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Councilmembers Join in Amicus **Brief Opposing ICC Construction**

by Thomas X. White

All five members of the Greenbelt City Council joined a host of other Prince George's County elected officials in signing on to amicus curiae (friend of the court) filings on Friday, September 7 at the Federal District Court in Greenbelt. The brief opposes construction of the proposed 18-mile Intercounty Connector (ICC), a limited access toll highway between I-270 in Gaithersburg and I-95 in Laurel.

The amicus briefs filed on behalf of the entire nine-member Prince George's County Council, the Greenbelt City Council and other elected county and municipal officials are intended to support the Audubon Naturalist Society of the Central Atlantic States and others as plaintiffs in the Federal District Court case. They oppose arguments raised in cross motions for summary judgment filed by federal defendants, the U.S. Department of Transportation and the Federal Highway Administration (referred to collectively as FHWA) and the intervenor-defendants, the State of Maryland acting on behalf of the Maryland State Highway Administration (SHA).

Specifically, the amicus filings contend that the FHWA and the SHA have ignored concerns and objections raised by Prince George's County during preparation of the Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) for the proposed highway and that the "Defendants' decision-making process violates the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)."

In addition to the Prince George's County Council and the Greenbelt City Council, other signatories to the amicus briefs are Senator Paul Pinsky and Delegates Justin Ross and Anne Healey of Maryland District 22, representing Greenbelt; Delegates Ben Barnes (former resident of Greenbelt), Barbara Frush and Joseline Peña-Melnyk of District 21 (College Park/Beltsville); and Senator Douglas Peters and Delegates James Hubbard and Marvin Holmes of District 23; Delegate Michael Vaughn of District 24; Delegates Veronica Turner and Kris Valderrama of District 26; Senator Gwen Britt (chair of the Prince George's Senate Delegation) and Delegates Jolene Ivey, Doyle Neimann and Victor Ramirez of District 47.

Municipal signators were College Park Mayor Stephen Brayman and Council Members Stephanie Stullich, Andrew Fellows, Karen Hampton, Mary Cook, David Milligan and Robert Catlin; and the Mayor of Hyatts-

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The second member of the Greenbelt City Council to file as a candidate for re-election is its current mayor, Judith F. Davis.

Known to one and all as just "J," Davis is in her seventh term on the city council. She has served as mayor since 1997.

Prior to her election in 1993, she was a member of the city's Advisory Planning Board (APB) for 10 years and was elected chair by that board's members for five years from 1988 to 1992. Davis is the council liaison to the Friends of the Greenbelt Museum and to the Anacostia Trails Heritage Area board of directors.

Presently Davis is the council's Washington Council of Governments (COG) board of directors. In 2005 she was elected chair of the COG board and served for one year. Davis is a member of COG's Chesapeake Bay Policy Committee on which she has served since its inception. Currently she is the committee's vice chair. She is COG's liaison to the Advisory Board of the Institute of Regional Excellence and has been appointed to COG's Ad Hoc Elected Officials' Green Building Committee and the Climate Change Steering Committee. In the past Davis has served on COG's Budget/Finance Committee, Ad Hoc Digital Divide Task Force, Strategic Planning Committee and Executive Director Search Committee.

In 2005 Davis was appointed to the Energy, Environment and Natural Resources Policy and Advocacy Steering Committee for the National League of Cit-



Judith "J" Davis

representative to the Metropolitan ies. She is a past president of both the Prince George's County Municipal Association (PGCMA) and the Prince George's Elected Municipal Women. Davis served nine years on PGCMA's board of directors. This past June, Davis was re-elected to the Maryland Municipal League's board of directors and its executive committee, having previously served eight years on the board and two vears on the executive committee. She is a member of Women in Government Service, Women in Municipal Government and the Maryland Mayors Association. In November 2002 Davis became a Graduate Fellow of the Academy for Excellence in Local Governance established by the Institute for Government Service.

Davis was appointed by the County Executive for five years to the Proposal Advisory Group for the Community Development Block Grant Program of the County's Department of Hous-

ing and Community Development. She has also served on the county's Zoning Ordinance Review Task Force as one of its two municipal appointees.

Davis retired in 1999 after 30 years as a sixth grade teacher employed by the Prince George's County Board of Education. An educator for 35 years, she holds bachelor's and master's degrees from West Chester State University in West Chester, Pa. She served the Prince George's County Educators Association (PGCEA) as board member and treasurer and chaired host subcommittees of the National Education Association for three national conventions.

A condominium owner in the Greenbriar subdivision, Davis moved to Greenbelt in 1975 and soon became active in local affairs. She was elected to the board of directors of Greenbriar Phase I from 1979 to 1993. She served as carnival chair for the Labor Day Festival Committee from 1981 to 1997. In 1995, Davis was a member of the Project Design Committee that formed GIVES, the Greenbelt Intergenerational Volunteer Exchange Service, of which she is a charter member. She was re-elected to the GIVES board of directors for a sixth term as vice president in June 2006. She was asked to be the honorary chairperson for the Greenbelt Pink Ribbon Ride from 2002 to 2004. In 2004, she was asked to serve on the Community Advisory Council of the Greater Prince George's Business

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Back row: Principal Kimberly Seidel. Front Row: Lexi Onuoha, Ian Talley, Shyanne Brown, Sofie Dabelko, Evan Candy and Grace Seo. They are all second-graders in Mary Mullennix's class.

