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Commentary

News Review Staff Take Stock As They Hold 69th Anniversary

No one knows whether early staff members of the Greenbelt News Review – then known as the Greenbelt Cooperator – held annual meetings, though residents at that time were so consistently engaged in going to meetings that an early city council established a one-time moratorium on the practice. If the paper's staff did hold annual meetings, the one attended here on October 29 would have been the 69th. In one more year the News Review will celebrate the beginning of its 7th decade of weekly publication.

Over time, of course, things have changed. In the early years publication was by means of a mimeograph machine. How many of our current readers could even describe that kind of office equipment? Later, when we moved to a linotype machine – a printing process now obsolete – it was an advancement. Now, of course, we use photo offset.

But back to this year's annual meeting.

This is when most members of the paper's sizable staff get together to share a meal; hear reports on the last year's achievements and problems; decide on changes in procedures, equipment and work assignments; and, finally, elect a group of fellow members to serve during the new year as the cooperative association's board of directors.

News Editor

One of the major topics under discussion at this year's meeting is how to accommodate Elaine Skolnik's desire to step down as news editor. For longer than most staff members can remember, she has functioned in that position. (She has been a staff member since 1955.) Following a serious illness last year and with diminishing energy, she would understandably like relief from her duties in assigning articles to other staff members and filling

them in on the particular issues of a given story. She would like to spend her time instead at what she loves best – doing investigative reporting.

Members at the meeting agreed this is a reasonable request. A committee will be formed to break up assignments into specific beats with responsibilities divided among separate individuals.

Despite the many challenges she enumerated, Editor Mary Lou Williamson complimented the staff of volunteers for successfully producing, for another year, a quality weekly newspaper that has become the primary source of community information in Greenbelt. Business Manager Ron Wells reported that the paper was not only financially solvent but had been able to add a little to its reserves to cover future losses.

On the negative side, however, was the report of continuing late delivery of the paper from the current printer and having to deal with customers who promise payment for scheduled ads but fail to keep their promise.

As the last item of business, the staff holds an election of board members for the future year. At this year's meeting, all members of the previous board were re-elected by acclamation. Later, when the board met briefly, the same officers were re-elected to their previous positions.

They are Eileen Farnham, president; Jim Giese, vice-president; Diane Oberg, treasurer and Tom White, secretary. Other members of the board are Virginia Beauchamp, Judy Bell and Pat Davis.

The board appoints the editor (Mary Lou Williamson), assistant editor (Barbara Likowski), news editor (Elaine Skolnik) and business manager (Ron Wells). Since board members have considered themselves fortunate that these staff members have performed so ably and for such long hours for the paper, they have been en-

couraged to keep their respective positions for as long as they are willing and able to do so.

Following a shared supper and an informative meeting, staff members enjoyed a pleasant evening of fellowship. As different staff members work at different jobs and on different days of the week, the annual meeting becomes the one time when all the paper's volunteers can freely interact.

A Challenging History

Since its inception in November 1937, the Greenbelt Cooperator/Greenbelt News Review has relied upon local citizens as volunteers to produce the paper. Depending on a small but reliable and supportive group of advertisers to pay production costs and the paper's free distribution throughout the city, the News Review has lived a pretty much hand-to-mouth existence. This has continued week in and week out for 69 years without our ever missing an issue.

Occasional crises have occurred, however. Many decades ago the boards of directors of both the Co-op grocery and Greenbelt Homes, Inc., the cooperative that for many years provided free work space to this independent paper, became dissatisfied enough with what the paper reported that they made efforts to remove advertising.

At other times the lack of adequate funds stimulated fund drives which were successful. Sometimes other area weekly newspapers, better financed with advertising and with paid professional staffs, have offered competition. However, some of those papers are no longer around, while the News Review survives.

In the early 1950s, when five Greenbelters were suspended from the Navy Department as security risks, our paper was branded as "communist-like."

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Greenbelt City Council Identifies Legislative Issues

by Thomas X. White

At its regular meeting on November 13, the Greenbelt City Council reviewed staff recommendations for priority legislative issues and advocacy during the 2007 legislative sessions of the Maryland General Assembly and the Prince George's County Council.

As is customary, Assistant City Manager David Moran presented the proposed legislative program in time to have the final program available for the legislative dinner meeting with Greenbelt's legislators on December 18.

The summary of legislative priorities provides a road map for city council and staff interactions with legislative representatives and other key elected officials. It also provides Greenbelt residents a useful guide to the items of special interest likely to come before the legislature in 2007.

State legislators for District 22, who were all recently reelected for new four year terms, are Senator Paul Pinsky of University Park, Delegate Anne Healey of Hyattsville, Delegate Tawanna Gaines of Berwyn Heights and

Delegate Justin Ross of Greenbelt. Ingrid Turner of Bowie will represent Greenbelt on the Prince George's County Council.

Tom Dernoga was reelected to the county council for District 1 and, since his council district includes a small portion of Greenbelt West just east of the railroad tracks, Dernoga will also be invited to the city's legislative dinner.

State Issues

Greenbelt city staff recommended that council support three state legislative issues in 2007. First is to seek \$500,000 in state bond funding to help with the city's efforts in renovating the Old Greenbelt Theatre.

Issue number two relates to funding for public safety. It seeks an increase for Greenbelt in the percentage of the police surcharge for municipalities with police departments. The request is for an increase to 50 percent, the same percentage that the City of Laurel now receives.

Also for public safety, the city

See COUNCIL, page 6

Morales and Crowley Feted As Appointed Board Exits

by Rivéa Ruff

It was a packed house in the grand ballroom at Martin's Crosswinds in Greenbelt on November 15. County officials, educators, students, friends and family gathered to honor and bid farewell to the appointed Prince George's County Board of Education. The Evening of Celebration highlighted their accomplishments.

