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PHOTO BY JON GARDNER

The Greenbelt Dance Studio recital on May 19 had a whimsical nature theme. The “Bees” were portrayed by Jade Kienas, Cyenna Nelson, Jamie Rogers-Sites, Thomas Unbehagen, Genesis Monteiro, Elta Goldstein and Destiny Sterling.

Dozens of Spring Fling Dancers Give a Delightful Performance

by Rebecca Boggs

The Spring Fling, the first annual Greenbelt Dance Studio spring dance recital, played to a full house of dance enthusiasts and excited family members and friends on Saturday, May 19 in the Community Center. This joyful evening of dance was a celebration of spring and a celebration of the success of the dance studio program founded less than a year ago in August 2006. The recital was choreographed by dance instructor Samantha Fitschen, who during her

first nine months here has taught over 200 students at the studio.

The Spring Fling opened with the sound of the wind and as the red curtains parted, the sound of thunder and then silence. Next we saw a little girl wearing a nightgown and hugging a stuffed animal named “Mouse” (a prominent assistant in many of Fitschen’s classes). Just as the young girl Violet, played by Elizabeth Gardner, is about to sleep she makes a wish on an evening star for a bright, beauti-

ful, sunny day.

Violet wakes up to a beautiful spring day, sunshine and a warm breeze. Elated, she runs outside to welcome the first day of spring. As Violet dances and explores the budding flowers and lush trees, she befriends Mother Nature, adorned in white with bright flowers. Mother Nature, performed by Sara Nelson (choreographer’s assistant), thanks Violet for her wish and as a ges-

See **DANCERS**, page 16

Council May Add Four More Parcels to the Forest Preserve

by James Giese

Four ordinances were introduced for first reading at the June 4 council meeting. The purpose of each is to designate more city land as forest preserve. Public hearings will be held on each ordinance at the June 18 meeting following which council could take final action. Also introduced at the council meeting was a resolution to raise refuse collection and recycling service charges and an ordinance to create a new city fund to account for the costs of capital projects related to the development of Greenbelt West. A contract for repairs to the Youth Center roof also was approved by council. This was also the meeting at which the city budget was adopted (see last week’s issue).

Forest Preserve

The Forest Preserve Task Force recommended to council that four parcels of city property be added to the city’s forest preserve. The city’s forest preserve ordinance is very restrictive as

to the uses permitted for land included in the preserve, prohibiting any building construction or facilities of any kind, any organized recreational activities or any disturbance to the land. The four parcels proposed to be designated and their descriptions are as follows:

Parcel 12 is a 10-acre tract located at the eastern end of Northway on the road’s north side across from the Wolfe athletic fields. This parcel is adjacent to the large tracts of land located between Greenbelt Homes, Inc. and the Baltimore-Washington Parkway that were earlier designated as the city’s primary forest preserve. The parcel was withheld at that time according to City Manager Michael McLaughlin’s agenda comments “because the observatory project was still in its planning stages.” The Greenbelt Astronomy Club had acquired an observatory dome currently stored in the city’s Public Works

compound which is to be erected there. McLaughlin continued that “planning is now complete and the installation nears completion.” (However, as of last week the structure had not been erected.) As written, the ordinance does not set aside any of Parcel 12 for use as an observatory.

Boxwood Preserve

The Boxwood Preserve is the area bounded by Crescent Road, Lastner Lane, Ivy Lane and Ridge Road located on the west side of the Lastner Lane entrance to the Boxwood Village subdivision, originally known as Parcel 7. Exempt from the forest preserve designation is a .69 acre area used for a basketball court in the northwest corner of the parcel. Also exempt is a playground and picnic area consisting of 2.2 acres in the north-east to north-central part of the parcel.

This area, set off by metes and

See **COUNCIL**, page 6

Turner Lists “Deplorable” State of Middle School

“Overall, the conditions are deplorable; conditions are unfortunately, almost third-world.” That is the assessment of Prince George’s County Councilmember Ingrid Turner in a memo to Principal Judy Austin describing Greenbelt Middle School. Turner had made a tour of the school May 11 with school staff members.

At the top of the list in her memo is a wide range of plumbing and water problems. For example, the girls’ restroom on the top floor has been closed for more than six years because of persistent leaks. As a substitute, girls must use a downstairs facility described as “poorly equipped” with a tile floor so weak that it sinks “beneath each toilet.”

No hot water is available except in the cafeteria and the bottom floor and there are no exhaust fans in restrooms. Again, these conditions have persisted for half a dozen years. Water fountains have also been capped off.

The school has no water sprinklers in case of fire and fire alarms are unreliable. There are no emergency generators.

During hot summer days frequent power surges occur that are attributed to an electrical system unable to “handle all of the air conditioning at once.” When it rains, the report says, the lights go out because the “electrical wires get wet.”

Some classrooms flood during heavy rains, on occasion as much as six to eight inches. As a result there is “extensive mold and mildew throughout the building,” according to the report, which adds that “the odor is strong.”

In the gymnasium, the floor has been weakened by termites. Nor are there handicapped-accessible ramps to the building.

“The list could have gone on and on,” Turner comments in her letter to Austin, “but we stopped writing.” She had been told that “things were put on hold” on the promise of a new building. Austin, however, who has served on the school staff more than 24 years, has seen “the condition of the school continue to deteriorate,” Turner’s letter concludes.

Turner indicated her intention to send copies of her letter to school superintendent Dr. John Deasy and to R. Owen Johnson, Jr., chairman of the Prince George’s County Board of Education.

Remembering Gilbert Mead

by Sandra A. Lange

Philanthropist, former NASA-Goddard scientist and former Greenbelt resident Gilbert Mead, 76, died on May 29, 2007, in Washington, D.C., after suffering a stroke.

I first met Gilbert and his wife Jaylee Mead in the early 1990s when I interviewed them for an article I was writing for the News Review. Previously I had talked with Jaylee in connection with a grant submission I was preparing on behalf of the Greenbelt Museum. The request was for \$5,000 to partially fund a video on Greenbelt’s history. The Meads had established a family foundation and supported educational and performing arts projects. The video project addressed their goal of funding projects that fostered community enrichment.

When I interviewed them they were living in the Greenbriar Condominiums. They owned two apartments that they combined into one spacious home. Both had

served on the Greenbriar, Phase I, Board of Directors. They were charter members, having moved there in 1975 to be close to the NASA Goddard Space Flight Center where they both worked. He was a physicist and she was an astronomer. They liked to be able to walk to work, Jaylee told me, especially on snowy days. On occasion, they also walked across the overpass to shop at the Co-op supermarket and go to the post office.

Gil Mead’s fortune stemmed from his paternal grandfather, George Mead, who co-founded Consolidated Papers, Inc. in 1894 in Wisconsin Rapids, Wis. His father, Stanton W. Mead, wanted Gil to go into the family business but he had other ideas. In 1952, he graduated with a degree in physics from Yale University and received a doctorate in physics from the University of California

See **MEAD**, page 5

What Goes On

Saturday, June 16 – Passholders and Residents Register for Swimming Lessons, Greenbelt Aquatic and Fitness Center

Sunday, June 17 through 2 p.m. Monday, June 18 – Open Registration for Swimming Lessons

Monday, June 18 – Waiting List for Green Ridge House Opens **8 p.m.**, Regular City Council Meeting and Public Hearing on Adding Parcels to the Forest Preserve, Municipal Building

Editorial**Tear It Down**

Sometimes it takes an outsider to see things as they are. And until we read the memo by our local Prince George's County Councilmember Ingrid Turner, we confess that we had overlooked the truly appalling conditions under which our middle school students and their teachers have been trying to receive and provide an education. For many years – even decades – renovation of the school has been put off on the grounds that parts of it at least would eventually be torn down but that the original section had some historic significance.

That claim is at best dubious, however. By the time of its construction, neither materials nor architectural excellence were available, as was the case with the Greenbelt Center School, now the Community Center.

Termite-infested, water-damaged and generally malfunctioning, the middle school building should be torn down and a new structure, of which the community could be proud, should take its place, as quickly as possible.

Bamboo Is Good

As I write this, the bamboo grove just outside my window is whispering softly in the wind. Small birds, sheltered and safe, are chirping happily. Next spring I expect another nest since birds find sanctuary in this grove. The thin bamboo branches are strong enough for nests but cats can't climb up in search of food.

There is a saying that if you are an artist, you cannot draw the bamboo leaves until you can see the sacred space around them.

In many countries, including Papua, New Guinea, where I lived and taught at the University of Port Moresby, bamboo is recognized as a blessing to humanity. It is generally recognized that the oldest lineage of bamboo on the planet is found in New Guinea.

The people there understand the bamboo. Jordan Meredith, in his book "Bamboo for Gardens" (Timber Press, Salem, Ore.), writes, Bamboo furnishes the framework of houses, thatches roofs overhead, supplies paper for windows, awnings for sheds, blinds for verandas. Beds, tables, chairs, cupboards and a thousand small articles of furniture are made from it. Shavings and shreds of bamboo are used to stuff pillows and mattresses. Carpenters' rulers, water-wheels, irrigating pipes, cages for birds, crickets and other pets, vessels of all kinds – from the richly lacquered flower stands of the well-to-do gentleman down to the humblest utensils – all come from the same source. The boatman's raft, his oar, his ropes, his mat sails are all bamboo. The cart in which the bride is borne to her wedding, the hunter's spear, the quiver and arrows, the pen of the writer, the brush of the artist, the musician's flutes, mouth organ and drums, the student's book – all come from the bamboo.

In the 11th century Su Dong Po, a famous Chinese poet of the Sung dynasty, said: "There are bamboo tiles for shelter, bamboo hats for shading, bamboo skin for clothing, bamboo shoes for wearing, bamboo shoots for eating, bamboo fuel for fires. Indeed, we cannot live a single day without bamboo."

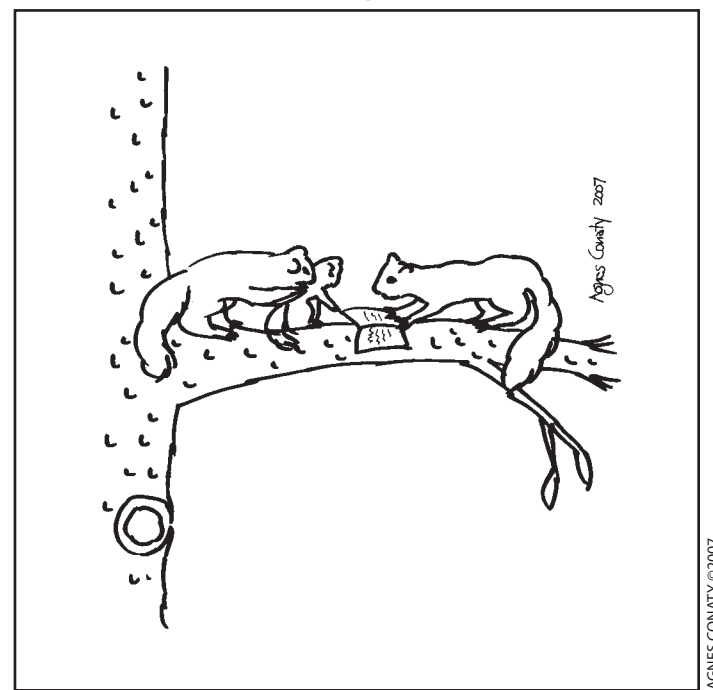
As the world's forests are diminishing now with alarming frequency, alternate wood sources are needed to supplement them. Facial tissue, boxes, writing paper, flooring and siding for houses are increasingly coming from non-wood fiber, bamboo among the more promising sources.