Greenbelt Elementary School Celebrates First Patriot Day

by Vicki Kriz

As President George W. Bush officially pronounced September 11, 2007, as the first official Patriot Day, so did Greenbelt Elementary students and staff hold their first Patriot Day celebration in an early morning school assembly to honor local heroes.

Organized by vocal music teacher Dara Case and emceed by sixth-grader Min Kang, the assembly featured a school-wide

recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance and singing of the national anthem. Several students then read aloud excerpts from the children's book "Messages to Ground Zero: Children Respond to September 11, 2001," by Shelley Harwayne.

School Principal Kimberly Seidel awarded the assembly's

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Landscaping Firm Helps Clear Historic Cemetery

by Brian St. George

On June 29 in celebration of their founder, Theodore Brickman, Sr., Brickman Landscaping provided the City of Greenbelt a gratis cleaning and maintenance of the "Old Turner Cemetery" off Ivy Lane at Edmonston Road. Every June 29 is Founder's Day at Brickman's; each of their 135 facilities across the United States provides similar services to various churches, veterans' facilities and similar properties.

Often the company's office workers will make up the team that gets the job done on this day to remind them what the company does day in and day out. According to Dan Hartman, the horticulturalist involved with the project, Brickman takes care of the modern graveyard and got the idea of clearing the historical property when he was talking to

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What Goes On

Saturday, September 15

11 a.m., Open Forum to Receive Comments on Public Safety in the Vicinity of Roosevelt Center, Gardenway and the Spellman Overpass at the Municipal Building

Saturday and Sunday, September 15 and 16

11 a.m. to 3 p.m., Fall Pet Adoption Event at Greenbelt PetSmart; Greenbelt Animal Control will participate

Monday, September 17

7:30 p.m., Board of Elections re: Election Personnel, at Municipal

8 p.m., City Council Worksession with BARC (stakeholder), Public Works Facility Update, Municipal Building (Live on Channel 71) Tuesday, September 18

10:30 a.m, Registration and Beginning of Fall GED Course, Municipal Building

Noon to 6 p.m., Blood Drive, Youth Center

Wednesday, September 19

7:30 p.m., Park and Recreation Advisory Committee Meeting, Community Center

Thursday, September 20

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

Letters to the Editor

Do Not Close The Overpass

As concern increases over greenhouse gas emissions, peak oil and respiratory illnesses such as asthma, I feel we need to promote alternatives to the automobile, not shut them down. When I hear proposals to close the Spellman Overpass or to gate it at night, I am concerned that walking and bicycling are not fully recognized as real forms of transportation.

This thinking is not confined to Greenbelt. On the Lehrer News Hour, U.S. Secretary of Transportation Mary Peters was concerned that not all of the latest federal transportation bill was being spent wisely. She stated, "Well, there's about probably some 10 percent to 20 percent of the current spending that is going to projects that really are not transportation, directly transportation-related. Some of that money is being spent on things like bike paths or trails." She is implying that only roads, highways and bridges built to carry cars and trucks qualify as "real" transportation infrastructure, while also leading us to believe that hiker/biker trails get a much larger piece of our federal transportation budget than the actual approximately 1 percent.

The Spellman Overpass was made possible by federal funding. Secretary Peters would likely say it too was not "real" transportation, yet it is the only safe and practical way to walk or bicycle over the BW Parkway, especially at night. As such, it is a major transportation conduit between points east and west. I regularly cycle to NASA Goddard over the Spellman Overpass and occasionally need to return late at night.

The Spellman Overpass is as critical to walkers and cyclists as the nearby Greenbelt Road bridge is to car commuters. We certainly have problems with crime in Greenbelt that need to be addressed but I do not feel that closing, even at night, a critical piece of transportation infrastructure is the solution. We also have a problem with high rates of car theft, yet no one has proposed closing the Greenbelt Road bridge. Closing the Spellman Overpass to reduce crime is like closing the Greenbelt Road bridge to prevent car thieves from escaping!

Jeffrey Pedelty

THANKS!

Thank you to all the people who donated books to the Greenbelt Elementary School Parent-Teacher Association Labor Day book sale. The PTA collected around 24,000 books to sell, raising more than \$5,000 for the school. Thanks also to all the people who bought books at the festival and especially to

those who made additional donations to the PTA.

The Greenbelt Co-op supplied space for collecting the books and we thank Co-op manager Bob Davis and all the staff for their help. Many volunteers also helped during the book sale by moving, sorting and selling books. Thanks also to the Labor Day Festival committee for arranging our new location and tent and to Public Works for helping us move pallets and recycle leftover books at the end of the Festival. Thanks to McCormick Paints for the loan of pallets.

The Labor Day book sale is the PTA's biggest fundraiser of the year. Money raised helps to fund school events such as the Multi-cultural dinner, Safety Day and the Spring Fair; to support art, music and science programs at the school; for teacher appreciation and student awards; and to buy items the school needs.

We thank you all for your contributions to the education of Greenbelt's children!

> Melissa Sites, for the Greenbelt Elementary School PTA

Pity the Little Fishes

After attending this year's Greenbelt Labor Day Festival, we're very pleased with the addition of the recycling containers, additional police presence and the new location for the book sale. We'd love to see a Mr. Greenbelt Pageant next year and/or maybe a Senior's Pageant!