The retiring members were honored with spoken addresses from Prince George's County officials, video documentaries from student journalists and television personalities and a musical performance from students and educators.

"Prince George's County Schools made great progress over the last four years," said John Deasy, CEO of Prince George's County Public Schools. "It is

because of your leadership."

Part of that leadership came from two representatives from Greenbelt: José Morales and Abby Crowley. Morales and Crowley entered service on the school board knowing the challenge ahead. When they were appointed, the school system had a serious budget deficit, underqualified and underpaid teachers, low student achievement rates and no superintendent.

The previous school board had a poor public reputation and the system was in desperate need of change. "We were all brand new and we all had our own areas of expertise," said Crowley. "Anytime you bring nine people together with different backgrounds

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News Review staff members at the Annual Meeting.

PHOTO BY BILL CORNETT

What Goes On

Friday, December 1

7 p.m., Opening Ceremony and Holiday Tree Lighting, Community Center Front Lawn

Saturday, December 2

10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Juried Art and Craft Fair, Community Center
1 p.m., Holiday Musical Interlude, Piano Recital and Community Sing-a-Long, Community Center Multipurpose Room

Sunday, December 3

11 a.m. to 4 p.m., Juried Art and Craft Fair, Community Center

Thursday December 7

7:30 p.m., Community Relations Advisory Board (CRAB), Municipal Building

7:30 p.m., GHI Board of Directors Meeting, GHI Board Room

Letters

THANKS

Many thanks for the generous sponsorships of the 2006 Utopia Film Festival held in Roosevelt Center on October 28 and 29. Public credit is deserved by the Prince George's Arts Council, Friends of the New Deal Café Arts (FONDCA), Tom and Helen White of Greenbelt, Lynn J. Holt of Hyattsville and Jasmynes Place/BWI Florists & Bridal.

Utopia Film Festival
Committee

Congratulations

Congratulations to Lourditia N. Whaples for winning the \$50 gift card from Target. Participants in the November 17 blood drive at the Community Center shared in the raffle drawing.

Janet Goldberg
Recreation Coordinator

Kind Words Needed

I was disappointed to read last week's obituaries column regarding Miles Johnson. I understand that the format is up to the editor, but to detail a police report and praise the Reverend's mission in someone's obituary? Of course she should be applauded but in that venue it didn't feel appropriate. Where were the kind words for Miles or his family? People make mistakes, bad choices and even get stuck sometimes, but the events of that night should not define Miles. Miles Johnson was a genuinely bright light. His laughter could inspire even the most negative of vibes. His profound insight gave him the ability to connect and befriend all different types of people. Easy going, thoughtful, respectful and generous in spirit, he was truly loved and will be missed by many of us here in Greenbelt.

Rene Spector

The News Review series on American Education Week which focused on teacher profiles from Greenbelt schools will continue in the next issue.

Correction

The site of the December 5 workshop, "Marketing Your Nonprofit Arts Organization," will be the Greenbelt Community Center.

The final word in last week's obituary of Miles Johnson was inadvertently omitted. The sentence should have been: The investigation is continuing. The News Review regrets the omission.

American Legion Auxiliary Greenbelt Unit #136

Presents

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Saturday, December 9, 2006 – 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Greenbelt American Legion Post 136
6900 Greenbelt Road

For Info Call: Rusty Beeg
301-577-3025
Email: rbeeg@verizon.net

To donate auction items call:
Kathleen
301-474-2249

Refreshments will be available!

Homework Issues? Listen to This

On Tuesday, December 5 at the Greenbelt Elementary School PTA's monthly meeting there will be a discussion of the role and utility of homework in children's education. PTA members and nonmembers alike are invited to learn about the county school system and Greenbelt Elementary School policies on the use of homework, to discuss some of the issues that homework raises for parents and to learn some of the arguments leveled against the use of homework as commonly practiced.

The meeting will be held at the school, 66 Ridge Road, in the Media Center. Approximately 45 minutes are planned for this topic. As always, the PTA provides child care on meeting nights.

Chromatics Holiday Concert December 9

The Chromatics return to the Greenbelt Arts Center on Saturday, December 9 at 8 p.m. and Sunday, December 10 at 2 p.m. with performances of their annual holiday concert. The Chromatics will present a lively mix of classic and humorous holiday tunes, inventive originals and a variety of covers, all performed without instruments (vocal percussion doesn't count). This year's concert, "got nog?," will include several new original tunes from the group.

The Chromatics (Padi Boyd, Deb Nixon [both from Greenbelt], Barry Mahaffey, John Meyer, Alan Smale and Karen Smale) regularly perform at public arts and science venues around the D.C. metro area. With day jobs in scientific and technical fields, they bring a distinctive edge to their original songs about the modern world, the Internet, TV, suburbia and the horrors of bad hair.

The Chromatics' nationally acclaimed AstroCappella project connects kids and teachers to astronomy through music. Their astronomically-correct tunes have delighted educators and museum goers across the country.

The Chromatics' 10th anniversary GAC concert will include guest a cappella groups from Greenbelt's Eleanor Roosevelt High School. Call the Greenbelt Arts Center box office at 301-441-8770 to reserve tickets.

Enjoyment Abounds At the Local Library

by Karen Seaton, Info Specialist

Get the most enjoyment possible from this season. Come to the library to borrow books and videos about Christmas, Hanukkah, Kwanzaa, New Years Day and other holidays. Staff have organized displays about cooking, entertaining, decorating and relating to family and friends. There are also displays on holiday-themed fiction and many books about the winter season in the children's department.