Bamboo leaves are a great source of food for many animals, not just for the giant panda. In Oregon, bamboo grower Garold Nelson noticed his cattle enjoyed bamboo. Upon further study by the American Bamboo Society it was found that bamboo was generally similar to other common hay crops.

Bamboo is not a tree. It is a grass. Most grasses are adapted to open habitats but bamboo is adapted to forest environments. Bamboo competes for light with the trees and as such are highly effective in this area.

We are fortunate here in Maryland that our climate is warm and moist enough for it to grow. There are approximately 600 species of bamboo worldwide.

Because the growth habits of bamboo are different from other plants in European culture, its control is poorly understood. Once understood, controlling the spread and maintaining bound-

Grin Belt

"Happy Father's Day . . . I promise to help you gather nuts and abide by your curfew hours. But don't take my word for it."

Letters to the Editor**THANKS**

A sincere and heartfelt thanks to all our friends, neighbors and faith family for their kind expressions of sympathy, prayers and Mass cards on the death of Phillip. It is a great comfort to feel such warm support in times like these.

Barbara and Francis Rondeau

Do the Math

In 2005 my GHI property was sold for and appraised at \$210,000. The full year prior to that I paid \$1,250 in property taxes. The single family house I bought in Greenbelt was appraised at \$310,000 and had an annual tax bill of \$3,842 (for the prior year). This is based on the market value of the houses. If you do the math this equates to an "effective" tax rate of .0059 on the GHI and .0123 on the single family house.

So why do I pay a tax rate that is more than twice what I paid while in GHI – for the same services? The reason for this is that GHI houses are not taxed based on individual county assessments but rather on the corporation as a whole, which enjoys both nonprofit status and property tax deductions due to the forest preserve. This translates into assessments on GHI units that are a fraction of the fair market value and thus a tax burden that is way below their fair share. This is quite a deal for GHI residents but unfortunately, the single family houses are left holding the bill.

I realize the city itself cannot alter the assessments as this is done at the county level. However, something needs to be done to address this inequality in the assessments. The city council could start by recognizing this inequality so that a solution can be devised. I agree that Greenbelt has excellent services. But my \$4,200 (and rising) tax bill for this year is kind of hard to swallow.

In terms of the budget, most of us are on a fixed income and we have to make real hard decisions about where we are going to spend our money. If the money's not there we can't spend it. I personally find it irresponsible that even with the huge increase in the assessments, the council has found it necessary to increase the tax rate. On the other hand, it appears that those who voted for collective bargaining may have forced their hand.

Jonathan Murray

Cost of 2-Cent Tax Rate Increase

What follows is the calculation of your own cost of the 2-cent tax rate increase in three easy steps, using my house as an example.

1. From your assessment notice write down your municipal taxable assessment as estimated for July 1, 2007. My house's assessment is \$189,002.

2. Now, since the tax rate increase is 2 cents per \$100 assessed value, divide the total assessed value by 100. My total assessed value consists of 1,890.02 units of \$100.

3. Next, multiply each \$100 unit of assessed value by 2 cents. When I multiply my 1,890.02 unit by 2 cents, the result is \$378.04 cents or \$37.80.

Summary: My 2-cent tax rate increase will cost me \$37.80 more in taxes per year or a little over \$3 per month.

Since the Maryland Department of Assessments and Taxation displays the assessed value of each house in Maryland on its website (www.dat.state.md.us/), the above calculation can be applied to every house in Greenbelt. One small caveat: Since the July 1, 2007, assessed values can still be appealed, this data base has not yet been updated with these values. Instead, take the July 1, 2006, value and add 10 percent (assessed values increase by 10 percent every year, remember?).

As an example: I followed this method to obtain the average July 1, 2007, assessed value for the 17 houses of Julian Court and arrived at a value of \$288,674. (This is about \$100,000 more than the assessed value of my house.) Dividing this \$288,674 by 100 gave me 2,884.74 units of \$100 and multiplying these units by 2 cents resulted in 5,773.48 cents or \$57.73. Therefore, the owner of a house on Julian Court would on average pay \$57.73 more in taxes per year or less than \$5 per month.

How many readers have I turned off with all this math? Sorry, folks. But for those of you able to stomach it, you will have seen that not only is the cost of a slight tax rate increase quite small but the difference in cost between lower and higher assessed houses is not that big either.

Leonie Penney,
your number person

aries is relatively simple. An old Japanese practice involved digging a trench around the bamboo and filling it with seaweed. Today barriers can be made of plastic, concrete or metal.

Root systems of the bamboo plant are either clumping (pachymorph) or running (leptomorph).

It is apparently the running root system with its structure of rhizomes that is frightening people here in GHI. Using the scare word "invasive," people are destroying beautiful and useful forests and saying proudly that they have done so. But environmentally it is now known that the bamboo forests are going to be the most helpful in stopping global warming, since they stop much of the carbon dioxide gas.

Before any further damage is done here in our supposedly "green" community, may I suggest we do some serious study and consult proper authorities such as the American Bamboo Society or the Botanical Gardens concerning this destructive force threatening to ruin the lovely gardens and beneficial attributes of this sacred and beautiful plant.

Betsy Barber

Correction

Taylor Gresser was awarded a B.A. in computer science from Luther College, not English as previously reported. The News Review regrets the error.

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

Community Events

Green Ridge House Waiting List Opens

The Green Ridge House waiting list will be opened for new applications on June 18, 2007. None of the 60 persons on the waiting list are interested in filling current vacancies.

Green Ridge House is the city's senior citizen apartment building located at 22 Ridge Road.

(See city ad on page 7 for details.)

At the Library Adults

Tuesday, June 19, 7 p.m., Ice Cream Social – All ages. Ice cream and fun activities for everyone.

Wednesday, June 20, 7 p.m., Book Discussion – Kazuo Ishiguro's "Never Let Me Die."

Storytimes

Tuesday, June 19, 10:30 and 11 a.m. Cuddletime for newborns to 17 months with caregiver; limit 15 babies.

Wednesday, June 20, 10:30 and 11 a.m. Toddlertime for ages 18 to 35 months with caregiver; limit 15 children.

Thursday, June 21, 10:30 a.m. Drop-in Storytime for ages 3 to 5; limit 20 children.

GHI Notes

Saturday, June 16, 11 a.m., Pre-purchase Orientation

Monday, June 18, 6:30 p.m., Communications Committee meeting

Tuesday, June 19, 8:30 a.m., Yardline Committee meeting

Wednesday, June 20, 7 p.m., Woodlands Committee meeting
7:30 p.m., Architectural Review Committee meeting

Thursday, June 21, 7 p.m., Finance Committee meeting

Monday, June 25, 7:15 p.m., Pre-purchase Orientation

Tuesday, June 26, 7 p.m., Greener Greenbelt Initiative Communications/Stakeholders and Outreach

Wednesday, June 27, 7 p.m., Member and Community Relations Worksession

Unless otherwise noted all events will take place in the GHI Administration Building. Committee and board meetings are open meetings; members are encouraged to attend.

Peace Corps Group Meets for Picnic

On Sunday, June 24 at 3 p.m., the newly organized Returned Peace Corps Volunteers (RPCV) of Greenbelt will meet at 5-A Eastway for a covered dish picnic. Returned Peace Corps Volunteers and those interested in volunteering for the Peace Corps are invited to participate. Send your RSVP to jaygrotke@yahoo.com.

Greenbriar/Glen Oaks Ice Cream Social

Greenbriar/Glen Oaks residents are invited to join neighbors at the picnic area on the hill behind the community building for ice cream on Saturday, June 23 from noon to 2 p.m.

This is a free event, first come, first served.

Call Tiffané Rose at 301-441-1096 for more information.

P&J Event June 24 On the Iraq War

The Prince George's County Peace and Justice Coalition will sponsor a presentation by Jean Athey on the Iraq war from the perspective of Iraqis at the Community Center from 4 to 6 p.m. on Sunday, June 24. The public is invited to attend this free event.

P&J says that every day people hear and read analyses of the Iraq war from pundits, dueling experts, candidates for various offices and military leaders but only infrequently heard are the views of normal, average Iraqi people.

Athey, coordinator of the grassroots peace group PeaceAction Montgomery (Md.), wanted to learn for herself what Iraqis think about the tragedy that has unfolded there, so she joined a peace delegation organized by the human rights group Global Exchange for a two-week trip to the Middle East in December. Global Exchange arranged daily meetings for the delegation with ordinary Iraqis, directors and staff of other nongovernmental organizations and U.N. representatives. The focus of the meetings was the current situation in Iraq and the plight of refugees in Jordan and Syria.

One of the people the group met with was Ahmed Hamzi, a noted photojournalist from Ramadi, Iraq. Athey brought back a set of photographs that Hamzi took of his hometown and of Fallujah. The Peace and Justice Coalition invited Athey to show these photos, which she will use to illustrate the stories told of the war and its aftermath.

Explore American Heritage, Seasons

On Friday, June 22 the summer Explorations Unlimited travel video series begins with "The American Heritage" and "Seasons of America." Experience the American land and its people first hand as the video recalls the history, people and places that make America great.

In "The American Heritage," viewers will "stand" in the same room in which Thomas Jefferson revealed the Declaration of Independence and then watched it debated and, in his mind, watered down. Relive the time when America doubled its size by purchasing Louisiana from Napoleon for two cents an acre. Then, hear the names and see the chiseled handwriting of individuals who braved the Oregon Trail to open up the American West.

Next in "Seasons of America," viewers will be enthralled by year-round wonders from coast to coast, from the solitude of one man's Virginia forest garden to the spectacular sights and sounds of an old-fashioned Midwestern American Fourth of July.

Finally, the film explores the awesome beauty of autumn in New England and the ominous bitter winds of Wyoming's snowy plains.

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

Greenbelt Park Seeks Junior Park Rangers

Greenbelt Park is an 1,100-acre forest featuring 10 miles of trails, picnic areas and a campground with 178 sites. Junior Rangers will participate in nature hikes and learn about animals, plants and water.

Applications for the 2007 Junior Ranger program are available at Greenbelt Park headquarters and Greenbelt Park Ranger station. Pre-registration is required. Applications will be reviewed and successful applicants will be contacted.

July 3 is the application deadline for the first session which will be held Monday, July 9 through Wednesday, August 8 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

July 31 is the application deadline for the second session which will be held Monday, August 6 through Wednesday, August 8 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Greenbelt Park is located between the Baltimore-Washington Parkway and Kenilworth Avenue at 6565 Greenbelt Road. The park website is at www.nps.gov/gree.

GTA Tennis Event At Braden Saturday

Enjoy a day of doubles tennis with the Greenbelt Tennis Association (GTA) on Saturday, June 16 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Braden Field Tennis Courts. The event is free for members and for non-members to play. Bringing a partner is not required, as compatible players can be matched. Bagels, bananas and drinks will be available or participants can bring a dish to share.

RSVP at the GTA website, greenbelt.com/tennis or just show up. The rain date is Sunday, June 17.

Greenbelt Tennis Association sponsors tournaments and socials each year and a tennis ladder to encourage competition and interaction among tennis players in the Greenbelt area. To become a member, download a membership application from the GTA website or call Rich Majewski, 301-595-5744 or Emmett Jordan 301-220-1025. There is a nominal annual membership fee.

Academy Stadium Theatres

Beltway Plaza Mall
Center Court
301-220-1155

All shows starting before 6 p.m.
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Week of June 15

FRI. – THURS.

Hostel 2, R (!)

12:30, 2:45, 5, 7:20, 10

Knocked Up, R (!)

1, 4, 7, 9:45

Oceans 13, PG-13 (!)

