prada, PG13 (!)
 1:15, 4, 7:20, 10
Waist Deep, R(!)

1, 3:15, 5:40, 8:10, 10:45
Click, PG13 (!)
 2:10, 5, 7:30, 10:25

Fast & Furious: Tokyo Drift, PG13 (!)
 1:45, 4:45, 7:45, 10:35
Nacho Libre, PG (!)
 1:30, 3:35, 5:40, 7:50, 10:20
Cars, G (!)
 1:20, 4:20, 7, 9:45

Summer GED Courses Begin

Greenbelt CARES will hold summer four-week GED courses Thursday, July 6 through July 27. Registration for the courses will be held on Thursday, July 6, from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. only. The first class of instruction will be held on Tuesday, July 11. Registration and classes are held in the Municipal Building conference room, 25 Crescent Road.

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

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

Students are required to show proof of residence (i.e. current lease, phone or electric bill, driver's license or motor vehicle ID card).

There is no charge for Greenbelt residents in either course. Non-Greenbelt residents must pay a registration fee. All students are required to purchase a copy of the GED textbook and calculator which may be purchased from Greenbelt CARES.

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

Questions and enrollment information regarding either GED I or GED II should be directed to Judy Hering, course instructor, at Greenbelt CARES at 301-345-6660, ext. 2016 or email jhering@ci.greenbeltmd.gov.

CASA Volunteers Needed for Kids

The Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA)/Prince George's County, Inc. is looking for volunteers to advocate for abused and neglected children in Prince George's County.

CASA volunteers are trained to advocate for the best interest of abused and neglected children who are currently placed in foster care. Volunteers meet with the children, collaborate with teachers, social workers and attorneys and provide an informative report and recommendations to the court.

CASA/Prince George's County is now accepting applications for upcoming training sessions. Bilingual volunteers are especially encouraged to apply. For more information visit the CASA website at www.pgCasa.org or call 301-209-0491.

Free Concerts At Watkins Park

Watkins Regional Park invites people to lie back and enjoy free summer concerts at On The Green, 301 Watkins Park Drive, Upper Marlboro. The concerts run from 7 to 8:30 p.m., weather permitting, and offer a variety of musical styles. The Watkins Train & Carousel is open until 8:45 p.m. All pets must be on a leash. Refreshments are sold. The concert on July 6 will be Part Harmony, a cappella soulful singing.

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will continue to be nominated in future years.

Many outstanding citizens have been selected for their involvement in more than one community activity but usually the individual's efforts in one activity have been particularly noteworthy. The 2005 selectee, Jay Remenick, is noted for his dedication as a volunteer fireman. Others who have served this wonderful and essential organization that protects our lives and property may also deserve to be recognized.

Some selectees were involved with providing leadership to youth sports or other youth activities. The city has been blessed with many such deserving volunteers.

Several have been recognized for leadership roles in the Greenbelt Labor Day Festival. With so many members of our community working together each year in celebration and to raise funds for so many worthy causes, there surely must have been others deserving of recognition who have been missed.

At least five former Outstanding Citizens have been recognized for their work with the Greenbelt News Review, the voice of the city for almost 70 years. With more than 50 citizens involved with assuring that Greenbelters are kept informed each week, surely there are others worthy of recognition who have been missed. Some have been honored for their work with the Greenbelt Lions Club which has made many worthy contributions to the community. Probably many others work through this and other service organizations who could meet the test for being recognized as outstanding. Others have been recognized for their work with city cooperatives, helping to better educate, serving our senior population, contributing to their churches, participating in neighborhood watches or serving the Greenbelt Museum.

Many Missed

Greenbelt is blessed with many organizations striving to make our city a better place in which to live. Surely among them are individuals whose contributions are so meaningful they deserve to be recognized.

But will they be? That is up to each and every Greenbelt resident whose responsibility it is to make known to the Outstanding Citizens Committee the names of persons deserving our recognition and honor.

Please don't wait until the August 7 deadline to make your choice known. The sooner you put together your nomination, the better chance you will have of including all the important information needed to cause the committee to agree that your choice is the best.