The children's book discussion group "Bookids," especially for children 8 to 12 years, is in progress. It has moved to a new time: 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. on the second Wednesday of the month. The theme for this year is "Dogs for All Seasons." There is a dog in every story. This month the group will discuss "Henry Huggins" on December 13. New members are always welcome to participate in the program. The goal is to encourage children to have fun with books. The adult book discussion group will meet again on January 17 to discuss "Middlesex" by Jeffrey Eugenides.

For more information, come into the library, call 301-345-5800 or visit the web site at www.pgmls.info. Renew books by phone (301-333-3111), online or in person. Up to 75 items may be borrowed at once with a library card.

Coming Events

Tuesday, December 5, 10:30 a.m., Cuddletime for newborns to 17 months with caregiver, limit 15 babies. Wednesday, December 6, 10:30 and 11 a.m., Toddler-time, for ages 18 to 35 months with caregiver, limit 15 children. Thursday, December 7, 10:30 a.m., Drop-in Storytime for ages 3 to 5, limit 20 children.

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Week of December 1 FRI. – SAT.

Happy Feet, PG (!)
12:15, 2:35, 5, 7:30, 10
Deck the Halls, PG (!)
12:30, 2:50, 5, 7:20, 10:20
Turistas, R (!)
12:30, 2:45, 5:10, 7:20, 10:20
Casino Royale, PG-13 (!)
12, 3:10, 6:30, 9:45
Deja Vu, PG-13 (!)
1, 4, 7:10, 10
SUN.

Happy Feet, PG (!)
12:15, 2:35, 5, 7:30
Deck the Halls, G (!)
12:30, 2:50, 5, 7:50
Turistas, R (!)
12:30, 2:45, 5:10, 7:20
Casino Royale, PG-13 (!)
1, 4, 7:15
Deja Vu, PG-13 (!)
1, 4, 7:10
MON. – THUR.
Happy Feet, PG (!)
5, 7:30
Deck the Halls, PG (!)
5:20, 7:50
Turistas, R (!)
5:20, 7:30
Casino Royale, PG-13 (!)
4:45, 7:45
Deja Vu, PG-13 (!)
5, 7:45

Grin Belt



"Grab the acorns and the pine cones. They were best sellers at last year's art and craft fair."

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PRELIMINARY AGENDA MEETING OF GHI BOARD OF DIRECTORS Thursday, December 7, 2006 GHI BOARD ROOM, 7:30 PM

Key Agenda Items:

- Proposed Window Changes, 4G Gardenway
- Requested Resale Exception for Over Height Fence, 13F Laurel Hill
- Revision of Rules for Yard Lines
- Member Request for Exception – Co-op Fee Payment Procedure
- Expenditure Authorization #1 – 2nd Reading
- Third Quarter Operating Statements
- Establish 2007 Meeting Schedule

Regular board meetings are open to members.

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Eileen Farnham, president; James Giese, vice president; Diane Oberg, treasurer; Thomas X. White, secretary; Virginia Beauchamp, Judy Bell and Pat Davis.

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

Nursery School Information Night

On Monday, December 11 Greenbelt Nursery School will host a forum on kindergarten options available to families in Greenbelt and nearby communities. Representatives from public and private schools will present information on their programs and will be available for questions and discussion.

The forum will take place on December 11 from 7 to 9 p.m. in room 202 (Theater Rehearsal Room) of the Greenbelt Community Center at 15 Crescent Road. Parking is available in the parking lot behind the Greenbelt Public Library.

Participating schools include Greenbelt Elementary School, Berwyn Baptist School, the Newport School, Friends Community School, Excel Academy Public Charter School, Holy Redeemer School, Acorn Hill Waldorf Nursery & Kindergarten and St. Hugh's School. The forum is open to all, free of charge. This is the sixth year in which Greenbelt Nursery School has sponsored a kindergarten forum as a service to its members and to the broader community.

Greenbelt Nursery School is a not-for-profit parent cooperative nursery school in its 64th year of operation. For more information about the school visit its website at www.greenbelt.com/gnsk. For more information about the kindergarten forum call the school at 301-474-5570 or email questions to gnsk@greenbelt.com.

GHI Notes

Upcoming meetings and events include:

Tuesday, December 5 – SDP Land Use Work Group, 7 p.m., Board Room; Member and Community Relations, 7 p.m., Lunch Room;

Wednesday, December 6 – SDP Energy Work Group, 7 p.m., Board Room;

Thursday, December 7 – Board of Directors meeting, 7:30 p.m., Board Room;

Saturdays, December 2 and 9 – Leaf bags will be distributed at garage #24 in the 6 Court of Hillside between 9 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.

Members may also pick up leaf bags Monday through Friday between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. at the GHI Office reception area.

Photo Club Welcomes All

The Greenbelt Photo Club invites the community to share some holiday cheer and to see what is happening at the photo club. The meeting is December 12 in the Greenbelt Community Center, Room 112, 7:30 to 9 p.m. Light refreshments will be served.

Greenbelt Park Aids Food Bank Drive

Greenbelt Park, a unit of the National Park Service, will collect non-perishable food items as a part of the Federal Women's Food Drive to help the Capital Area Food Bank.

Collection boxes at the park headquarters will be available Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. and at the ranger station seven days a week from 8 a.m. to 3:45 p.m.

The park entrance is located between Kenilworth Avenue and the Baltimore-Washington Parkway at 6565 Greenbelt Road. For information call 301-344-3948.

GEAC Meets Dec. 7

The Greenbelt East Advisory Committee (GEAC) will meet on Thursday, December 7 at 7:30 p.m. at Hunting Ridge.