1, 4, 7, 9:45

Fantastic 4:

Rise of the Silver Surfer, PG (!)

12:30, 1, 2:45, 3:15, 5, 5:30,

7:20, 7:45, 9:45, 10:15

Shrek 3, PG (!)

12:45, 3, 5:15, 7:45, 10

Surf's Up, PG (!)

12:45, 3, 5:15, 7:45, 10:15

Pirates of the Caribbean:

At World's End, PG-13 (!)

12:30, 4, 8

Green Ridge House Manager to Return

In a June 8 letter to Green Ridge House residents, Property Manager Lynnett McGrath announced that she would be leaving her position there for another assignment with Community Realty Company, Inc. to manage a number of new properties.

Her successor at Green Ridge House will be Joyce Jones, who is already familiar to the residents as its former manager. The transition will occur during the month of June.

For more community events see page 8.

OLD GREENBELT THEATRE WEEK OF June 15

Waitress (PG-13)

Final Week
(No coupons or passes accepted Fri. – Sun.)

Friday

*5:00, 7:30, 9:45

Saturday

*2:45, *5:00, 7:30, 9:45

Sunday

*2:45, *5:00, 7:30

Monday – Thursday

*5:00, 7:30

*These shows at \$6.00

301-474-9744 • 301-474-9745

129 Centerway

www.pgtheatres.com



Come to Greenbelt Baptist Church, 101 Greenhill Road at 8:00 p.m. on the following dates for a free, wholesome family movie outside under the stars. *†

June 15 - The Incredibles

June 29 - Pursuit of Happyness

July 6 - Happy Feet

July 20- Akeela and the Bee

August 3 - Narnia

August 17 - Facing the Giants

Come and bring a picnic basket! Cheap snacks and sodas will be sold at cost.

*in the event of inclement weather, the movies will be shown inside (no snacks will be sold).

† Movie titles are subject to change, watch the *Greenbelt News Review* or call 301-474-4212 for more info.

AUDITIONS

"Dearly Departed"

Greenbelt Arts Center

written by David Bottrell and Jessie Jones

directed by Lenora S. Dernoga

Sunday, July 8 at 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, July 10 at 7:30 p.m.

Show Dates: Sept. 14 - Oct. 6, 2007

"Dearly Departed" is a hilarious comedy set somewhere south of the Mason Dixon line. Similar to the play "Greater Tuna," this show tells the story of father Turpin's funeral and its aftermath. In it, you'll meet a delightful but dysfunctional group of Southerners each who bring a touch of humanity along with ridiculous behavior to an otherwise serious situation!

Roles available for six women and four men:

3 women: Ages 25-40

3 women: ages 45-70

3 men: Ages 25-45

1 man: age 50+

Cold readings from the script. All roles open, some will be doubled. For more information, call the Greenbelt Arts Center at (301) 441-8770, email the director at curlycurlyred@aol.com or visit the website at www.greenbeltartscenter.org.

Obituaries

Jane Love

Jane Love, 92, died in the emergency room at Washington Adventist Hospital at 7:45 Friday evening, June 8, 2007, after two years of severe pain due to osteoarthritis and stomach problems. Mrs. Love was born Juanita Hemphill in Marion, Ill. According to her life story on <http://www.mygreenbelt.com/memoirs>, she would tell her friends that she lived with her grandparents, as she was ashamed of her parents' dirt floor shack.

She left at 17 to join the marathon dances and after working with Red Skelton and Red Buttons developing comedy acts, she married her dancing partner Frankie Wegner on stage in Santa Barbara. They settled in Chicago where Frankie became a truck driver and Jane became a manicurist. But when Frankie sold the furniture to pay gambling debts, she left him.

Soon she met Earl Love, a returned WWII veteran and artist who worked at the opulent Gunn's Beauty Salon in Hyde Park. Their marriage lasted nearly 50 years.

In the 1970s they moved to Brown County, Ind., and joined the art colony there while their son Douglas was attending Indiana University nearby. Mrs. Love became proficient in oil paintings and supported herself by teaching from her studio in Worthington, Ind.

After Earl died, Jane moved to Greenbelt with Doug and spent 20 happy years here until complications from arthritis and a hiatal hernia forced her to stay in a nursing home for the past two years.

In Greenbelt, Mrs. Love participated in civic events such as the Greenbelt Labor Day Festival, where she was a clown in the Labor Day parade for at least three years. She also marched in the parade as a clown with the Greenbelt Golden Age Club. She worked in the Save the Green Belt booth during the festival.

Mrs. Love was a member of the Greenbelt Golden Age Club, GIVES, the Greenbelt Visual Arts Committee and Greenpeace.

A painter, she put on shows. She liked to attend elegant affairs in Georgetown, visit museums and galleries and go camping with her son Douglas.

She was baptized in the Atholton Seventh Day Adventist Church, Columbia.

A memorial service is being planned at the Atholton Seventh Day Adventist Church in Columbia, Md., with readings from her memoirs. An art sale is also planned, to share her collection with her friends. She has donated her body to the University of Maryland Medical School in Baltimore.



Ray E. Bailey

Ray E. Bailey, 57, died on his birthday, June 9, 2007, of pancreatic cancer in Holy Cross Hospital. He had battled the cancer for six months.

Mr. Bailey grew up in Greenbelt. He came here with his family in 1954 and entered first grade at Center Elementary School. He attended Greenbelt schools until high school. Greenbelt children were placed in High Point High School from which he graduated in 1968.

He and his wife Christy were married on June 15, 1973, at Concordia Lutheran Church, Hyattsville. For the first five years of their marriage they lived at Springhill Lake, then they moved to Southway where they lived for 29 years.

Mr. Bailey worked for 30



years at Beltway Plaza Shell with his brother Rick. When the station was sold they both came to work at Mobil/Sunoco in Greenbelt Center.

He was an avid motorcycle rider and owned a Fat Boy Harley (before that he drove a Jeep). He rode with his brother Rick, his friend Butch Daniels and Bill Novak, who also had Harleys.

He is survived by his wife Christy; son Raymond and his wife Marcella; grandchildren Alexis and Alyssa, mother Shirley Gray Bailey; brothers Rick, Bill, Bob, Earl and Kenny; and sisters Patti and Karen.

His father Raymond S. Bailey and sister Debbie preceded him in death.

A funeral service was held on Wednesday, June 13, 2007, at Gasch's Funeral Home in Hyattsville. Interment was at Fort Lincoln Cemetery.




**Catholic
Community
of Greenbelt
MASS**

Sundays 10 A.M.
Municipal Building

Baha'i Faith

"These fruitless strifes,
these ruinous wars shall
pass away and the "Most
Great Peace" shall come."
— Bahá'u'lláh

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



Mowatt Memorial United Methodist Church
40 Ridge Road, Greenbelt
www.greenbeltumc.org 301-474-9410
Rev. Dr. Paul C. Kim, Pastor

Sunday School 9:45 am Worship Service 11:00 am
Prayer Meeting Sun. 9:45 am

Handicapped Accessible Come As You Are!



Greenbelt Baptist Church
101 Greenhill Road
Greenbelt, MD 20770 – (301) 474-4212
www.greenbeltbaptist.org


Sunday 9:45 am Sunday School
Sunday 11:00 am Worship Service
Wednesday 7:00 pm Prayer Meeting/
Bible Study
All are Welcome!

Summer Hours

"Helping People Connect with Christ and His Family Through Loving Service"

ST. HUGH OF GRENABLE CATHOLIC CHURCH
135 Crescent Road, Greenbelt, MD 20770
301-474-4322

Mass Schedule:
Sunday 8:00, 9:30, 11:00 a.m.
Saturday 9:00 a.m., 5:00 p.m.
Daily Mass: 7:15 a.m.
Sacrament of Penance: Saturday 3:45-4:45 p.m.
Pastor: Rev. Walter J. Tappe
Pastoral Associate: Rev. R. Scott Hurd



**St. George's Episcopal/
Anglican Church**
7010 Glenn Dale Road
(Lanham-Severn Road & Glenn Dale Road)
301-262-3285 | rector@stgeo.org | www.stgeo.org

Sundays: 8:00 am Simple, quiet Mass
9:00 am Christian education for all ages
10:00 am Sung Mass with organ and folk music, ASL interpreted
1:30 pm Signed Mass (last Sunday of each month only)

Wednesdays: 7:00 pm Simple, quiet Mass

An inclusive congregation!

In Memoriam

Tribute to Ray Bailey

Ray Bailey was my auto mechanic through two cars – both lasted over 10 years each.

When Sandy Mooney called me last Saturday to tell me Ray had died, there was pain and sadness in my heart. Some people are just good people and Ray was one of them. He was always willing to help with car problems and offer advice about how long the vehicle would last and on car buying. He had a great sense of humor and a wonderful laugh and was a good communicator. I will miss seeing and talking to him.

Above all he was fair, a fine gentleman and an authentic human being.

I will miss you Ray.

— Joyce M. Yarwood

Paint Branch Unitarian Universalist Church

3215 Powder Mill Road, Beltsville/Adelphi
Phone: 301-937-3666 www.pbuuc.org

Welcomes you to our open, nurturing community

June 17, 10 a.m.

"Affordable Housing: Affirming Our UU Principles"

Carol Carter Walker and Friends, with

Kathleen Davis, worship associate

— Barbara W. and Jacob B. ten Hove, co-ministers



Greenbelt Community Church

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST



Hillside & Crescent Roads

Phone: 301-474-6171 mornings

www.greenbelt.com/gccucc/

Sunday Worship

10:15 a.m.

Daniel Hamlin, Pastor

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

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Mishkan Torah Congregation

10 Ridge Road, Greenbelt, MD 20770

Rabbi Jonathan Cohen Cantor Phil Greenfield

Friday evening services 8:00 PM

except first Friday of the month, when children's service begins

at 7:00 PM

Saturday morning services - 9:30 AM

Sunday minyon - 9:30 AM

Children's Education, Adult Education, Social Action, etc.

For further information call 301 474-4223 www.mishkantorah.org

Conservative and Reconstructionist



Hope Fellowship
... living life together

Bible Study & Worship

9:30 "Good Morning!!" Coffee and Snacks

10:00 a.m. Bible Study 11:00 a.m. Worship

Greenbelt Youth Center

99 Centerway (Behind the Community Center)

June 17 Sermon: *Joseph and the New Morality*

Pastor Lou Redd

301-474-4499 410-340-8242 (cell)

...living life together





Our sympathy to Doug Love whose mother Jane died June 8 and to Jane's many Greenbelt friends.

Condolences to the family of Ray Bailey, who died June 9. Many Greenbelters know Ray from the Mobil (now Sunoco) station where he was a mechanic. Ray was the son of Shirley Gray Bailey, a Greenbelt pioneer, and the late Raymond S. Bailey. His grandparents, Robert and Jennie Gray, were original residents of 13 court Ridge Road.

Greenbelters were saddened to learn of the death of Malise Dick, of Lakeside, on June 11 and extend our condolences to his wife Eugenia and his son Jorge.

Congratulations to:

– Greenbelt figure skater Alice Murphy, who was awarded one of two four-year scholarships by the Ice Skating Institute of America Education Foundation. She will perform with Olympic skater Evan Lysacek in July and he will officially present the scholarship at that event. Alice will attend Boston University where she plans to major in international relations, study Russian and Arabic and compete as part of the BU figure skating team.

– Jeffrey Heath, who received a Ph.D. in applied mathematics from the University of Maryland at College Park.

– Shanna Heath, who received an M.A. in education from the University of Maryland at Baltimore County. The Heaths live in the 69 Court of Ridge Road.

– ERHS student Yaa F. Buan-ya, who works at Riderwood's Windsor Room and has been awarded a Riderwood scholarship.