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GREENBELT
MUSEUM

The Greenbelt Museum's historic house will be closed Sunday, July 2 for the holiday weekend.

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public viewing from 2 to 8 p.m.

The Recreation Department will sponsor children's art activities on the Fourth from 4 to 7 p.m. The theme for these projects will combine the Sioux legend and the ecology of the Greenbelt Lake, explained DeWald. Artist Monica Mische will join DeWald and members of the Recreation Department staff to work with the children.

Inclement Weather

In case of inclement weather the fireworks will be held on the next clear night but without the concert. For more information call the Greenbelt Recreation Department Weather and Information Hotline at 301-474-5525.

Safety

Greenbelt police will have a tent located in the grassy area alongside the main parking lot in order to provide first aid and to help with missing children.

The Greenbelt Fourth of July at Buddy Attick Park is an alcohol-free event. Alcohol is strictly prohibited in all city-owned parks. People carrying coolers and other packages into the park should expect to have their packages inspected.

Police Department phone lines should be kept free for emergencies so those with questions about the day's events should contact the Greenbelt Department of Recreation at 301-397-2200.

Fireworks Are Illegal Here

All forms of fireworks, including firecrackers, snakes, sparklers and bottle rockets are prohibited by law in the City of Greenbelt, as well in all of Prince George's County.

The county has an amnesty program that will provide free admission to Six Flags Amusement Park as a reward for turning in unused fireworks.

Contact the program through the County's Fire/Emergency Medical Services Department Operations Center at 301-583-2200 to schedule an appointment for pick up or bring unused fireworks to 6280 Webster Street, Landover Hills. The program runs through July 14.



Did You Know . . .

that in 1949 the city's Fourth of July program was celebrated for three days? Events included contests with races of all kinds in which both young and old competed, with prizes for the winners. There were swimming and diving meets for boys and girls as well as square dancing. Most of the activities were centered on or around the stand which was installed between the swimming pool and Center School (now the Community Center). The parade featured a colossal firecracker in solitary splendor on a cart, a marching dog and other novelty floats. As an added attraction the first 700 children who lined up for the march at the corner of Southway and Ridge Road at 10 a.m. on July 4 received an inexpensive but colorful gift.

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and son of founder and president P.C. Amin, described their philosophy of focusing on beauty and the environment. Representatives had met previously with the mayor and city council to plan this year's two projects.

One is a beautification project in the core of Greenbelt for the pedestrian underpass at Gardenway and Crescent near the Mobil gas station. A stone retaining wall and plantings are planned. Long-term plans include beautification of all city underpasses.

The second project for this year is beautification at Rexford Place, an independent and assisted-living residence at 9885 Greenbelt Road. Plans include an herb garden, flowers and uplighting.

Accommodations

"We look forward to exceeding expectations in hosting meetings and events," said COO Amin. The Hilton Garden Inn focuses on quality accommodations for the business and leisure traveler. The six-story inn has 155 rooms, each of which features a Herman Miller Mirra ergonomic chair, oversized work desk, two telephones, complimentary high speed internet access and secure remote printing.

Each room has its own microwave, refrigerator, coffee maker and wide screen television. Suites are available and are fully handicapped accessible. Within the inn is also a swimming pool, whirlpool and fitness center.

The Azalea and Dogwood rooms are available for weddings, meetings and banquets. Davis suggested that some rooms might be named for special Greenbelters.

Restaurants

Himanshu Vahal is chef for the Greenbelt Hilton Garden Inn. A graduate of the Institute of Hotel Management and Catering in India, he has worked with the Leela Kempinski Hotels and Re-

sorts, Crowne Plaza in Richmond and Marriott in Long Island. His international repertoire includes Continental, Scandinavian, American, Asian and fusion cuisine. Catering is available for events held at the inn.

The Great American Grill is open to the public for breakfast from 6 to 10 a.m. and for dinner from 5 to 10 p.m. Cocktails are available in the Pavilion Lounge.

Welcome Committee

Ribbon-cutting program participants included representatives from Prince George's County, the Baltimore-Washington Corridor Chamber of Commerce, the Prince George's County Convention and Visitors Association, Rexford Place and executives of both the Hilton Garden Inn and Shamin Hotels.