Regarding festival fare, there are very few choices for vegetarians and vegans. And couldn't we do without prizes that simulate weaponry? Don't we get enough of the real thing on TV, the movies, in songs and in our communities?

What's more upsetting is fish being given away as prizes. Each fish is kept in its own plastic bag with some water. Fish kept in bags for more than the allowable four hours maximum time are susceptible to a slow, agonizing

How many hours does a winner stay at the festival until ready to go home? What happens when there are fish left over? Last year, many bags of fish were left in their blue buckets overnight; air loss was observed, i.e., wrinkling/shriveling of plastic bags were evident. Living creatures should not be given as

We did sign up last year to be on the Labor Day Festival Committee but were never called. Maybe it's time to break away from some traditions and try new things. A little more Greenbelt and a little less "Rosedale" would benefit every festival goer.

Li'l Dan Celdran

Combined Choir Begins Rehearsals

The Greenbelt Combined Choir will begin rehearsals for its annual holiday performances starting on Thursday, September 27 at 7:30 p.m. at the Greenbelt Community Church. The choir sings at the Interdenominational Thanksgiving Service and performs a Christmas concert for the community each year, in addition to other performances.

All singers are welcome, with no auditions necessary. This year's Christmas program will include familiar and traditional selections, as well as pieces new to some listeners.

For more information call either of the co-directors, Jean Cook (301-345-2597) or Chris Fominaya (240-593-7732).

Bereavement Group Starts Next Week

The next six-week support group for widowed men and women will begin September 20 in Greenbelt. The program is led by trained volunteers from the Patuxent Widowed Persons Service and is co-sponsored by AARP and the Greenbelt Senior Citizens' Advisory Committee. It is open to men and women of all ages, races and creeds. There is no fee.

The six sessions will be held on Thursday evenings from 7 to 9 p.m. in the Senior Lounge at the Greenbelt Community Center, through October 25. During this time the group shares experiences and exchanges practical information while discussing published materials prepared by bereavement specialists.

Pre-registration is required. For information and/or registration call Leonie Penney at 301-474-8943 or Kathleen McFarland at 301-474-6892.

Greenbriar/Glen Oaks Senior Luncheon

There will be a senior luncheon for Greenbriar and Glen Oaks residents and a guest, age 65 and older, on Tuesday, September 18 at noon in the Greenbriar Terrace Room.

For more infomration call Tiffané Rose at 301-441-1096, ext.

Correction

In last week's "Four Cities Coalition Will Meet with School Board" on page one, a typing error led to the misspelling of the name of District 2/College Park School Board member Heather Il-

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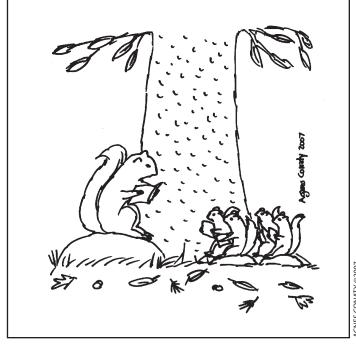
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NOTICE OF NEW DEAL CAFE SPECIAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 16, 2007 AT THE NEW DEAL CAFÉ Meeting at 7:30 (sign in at 6:30)

Objective: To discuss the Café's very serious financial situation and how to allow the Café to continue as our community living room and a place for our community's arts and music.

Motions to be discussed: Five alternative motions will be discussed including bankruptcy, shareholder form of ownership, sale of the café to a private individual, a shared ownership between a private owner and shareholders, and lastly, other possible options.

For further info: see informational handouts available at the Café and on our website (www.newdealcafe.com).

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

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

PRELIMINARY AGENDA **BOARD MEETING** GHI BOARD OF DIRECTORS Thursday, September 20, 2007 GHI BOARD ROOM

7:00 PM

Key Agenda Item:

- Proposed Modification of G/S Window to Entry Door, 54B Ridge Road
- Request for Contribution
- Review of Strategic Plan
- New Deal Café

Regular Board meetings are open to members. For more information, visit www.ghi.coop.

Community Events

At the Library

Storytimes

A librarian will read age-appropriate stories:

Tuesday, September 18, 10:30 a.m., Cuddletime for newborns to 17 months with caregiver, limit 15 babies.

Wednesday, September 19, 10:30 and 11 a.m., Toddlertime for ages 18 to 35 months with caregiver, limit 15 children.

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

Caregivers are asked to pick up a free ticket at the Children's Desk.

Adult

Wednesday, September 19, 7 p.m. A librarian will lead a discussion of Marjane Satrapi's "Persepalis."

GHI Notes

Monday, September 17, 6:30 p.m., Communications Committee meeting

7:15 p.m., Pre-purchase Orientation

Wednesday, September 19, 7 p.m., Woodlands Committee meeting

Thursday, September 20, 7:30 p.m., Board of Directors meeting

Tuesday, September 25, 8:30 a.m., Yardline Committee meeting 7 p.m., GGI Steering Committee Working Group meeting

All events will take place in the Greenbelt Homes, Inc., Administration Building. Committee and board meetings are open; members are encouraged to attend.

Golden Age Club

by Bunny Fitzgerald

The Golden Age Club has some interesting plans for the upcoming meetings. Our Labor Day Festival is over and fall is on our heels and it's time to move along.