– Greenbelters achieving high honors in the national Grand Concours exam: Teresa Smith, 4th grade, first in Maryland, third nationally; Phoebe McFarb, and Manuel Ayala-Sapelli, 6th grade, tying for second in Maryland, fourth nationally. The three are among 10 students at Robert Goddard French Immersion school to achieve honors in the national exam for French immersion students who do not speak French at home.

It's a son for C.J. and Mike Evans – Connor Wakefield was born on Wednesday, June 6, 2007. Mother, baby and dad are doing great. Special best wishes from C.J.'s GHI "family."

Happy Birthday to Harold Domchick, Sr., former Greenbelt, who turns 91 on June 15. Harold and his wife Della now reside in Bryantown, Md. with their daughter. Harold is a retired U.S. Army Field Band musician and enjoyed playing in the Greenbelt Concert Band.



Former Greenbelt senior Harold Domchick, Sr., turns 91.

In Memoriam

Malise Cooper Dick (1935-2007)

This past week Greenbelt suffered the loss of Malise Dick. As neighbors and friends of many years, we'd like to offer these words.

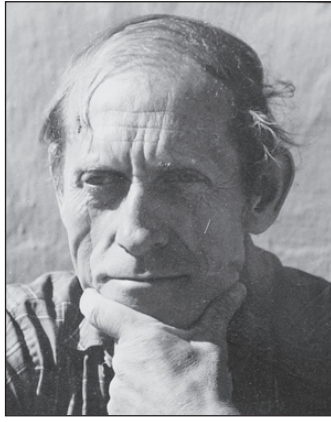
Malise had a massive heart attack Monday evening, June 4 and was taken to Washington Adventist Hospital where emergency surgery was performed. During this past week there was increasing hope that he would pull through, as he seemed to improve each day. Friends visiting him over the weekend just before he died, reported that he was so welcoming and cheerful, and as usual entertained them with his humor and insights on world events. He joked about his going sailing next weekend. In his characteristic warm and teasing manner, he had made friends with the international staff at the hospital and discussed extensively the current political situation in their home countries. Sadly, early Sunday morning the separation between the left and right portions of his heart broke down and he died at 7 a.m. on June 10, 2007.

Malise Dick was, simply said, a wonderful good man – economist, loving husband, father, photographer, encourager, special friend and mentor to international students, CHEARS Earth Squad tutor, sailor, art collector, serious teller of jokes, VW camper van owner, lover of giving and enjoying good cheer, supporter of the good and one of the kindest persons whom we have been privileged to meet.

Professionally Malise Dick, 72, was an economist (MA from Cambridge in UK and Brown University in USA), continuing to teach and work on energy and transportation capacity building projects in African, Asian, Central and South American countries after retiring from the World Bank (Senior Transport Economist 1972-93). Mal had an in-depth knowledge of development issues.

Born in 1935 in Glasgow, Scotland, Mal served honorably in the UK Royal Air Force and through broad experience developed strong pacifist and egalitarian principles. Mal was an avid photographer and was long active in the International Photographic Society of the International Monetary Fund and World Bank. Mal also served as treasurer and was active in helping to start the Chesapeake Education Arts Research Society (CHEARS). Recently he was one of the coordinators of the Green Man Festival Arts Fest, Environmental Film Showings and Photo Exhibit held at the New Deal and the Community Center.

Mal is survived by his



loving wife Eugenia Kalnay of Lakeside Drive (ekalnay@gmail.com), distinguished university professor in the Department of Atmospheric and Oceanic Sciences at the University of Maryland and son Jorge Rivas of Minneapolis, Minn. Mal, Eugenia and Jorge enjoyed traveling together very much and had just returned from a trip to Mexico where they hiked mountains together. They were grateful for having this time together, as well as the five days in the ICU unit. Eugenia noted, "we feel blessed that we were able to spend five wonderful days with him in the ICU and that he was happy, alert, optimistic until the end that he would pull through and completely aware and clear minded and that he did not have pain."

Children from the Mother Jones Mary Harris Elementary School, participating in the Adelphi Friends/CHEARS Earth Squad Tutoring program where Malise was a volunteer tutor/mentor, made cards for him during the week he was in the hospital. As one of the cards said, "Mal, you got it right – you are tops! Thanks for everything." We echo these words. We will miss you more than we can say. Hopefully, those of us who remain and who have had the good fortune to cross paths with you can share with others the many gifts you have given us – your spirit of good cheer and humor, the fun times, your gift for critical thought and conversation and most of all your kindness and encouragement.

A memorial open house/potluck at Eugenia and Mal's home at 56 Lakeside Drive will be held this Friday, June 15 from 5 to 9 p.m. to honor Mal. The memorial will begin with sharing a meal together. At around 7 p.m., in the manner of Friends, we will sit together with Eugenia and Jorge to share our memories of Mal and some of the music he loved.

If you would like to make a donation in his name, Eugenia has asked that it be made to the American Friends Service Committee at AFSC National Office, 1501 Cherry Street, Philadelphia, PA 19102, following Malise's pacifist beliefs.

– Maggie Cahalan



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at Berkeley in 1962. His interest in science brought him to Goddard where he became chief of the Geophysics Branch. In 1987 he retired after a distinguished 25-year career at NASA. He then decided to pursue a law degree from the University of Maryland and became the law school's oldest graduate at age 61.

Both Gil and Jaylee Mead were active in Goddard's Music and Drama Group (MAD). He preferred musical direction while she produced and performed. Their passionate interest in the dramatic arts throughout the Washington area can be traced to their early involvement in MAD. Greenbelt resident Ron Wilder directed many MAD productions and described his friend Gil Mead as warm, open and a wonderful musician.

After Gil Mead's father died in 1988, he and Jaylee established a family foundation together with his four children from a prior marriage. They envisioned the Gilbert and Jaylee Family Foundation as a way for them to support their individual interests in the communities where each lived. The Foundation now makes \$1 million in grant awards annually. In addition, the Meads recently contributed \$50 million of their personal fortune to theaters in the Washington region, as reported in The Washington Post obituary on Gilbert Mead.

Their philanthropy has earned them numerous awards. In the past several years they have had many venues named for them including Arena Stage at the Mead Center for American Theater, an auditorium at the Studio Theatre and the Mead Theatre Lab at the Flashpoint. Their \$35 million challenge grant gift to Arena Stage last year was the largest individual gift to a regional theater in the nation's history.

When I applied for a second grant from the Mead Foundation in 1996, this time for writing a play based on Greenbelt's history to be staged at the Greenbelt Arts Center, the Meads were once again receptive. The amount of funding was modest, just \$5,000. They both attended the opening night's performance and were genuinely enthusiastic. By then they had moved to the Watergate Apartments but made a special effort to come to Greenbelt to see how the Foundation's money was being used. They had a very "hands on" attitude; all of their projects required a site visit by one of the family members.

While the Foundation would no longer fund projects in Greenbelt after the Meads moved to D.C., last year they contributed \$2,000 from their personal funds to the Greenbelt Arts Center as part of a matching grant for the GAC's lighting improvements. GAC

Facilities Manager Mary Mitchell-Donahue called it the single largest donation made for the lights and expressed her appreciation to the Meads for making a personal contribution apart from their Foundation. While living in Greenbelt, they had been members of the GAC. The Meads also contributed \$10,000 to the Astronomical Society to help fund the construction of the observatory to house the telescope given to the group by Montgomery College. The gift, also from their personal funds, matched the \$10,000 the society already had in hand for the construction.

Linda Smith, executive director of the Mead Foundation, commented that "Gil Mead had a great enthusiasm for life. He was more than just a pocketbook," she stated. "He wanted to give his own efforts [to the projects he funded]. He took great joy in becoming personally involved."

During my interview with the Meads, Gil Mead told me that he had not been close to his own parents and he wanted to use his inheritance to promote family bonding. The Foundation brought the family together twice a year to review proposals. He used his wealth to help community nonprofits as well as to strengthen his relationship with his children and to share his love of philanthropy with them. Also, by bestowing his fortune on an array of theatrical organizations, he attracted other wealthy donors to support the performing arts and helped to create a vibrant theatrical community in the Washington area.

Jaylee Mead considered her late husband's commitment to music to be among his greatest accomplishments. "He played the piano, sponsored musicals and sing-alongs and encouraged participation," she said. "He felt music had so many aspects that could be shared with others," she noted.

Survivors include his wife, Jaylee; his daughters, Betsy Mead (Jeff) of Rockville, Md., and Diana C. Mead-Siohan (Francois) of Palm Coast, Fla.; his son, Stanton W. Mead, II, of Middletown, Md.; five grandchildren; his brother, George W. Mead, II, (Susan) of Wisconsin Rapids, Wis.; his sister, Mary LaMar Price (Mike) of Madison, Wis.; and a son, Robert Mead, died in 2002.

A private funeral was held in Maryland and a public memorial service is being planned for September. Contributions may be made to the Mead Family Foundation, 2700 Virginia Avenue, NW, Suite 701, Washington, DC 20037; the Arena Stage at the Mead Center for American Theater, 1101 Sixth Street, SW, Washington, DC 20024; or the charity of one's choice.



STOP, LOOK and LISTEN

As we see the flowers bloom and trees turn green, it reminds us of the one who created the serene nature in perfect harmony. It is our job now to keep this harmony in our dealings as well, as the Creator reminds us: "The sun and the moon follow courses (exactly) computed; and the herbs and the trees bow in adoration. And the skies He (God) has raised high, and He has set up the balance (of justice), in order that you may not transgress due balance. So establish weight with justice and fall not short in the balance!" – *The Holy Qur'an, 55:5-10*

This is the guidance sent forth to mankind by God through the last Prophet, Muhammad (peace be upon him). For more information about Islam, call 301-982-9463 or e-mail info@searchislam.org or visit the website at www.islamguide.com.

Green Ridge Travelers Take to the Road

by Helena Moore

On May 30 a full-to-capacity busload of residents from Green Ridge House enjoyed a day trip to the Riverside Center Dinner Theater in Fredericksburg, Va.

For those who may not have had this experience, the facility is quite elegant and very well managed. There are beautiful chandeliers, paintings on the walls and a lobby with elevated seating in the dinner theater area that enables all to see the stage. The dinner was great and the desserts unbelievable.

The musical "Shenandoah," set in Civil War days, was performed quite well. John Hollinger, who portrayed the father, was recently on Broadway. The cast acted first as our waiters and waitresses, then donned their "set" clothes and were very talented singers and dancers.

Then, on May 31, the Greenbelt Assistance in Living Program held a "Senior Celebration." We were honored to have our mayor, Judith Davis, as the guest speaker. She shared her "new beginning" as an almost senior citizen now having to face some of the problem areas we residents have had to contend with – Medicare, insurance, etc. She also spoke of our "baby boomer" generation as being statistically the last group of long-lived persons due to the newer generation's lack of proper diet, lack of exercise, unhealthy lifestyle, etc. In hearing her speak and seeing her in her beautiful celery-colored suit, one would not believe that she will soon join our ranks. The mayor read a proclamation from the City of Greenbelt declaring May as "Older Americans Month." Delicious refreshments

were served which included a very large strawberry shortcake from Safeway, which everyone enjoyed.

And, if those two events weren't enough, we are looking forward to June 21 when a bus will take us to the wharf on the Potomac for our trip down the river on the Odyssey, complete with lunch, a band and dancing!

We have had some residents who have had to leave our family home for one reason or another and we welcome our new residents, three at this time, and trust they will enjoy their new home and neighbors as well as all of the amenities available to them at Green Ridge House. Our Social Chairman Theresa Slone is always on the prowl looking for excursions that can be enjoyed by all of our residents.