In welcoming the Hilton Garden Inn, Walt Townsend of the Baltimore-Washington Corridor Chamber of Commerce shared with the group that he is related to Samuel Hamilton Walker (1817-1847), a grandson of Isaac Walker who immigrated to the United States in the 1700s and once owned land on which the Hilton Garden Inn is built.

(For more information see June 1, 2006, issue of the Greenbelt News Review.)

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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.

Robberies

June 21, 2:06 a.m., Beltway Plaza, three victims, while loading groceries into their vehicle, were approached by a man who entered their vehicle and robbed them at gunpoint, taking cash, a credit card and other personal items. He then left the area and got into his own vehicle, described as a 1998 gold or cream colored Cadillac Seville with chrome aftermarket rims, and drove away. The suspect was described as a black male, age 20 to 30, 5'6" to 5'9" with black hair and short braids, wearing a black with white pinstripe baseball cap, plain white T-shirt and baggy blue jeans.

June 21, 5:50 p.m., 6200 block of Springhill Court, three people reported that they were sitting in the living room of their ground floor apartment when two unknown men entered the apartment through an open sliding glass door. One of the men displayed a small silver-colored handgun and demanded money. Cash was taken from one of the victims and the men left the scene. None of the victims was injured. The suspects were both described as black males; both were wearing blue pants with black shirts and black face masks.

Drug Arrest

June 16, 11:49 a.m., 6200 block of Greenbelt Road, a non-resident man was arrested and charged with Possession of CDS Paraphernalia. Responding to a report of a shoplifting, police found the man to be in possession of a cigarette which tested positive for marijuana. He was released on a criminal citation, pending trial.

Theft

June 17, 6:48 p.m., 6100 block of Greenbelt Road, a woman reported that her purse was stolen when she placed her pocketbook on a bench and was distracted while waiting for the Metro bus.

June 20, 4:10 p.m., Greenway Center, a resident woman was charged with attempted theft over \$500 and theft under \$500. A man reported that his locker at Bally's had been broken into and his gym bag taken, containing keys to his vehicle. He further reported that he immediately noticed a young black male in his early 20s waving what appeared to be the victim's car keys around in the parking lot as if trying to push the panic button to find the car. When the man approached the young man and demanded his car keys

back, the suspect claimed to have a gun. The man backed away and the suspect ran to a maroon 2004 Chevy Trailblazer bearing Maryland tags 460M870, jumped in and the vehicle sped away. The driver of the vehicle, the registered owner, was later identified by the victim. She was arrested and released on citation pending trial. Investigation is still ongoing.

Identity Theft

June 20, 2:22 p.m., 7700 block of Ora Court, a man reported that he received letters from two major retailers that he had not applied to, advising that his applications for credit cards had been denied as the companies were unable to verify some of the information provided on the applications. The retailers and the man's bank were immediately notified.

Disorderly Conduct

June 20, 3:45 p.m., Roosevelt Center, a woman was arrested for disorderly conduct after causing a disturbance by yelling profanity at kids and others in the center. She was transported to the station, charged and released on a criminal citation, pending trial.

Vehicle Crimes

The following vehicles were reported stolen: a 1996 red Toyota T100 truck, Maryland tags 70D482 from Greenway Center Drive at Hanover Parkway; a 2004 silver Acura TL, North Carolina tags PZB2911 from the 6200 block Springhill Drive; a 1999 burgundy Dodge Caravan, Maryland tags 370M249 and a 1999 gold Plymouth Voyager, Maryland tags 633M531 from Greenway Center; a 2000 green Chrysler Voyager, Maryland tags 702M257 from the 7500 block Hanover Parkway; and an unsecured Mongoose XL silver/black, 18-speed mountain bike from Roosevelt Center.

Five vehicles were recovered, two by Greenbelt police with no arrests made and three by outside departments with an arrest made in one recovery.

Vandalism to, theft from and attempted theft of vehicles were reported in the following areas: 6100 block Breezewood Drive, 5800 block Cherrywood Lane, 9300 block Edmonston Road, 6000 block Springhill Drive, 9200 block Springhill Lane, 15 Crescent Road, Greenway Center, 7600 block Greenbelt Road, 7400 block Greenway Center Drive, 7900 block Mandan Road (two incidents) and 8000 block Mandan Road.