The September birthday lunch is on September 19. Come, bring a dish and enjoy the company.

The Golden Age entertainment group will be with us on September 26 from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and give answers to the basics of Medicare and get down to the nitty-gritty of what you "need to know." This is open to everyone, not just members, so join us to learn more about the Medicare programs. Call 301-397-2209 for more information. We meet in the Multipurpose Room in the Community Center, Room #201 at 11 a m

On September 29 there will be a yard sale/bake sale at Roosevelt Center from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Be sure to stop by the Community Center and look at the display case by the front desk, just to see where the senior path can take you.

We are pleased to report President Ellie Rimar is doing well and has enjoyed visits from club members. We look forward to seeing her back at Golden Age.

Our condolences to Clif Bennett on the death of his son.

Congratulations to Helen Oring Nichols, a longtime member, on her 100th birthday. She now lives in Lansing, Mich.

The Greenbelt Senior Softball playoffs will be held at Bowie Bronze Monday, September 17 and Dundalk Wednesday, September 19.

Sunset Salsa Sunday At New Deal Café

Starting this Sunday, September 16, from 5 to 8 p.m., the New Deal Café will present "Sunset Salsa!", the first free outdoor salsa event in Greenbelt. Zezeh Pereira, host of radio station WPFW's "Sounds of Brazil," will give a free introductory salsa

Admission is free. This event is meant to be communal and inclusive. So come out, bring the kids and participate. Free

The New Deal Café is located at 113 Centerway in Greenbelt, 301-474-5642, www.newdealcafe.

Free Tutoring At SHL Center

Last week was the start of the Elementary School Tutoring and Homework Program and the Greenbelt Moving Ahead Program's (GMA) free tutoring services for elementary, middle and high school students at the Springhill Lake Recreation Center. For people who did not make the first session, this is a reminder that they can attend the next and following sessions. The time is from 9:30 a.m. to noon on Saturdays. Bring textbooks.

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

Reel & Meal Features **Environmental Films**

Environmental groups are producing "Reel and Meal at the New Deal" on Monday, September 17 as a community outreach and café benefit. A vegan meal will be sold, available at 6:30 p.m., with the free film starting at 7 p.m.

Dine while watching the award-winning film "Power of Community." The movie reveals how permaculture, a system based on sustainable agriculture which uses far less energy, can be established in urban locations.

Environment groups producing Reel & Meal are Beaverdam Creek Watershed Watch Group; Chesapeake Education, Arts & Research Society; Greenbelt Climate Action Network; Greenbelt Greenman Festival Committee; Global Consciousness Press, Inc.; and Prince George's County Peace & Justice Coalition.

For more information call 301-474-5642 or visit www.newdealcafe.com.

Blood Drive Here Next Tuesday

This is a reminder that the next local blood drive will be held next Tuesday, September 18 from noon to 6 p.m. at the Greenbelt Youth Center, 99 Centerway. Donors and prospective donors are asked to note the new location.

To make an appointment call Janet Goldberg at 301-397-2212.

Larry Noel 15K, **3K Race Results**

The 49th annual Larry Noel 15K race was run on September 2 on a warm evening. Ethiopian runner Zereu Kelele took an early lead and never looked back, winning in a time of 53:09. In the women's competition Kelele's teammate Teyba Naswer won with a time of 1:05:57. The first Greenbelt runner was Keith Albright who finished in 7th place with a time of 1:01:04. The first Greenbelt woman was Silvia Baage with a time of 1:17:43. The 123 finishers included 19 Greenbelt runners and two of Larry Noel's sons, Harry and

In the 3K the winner was 16-year-old Brian Flaherty from Greenbelt with a time of 10:24. First woman was Liza Recto with 15:09 and first Greenbelt woman was 14-year-old Malin Lindvall with a time of 17:53. The 39 finishers of the 3K included 15 Greenbelt runners. 89-year-old Alvin Guttag of Gaithersburg finished the 3K in 39:44.

Full results are posted at www. dcroadrunners.org.

Caregiver Support Group on Sept. 25

There will be a caregiver's support group meeting on Tuesday, September 25 from 2 to 3:30 p.m. for family members and friends of dementia-diagnosed persons. The meeting will be held in the Municipal Building library on the second floor.

For details call Amanda Carter, GAIL intern, at 240-542-2036.

Meeting to Determine New Deal's Future

The New Deal Café board has released a report of the Café's financial troubles and the several possible outcomes - closing the café or several ownership alternatives to closing. The report is intended to provide members of the cooperative and patrons more information on the five motions to be considered at a special membership meeting to be held next Sunday, September 16 at

The informational report was developed by the board to explore the pros and cons of each of the five alternative solutions to the Café's financial problems. An informal public forum was held last Sunday to discuss the alternatives. Members have been encouraged to discuss the alternatives online prior to the meeting. The informational package is available at the Café and is posted at www. newdealcafé.com.

The board is investigating several questions raised at the forum and is seeking more details on the alternatives to closing. The document will be revised prior to the special membership meeting when new information is obtained.

The Greenbelt Arts Center presents

"DEARLY DEPARTED"

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Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m.

Sunday matinees on Sept. 23 & 30 at 2 p.m.