Are we not lucky senior citizens? You bet we are!



Residents of Green Ridge House gathered for a celebration of "Older Americans." From left to right are Elaine Pearson, Hazel Parent, Violette Tyler, Theresa Slone, Marge Joyner, Herb Elliott, Jim Howard and Dennis Croake.

Older Americans Feted at Green Ridge House

by Valerie Wright

On Thursday, May 31 Green Ridge House held its first "Older Americans Month" celebration to honor the senior residents of the facility. The seniors entered the celebration with expressions of joy, excitement and laughter as they received tickets for the many door prizes awaiting them.

The celebration began with a welcome from Christal Batey, the Community Resource Advocate for the Greenbelt Assistance in Living (GAIL) program, followed by Service Coordinator Daryl Pennington, who introduced guest speaker Mayor Judith Davis.

Davis said she spoke to the group as a colleague and friend. As a colleague, she said, she's getting close to becoming a se-

nior and therefore understands many of their concerns. As a friend, she said she has lived in Greenbelt for many years and knows personally many of the seniors at Green Ridge House.

The mayor reminded the group of all the wonderful activities and opportunities available for seniors in the City of Greenbelt. She challenged them to take advantage of them all. In closing, Davis read the city's official citation proclaiming May as "Older Americans Month" for the City of Greenbelt.

A highlight of the day for the seniors was watching their colleague, friend and mayor serving refreshments, mingling and enjoying the celebration – only in the City of Greenbelt!

The celebration

continued with the seniors enjoying refreshments donated by Safeway and Starbucks' Coffee House and the presentation of door prizes donated by the Greenbelt Aquatic and Fitness Center, Curves, Generous Joe's, the Greenbelt Co-op, Greenbelt OM Community Yoga, Jasper's, New Deal Café, Old Greenbelt Movie Theatre, Prince George's Livable Communities Grant, Pleasant Touch, Potomac Home Support, Safeway, Sunoco, Starbuck's Coffee House and T.G.I.Friday's.

The celebration closed with remarks from Pennington and expressions of appreciation from the seniors.



Mayor Judith Davis reads the proclamation which honored older Americans. Also pictured from left are Valerie Wright, Christal Parker Batey and Daryl Pennington.



At left Christal Parker Batey presents Ruth Edwards with a winning ticket.



Duane "Bo" Bowman chats with Mayor Judith Davis.

Photos by
Beverly Palau

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bounds, is to include that area of the parcel maintained as mowed lawn. At the meeting it was indicated that city staff was still working to assure that the current actively used areas are not made part of the forest preserve. This parcel was once proposed to become a regional shopping center and later a neighborhood center. These efforts were unsuccessful and the city eventually bought the land using open space funds. While privately owned, the owners cleared the land of all trees, sometime in the 1960s. A new growth of trees now covers most of the parcel.

Belle Point Preserve

The Belle Point Preserve is a 10 acre tract required to be dedicated by the developers of Belle Point as open space. It is adjacent to Attick Park above the area where the city shoots off fireworks each Independence Day. Most people thought it was a part of the park well before the land was acquired through dedication. It is also north of the Belle Point development behind the Greenbelt American Legion and just east of Kenilworth Avenue. The ordinance would exclude "an area located adjacent to the Belle Point subdivision adequate in size and dimension to accommodate playground, picnic or similar neighborhood recreation amenities as designated by the city council."

Sunrise Preserve

The Sunrise Preserve is the almost 10 acre property located to the south of the Greenbelt Holiday Inn at the west end of Hanover Drive adjacent to the Capital Beltway. At one time the property was proposed to be developed with a high-rise apartment building to be called Sunrise. The owners attempted to undertake construction in order to have the use grandfathered in before the last zoning plan for Greenbelt was adopted in 1991. In the process, nearly all trees were cleared from the parcel. However, the owners failed to get necessary permits and work was stopped and the zoning changed to a low density residential use. Subsequently, the city acquired the land as open space in a complicated land deal that also resulted in the U. S. Postal Service obtaining land for a new post office.

Since being cleared the land has been left undisturbed and new tree growth now covers it.

Trash Service

A Resolution was introduced that will raise service fees for the collection by the city of garbage, trash and recyclable materials from individual housing units by three dollars each quarter making a total annual cost for this once a week service \$212. For those choosing a second weekly pick-up, the annual fee for that service will become \$112. A one-time second pickup can be arranged at a cost of \$15. The ordinance is to become effective June 1 and is scheduled for adoption at the June 18 meeting. Although a formal public hearing is not required, an opportunity to speak is given to all persons desiring to do so during a discussion period prior to the adoption of any ordinance or resolution.

Another ordinance was unanimously adopted authorizing the negotiated purchase of services to repair the roof at the Youth Center. Four skylights and four fan housings are creating problems because the wood skylight frames are rotting and the metal fan housings are rusting out causing leaks. Staff has determined that they are not needed. The city has a proposal from ProCoat Applications to remove the skylights and fan housings, frame the holes and apply foam roofing material. The company also proposes to recover existing foam roofing material now exposed. The cost of \$15,630 exceeds the original \$10,000 budget, since revised to \$13,000, but was within the amount of funds available according to McLaughlin.

McLaughlin has recommended the creation of a new fund to account for the city capital projects to be undertaken in conjunction with the development of Greenbelt West. Initially the fund will account for projects related to Greenbelt Station. However, if Springhill Lake is redeveloped or a major redevelopment of Beltway Plaza takes place in which the city participated with capital projects, they would also be accounted for in this fund. The cost of these projects is expected to be borne by contributions of the developers or by special tax district financing.



City Information

GREENBELT CITY COUNCIL

June 18, 2007– 8:00 p.m.

Regular Meeting

Public Hearing – Additions to Forest Preserve

COMMUNICATIONS

- Presentations
- Public Hearing
 - Greenbelt Forest Preserve – Parcels to Be Added
 - Petitions and Requests (Petitions received at the meeting will not be acted upon by the City Council at this meeting unless Council waives its Standing Rules.)
- *Committee Reports

LEGISLATION

An Ordinance to Establish a New Fund to Be Known as the Greenbelt West Infrastructure Fund to Provide for Revenue and Expenditures for Capital Projects Associated with New Development in Greenbelt West (2nd Reading, Adoption)

Ordinances to Add City-Owned Parcels to the Forest Preserve (all for 2nd Reading, Adoption)

A. An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 12, “Parks and Recreation,” Article IX, “Forest Preserve,” of the Greenbelt City Code for the Purpose of Designating a City-Owned Parcel as Forest Preserve Area (Parcel 12)

B. An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 12, “Parks and Recreation,” Article IX, “Forest Preserve,” of the Greenbelt City Code for the Purpose of Designating a City-Owned Parcel as Forest Preserve Area (Boxwood Preserve)

C. An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 12, “Parks and Recreation,” Article IX, “Forest Preserve,” of the Greenbelt City Code for the Purpose of Designating a City-Owned Parcel as Forest Preserve Area (Belle Point Preserve)

D. An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 12, “Parks and Recreation,” Article IX, “Forest Preserve,” of the Greenbelt City Code for the Purpose of Designating a City-Owned Parcel as Forest Preserve Area (Sunrise Preserve)

Ordinances for End-of-Year Budget Adjustments (all for 1st Reading, Suspension of the Rules; 2nd Reading, Adoption)

A. An Ordinance to Make a Supplemental Appropriation in the General Fund for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2007, in the Amount of Three Hundred and Thirty-Six Thousand Dollars (\$336,000) for Additional Fund Expenditures over the Appropriated Amount

B. An Ordinance to Make a Supplemental Appropriation in the Replacement Fund for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2007, in the Amount of Eighty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$85,000) for Additional Fund Expenditures over the Appropriated Amount

C. An Ordinance to Make a Supplemental Appropriation in the Special Projects Fund for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2007, in the Amount of Forty Thousand Dollars (\$40,000) for Additional Fund Expenditures over the Appropriated Amount

A Resolution to Repeal Resolution Number 1003 and Establish Service Charges for Garbage, Trash, and Recycling Collections in The City of Greenbelt, Maryland, Effective July 1, 2007 (2nd Reading, Adoption)

A Resolution to Designate City Officials Authorized to Sign Checks, Vouchers, Purchase Orders, and Payroll Checks for the City of Greenbelt and to Repeal Resolution 851 (1st Reading)

A Resolution to Repeal Resolution 1004 and to Establish Admission Fees and Pass Rates for the Greenbelt Aquatic and Fitness Center, Effective September 4, 2007 (1st Reading)

OTHER BUSINESS

- FY 2008 Program Open Space Program
 - Community Parks & Playgrounds Application
 - Award of Purchase – Replacement Handguns for Police Department
 - MML 2007 Legislative Initiatives – Action Requests
 - * -Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program – 2007
 - * -New MOU with the Friends of the Greenbelt Museum
- * Items on the Consent Agenda, indicated by an asterisk, will be approved as recommended by staff, subject to removal from the Consent Agenda by Council.

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

For City Information visit www.greenbeltmd.gov! Now available: On-Line Registration for Greenbelt Recreation Programs through Greenbelt ReLink!

VACANCIES ON BOARDS & COMMITTEES
 Volunteer to serve on City Council advisory groups.
 Vacancies exist on the:
 Arts Advisory Board
 Youth Advisory Committee
 For more information, please call 301-474-8000.

GREEN RIDGE HOUSE

THE MOST POPULAR LIST IN TOWN!

For years, persons interested in living at Green Ridge House, the City’s senior citizen apartment building located at 22 Ridge Road, had to be put on a waiting list for an apartment. In recent times, no names have been accepted because the waiting list was full. On Monday, June 18, 2007, the waiting list will be opened. This situation is being caused by a recent occurrence where no one of the 60 names on the current waiting list is interested in filling current vacancies.

Applicants must be 62 and older or disabled. Income requirements for 2007 are as follows: A single person cannot have income over \$33,100 and a married couple cannot have income more than \$37,800. You can not own land or another property at time of move in.

Amenities at Green Ridge House include: exercise room, computer lab, community room, ceramic room, green house, an exciting activities program, free use of the Green Ridge House Zip Car, a Service Coordinator to link residents with appropriate benefits and programs and much more. Residents pay 30% of their income for rent. The balance is paid by the federal government Section 8 program. Residents also pay electric, telephone and optional cable service. The waiting list will close on Friday, June 29, 2007 at 12 noon.

The Green Ridge House waiting list process is as follows: Applicants are placed on a waiting list in order of receipt of application. Residents must specify if they need a handicapped unit. As a vacancy at Green Ridge House occurs, wait list applicants will be called in order of receipt of application. An applicant is allowed to refuse a vacant apartment 2 times. If they refuse it the third time, their name is removed from the list and they must reapply. If your contact information changes while your name is on the list, it is your responsibility to update the Green Ridge House office. If the office is unable to contact you at the time of a vacancy due to a disconnected phone or undeliverable mailing address, your name will be removed from the list.

The GAIL Program (Greenbelt Assistance in Living) encourages income qualified residents to consider Green Ridge House for their housing needs. In many instances resident names have been on the list for years. If you are not ready now but may be in the future, now is the time to place your name on the list. Green Ridge House provides safe and affordable housing options for senior and disabled adults.

To apply, contact the Green Ridge House office at 22 Ridge Road. For more information call 301-474-7595. The City of Greenbelt supports equality of housing for all citizens regardless of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, disability, familial status, or sexual orientation.

GREENBELT AQUATIC AND FITNESS CENTER

101 CENTERWAY 301-397-2204

SWIM MEETS AT THE AQUATIC AND FITNESS CENTER

Sat. June 23, June 30 and July 7

The Outdoor pool will open at 12:30pm on these days.