Artists Prepare Kenilworth Sign

The new sign on the south-bound side of Kenilworth Avenue just after the Cherrywood Lane crossing was painted by some of Greenbelt's younger artists. Signed "The Children of Greenbelt," it says simply, "Thank You For Not Littering."

On Tuesday, June 13 at 3 p.m., some of the young artists were on hand to help a crew from the Maryland State Highway Administration erect the sign. (See accompanying photograph.) Jessamyn and Jeremy Daniel, Vivien and Pierce Barnett and Lawrence Klaess were joined by Wayne A. Mowdy, assistant district engineer for the highway administration and Greenbelt resident Bob Fireovid who conceived the project. Mowdy's cooperation throughout made the occasion possible.

Also on hand was Barbara Simon, president of Friends of New Deal Café Arts (FONDCA), which sponsored the project as part of the 2nd Annual Greenbelt Green Man Festival on May 13 and Neal Barnett, a member of the Greenbelt Recycling and Environmental Advisory Committee, who supported the sign project. Mayor Judith Davis and Councilmember Leta Mach were there as well. Eva Barnett, who guided the young painters in their work, was not able to attend the ceremony. Joe McNeal, assistant director of the Greenbelt Recreation Department, arranged for space at the Youth Center for the young artists to work.

Too Much Litter

Unfortunately litter is a growing problem in this area. The local district of the State Highway Administration, which encompasses western Prince George's County and eastern Montgomery County, now spends about \$2.5 million every year to pick up trash and litter from the state highways in this area, more than any other SHA district.

Much of the litter on local highways ends up in sewers, streams and creeks, eventually washing into the Anacostia and Potomac Rivers and their tributaries. State, local and federal officials, as well as citizen and environmental organizations, have organized to deal with this crisis. Mayor Judith Davis is signatory to an agreement pledging to make the Potomac virtually trash-free by 2013.

Studies show that litter-free communities have higher property values and lower rates of crime; criminals avoid litter-free neighborhoods because they believe residents are watchful in communities that are clean. Most Greenbelters maintain their community's appearance and ap-



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On June 13, a crew from the State Highway Administration erected the sign that was created by children as part of the 2nd Annual Greenbelt Green Man Festival on May 13.

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“Greening” Historic District Subject of City/GHI Meeting

by Mary Moien

The Greenbelt City Council held a stakeholder’s meeting with Greenbelt Homes, Inc. (GHI) on June 21. The council periodically meets with major components of the city to discuss issues and bring people up to date on activities. This meeting was a friendly gathering with only three topic items – the “Greening Greenbelt” initiative, the status of Greenbelt’s Historic District designation and a blind driveway entrance on Ridge Road.

Greening Greenbelt

GHI’s general manager, Gretchen Overdurff, and GHI board president, Julia Eichhorst, summarized the Greening Greenbelt project that was proposed by the Potomac Valley chapter of the American Institute of Architects (AIA). The AIA is proposing to help GHI members and other Greenbelt citizens plan for how the GHI section of the city will look over the next 30 years. An AIA representative spoke to the GHI membership at its May annual meeting. GHI itself was planning a “Green” ribbon panel to look into the future of the cooperative and these projects have similar goals.

Overdurff indicated that GHI still needs to be selected for the grant and the project but that the cooperative seems to be a very good fit with the AIA’s plans. Mayor Judith Davis stated that the city was going to put a small amount of money in the 2007 city budget to look at the future of the city, so this project is for-

titious. The entire city should be involved in the plans.

GHI board member Don Hudson commented that the small grant that is being applied for will cover a meeting and a report. All of the time of the AIA is pro bono – a huge gift to the city as there are 550 architects in the Potomac Valley chapter.

Councilmember Konrad Herling referred to the 1939 World’s Fair when Greenbelt was shown in a movie as the City of the Future. This will be another such occasion. He wants to be sure that transportation is part of the discussion. Davis added that education was an important issue. It was mentioned that the architects seemed to be drawn to the fact that GHI is a housing cooperative. Davis mentioned that the city is encouraging new builders in the city to look at the cooperative model.