Greenbelt Arts Center

123 Centerway behind the Co-op in historic Greenbelt

Tickets are \$15 general admission, \$12 students and seniors. Call

(301) 441-8770 for information and reservations,

or visit the website www.greenbeltartscenter.org

Bird Walk on Sunday, **Meeting on Tuesday**

Michel Cavigelli will lead a bird walk this Sunday, September 16 from 7 to 9 a.m. beginning at the top of the Research Road hill on the Greenbelt side of the gate. Coincidentally, the Maryland Ornithological Society will hold its Prince George's County fall bird count this same day so the counts will serve a broader scientific purpose (besides being fun).

Then on Tuesday, September 18 from 7 to 9 p.m. the Beaverdam Creek Watershed Watch Group (BCWWG) will hold its next meeting at the Greenbelt Elementary School library, 66 Ridge Road. Among the topics to be discussed will be results of the Labor Day Information booth, BCWWG's award-winning participation in the parade, an update on the Reel and Meal Deal film showing and participation in the Greener Greenbelt Initiative charrette at the end of the month.

Academy Stadium Theatres

Beltway Plaza Mall Center Court 301-220-1155 All shows starting before 6 p.m.

Are ONLY \$5.00 R = ID Required (!) = No pass, No Discount Ticket

Week of Sept. 14

FRI. – SAT. Balls of Fury, PG (!) 12:20, 2:40, 5, 7:20, 10 Rush Hour 3, PG-13 (!) 12:30, 2:50, 5:10, 7:30, 10:15 Shoot Em Up, R (!) 12:30, 2:50, 5:10, 7:30, 10:15 Dragon Wars, PG-13 (!) 12:20, 2:40, 5, 7:20, 10 3:10 to Yuma, R (!) 12:40, 3:30, 6:15, 9 The Brave One, R (!) 12:40, 3:30, 6:15, 9 Halloween, R (!) 12:50, 3:40, 6:30, 9:15 Bourne Ultimatum, PG-13 (!) 12:50, 3:40

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bulletin board in the Greenbelt Aquatic & Fitness Center, 101 Center Way in Old Greenbelt.

Registration questions? Call Joan Dunham, 301-474-4722

Enjoy Swimming?!

The Greenbelt Swim Team Needs You!

Come join us . . . Make new friends . . .

Improve your strokes and endurance . . . Learn to fly, butterfly that is!

The Greenbelt Municipal Swim Team's 2007 Fall training season for summer swimmers* runs

from September 17 to December 2.

Swimmers practice Tuesday and Thursday afternoons and Sunday mornings.

Developmental Swimmers meet Sunday mornings.

Information and applications can be found at www.greenbelt.com/swimteam or at the GMST

Fees are discounted for registrations received by September 18!

*Note the training season session is open to swimmers who plan to swim with the team for the 2008 Summer season.

Obituaries

Patrick L. Pritchard

Patrick L. Pritchard, a 27-year resident of Greenbelt died on Friday, August 31, 2007, at the age of 82.

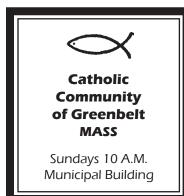


He and his wife of 61 years, JoAnne, lived in 6 Court Ridge Road. He verv much appreciated their friendly neighbors, the lively camaraderie of court parties, walks around the lake and the peacefulness of the woods that give Greenbelt its unique appeal.

Pat served his country in the United States Navy, eight years of his service while in active duty. In WWII, he began his career as a radioman and code breaker aboard the Hunter Destroyer Escort USS Hubbard among other duty stations. He had a gift for languages and used his knowledge of the German language to decode Nazi submarine reports and was one of the first to develop use of the HFDF (direction finder) technology to locate and disable U Boats that were destroying Allied vessels. He was awarded a Bronze Star for his role in a successful campaign. He attended Naval Intelligence school in Washington, D.C., where he majored in Russian language. He served in the rank of Lieutenant JG, and received the National Defense Service Medal. After an Honorable Discharge, he re-entered the Navy as an Intelligence officer for the newly-formed National Security Agency in 1952 and remained there as part of Naval Intelligence for three years, finally continuing on as a cryptologist and intelligence analyst for the NSA in civilian capacity for the next 30 years.

He greatly loved his work as a cryptologist and in looking back on his life, he felt particularly satisfied that he was able to make some difference in keeping the world a safer place. He was able to put disparate intelligence data together in order to "connect the dots" and accurately determine significant threats to the US. He was especially proud of a report he wrote exposing Soviet Nuclear submarine production that was sent to Eisenhower and thus used to confront the Kremlin, his role in identifying the existence of Soviet missile sites via photo interpretation as a member of NPIC and advising Robert Kennedy and others of the imminent threat that led to the Cuban Missile Crisis and his efforts in putting together a comprehensive report identifying elements that would lead to the end of the Cold War.

After retirement and moving to Greenbelt in 1980, Patrick spent a good portion of his remaining years pursuing his love for research. He painstakingly developed a detailed work (as yet unpublished) outlining his theories of the mathematical and astronomical attributes of the



Egyptian Pyramids, Stonehenge and other ancient sacred structures across the Earth. Comparing their properties, he formulated a convincing hypothesis that they were related to one another in purpose and design.

He also enjoyed preparing genealogical research to benefit subsequent generations and did so up until the time of his death.