CHILDREN’S WEEKDAY LESSONS SESSION I

Class Dates: June 19 – June 22 & June 26 – June 29

Passholders and Residents register: Sat. June 16

Open Registration: Sun. June 17 through 2pm on Mon. June 18

CHILDREN’S WEEKDAY LESSONS SESSION II

Class Dates: July 3 – July 6 & July 10 – July 13 (no class July 4)

Passholders and Residents register: Sat. June 30

Open Registration: Sun. July 1 through 2pm on Mon. July 2

Class listings are available in the Summer Recreation Brochure posted at www.greenbeltmd.gov

Greenbelt Municipal/ Public Access Channel 71

MUNICIPAL ACCESS: 301-474-8000: Monday, June 18th at 8pm: City Council Meeting (live), **Tuesday & Thursday, June 19 & 21: 6pm** “Ask the Expert – Scam Protection,” **6:45pm:** “Greenbelt Museum Lecture,” **7:30pm** Replay of City Council Meeting **PUBLIC ACCESS (GATE): 301-507-6581: Wednesday & Friday, June 20 & 22: 7pm** “Alexandria Kleztet,” **8:30pm** “ERHS Baccalaureate Service”

GREENBELT POLICE DEPARTMENT JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT (JAG) AWARD

The City is eligible to receive \$19,308 in Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) funds. It is the intent of the Police Department to purchase mobile data computer terminals to be installed in a number of police cars. Questions and/or comments can be made by calling 240-542-2105 or through e-mail at doneil@greenbeltmd.gov

CITY OPENINGS

Animal Control Officer: \$31,990/yr. F/T. Patrol for stray animals, transport animals, maintain impound facility, perform inspections, issue warnings/citations for ordinance violations, give courtroom testimony, ability to carry out oral and written instructions. Min. 18 years of age, high school diploma/GED, experience working in animal care preferred, valid driver’s license, ability to lift up to 70 pounds, run short distances, ability to work outside often during adverse weather conditions, ability to work flexible hours and occasional weekends.

Office Associate II P/T: \$12.24/hr, M-F, 7:30am - 1:30pm, for the Public Works Dept. H.S. Diploma/GED; clerical/receptionist duties; take accurate/clear messages; good organizational skills; proficiency with Windows Word; Excel required; ability to learn street routes throughout Greenbelt; enjoy working with public. EOE.

Apply: City of Greenbelt Personnel, 25 Crescent Road, Greenbelt, MD 20770; call job line 301-474-1872 or visit www.greenbeltmd.gov for required application.

GREENBELT RECLINK ON-LINE REGISTRATION FOR GREENBELT

The Greenbelt Recreation Department’s new online registration is now available at www.greenbeltmd.gov. If you haven’t received your username and password please contact the Recreation Department at 301-397-2200. Activity registration, camp payments, child care statements and receipts can all be processed from this site.

A Review

Slapstick Comedy Ticks
Reviewer and Audience

by Carol Griffith

"Don't Drink The Water," a very funny and well-done comedy, is a perfect ending to the 2006-07 season of excellent theater at the Greenbelt Arts Center. It's lighthearted and slapstick comedy, flawlessly performed with lots of belly laughs for everyone.

Written by Woody Allen the play takes place in 1966 in a small country somewhere behind the Iron Curtain. Ambassador Magee, a very proper career diplomat in charge of the American Embassy there, leaves for a short trip to further his political aspirations at home in the States. He leaves the embassy in charge of his completely inept son Axel to the horror of his primly competent assistant Miss Kilroy.

As luck would have it, no sooner has the ambassador departed than a family of tourists bursts into the embassy, seeking refuge. They're being chased by the country's police for allegedly spying; they've accidentally taken pictures of missile silos.

Axel himself is tricked into admitting that the family was spying, even though it's hard to imagine a more unlikely group of spies; now he must resolve the incident. Add a priest and an amateur magician who lives in the embassy (Jerry Khatcheressian in an excellent performance), a temperamental chef who wields kitchen tongs as a weapon (Joyce Kline Wiesinger

also excellent) and a haughty sultan who's involved financially with the ambassador (Sandy Irving who's perfect in the role). The resolution is hilarious and fast moving.

The tourists are played to broad stereotypes of Americans abroad – loud clothes and talk, with no appreciation for foreign culture – but Andrew Negri as the henpecked caterer from Newark, Michele S. Hitchcock as his neurotic wife and Kateri Hull as their free-spirited daughter Susan are wonderful together and separately. The chief of police is also a stereotypical Cold War-era bad guy, played by Richard William Blank, who steals the show.

Glen Nelson as the hapless Axel has a great sense of comedy, especially in the scenes with Susan, to whom he's attracted. Rounding out the cast is Rachel Duda, as the put-upon and resourceful assistant at the embassy. Her scene following a head injury in which she thinks that she's the Wright Brothers – both of them – is great fun.

"Don't Drink The Water" will play on the Friday and Saturday evenings of June 15, 16, 22, 23, 29 and 30, at 8 p.m. Sunday matinees are scheduled for June 17 and 24 at 2 p.m. For reservations call the box office at 301-441-8770 or drop by the Greenbelt Arts Center, located at 123 Centerway, beneath the Co-op supermarket.



The Chef (Joyce Wiesinger) at the American Embassy shows disgust at Walter Hollander's (Andrew Negri, center) opinion of her fine cooking in "Don't Drink the Water" at the Greenbelt Arts Center.

City's Summer Day Trips Still Open

The City of Greenbelt has several day trips planned that still have openings available.

Dutch Apple

Thursday, August 2 see Swing at the Dutch Apple Dinner Theater in Lancaster, Pa. The trip is from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. The Dutch Apple will be jumpin' and jivin' with over 30 songs from the Big Band Era and the dance phenomenon that swept the nation in the 30s and 40s. This all singing, all dancing extravaganza features classic tunes such as "It Don't Mean a Thing," "Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy," "Blues in the Night," "In the Mood" and more. Transportation is by charter bus. There is a fee, which includes transportation, lunch and show.

Toby's

September 6, travel to Toby's Dinner Theatre in Columbia by bus to see the musical "Dream Girls." The trip is from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. "Dream Girls" is set in the 1960s when rhythm and blues blended with other styles of popular music creating a new American sound. This is the story of the new beat of the countless girl and boy groups

(like the Supremes, Shirelles and Temptations) and of the dream of making it big in show business and all that comes with it including the heartache, the breakups and the triumphs. The fee includes transportation, lunch and show.

King Tut Exhibit

On Tuesday, September 18 travel to Philadelphia's Franklin Institute by charter bus to see the King Tut exhibit. The trip is from 7:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. and includes the IMAX Theater movie "Mummies." Lunch is on one's own at Ben's Bistro. There will be time for the self-guided audio tour of the King Tut exhibit and exploring the rest of the Franklin Institute.

Not limited to seniors, these Greenbelt Senior Center programs are open to anyone who would like to join. Stop by the Greenbelt Community Center to register or go online to www.greenbeltmd.gov and click on RecLink. Online registration requires an existing account with the Greenbelt Recreation Department.

For further information or assistance call 301-397-2208.

Plastic Jugs Sought
For "Sea Monsters"

Greenbelt is issuing a Fourth of July Sea Monster Alert and urges residents to keep an eye out at the Fourth of July celebration for sea monsters on Greenbelt Lake! (City officials say the creatures are surprisingly adaptable to fresh water.) The monsters are a sculpture project of Session I Creative Kids Camp with the Recreation Department Arts Program.

Meanwhile, Greenbelters can be part of this monstrous fun. To help make the creatures as glamorous as they can be for their July 4th debut, community members are asked to donate thoroughly washed plastic jugs (from milk, juice, detergent or other products). Bring donations to the Greenbelt Community Center any time during facility hours through June 24. Every container helps!

Volunteers are also needed for an hour or more any time on July 4 to assist with the launch of the sea monsters and related on-shore family fun.

For information contact Nicole DeWald, arts supervisor at ndewald@greenbeltmd.gov or 240-542-2057.

GAIL Needs Summer
Food Volunteers

The Greenbelt Assistance in Living (GAIL) program needs volunteers to assist with the summer food program for seniors from June 21 through August 30. Volunteers are needed to unload food items from vehicles and sort and bag food items for distribution. The food program is to be held on Tuesdays at Green Ridge House and on Thursdays in the council room at the Municipal Building.

Volunteers are needed to work from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and should be able to lift 20 lbs., stand while working two to four hours, enjoy serving others and working with seniors.

For more information call Valarie Wright at 240-542-2031 or email vwright@greenbeltmd.gov.

"Ask the Expert"
Summer Foot Health

The next "Ask the Experts" cable show will offer a presentation on Summer Foot Health by Dr. Vesta McDowell of Southwest Podiatry. The program will be taped at Green Ridge House on Tuesday, June 19 from 11 a.m. to noon. Attendees will learn foot care techniques, warning signs for diabetics and more. Bring specific foot care questions for Dr. McDowell. Those who do not live at Green Ridge House are asked to reserve a seat by calling Valarie Wright at 240-542-2031.

CARES

Liz Murray, program coordinator for the ACE Reading Club, completed her final school visit for the year. The ACE Reading Club visited Greenbelt Elementary School, Greenbelt Middle School, Springhill Lake Elementary School and Magnolia Elementary School for a total of 25 club meetings, 14 tapings and one author visit. Summer Club meetings will begin June 18 in conjunction with Greenbelt Recreation Department summer camps.

Community Events

Chromatics to Perform at Café Fundraiser

On Friday, June 29 the a cappella group "The Chromatics" will headline a fundraiser for the New Deal Café, which has struggled with high staff turnover and a financial shortfall. The concert, which also features the groups "Euphonism" and "Tonic & Gin," begins at 8 p.m. Donations are invited. There will be special food offerings and a newly expanded wine list in addition to the music.

The concert is the first event sponsored by the new Café Arts and Music Sustaining Fund, which was formed by the Friends of the New Deal Café Arts (FONDCA) to provide a tax-deductible way for donors to support the arts directly and by extension, the café itself. Chris Logan, treasurer of FONDCA, announced the establishment of the sustaining fund at the most recent member meeting. FONDCA is a 501(c)(3) organization which

sponsors art shows, music festivals and provides support to the Café's music and art scene. Money raised through the fund will be applied directly to rent and utility expenses for spaces used to conduct the arts and music programs at the New Deal Café.

In the last year, FONDCA has sponsored 12 monthly art shows in the Café and music festivals at Roosevelt Center, including the Crazy Quilt, Green Man and Blues Festivals. FONDCA has just celebrated its fifth anniversary of receiving permanent non-profit status from the IRS.

The New Deal Café is a non-stock, nonprofit membership corporation located in the center of Old Greenbelt which has been providing a gathering place for locals with art, music and inexpensive food since 1999. It is located at 113 Centerway, Roosevelt Center.

Greenbelt Baseball

Major League Standings as of Tuesday, June 12, 2007

American League	W-L	National League	W-L
#1 Orioles	13-3	#1 Indians	14-1
#2 Giants	12-4	#2 Cardinals	11-4
#3 Tigers	4-11	#3 Yankees	6-10
#4 Athletics	1-14	#4 Cubs	1-15

Major League Schedule

Date	Time	Games	
Mon., June 18	6:00 p.m.	NL4 vs. NL3	N1
Tues., June 19	6:00 p.m.	AL4 vs. AL3	A1
Wed., June 20	6:00 p.m.	N1 Winner vs. NL2	N2
Thurs., June 21	6:00 p.m.	A1 Winner vs. AL2	A2
Fri., June 22	6:00 p.m.	N2 Winner vs. NL1	N3
Sat., June 23	10:00 a.m.	A2 Winner vs. AL1	A3
Sat., June 23	1:00 p.m.	N1 Loser vs. N2 Loser	N4
Sat., June 23	3:00 p.m.	A1 Loser vs. A2 Loser	A4

All games are played at McDonald Field.