Historic Designation

Davis asked for a status report on the City’s Historic District Designation. Since the majority of the proposed historic district is in GHI, the city had agreed to follow GHI’s lead on this issue. Eichhorst indicated that it’s been five or six years since GHI members voted to investigate the designation. It probably should be re-discussed and re-voted on. Davis indicated that the tax advantages of the designation have turned out not to be as positive as once thought. City Manager Michael McLaughlin indicated that changes at the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission regarding the commercial

center may have altered since that vote. The bottom line is that the idea is alive but it may need to be rethought.

Road Blind Spot

Vehicles exiting the driveway at 19 Ridge Road cannot be seen by drivers coming around the curve down Ridge Road. Those exiting the court cannot see vehicles approaching, although no one was aware of any accidents that had occurred at this location. GHI is asking the city to remove one street parking space to make the driveway more visible. A GHI member in the corner house has cut back some hedges but Davis indicated that there are still tall hedges there. She feels they interfere with the visibility even if the street parking space were eliminated.

McLaughlin commented that the area is already congested and that the hedge and not the parking space may be more important. Overdurff indicated that the house is in the process of being sold and the hedge might be an issue. GHI is going to review the situation.

Gunfire

GHI director Sheila Alpers mentioned gunfire as an issue that had been brought up at GHI’s annual meeting. It turns out that there are a surprising number of gun ranges close to the northeast end of GHI, including the Secret Service range on Powder Mill Road, Prince George’s Skeet Shoot near Goddard and a city police range on Beaver Dam Road (which surprised many). In addition, both the Beltsville

Agricultural Research Center and Goddard allow hunters at various times of the year. Atmospheric variations often allow the sound of gunfire to travel quite far.

Davis said the first thing that residents who hear gunfire should do is call the police. The members at the annual meeting said that the police were not interested. Davis continued to emphasize contacting the city police.

Traffic

Sylvia Lewis, GHI board member indicated that she was impressed with the new post office and can walk there from her

home. Her problem comes when trying to cross Greenbelt Road. No cars on Hanover Parkway will stop to let her cross. Various ideas were discussed but the intersection is under the jurisdiction of the State Highway Administration.

GHI board member David Morse asked for better pedestrian access from Southway to Greenway Shopping Center.

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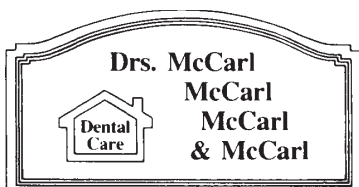


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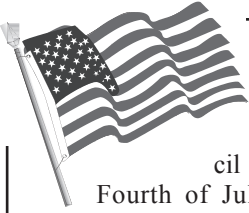


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by Kathleen Scott McFarland

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Greenbelt High served students from Berwyn, Berwyn Heights, Branchville, Hollywood and Beltsville in addition to Greenbelt and all areas were represented at the reunion. But to us Greenbelters, especially those from "pioneer" families who had moved here in 1937 or 1938 when the town was brand-new, it was more like a family get-together. Back then the crescent-shaped town consisted of the original row houses only; the Center School building (now the Community Center) and the shopping center. Even the "defense homes" were not built until 1942. All the kids went to school together and knew each other – and each other's brothers and sisters.

Families Came

At the reunion this year, whole families came together. I saw all three of the Grays: Mary Gray Cherry ('41), Bob Gray ('42) and Shirley Gray Bailey ('48); and all the Gussios: Ellen Domchick, Carl Gussio and Betty Shifflett.

Varina Craig McGowan was there with her sister Mary Jane from Florida and Donnie Wolfe came with two of his sisters, Dolores and Esther.

Over at the tables where the "younger" groups were sitting were two of the Kling sisters and the Taylor twins, Ronald and Roland. That large group, starting with those who graduated in 1952 from Northwestern, had attended Greenbelt for most of their high school years. Because of the change in the school system they had to finish at Northwestern but their hearts and roots are still in Greenbelt, as evidenced by their numbers and their enthusiasm.