ACE Offers Reading Incentive Program

The ACE Reading Club, a free reading incentive program offered by the City of Greenbelt, is hosting a club meeting on December 4 at 4:30 p.m. in the Greenbelt CARES office. This club meeting is open to students in grades 3 through 6 for children who live in Greenbelt but do not attend a Greenbelt school such as home schooled students or students in TAG/Magnet programs outside the city. Club meetings will focus on reading-related activities and games that are designed to inspire students to read for enjoyment. Activities include reading aloud, creative writing, games, arts and crafts, Book-it cable tapings and more.

Young children and their parents are invited to attend the ACE Reading Club Book Buddies on December 11 at 4:30 p.m. in the Greenbelt CARES office. A high school volunteer or ACE staff member will read an age-appropriate book which will be followed by refreshments and a short period of socializing. This program is targeted at children ages 4 through 7. Pre-registration is required.

For information or to register contact Liz Murray, program coordinator at lmurray@greenbeltmd.gov.

Genealogical Society Meets Wednesday

Prince George's County Genealogical Society meets Wednesday, December 6 at 7 p.m. in the Greenbelt library, lower level. After a short business meeting, Phyllis Legare will present "Where Are They Now: Census Research," how to find ancestors by searching online census data. Come find out what online data sources are available; some free, some for a fee. Check www.rootsweb.com/~mdpgccgs for additional PGCGS information.

Combined Choir Presents Concert

The Greenbelt Combined Choir will present its Christmas Concert on Sunday, December 10 at 7:30 p.m. at the Greenbelt Community Church, Hillside and Crescent Roads.

The choir has been singing since 1971. This year's concert will include a selection from Robert Shaw's "The Many Moods of Christmas," as well as selections from traditional Bach to modern gospel. All are welcome to come and enjoy the music and to participate in the singing of traditional Christmas carols. Refreshments will follow in the Fellowship Hall. All are invited.

Lively Happenings At New Deal Café

A busy week is coming up at the New Deal Café. On Tuesday night, December 6 Vasili presents "Experiments in Viola," classical and experimental music. Steve Haug plays folk music on Thursday, December 7; Norm and Holly also perform traditional folk melodies on Friday evening, December 8. Over next weekend Gina DeSimone presents contemporary urban and traditional folk music on Saturday night and Magic Ray plays jazz from 3 to 5 p.m. on Sunday. All other shows begin at 8 p.m.

Greenbriar Holds Holiday Toy Drive

Make a child's holiday! Greenbriar will accept donations of new or gently used toys in its office from December 1 to 18.

Marriage Seminar Set for January

A marriage seminar will be held at Eleanor Roosevelt High School on Saturday, January 20 from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. John J. Nealon, Ph.D. will speak on "Relationship Recipes and Remedies."

He is a therapist, author and speaker who has counseled thousands of couples. (For more information, see ad on back page.)

Seasonal Events At Greenbriar

Greenbriar's tree lighting ceremony will be held on Sunday, December 10 at 7 p.m. in the GCA Building. Breakfast with Santa will take place on Saturday, December 16 at 10 a.m. in Greenbriar's Terrace Room. For more information call 301-441-1096 ext. 11.

OLD GREENBELT THEATRE WEEK OF DEC. 1 THE QUEEN (PG-13)

Friday *5:15, 7:30, 9:45

Saturday *3, *5:15, 7:30, 9:45

Sunday *3, *5:15, 7:30

Monday – Thursday *5:15, 7:30

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City Information

GREENBELT FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS



Opening Ceremony and Holiday Tree Lighting, Friday, 12/1, 7pm, Community Center Front Lawn, Santa, refreshments, and festive fun!

Music provided by the Pearls (doo-wop) of Eleanor Roosevelt High School and the Greenbelt Concert Band Brass Choir.

Pancake Breakfast, Saturday 12/2, from 8:00am to 11:00am, American Legion Post #136, Greenbelt, Open to all ages. Adults: \$7.00 (At the Door), \$6.00, (Advance Sales) Age 6 to 12: \$4.00 (At the Door), \$3.00 (Advance Sales) Children 5 & Under: FREE Start a busy day of community fun with a hearty home-style breakfast of pancakes and sausage. Santa will be in attendance! Information: Linda Varda / 301-474-8964 *Hosted by: The Greenbelt Lions Club & The American Legion Post #136*

Juried Art & Craft Fair, Saturday 12/2, from 10:00am to 5:00pm (All Ages Craft Workshop: 11:00am-1:00pm), Sunday 12/3 from 11:00am to 4:00pm, (All Ages Wreath Workshop: 1:00pm-3:00pm) Community Center, Admission is free.

Our annual fair offers a wonderful opportunity to find unique hand-crafted gifts, available directly from the artisans. Concessions, provided by the Greenbelt Arts Center, will also be available for purchase. Children under the age of 10 must be supervised by an adult.

Holiday Musical Interlude, Piano Recital & Community Sing-a-Long, Saturday 12/2, 1:00pm, Community Center Multipurpose Room, All ages—FREE

Full Schedule at www.greenbeltmd.gov

VACANCIES ON BOARDS & COMMITTEES

Volunteer to serve on City Council advisory groups. Vacancies exist on the: Arts Advisory Board, Advisory Committee on Education, Advisory Planning Board, Employee Relations Board, Public Safety Advisory Committee, Recycling & Environment Advisory Committee, Youth Advisory Committee (youth and adult positions)

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

LEAF VACUUM SCHEDULE 2006-07

The City Public Works Department will again collect loose leaves from the following areas with the leaf vacuum from November 6, 2006 until January 19, 2007. We remind residents to rake the leaves to the curb, but not into the street, and to remove all sticks and stones from the pile as these can damage the machinery. Areas to be collected will be posted as in past years.