Celebrate Pride Month

At the New Deal Café on June 15th, 2007

GREENBELT
PRIDE

Greenbelt's own organization of Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender residents invites you to an evening of socializing and information. Ask how you can get involved, or just drop by and say "hi." ALL interested persons are welcome! Meet your GLBT neighbors, and learn about what is happening on the state level with issues that concern our lives.

7:00-10:00 PM, Friday, 15th

Join GreenBELT Pride at the New Deal Café (113 Centerway). Look for the table with the rainbow flags. For more information, call Kris at (301) 474-4285 or email at krswh@yahoo.com

Stay tuned
for future
events!

GreenBELT Pride: You can't spell Greenbelt without GBLT!

Police Blotter

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

Robbery

7800 block Hanover Parkway, June 6, 11:30 p.m., four persons in a vehicle were waiting for a friend when two of them went outside to check one of the tires for air. They were approached by two men who displayed handguns and forced the two to lie down in the parking lot. Two females inside the car were then ordered out of it and told to remove their clothing. All four were robbed and one of the females was sexually assaulted. The robbers fled the scene in an unknown 2-door silver colored vehicle.

The robbers are described as black, 25 to 30 years old, 6'2" in height with thin builds, black hair and dark eyes, each wearing a blue baseball cap, black T-shirt and blue jeans.

Assault

6200 block of Springhill Court, May 31, 7:40 p.m., a man observed another man scratching his vehicle with a knife and yelled out to him. The man with the knife then approached the victim and attempted to cut him causing the victim to trip and drop his cell phone in the process of backing away. The assailant grabbed the phone and fled the scene.

The assailant is described as black, short in height, with black hair and brown eyes, wearing blue jeans and a white shirt with red and black on the front.

Greenway Center, June 1, 5:40 p.m., a man reported that he was driving in the parking lot when a delivery vehicle cut him off. He blew his horn and the truck driver exited his vehicle, approached the man and punched him in the face. The truck driver then drove away.

The driver is described as a black male, 6'5" in height. The alleged vehicle is described as a DHL delivery truck.

Drugs

6100 block of Breezewood Drive, June 4, 7:14 p.m., a 16-year-old Greenbelt youth was arrested for possession of marijuana with intent to distribute in a school zone. An officer responding to a report of someone smoking in a laundry room saw a youth who matched the description given to police. The youth fled the scene. The youth was then seen again with two others and all fled as foot officers approached. They were stopped in the 6100 block of Springhill Drive. The first youth was found to be in possession of what appeared to be marijuana packaged as if for sale. He was released to a parent pending action by the juvenile justice system.

Weapons Arrest

Eleanor Roosevelt High School, June 6, 3 p.m., a 15-year-old Greenbelt youth was arrested for possession of a concealed deadly weapon after he allegedly brought a pellet-type handgun to school in an effort to threaten two other classmates over a property dispute. Two 16-year-old nonresident youths were arrested for assault in regard to the same incident. All parents were notified and the youths were released pending action by the Board of Education and the juvenile justice system.

School Disruption

Eleanor Roosevelt High School, May 30, 2:11 p.m., a 16-year-old Greenbelt youth was

arrested for disruption of school activities after she was involved in a verbal dispute with another student. The dispute was broken up by a school resource officer but the student arrested allegedly refused to leave, threatening the other student and attempting to force her way around the officer to get at the other student. The student was released pending action by the Board of Education and the juvenile justice system.

Disorderly Conduct

Greenbelt Marriott Hotel, June 3, 2:10 a.m., a Hyattsville resident was arrested and charged with disorderly conduct after officers responded to a report of a disorderly subject in the closed pool area of the hotel and found the man there refusing to provide his name and shouting profanities at the officers and hotel employees. The man was released on citation pending trial.

T.G.I.Friday's Restaurant, a Largo resident involved in a customer dispute with a restaurant manager was asked to leave the premises. She began shouting profanities causing patrons to gather and observe her actions. She was arrested and charged with disorderly conduct and released on citation pending trial.

Theft

Springhill Lane and Breezewood Drive, May 31, 4:30 p.m., a victim reported having his yearbook grabbed from his hand by another person who fled on foot. The thief is described as a black male, tall and thin, with black hair and brown eyes, wearing a white T-shirt with the word DARE on the front, black shorts and black shoes.

Beltway Plaza, June 4, 10:09 a.m., a witness advised that he observed a man take three shopping carts from the parking lot near the Giant Supermarket, place them inside a van and drive away. The thief is described as a black male, 5'8" to 6' in height with black hair and brown eyes wearing black pants, black shirt and black hat. The van is described as a white GMC van with Maryland tags 10T466.

Theft Arrests

Eleanor Roosevelt High School, June 1, 5:40 p.m., a 17-year-old Beltsville youth was alleged to have taken a digital music player from another student's locker. The youth was arrested for theft and released pending action by the Board of Education and the juvenile justice system.

6200 block of Springhill Lane, June 4, a District Heights man was arrested and charged with theft after an officer observed a suspicious occupied vehicle and determined that the vehicle tags had been reported stolen in Prince George's County. Upon investigation, the driver was found to have an open warrant with the Alexandria, Va., Police Department. The driver was released on citation to the custody of the Department of Corrections for service of the outstanding warrant.

Impaired Driving

Unit block of Crescent Road, June 3, 3:09 a.m., a Greenbelt woman was arrested and charged with driving while impaired by alcohol, driving while impaired by drug(s) or drug(s) and alcohol and driving while impaired by controlled dangerous substance

after the vehicle she was operating hit a curb. She was released on citation pending trial.

Burglaries

7800 block of Hanover Parkway, reported on May 31, 8:58 p.m., entry was gained to a residence by breaking out a bedroom window. Among items taken were two computer monitors, four cordless phones and several DVDs.

7800 block of Hanover Parkway, reported on June 1, 2:17 p.m., a box spring and mattress left in the hallway of a condominium building by delivery persons were taken.

6000 block Springhill Drive, reported on June 4, 10 p.m., a laptop computer, a video game player and games, two cameras and several watches were removed from a residence with means of entry undetermined.

500 block of Mandan Road, reported June 6, 5:11 p.m., a patio window was broken out and money taken.

Trespass

Starbucks at Greenway Center, May 28, 3:15 p.m., a Greenbelt resident was arrested and charged with trespass after he refused to leave upon management's request. He was released on citation pending trial.

Vandalism

Greenbelt American Legion, 6900 Greenbelt Road, May 31, 7:36 a.m., windows in a door and a vestibule were found broken.

6000 block Springhill Drive, June 6, 8:36 p.m., an apartment window was reported broken.

7200 block of South Ora Court, June 5, 8:40 p.m., an eight-year-old Greenbelt juvenile was observed breaking out a bedroom window in a residence. The parents were notified and agreed to pay damages.

Crimes to Vehicles

The following vehicles were reported stolen during the week: a silver 2004 Dodge Neon 4-door with no tags from the 9300 block of Edmonston Road on June 1; a blue 1999 Ford Taurus 4-door, Maryland tags HEN538, from the 9100 block of Edmonston Terrace on June 1; a silver Chrysler Concorde 4-door, Maryland tags 5CZ03 from the 9300 block of Edmonston Road on June 2; a green 1995 Dodge Stratus 4-door, Maryland tags 5CJP21 from the 6100 block of Breezewood Court on June 3; a white 1994 Honda Civic 4-door, Maryland tags KMC13, from the 5800 block of Cherrywood Lane on June 3; a gold Toyota Echo 2-door, Maryland tags MAH561, from the 9100 block of Springhill Lane on June 3; a 1998 Plymouth Breeze from the 9100 block of Edmonston Road on June 5 recovered the next day in Edmonston; a blue Volkswagen Passat 4-door, Maryland tags MST552, from the 9100 block of Springhill Lane on June 5 and a gold Toyota Corolla 4-door, Maryland tags 3DBB81, from the 9100 block of Springhill Lane on June 6.

Two vehicles previously stolen were recovered.

Thefts from and vandalism to vehicles took place in the 6200 block of Springhill Drive, area of Cherrywood Terrace and Breezewood Court, 9100 block of Edmonston Road (two incidents), 6900 block of Breezewood Drive, 7800 block of Mandan Road,

Officer Bryan Peck Welcomed Home

Greenbelt Police Officer Bryan Peck was welcomed home by Chief James Craze and the city council at the council's June 4 meeting. Peck had been serving on active duty as a hospital corpsman second class with the Navy in Iraq. Craze presented Peck with a special chief's award in recognition of his service to his country.

Peck told the council that he had been assigned to an advance security unit responsible for protecting dams, spending much of his time near the Euphrates River. He said that his unit had found a lot of cached weapons. He felt they had made a difference. More importantly, "All of my Marines came home in one piece," he said.

"I'd tell you more, but then you wouldn't want to read my book," he concluded.

9300 block of Edmonston Road, 9100 block of Edmonston Terrace, 5900 block of Cherrywood Terrace, 9100 block of Springhill Lane (two incidents), 6200 block of Springhill Court, 9000 block of Breezewood Terrace, 5800 block of Cherrywood Lane, 7700 block of Hanover Parkway, 7600 block of Mandan Road, 20 Court Southway, 9100 block of Springhill Court and Beltway Plaza.

City Notes

Public Works horticulture crew planted over 1,300 annuals, mulched the areas along Southway and removed two hazardous trees which fell in the wind, one on Morrison Drive, the other on Mandan Road.

Facilities maintenance crew began repairs to the marquee at the Old Greenbelt Theatre and worked with PEPCO after hours in replacing a transformer at the Youth Center.

Recreation Department reported that Greenbelt Day weekend was a huge success. The weekend began with over 400 students from Eleanor Roosevelt High School senior class taking over the Youth Center and the Aquatic Center on Friday night June 1 for the annual Grad Nite hosted by parents and the City of Greenbelt.

On Saturday young athletes showed up at the Youth Center for the Youth Biathlon (50 meter swim and 3K run/walk). Eight youths participated in age categories of 8, 10, 11 and 13 year olds. The overall winner was a 13-year-old female with a time of just under 20 minutes. Despite the hot weather, the skatepark grand opening went off without a hitch. Awards, free T-shirts and many thanks were given for support of the project from beginning to end.

On Saturday evening for the Daddy/Daughter dance, there were over 80 dads and their daughters with smiles from ear to ear, having a great time eating, talking and dancing the night away.

Sunday, many people of all ages joined the festivities inside at the Community Center for an Artful Afternoon.

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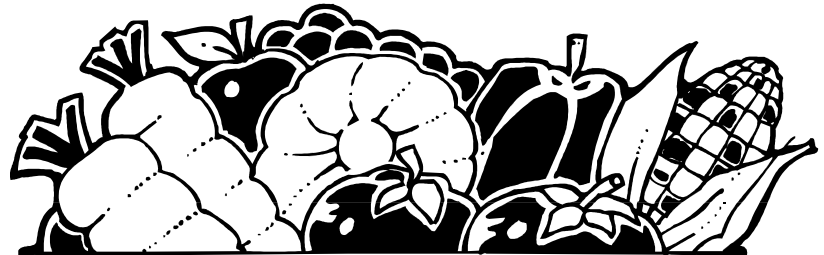
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Youth Recognized for Their Achievements

Local Students Excel on French Exam

by Andrew Smith

This spring more than 100,000 students at elementary and middle school levels participated in the "Grand Concours," an exam administered by the American Association of French Teachers to test fluency and comprehension of the French language. Three Greenbelt residents are among the students receiving state and national recognition – Teresa Smith, Phoebe McFarb and Manuel Ayala-Sapelli.