Two former teachers were there: Emory Harman, who briefly taught at GHS long ago and Marion Benson Hastings, a former basketball star in her own class of '43, who returned after college to teach physical education for a brief period. And it was great to see Shirley Morrison Clute there with her daughter Shirley Price and her brother David and his wife.

At my Class of 1944 table people passing on their way to the buffet stopped to chat with Bart Finn and his wife Beverly. Each had a memory to share, a story to tell. Above the noise of the assembly, you could hear some words over and over – "the lake," "the band," "the water carnival," and names like Buddy Attick, police chief George Panagoulis, Ben Goldfaden, Miss Younger, Mr. Barnhart, Mr. Speicher – mentors and teachers we all had known.

Dorma Dealing

Gloria Shelton Drake ('51), chairman of the reunion commit-

tee, introduced Dorma Ashley Dealing from the first graduating class, 1938. The Ashleys had been the first family to move into the new town of Greenbelt, moving from Forest Glen to 1-G Gardenway in September 1937. Dorma first transferred from Montgomery Blair in Silver Spring to Bladensburg High School. At the March semester break in 1938 Greenbelt High School was opened, holding classes in Center School, since the high school building was not yet finished. Dorma was the only girl in the senior class of five members.

Until Next Year . . .

The Rev. Julian Tavenner ('50) gave the invocation and a little talk and Frank Porter ('47) read a memoir of his years at Greenbelt High. At the close of the short program Gloria Drake, who has done such a wonderful job of directing the last four GHS reunions, announced that next year that job would be taken over by Janet Roby ('48).

After enjoying the delicious luncheon buffet and reminiscing for several hours, the group reluctantly began to break up. Some had driven long distances to get here; a few stayed overnight to meet with close friends or family the next day. Somehow these get-togethers gain in importance each year. As friends departed you could hear the calls from table to table: "See you next year, God willing, the first Saturday in May!"



Dorma Ashley Dealing (center) with lifelong friends Lossie Thurston Falter and Varina Craig McGowan, both from the class of '39.



Marilyn Maryn Spiegel ('45), Gloria Shelton Drake ('51), Ellen Gussio Domchick ('45) and Maria Waters Snoddy ('51) in the back.

Places to Go, Things to See



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In celebration of this country's independence and freedom, Pepper wears her red, white and blue scarf for a ride in Old Greenbelt.

Festival Notes

The Greenbelt Labor Day Festival is just a few months away and will be here before anyone knows it. Listed below is information and contacts for different aspects of the festival.



2 at 6 p.m. Call Dennis Lewis at 301-577-1718.

Parade

Parade Chair Linda Ivy is currently taking applications from parade groups by email at lindaivy@aol.com. Parade applications are also available on the festival website.

Outstanding Citizen

Nominations for the 2006 Outstanding Citizen can be made by using the form in this newspaper and mailing it, completed, to Bob Zugby, 94 Ridge Road, Greenbelt, MD 20770.

Art/Photo Shows

It is not too early to consider submissions for the Art and Photo Shows. Future Festival Notes will have more information. Details can be obtained now by calling Barbara Simon about the art show at 301-474-2192 or Keith Zevallos about the photo show at 301-345-9696.

Shuttle Buses

The festival will again have a shuttle bus service for festival-goers. Drivers are currently being solicited for the service. Call Lester Whitmer at 301-345-8897.

Business Contributions

Area businesses wishing to contribute to the festival should contact Patti Brothers at 301-910-0050. Contributors receive public acknowledgment in festival materials. The success of the festival is directly related to the outside contributions it receives.

Volunteers

Volunteers are needed to assist in all festival areas. Ticket seller positions earning community service hours are available. In lieu of community service hours ticket sellers can be paid. The Festival Information Booth is also in need of volunteers. Contact Patti Brothers for further information and to volunteer.

Next Meeting

The next meeting of the festival committee is Thursday, July 6 at 7:30 p.m. at the Community Center. Get involved and keep in touch by phone or via the web.

The information above was compiled by Patti Brothers, Chair of the Greenbelt Labor Day Committee, and will be a regular feature in the News Review.

For more information or to get applications for many of the events online visit www.greembelt.com/laborday.

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