UPCOMING PICK UPS...WEEK OF:

December 4 – 8: Lakeside & Greenspring I & II
December 11 – 15: Boxwood

For more information call 301-474-8004

Meetings for December 4-8

Thursday, December 7, 7:30pm, Community Relations Advisory Board (CRAB), Municipal Building.

This schedule is subject to change. For confirmation that a meeting is being held call the number listed above, or contact the City Clerk at 301-474-8000 or kgallagher@greenbeltmd.gov.

GREENBELT MUNICIPAL/PUBLIC ACCESS CHANNEL 71

MUNICIPAL ACCESS: 301-474-8000: Tuesday & Thursday, December 5 & 7 10am & 6pm "Ask the Expert-Emergency Preparedness" 6:30pm "Greenbelt Museum Lecture" 7:30pm: Greenbelt Labor Day Festival presents "Wayne Brown & 2nd Conspiracy"

PUBLIC ACCESS (GATE): 301-507-6581:

Wednesday and Friday, December 6 & 8: 7pm "Medicare Rx Costs, Coverage & Customer Service in 2007" 7:30pm "Today's Bowhunter-Leopard" 8pm "Roosevelt Democratic Club w/Peggy Magee, Clerk of the Circuit Court"

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Services Available: First Class Mail, Priority Mail, Parcel Packages (up to 10 lbs.), Express Mail, Media Mail, International Air Mail, Customs Declaration, Delivery Confirmation, Signature Confirmation, Insured Mail, Return Receipt, Certified Mail, Stamps, Commemorative Stamps, Hold Mail Forms, Change of Address Forms
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Greenbelt Boys and Girls Club, Inc.

Join us for our 2006 annual

Board of Directors Election

hosted at the Youth Center

December 5, 2006

7:30 p.m.

All GBGC members and interested individuals are encouraged to attend.

Pilgrims Visit Local Elementary School

by ESOL Team
Springhill Lake Elementary

On Tuesday, November 21 Pilgrims were spotted at Springhill Lake Elementary School. Pamela Hickey and Virginia Cofie visited the ESOL (English as a Second Language) students and brought with them the authentic clothing of a Pilgrim woman and some other authentic items used by the Pilgrims.

Hickey and Cofie explained what each item of clothing was and why the Pilgrims wore it. Then one student from each ESOL group was selected and dressed to illustrate what a Pilgrim would have looked like.

Items used by the Pilgrims, such as wooden spoons, forks made from a bull's horn, flints, flax and wool were also shared with the students.

The demonstration ended with a tasting party, where the students tried some traditional Thanksgiving foods, including stuffing, cranberries, sweet potatoes and pumpkin pie. Great fun was had by all!



5th Grade English as a Second Language students celebrate the Pilgrims at Springhill Lake Elementary School with their teacher, Miss Cofie: Edgardo Bentiz, Sarah Reyes. At the table: Teresa Guerviero-Hernandez, Wendy Viedela and Chrissie Hena.

At left, Teacher Pamela Hickey helps second-grader Lorenda Boccovi show classmates how the Pilgrims dressed at Springhill Lake Elementary School.

— photos by Heather Forest

Drum Ensemble At U. of Maryland

On Thursday, December 7 at 7:30 p.m. the UM African Drum ensemble, Amadou Kouyate, music director, will present a free concert. This will be an evening of beautiful West African rhythms and cultural heritage brought to life by the djembe orchestra. This event is presented by Graduate Studies in Ethnomusicology, Musicology and Ethnomusicology Division in Kay Theatre of the Clarice Smith Performing Arts Center.

Winter Concert At Catholic University

The Catholic University of America (CUA) Town and Gown Community Chorus presents "A Winter Concert" on Tuesday, December 5 at 8 p.m. at St. Vincent de Paul Chapel, 620 Michigan Ave., N.E., Washington, D.C.

Kevin O'Brien, a CUA doctoral candidate in sacred music, will direct. The concert selections will include: Thompson's "Frostiana," Pergolesi's "Laudate pueri" and Haydn's "Partsongs." Admission is free. For information, contact 202-319-5414.



Catholic Community of Greenbelt MASS

Sundays 10 A.M.
Municipal Building

Baha'i Faith

"Take ye counsel together in all matters, inasmuch as consultation is the lamp of guidance which leadeth the way, and is the bestower of understanding."
— Bahá'u'lláh

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Rev. Dr. Paul C. Kim, Pastor
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Hemphill – Timer

Betty and Joe Timer are pleased to announce the wedding of their son Jeffrey Timer to Amy Hemphill of Severn on November 11, 2006, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Reisterstown, Md. Pete Timer, brother of the groom, was best man. The bride is a sales representative for NSL Animal Health in Owings Mills. The groom is Golf Course Superintendent of Indian Spring Country Club in Silver Spring. After a Hawaiian honeymoon the couple will live in Reisterstown.

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Judye Hering was inducted as an honorary member in the Golden Key International Honor Society. As guest speaker on Sunday, November 19 at the University of Maryland, Hering spoke about service learning, community partnerships and how the University of Maryland student-tutors enhance the academics and improve the lives of Greenbelt students and students living in the neighboring Prince George's County community. Over 150 students and parents attended the installation ceremony. In addition, as Honorary Member, Hering received a Golden Key pin.

Planetarium Presents Holiday Program

The planetarium at the Howard B. Owens Science Center, 9601 Greenbelt Road in Lanham, presents a holiday favorite program, "Rudolf Flu," on Friday, December 8 at 7:30 p.m. In this saga, something is wrong at the reindeer stable! Come share in the lessons Santa's dog, Sirius, learns from his friends in the sky in order to help save the day.

A tour of the current night sky will follow the presentation. There is a fee. Call 301-918-8750 during school hours for more information.