Pat was highly respected because of his unwavering character traits of integrity, humility and never compromising the truth. He was a role model to many friends and relatives, especially vounger generations that often visited to enjoy intriguing discussions about philosophy, history, political analysis and the many books that he loved so much. He was "adopted" by many of his children's friends as their own. He loved to serve visitors as chauffeur and tour guide. He was always there to help those who needed a hand or were in trouble. He will be greatly missed.

He is survived by his wife Jo of Greenbelt; his sons Marc of Asheville, N.C., and Evan of Saugerties, N.Y.; daughter Lynn of Miramichi, N.B. Canada; sister Betty (Robert) of Woodstock, Ga.; two grandsons, Brian and David; and several nieces and nephews.

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- Barbara W. and Jaco B. ten Hove, co-ministers

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





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

Virtues Classes for Kids Greenbelt Community Center Senior Classroom Saturdays, September 15 & 22, 10:30AM-noon

"Cling ye to the hem of virtue, and hold fast to the cord of trustworthiness and piety. Concern youselves with the things that benefit mankind, and not with your corrupt and selfish desires." (Bahá'u'lláh)

Greenbelt Bahá'í Community

1-800-22-UNITE 301-345-2918 www.bci.org/greenbeltbahai www.bahai.us

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.



Bible Study & Worship

9:30 "Good Morning!!" Coffee and Snacks 11:00 a.m. Worship 10:00 a.m. Bible Study Greenbelt Youth Center

99 Centerway (Behind the Community Center)

Sept. 16, 2007 Friends Day/Sunday School at Hope

Pastor Lou Redd

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City Information

CITY ELECTION INFORMATION

NOMINATIONS FOR 2007 REGULAR CITY COUNCIL ELECTION

In accordance with Section 14 of the City Charter, a regular election will be held in the City of Greenbelt, Maryland, on Tuesday, November 6, 2007, to elect the five members of the City Council.

Any qualified voter of the City may be nominated for the office of Member of Council upon filing a nomination petition with the City Clerk (signed by not fewer than 50 Greenbelt resident voters), a written acceptance of the nomination, and other statements that are required by the City Charter or by law. Required forms and information are available in the City Clerk's office, 25 Crescent Road, from 8:30 a.m. until 5:00 p.m.

NOMINATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED UNTIL 5:00 PM ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2007.

For additional information, call Kathleen Gallagher, City Clerk, at 301-474-8000, or send e-mail to kgallagher@greenbeltmd.

DRAWING FOR ORDER OF **BALLOT PLACEMENT**

A drawing to determine the order of candidates' names on the ballot for the November 6th election will take place in the City Council Room of the Municipal Building on Monday, September 24, 2007, at 7:30 p.m. Immediately following, a drawing will be held to determine the order for placement of campaign signs on public property for any candidates choosing to participate in that program. For more information, call Kathleen Gallagher, City Clerk, at 301-474-8000, or send e-mail to kgallagher@greenbeltmd.gov.

VACANCIES ON BOARDS & COMMITTEES

Volunteer to serve on City Council advisory groups. Vacancies exist on the: Arts Advisory Board **Employee Relations Board** Forest Preserve Advisory Board Recycling and Environment **Advisory Committee** Youth Advisory Committee

For more information, please call 301-474-8000. **Greenbelt Municipal/Public Access Channel 71**

MUNICIPAL ACCESS: 301-474-8000: Monday, September 17 at 8pm: City Council Work Session "live" Tuesday & Thursday, September 18 & 20: 10am & 6pm "Ask the Expert – Heart Care," 6:45pm: NASA Exploration Sciences Building 7pm "Labor Day Talent Show" 8:00pm "Replay of Council" 10pm "The Mary Shaver Band" PUBLIC ACCESS(GATE): 301-507-6581: Wednesday & Friday, September 19 & 21: 7pm GAC's "Thomas Pandolphi" 7:50pm "Project Vote Smart" 8pm: GAC's "Oliver!"

Meetings for September 17-21

Monday, September 17, 7:30pm, Board of Elections. re: **Election Personnel, at Municipal Building**

Monday, September 17, 8:00pm, City Council Work Session with BARC (stakeholder)/Public Works Facility **Update, at Municipal Building. (Live on Channel 71)**

Wednesday, September 19, 7:30pm, Park and Recreation Advisory Committee, at the Community Center.

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

ANNUAL FALL ADOPTION EVENT AT THE GREENBELT PETSMART!

7475 Greenbelt Road

Come out and visit the Greenbelt PetSmart on Saturday and Sunday, September 15 & 16 from 11am-3pm

A large variety of available pets from the area will be featured. Why not make one of them a part of your family! Greenbelt Animal Control will be participating. Information about available pets from Greenbelt Animal Control is always available by calling 301-474-6124

YOUTH SOCCER LEAGUE

(4-5 Year Olds)

Register now at the Greenbelt Youth Center or through **Greenbelt RecLink at**

www.greenbeltmd.gov/recreation/reclink.htm

This league is a perfect opportunity for young children to get oriented with the sport of soccer in an atmosphere emphasizing sportsmanship and having fun. Children will be divided into teams based upon their age. Each team will have one practice and one game per week. The season will run for six weeks. Each player will receive a team shirt. All players will also receive a trophy at the conclusion of the season.