Teresa Smith, a 4th grader, placed first in the state of Maryland and third nationally. Phoebe McFarb and Manuel Ayala-Sapelli, both 6th graders, tied for second in the state and fourth in the nation. All three students competed in the same division, which is open to 4th to 6th grade French immersion students who do not speak French at home.

The three attend Robert Goddard French Immersion School in Seabrook, a K-8 public school. Students are taught exclusively in the French language starting in kindergarten. In second grade a one-hour daily English class is introduced. Students entering the school speak little or no French but finish 8th grade fully fluent in English and French.

Seven other Robert Goddard French Immersion students



Robert Goddard French Immersion students from left to right are Phoebe McFarb, Manuel Ayala-Sapelli, Abigail Birnbaum, Teresa Smith, Shulamit Shroder and Emma McTague.

Photo courtesy Manuel Ayala-Maycotte

also received awards. In the 1st through 3rd grade division, Janide Rene (3rd grade) placed first in the state and first in the nation. Nora Snyder (3rd grade) placed second in the state and second in the nation. Emma McTague (4th grade) and Abigail Birnbaum (6th grade) tied for 2nd in the state and 4th in the nation with Phoebe and

Manuel. In the middle school grades, Noah Jay (7th grade) placed first in the state and first in the nation. Shulamit Shroder and Taryn Bipat (7th grade) placed second in the state and the nation respectively.

For more information about the test visit the Grand Concours website at <http://www.frenchteachers.org/concours/>.

Sports Stars from ERHS

by James Giese

The students and faculty at Eleanor Roosevelt High School (ERHS) have completed another successful year, with many new graduates earning academic records that won them scholarships.

ERHS students were also recently honored for athletic achievements. The Washington Post named Tasha Stanley its Athlete of the Year in Girls' Track in the paper's Spring All-Met edition. Her coach, Desmond Dunham, was named Coach of the Year in Girls' Track. Teammates Takecia Jameson, Tameka Jameson and Marika Walker were named to the All-Met First Team. Three of the four All-Met top relay teams named were from Roosevelt. Doris Anyanwu, Stanley, Tameka Jameson and Takecia Jameson in the 4x400; Dominique Lockhart, Walker, Tameka Jameson and Stanley in the 4x800 and Lockhart, Anyanwu, Tameka Jameson and Walker in the Distance Medley. Anyanwu, Tyreka Arrington and Lockhart earned Honorable Mentions for

girls' track.

In boy's track Kelli Thibou was named to the First Team. Roosevelt's 4x400 team was named a Top Relay team and included Michael Sesay, Malcolm Womack, Jovan Edwards and Donte Holmes. Holmes also received an Honorable Mention.

Pitcher Sean Swetnam was named to the All-Met Baseball Second Team. The weekly Prince George's Extra of The Washington Post named Swetnam Player of the Year for leading the Raiders to their first Maryland 4-A title. (Swetnam was also recognized by WJLA-TV as an outstanding player for leading the Roosevelt team to the state championship.) Andrew Capece was named as the Coach of the Year by the Extra. Infielder Casey Conrad received Honorable Mention as an All-Met and was named to the All-Extra team.

In softball, Billy Hunter was named Coach of the Year by the Extra. Outfielders Eva Richardson and Erin Snyder were named to the All-Extra team.

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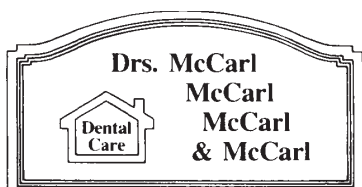


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Development Group Sees High End Possibilities

by Brian St. George

On May 30 the Greenbelt City Council met with the Prince George's County Economic Development Corporation to hear about the county group's activities in the two years since their last joint meeting.

The Development Corporation, represented by Kwasi Holman, president and CEO, is a nonprofit, independent organization that supports economic development in Prince George's County. Also in attendance was Marc "Kap" Kapastin of Quantum Companies, Management Company for Beltway Plaza.

Holman said that Prince George's County is at a "tipping point," suggesting that now is the county's time to bring in big development. Outside investors are beginning to see the golden opportunities here. The recent announcement that Wegmans will be moving into Largo has resulted from an effort to attract high end retailers.

While such retail development generally increases revenues, Mayor Judith Davis asked why it is necessary to provide the developers and corporations with Tax Incentive Financing (TIF) to move into the county. "Why can't they pay like everyone else?" she asked.

Holman said that the current rental per square foot is not enough to provide developers with a return on investment. He added that the "rates" for high end retailers are set internationally, with "every community wanting a Nordstrom and Saks."

Holman also emphasized that County Executive Jack Johnson, an attorney and accountant who had worked for the IRS, understands finance and that in order to improve bond ratings, these steps – referring to the use of TIF to bring about growth – must be taken.

Housing Issues

The discussions then turned to affordable housing. Davis asked what the county could do to support more moderate and affordable housing. She indicated there is an ample supply of high end luxury homes.

Holman said there is also an ample supply of moderately priced rental units and that the

State of Maryland has a wonderful program geared to first time buyers. He further indicated that he has spent time in zoning and does not like the wholesale concession to high end housing.

Councilmember Edward Putens suggested that the bottom line is that developers are not interested in developing affordable housing. He asked, "What's wrong?"

Holman said he is not the housing authority within his organization but there are "in fact developers who care," referring to Kapastin.

Councilmember Konrad Herling continued to pursue the issue of affordable housing and linking the proposed commercial development with residential development in order to take advantage of public transportation.

Holman responded that the Mosaic project in Hyattsville was a success in that regard. He said that in the future energy prices will force people to live closer to where they work.

Councilmember Leta Mach, also speaking to the housing issue, asked why co-ops are not eligible for Maryland's first time owners program. "What can we do to change that?" she asked. Holman suggested that the new governor should take up that issue.

Councilmember Rodney Roberts indicated that the commercial vacancy rate is around 16 percent, which is considered higher than average, to which Davis asked, "Then why are we building more?" The answer: to attract federal agencies who then attract other support services.

Herling brought up the fact that although corporate chains may fit some economic model, they also create a "cookie cutter" environment, making Prince George's County no different from any place else. Holman reminded Herling that "we've got to pay the rent."

Davis suggested that independent restaurants and stores are often more interesting and appealing than large corporate chains. She asked what could be done to emphasize these establishments.

Holman suggested they have encouraged local stores to open multiple locations and franchise their operations.

Free Activities In Old Bowie Sat.

Bring the family – spend an hour or spend the day. Get a bike inspected. Hear live music in the park. Visit the Railroad Museum and other free activities in Old Town Bowie.

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The Railroad Museum offers tours of a 1992 caboose from noon to 4 p.m., while visitors also enjoy trains passing by from the observation station. Old Town Bowie Welcome Center Heritage and Children's Museum is open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and there will be pop/rock offered at the Old Bowie Grille, at 8704 Chestnut Avenue from 8:30 p.m. to closing.

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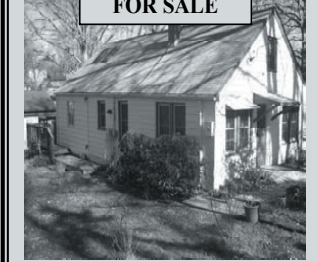
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"Stars" dancers Elena Shipley, Geetika Reichmann, Sara Guerrieri, Phoebe McFarb, Natalia Aravequia, Maia Tooley and Olivia Guerrieri play to the audience.



The "Swans" are Clara Beckert and Ariana Aleem.

Photos by
Jon Gardner



Greenbelt resident Samantha Fitschen is the dance instructor for the Greenbelt Dance Studio. Photo by Rissa Miller, Balance Headshots

DANCERS continued from page 1

ture of gratitude invites her to the "Spring Fling." Gardner and Nelson are lovely as they dance gracefully through the trees and flowers to the "Spring Fling." When they arrive, Mother Nature presents Violet with 11 bright red and yellow dancing butterflies, played by ballerinas ages six to eight. These little ones dance together with great enthusiasm. Next the purple and green polka dot jitterbugs, the six to nine year olds, jump and groove enthusiastically to the jitterbug beat. Later Violet is greeted by three graceful swans complete with white, fluffy tutus. These nine to 13 year old beginning ballet dancers

were inspiring. Seven jazzy bees buzzed in next. Their dance, which featured energetic tapping of feet and clapping and waving of hands, made the members of the audience want to dance too or at least tap their feet. When night began to fall, seven sparkly blue stars grooved to the beat of Prince. These beginning jazz dancers ages 10 to 13 show the audience what jazz is all about: jazz hands, synchronized jumps and all.

Then the night was over and happy dancers were greeted by great applause as they took their bows to a "Brand New Day" from the "Wiz."

Meet Samantha Fitschen Greenbelt Dance Instructor

by Rebecca Boggs

"What I knew going into college was that I wanted to be a great Broadway choreographer," Samantha Fitschen says. She continues, "My music theater advisor said I could work with someone in production; and then throughout my college career I ended up getting cast in lead roles and I didn't do choreography at first." Fitschen, a Greenbelt resident since October 2005, has two careers, one as a music theater actress and the other as a music theater choreographer. Her new career, which she started in Greenbelt, is dance teacher, "and I've done 45 other things," she says laughing. "This time period in my life is the most simple, which is kind of nice."

Fitschen received a B.F.A. in theater from Roosevelt University in Chicago where she grew up. When asked about her biggest accomplishment, Fitschen replies, "with regards to choreography, I received Chicago's Joseph Jefferson Citation for 'Best Choreography in a Musical Production' and I won two Joseph Jefferson awards which are like the Tony awards in New York." A big accomplishment acting wise, she says, was "doing an American premier of Steven Sondheim's musical 'Saturday Night.'" Regarding her performance, a New York Times review dated Tuesday, June 1, 1999, by Peter Mark, states: "and best of all is Samantha Fitschen's Celeste, half of the show's secondary romantic couple. Her no-frills rendition of 'Remember That,' a song eerily close to 'I Remember It Well' from 'Gigi,' is effortlessly funny, a bright window on how the warming effect of the whole show might be accomplished."

Recently Fitschen played to a full house in a theater in Maine,

February 15 to 17, in her debut performance in "Blondes on Broadway," a one-woman musical review she developed. Fitschen is working on getting her musical review booked in the Washington, D.C. area. "I am tired of traveling," she says.

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If you have ever participated in one of Fitschen's classes you know that she is a talented, fun and enthusiastic instructor. In the spring she taught 13 classes which were fully enrolled with some classes wait-listed. She offers classes for all ages from toddler to adult. Fitschen says, "I am really happy with how the dance program is developing. Students and parents have been very welcoming and understanding, especially when I had to take leave early on. I'm very appreciative." Fitschen took leave to have surgery to donate part of her liver to her father who lives in Chicago. He and Fitschen have recovered well from their surgeries. Fitschen continues, "I like teaching a range of different concert dance styles and bringing dance to Greenbelt which is a place where many children might not be able to afford dance classes and experience the joy of dance."

Kudos to Chris Cherry

Fitschen writes in the Spring Fling recital program: "A short nine months and 200-plus students ago, the Greenbelt Dance Studio program was just an idea. We would not be here celebrating the first annual spring dance recital, without the vision and support of Chris Cherry, Community Center coordinator for the Recreation Department. Thanks go to you from all of us, the performance arts enthusiasts of Greenbelt!"