New Dances At Smith Center

On Thursday and Friday, December 7 and 8 at 6 p.m. the UM Department of Dance presents "New Dances," an informal showing of work. This free performance takes place in the Dance Theatre of the Clarice Smith Performing Arts Center.



Top Finishers (from left): Glen Carey (3rd place Male), Jake Bowling (2nd place Male), Matt Powell (1st place Male), Julia DeBernardis (2nd place Female), Elizabeth Fairey (1st place Female), Larry and Haley Hilliard (1st place Family). (Not pictured: Lisa Goines, 3rd place Female)

to the first-place family. The top finishers in the male category, in order of finish, were Matt Powell, Jake Bowling, and Glen Carey. Elizabeth Fairey won the female category, followed by Julia DeBernardis and Lisa Goines. Larry Hilliard and his daughter, Haley, were the top finishers in the family category. Congratulations to all that braved the wet and cold weather and completed the race. Recreation staff is already looking forward to next year's race.

The Recreation Department would like to thank the sponsors for the Gobble Wobble 5K. Thanks to The Knights of Columbus for their monetary donation and to the Greenbelt Co-Op for donating both bananas and bags for the race. A special thanks to Susan Keifline and Stitchin' It for supplying such great shirts for the race. The department would also like to thank Mike Gill, Mike Cooney, and P.G. County Medic 53 for providing on-hand medical service.



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Inaugural Gobble Wobble 5K a Great Success

On Thanksgiving morning the Recreation Department held the first ever Gobble Wobble 5K race. The idea for the race sprouted from the department's new initiative "Greenbelt Gets Active." Despite the wet and cold weather, nearly one hundred runners and walkers arrived at the Greenbelt Youth Center eager to get some exercise in before their Thanksgiving feast. With the event in its first year, Recreation staff was very pleased with the turnout for the race. There were approximately fifty pre-registrants. That number almost doubled with numerous people registering the morning of the race. A diverse crowd participated in the race including experienced runners, novice runners, families, and individuals just looking to get a good walk in before they started their day. Prior to the race, Sergeant Chuck Dyson from the Sergeant's Program led a warm-up activity for all participants.

With the fire of a starting gun, the 3.1 mile race began with a swift-footed turkey leading the way. The race course began on the path beside Braden Field and took runners around Greenbelt Lake two times before they returned to the starting place. Prizes were awarded to the top 3 male and female finishers and

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is encouraged to support new funding for a joint municipal communications center to provide centralized radio communications and records management for the cities of Greenbelt, Hyattsville, Bladensburg, Riverdale Park and Mount Rainier.

The third recommended priority seeks legislation to prohibit gas stations which currently own a liquor license from transferring the license to another gas station or owner.

County Issues

Four county legislative issues are recommended for 2007. The first seeks annual county funding to reimburse Greenbelt for its school resource officer (SRO) costs. Through the efforts of Councilmember Douglas J.J. Peters, the city received SRO funds from the county for 2006, but was not assured that the funding would be renewed annually. Most other county schools enjoying the benefit of SRO programs do receive annual funding from the county.

County issue number 2 is perennial for Greenbelt. The city continues to seek an increased share of funding from the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission (M-NCPPC) in the form of direct grants and program support. The city has long sought a more equitable allocation of M-NCPPC funding for its recreation programs.

The third county priority is continuing to seek funding for land acquisition and construction of a new Greenbelt fire station.

Another perennial issue is the

fourth county priority, a hot topic during the recent primary and general elections. It seeks legislation to enable provisions enacted last year in the Maryland General Assembly (HB 654) allowing county councils to delegate to municipalities certain responsibilities for detailed site plan approval; certification, revocation and revision of nonconforming uses; minor changes to approved special exceptions and vacation of municipal right-of-way.

Additional Items

The legislative summary by Moran also includes topics labeled "Alert Items," "Other Issues of City Interest," "Items on the Maryland Municipal League

(MML) Legislative Program" and the "Legislative Program of the Prince George's County Municipal Association."

These include items of long-standing concern or interest to the City of Greenbelt. They are included in the annual legislative priorities document so that legislators and council members are aware of the city's continuing interest.

Alert items include continued or increased funding by the state and county for Greenbelt Cares and an update on development issues in Greenbelt West. Other issues presented by Moran include support for the Purple Line mass transit initiative, opposition to the

Intercounty Connector and opposition to the extension/expansion of MD 201 (Kenilworth Avenue/Edmonston Road).

The city is also interested in a provision for municipalities to act as electricity aggregators, additional funding for noise barriers along the Beltway/I-95 in Greenbelt and full funding of the Thornton Commission education program. Other issues are creation of a MD container deposit program (Greenbelt REAC proposal), issues with the county's TheBus service and increased penalties for red light and speed camera violations.

Finally, the 2007 legislative priorities summary lists the four MML priority items for state leg-

islation: increased aid for police protection, local government authorization to purchase street lights, building bridges with members of the Maryland General Assembly and municipal electricity opt-out aggregation.

Approval

Council agreed with the summary as presented and approved its adoption. Now staff will further develop the priority issues and other items, describing each in detail with appropriate background information. The materials will be assembled into a booklet for ready use at the planned legislative dinner and as a reference document for legislators during the coming year.

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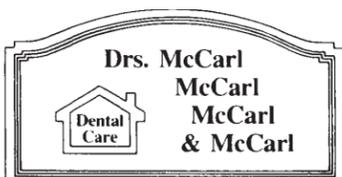


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Robberies

November 17, 4:12 p.m., 6000 block Springhill Drive, a man reported that he was approached by a man in a parking lot. The man produced a knife and announced a robbery. After obtaining the victim's wallet he fled on foot toward Cherrywood Lane. The suspect is described as a black male, 20 to 25 years of age, 6' with a thin build, wearing a brown jacket and blue jeans.