When: Wednesday Practices; Saturday Games (Practices begin Wednesday, September 19)

Where: Braden Field #2 (Outfield Grass) Resident \$40, Non-Resident \$50 Fee:

> QUESTIONS?? Contact Andrew Phelan, Sports Coordinator. 240-542-2194 or aphelan@greenbeltmd.gov

THE CITY OF GREENBELT: Community Relations Advisory Board, Public Safety Advisory Committee and the Youth Advisory Committee will hold

OPEN FORUM

To receive comments on **Public Safety Concerns** and Solutions to Improve Public Safety in the Vicinity of Roosevelt Center, Gardenway, and the Spellman **Overpass**

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 15th at 11:00am **Municipal Building** Council Room, 25 Crescent Road ALL ARE INVITED TO COME. Comments may

also be e-mailed to charris@greenbeltmd.gov or dmoran@greenbeltmd.gov

CITY JOB OPENING

Accounting Technician: M-F, 8-4:30. Process payroll, tax bills, vendor payments, reports, etc. Good typing/computer skills; ability to understand/follow complex oral and written instructions; AA degree in accounting or 3 years responsible experience in bookkeeping, accounting in another agency or combination of education & experience. \$15.38/hr + benefits.

Apply: City of Greenbelt Personnel, 25 Crescent Rd, Greenbelt; call jobline 301-474-1872 or www.greenbeltmd.gov for application. EOE.

Greenbelt Aquatic and Fitness Center

Fall Session Class Dates Sept. 24-Nov. 17 Passholders and Residents may register **September 17 & 18 Open Registration is** from September 19th until classes fill. **Children and Adult Swim Lessons Offered.** For class listings visit www.greenbeltmd.gov

NOTICE OF CHARTER AMENDMENT RESOLUTIONS

At its regular meeting of August 13, 2007, the City Council adopted two resolutions to amend the City Charter. As required by state law, these resolutions will be posted in their entirety for 40 days, until September 22, at the Municipal Building, as well as on the City's Web site at www.greenbeltmd.gov. Copies may also be requested of the City Clerk. Each charter amendment will become effective on October 2, 2007, unless a proper petition to submit the amendment to the voters on a referendum is filed as permitted by law. This notice is given to provide fair summaries of the two resolutions, as also required by state law.

Charter Amendment Resolution No. 2007-1

A Resolution . . . to Amend the Charter of the City of Greenbelt . . . by Amending Section 31, Titled "Election of Council" to Clarify a Certain Requirement for Holding a Runoff Election: Section 31 of the City Charter lays out a number of situations in which a runoff election would be required to determine which candidates had properly been elected to the City Council. It indicates that if fewer than five candidates receive the required minimum number of votes (equal to 40% or more of the number of voters voting in the election), a runoff must be held. The amendment to the charter specifies that this would apply only if more than five candidates are running. In a case where only five candidates were running, no runoff would be required if not all five receive the minimum number of votes.

Charter Amendment Resolution No. 2007-2

A Resolution . . . to Amend the Charter of the City of Greenbelt . . . to Empower the City Council to Require Reporting of Contributions and Expenditures Made for the Purpose of Furtherance of or Opposition to Any Ballot Question: Section 21 of the City Charter empowers the City Council to provide for the reporting of contributions and expenditures made either in support of or in opposition to the nomination and election of candidates running for City Council. The amendment to the charter would also allow the City Council to require similar reporting of expenditures made in support of or opposition to any issue, principal or proposition submitted to the voters as a ballot question at an election. It is noted that this is enabling legislation only. It does not legislate a requirement for such reporting. It authorizes the Council to require such reporting if Council later chooses to take action to do so.

For additional information, contact Kathleen Gallagher, City Clerk, at 301-474-8000 or

kgallagher@greenbeltmd.gov.

Greenbelt Recreation Department and American Red Cross

BLOOD DRIVE

Tuesday, September 18th 12:00-6:00pm

Greenbelt Youth Center, 99 Centerway Please call 1-800-GIVE-LIFE to schedule your **Life-Saving Donation**

Greenbelt CARES

10-WEEK FALL GED COURSE

Registration, Tuesday, September 18th beginning at 10:30am at the Greenbelt Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road

ALL STUDENTS ARE REQUIRED TO SHOW PROOF **OF RESIDENCY**

(i.e. driver's license, current lease, phone or electric bill) Greenbelt residents are not required to pay a GED registration fee but will be required to purchase the textbooks (prices to be announced) and \$10 for the calculator. Non-Greenbelt residents will be charged a \$150 registration fee plus \$10 for the calculator; cost of textbooks will be announced.

For more information call 301-345-6660 or email jhering@greenbeltmd.gov

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The Friday, September 7 filings met the District Court's deadline for filing briefs in time for a scheduled October 1, 2007, hearing on oral arguments on the NEPA issues involved in the plaintiffs' challenge to construction of the ICC. The filings consisted of an eight-page motion requesting leave to file, which outlined the critical interests of the amicus signatories and the damage and harm that the ICC will cause to citizens of Prince George's County. An attached 17-page memorandum of law supported the plaintiffs' motion for summary judgment in the case.

The motion to file argues that the concerns of the Prince George's County Council and other governmental bodies have been "glossed over" in the decision-making process and "falsely" portrayed the ICC as "supported on a bipartisan basis by local, state and federal elected representatives as well as the public and planners."