November 19, 9:13 p.m., 6000 block Springhill Drive, a man reported that he was walking to a residence when he was approached from behind by a man who asked for a dollar, then produced a handgun and demanded the victim's wallet. After obtaining the wallet the man ran to a nearby vehicle, where a second person stood waiting for him. Both entered the vehicle and fled. The vehicle is described as a gray 4-door bearing unknown Maryland tags. The suspects are described as a black male, approximately 20 years of age, 6', 185 pounds with black hair in shoulder-length braids, wearing loose, dark blue pants and a gray coat; and a black male, 5'5", 165 pounds.

Police Blotter

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

Drug Arrests

November 17, 5:51 p.m., Beltway Plaza, a nonresident man was arrested and charged with possession of paraphernalia after police stopped a suspicious person who was shouting obscenities in front of the shopping center. The man was found to be in possession of paraphernalia commonly used to smoke marijuana. He was released on citation pending trial.

November 19, 6:10 a.m., Kenilworth Avenue and Greenbelt Road, a nonresident man was arrested and charged with possession of paraphernalia after police observed a suspicious vehicle with the driver slumped over the wheel in the travel lane of the roadway. As the officer attempted to wake up the driver, the vehicle began to roll down a ramp and the officer had to break out a window to gain entry and stop it. Located in the vehicle was paraphernalia commonly used to store marijuana. A computer check revealed

that the driver had an open warrant with the Prince George's County Sheriff's Department. He was released on citation to the Department of Corrections for service of the warrant.

November 22, 12:07 a.m., Northway Ball Fields, two nonresident youths were arrested for possession of marijuana and possession of paraphernalia after police observed a suspicious occupied vehicle in the parking lot of the fields. Upon approaching the vehicle an officer detected the odor of what he believed to be marijuana. One of the youths was in possession of a quantity of suspected marijuana; paraphernalia commonly used to smoke marijuana was located in the vehicle. Both youths were released to parents pending action by the juvenile justice system.

Disorderly Conduct

November 17, 1:29 p.m., 7500 block Greenway Center Drive, a nonresident man was arrested and

charged with disorderly conduct when he was observed illegally placing handbills on vehicles in the Greenway Center parking lot. When asked to stop placing the handbills he became disorderly, shouting profanities and interrupting the flow of business. The man was released on citation pending trial.

Vandalism

November 17, 9:09 p.m., 7300 block Hanover Parkway, a man reported that he observed two people break out the window of a doctor's office. They then fled on foot toward Greenbrook Drive. The suspects are described as two black males in their teens, one with a light complexion wearing jeans.

Vehicle Crimes

The following vehicles were stolen: a 2003 Jeep Cherokee from the 200 block of Lakeside Drive; a brown 1998 Plymouth Voyager, Maryland tags M891212 from the 6200 block Breezewood Drive; a gold 1994 Cadillac El-

dorado 2-door, bearing unknown D.C. tags from the 9100 block Edmonston Court; and a tan 2000 Honda Civic 4-door, Maryland tags HBT135 from the 11 Court Ridge Road.

Two vehicles were recovered by outside police departments with no arrests in either recovery.

Vandalism to, theft from, attempted theft from and attempted theft of vehicles were reported in the following areas: 7900 block Mandan Road, 7000 block Mathew Street, 7200 block South Ora Court, 7400 block Frankfort Drive, 7800 block Somerset Drive, 7200 block Hanover Drive, 7200 and 7300 blocks Hanover Parkway (four incidents), Greenway Center, 200 block Lakeside Drive, 100 block Westway (three incidents), 6000 block Golden Triangle Drive, 6100 block Breezewood Court, 6100 and 6200 blocks Breezewood Drive (three incidents), 5800 block Cherrywood Lane, 5900 block Cherrywood Terrace, Cherrywood Terrace and Cherrywood Court, 9100 and 9300 blocks Edmonston Road (three incidents), 6100 block Springhill Terrace and Beltway Plaza (two incidents).

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 Defendants.)

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

The object of the above-styled suit is to effect adverse possession of real estate lying in the City of Charlottesville, Virginia consisting of 624 South First Street, TMP 280202000 (the "Property"), and being the same Property conveyed by Lucian Farrar, Jr. to his sole heir, his wife, Ida Jane Farrar, by his Will dated October 9, 1942 and recorded in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court for the City of Charlottesville, Virginia in Will Book 7, page 211, of which Lucian Farrar, Jr. died seized and possessed; and being the same property conveyed by Ida Jane Farrar to her sole heir, her son, James E. Farrar, by her Will dated November 17, 1953, and recorded in the Clerk's Office for the Circuit Court of the City of Charlottesville, Virginia in Will Book 15, page 330, of which Ida Jane Farrar died seized and possessed; and being the same property owned by James E. Farrar, aka Lucian James Edward Farrar, at the time of his death and passing by intestate succession to his sole heirs, his daughters Elizabeth F. Jones and Dorothy F. Watts; and to grant the Property to Plaintiff herein, James Elam, by adverse possession.

It appearing by Affidavit that due diligence has been used without effect to ascertain the location of the following Respondents: the unknown heirs of Elizabeth Jones and Dorothy Watts; and

It appearing by Affidavit that there are or may be persons interested in the subject matter of this suit whose names are unknown, namely any and all persons who may be heirs, assignees or successors in title to Elizabeth Jones and Dorothy Watts, whose names are unknown, and said Complaint making said persons parties respondent by the general description of "Parties Unknown," and an Affidavit having been made and filed that they are unknown, it is ORDERED that the aforesaid Defendants by the general description of "Parties Unknown" who are proceeded against by this Order of Publication and any other interested parties do appear on or before December 18, 2006 at 2:00 p.m. and do what is necessary to protect their interests.

It is further ORDERED that the foregoing portion of this Order be published once a week for four successive weeks in the Alexandria Times, a newspaper of general circulation in the City of Alexandria, Virginia, and in the Greenbelt News, a newspaper of general record in the Greenbelt, Maryland area; that a copy hereof be posted on the door of the courthouse of the Circuit Court of the City of Charlottesville; and that a copy be mailed to the last known address, if any, of the Defendants.

ENTER: /s/ Hon. Edward Hogshire
 DATE: October 25, 2006

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The efforts of these men to clear their names became to some extent also the paper's effort. One of these men, Izzy Parker, had served as editor, reporter, critic and editorial cartoonist for the paper. Eventually he was cleared, as was Abe Chasanow.

The greatest challenge to the News Review occurred in the late 1960s when a developer sued the paper and its president, Al Skolnik, for libel and won in the courts of Maryland. Not only did the community come to the paper's defense, raising funds sufficient to pay the libel judgment, if it became necessary; but the Washington Post also provided assistance in helping us to secure legal counsel. The paper was at last vindicated by a unanimous judgment of the Supreme Court of the United States overturning the earlier Maryland court decisions and the News Review won its battle for freedom of the press.

Today's Challenges

While past challenges facing the paper were significant, today's seem perhaps even greater. These result from the rapidly changing technologies that affect how newspapers are produced and the changing nature of the paper's competition.

Consolidation of newspapers has reduced the availability of printing plants to print the paper and created limitations on formats available. Television news channels and internet news sources and blogs are harming newspapers throughout the country by taking away readership and advertising dollars. This is a potentially serious problem for a small independent paper such as ours.

In the past the printer set the final type, formatted the paper, printed it and assembled it. Now the printer expects everything to be electronic. Not being able to carry out these tasks ourselves, we contract out this work, tasks only a few individuals have been willing to take on. These are especially challenging since they must be done quickly, accurately and within a very limited time.

Volunteers

Volunteers come and volunteers go. When we begin to think everything is humming right along, someone moves away from Greenbelt or someone gets sick or other responsibilities intervene. In the early 1960s the News Review was fortunate in getting as volunteers some stay-at-home moms seeking an outlet for their writing and creative talents. They made the News Review their careers, becoming indispensable to the paper.

Several of these volunteers—Editor Mary Lou Williamson, News Editor Elaine Skolnik, Assistant Editor Barbara Likowski and Reporter/Senior Copy Editor Virginia Beauchamp have served well and faithfully for more than 40 years. They continue still to carry out their tasks.

But this community cannot rely upon their services forever. All four are doing more than they want to.

Newer volunteers have also come to hold key positions critical to the weekly publication of the paper. Their absence for whatever reason endangers our ability to publish.

Finding and training new volunteers to back up or replace these critical members of the

staff is the greatest challenge this newspaper now faces.

In recent months the board of directors has been trying to provide backups for the responsibilities of these critical staff members. But to be successful we need new volunteers willing to devote time to the News Review. So far they have not been easy to find.

In the past 15 years the paper has converted from typewriters to networked computers with Wi-Fi, added a copy machine and a fax, learned to communicate over the internet and to produce copy ready for printing, once formatted. Cell phones and digital cameras have been other innovations. For many of the staff this has been a most daunting learning experience and we have had to rely on the assistance of others who know the latest in technology.

Last year we suffered a major loss with the death of Neil McLeod, who had helped us in many ways with technical matters regarding our computers. We have been fortunate now, however, to have a team

of whiz techies, who wish to remain anonymous, who recently came to our rescue. They are bringing us many steps closer to being technologically up to date. We are grateful for their help.

The serious problems we face are of concern to all those involved with the paper who believe it to be an important part of the life of the community. Unfortunately the paper's staff and board can't spend a lot of time dealing with them. Each week we've got a paper to put out!

We ask you, our readers, is it important to you that Greenbelt has its own community newspaper, prepared and staffed by local residents and independent of any organization?

We hope that some folks out in the community who wish to assure the continuance of this vital independent source of local information will step forward to help in any way they can. We need to assure that so long as there is a Greenbelt, there will always be a News Review to report on who and what are important in our city.

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spare personal time to assist in raising school board standards and improving schools.

"It's about making an environment that is conducive to learning for the children," he said. Morales listed his proudest moment on the school board as reducing class sizes in the elementary schools.

Crowley

Crowley was also highly involved in Greenbelt when she applied. An active volunteer in the community, her church and other outreach programs, Crowley saw the state of the schools and wanted to do something. An educator for 30 years, she saw this as another chance to serve the children of her community. "I saw this as a great opportunity to use my skills to help out," she said.

Crowley is proud of the school board's honesty and professionalism during their tenure. There were no large fallouts, scandals or backdoor deals while they were there. This made it easy to stay focused on the goal at hand. "In every decision I made, I put the children first," she said. "That is what I'm proudest of."

While both Crowley and Morales enjoyed service on the school board, both have opted to move on. Neither ran for election on the new school board. "I've never had political aspirations," said Crowley. "It was a pleasure to serve but I have no desire to engage in the political process."

Morales felt that he made sufficient enough progress on the school board to be able to pass on the torch. "I just thought I accomplished what I wanted during my tenure," he said.

Morales says now that his service is done, he plans to just relax and stay home spending quality time with his family. Crowley plans to tend to her family as well, caring for her two teenage daughters and elderly mother who recently moved to the area. She said she would also like to resume some of the volunteer work she had to put on hiatus while serving on the board.

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