The motion claims that the environmental impact study "relies on an obsolete master plan adopted in 1990, which does not represent the current policy and plans for Prince George's County and ignores the [county] 2002 General Plan." The filing also points out that the environmental impact study also ignores the fact that Prince George's County has deleted the ICC from its list of priority transportation projects in favor of others that better serve county interests for employment and housing growth.

The amicus also cites the regional jobs-to-housing imbalance that is responsible for most of the congestion on the Capital Beltway in or near the ICC study area. It asserts that the ICC will exacerbate the harmful impact of that imbalance on Prince George's County residents by wasting scarce transportation resources on the ICC in a non-priority area of the county and away from priority areas for economic growth designated by the county's general plan.

"If the ICC is constructed, growth in Prince George's County's employment base will be constrained, without any improvement to east-west commuter congestion for most county residents and commuters," the amicus brief continues. It cites "the already booming Montgomery County job market and its tax base, keeping Prince George's County and its residents in a weaker position with an unbalanced economy, further exacerbating regional transportation inequities and deficiencies."

Pollution Cited

Finally, the amicus motion points out that the further pollution caused by the ICC and its associated new development, combined with more flooding and erosion will undermine Prince George's County's efforts to improve the Anacostia watershed.

Memorandum of Law

The memorandum of law continues arguments made in the motion regarding distortions and mischaracterizations of actual county plans and positions relating to the ICC contained in the environmental impact study. It charges that these distortions reflect a serious flaw in decision-making on the project.

The plaintiffs claim that the proposed project ignores the current planning objectives and goals from every local land use authority.

In their opposing briefs, both FHWA and SHA assert that "[a]n east-west regional highway facility has long been part of local transportation plans in order to support the region's orderly growth." The amicus, on the contrary, notes that "state and local limited resources simply do not permit continued sprawl development in non-priority areas such as that served by the ICC."

Despite repeated attempts by Prince George's County to correct the distortion of its position, the environmental impact statement makes no attempt to reconcile the inconsistency and apparently buried the only acknowledgment of the county's formal opposition to the ICC in an appendix. It instead makes no mention of Prince George's County's long record of formal opposition to the ICC, despite the SHA's awareness of such opposition. "Indeed, the SHA's brief, according to the memorandum, even boldly asserts that the ICC is supported on a bipartisan basis by local and state and federal elected representatives as well as the public and planners. These characterizations are flatly contrary to the record within Prince George's County," the memorandum states. The memorandum asserts that the failure to acknowledge and address the official and frequently stated positions of the single body within Prince George's County responsible for land use and planning represents a serious flaw in the NEPA process.

The final argument is that the environmental impact statement fails to take into account economic development impacts resulting from state reprioritization of county comprehensive planning policies. It ctiticizes a study by the University of Maryland to "purportedly analyze economic impacts from the ICC stating," characterizing it as mostly the construction and use of questionnaires, surveys and interviews to see whether business owners "thought" they would economically benefit from or be more likely to relocate their business (or retain their business location) near the ICC. The memorandum notes that ". . . based upon this flawed study, the FEIS suggests that the ICC would serve to stimulate economic development at the Konterra Business Campus in Prince George's County. However, the study ignored the constrained local roadway capacity in that area and the limitations on potential zoning increases."

Conclusion

The memorandum of law concludes that the claim in the supporters' briefs that the ICC has been reconfirmed by the county's and the region's comprehensive plans and has broad support among elected officials is nothing more than political rhetoric and extraordinary selective references from obsolete documents that ignore the last 10 years of Prince George's County land use and transportation policy developments. The ICC is itself a product of outdated transportation thinking that is out of step with current land use and transportation policies, the suit claims.

As noted above, oral arguments on the NEPA issues in the ICC challenges are scheduled for October 1, 2007, at the Federal District Court in Greenbelt. The plaintiffs indicate there may be an opportunity for additional filings relating to air quality issues that are also part of the ICC challenge. The date scheduled for oral arguments for that portion of the suits challenging the ICC is October 29.

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Roundtable.

Davis was selected as Woman of the Year 2000-2001 by the Business and Professional Women/USA. She is also a recipient of an award for Outstanding Leadership and Service in Politics by the Minority Affairs Committee of PGCEA.

Davis maintains active membership in civic organizations such as the Greenbelt Arts Center, Friends of the Greenbelt Museum, the Greenbelt Golden Age Club and the Greenbelt Lions Club. She is also a member of the Eleanor and Franklin Roosevelt Democratic Club, CCRIC, the Chesapeake Bay Foundation, the Women's Committee for the National Symphony Orchestra, Friends of the National Zoo and the Sierra Club.

(Biographies are prepared by the candidates.)

PATRIOT DAY

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special guests with Principal's Awards for special school heroes. Those awarded included Judith Davis, the mayor of Greenbelt; Oretha Bridgewaters, the regional assistant superintendent of Prince George's County School's Region 2; Mike Fisher, a PGCPS security guard positioned at the school; Marty Parker, an officer with the Greenbelt Police Department; and David Lange, the school's volunteer coordinator.

In her first year as Greenbelt Elementary School principal Seidel wanted the school's Patriot Day event to not focus on the sorrow associated with the day but rather on the pride in national and school heroes.

"I think we had the positive twist of celebrating our heroes and that's what I want it to be: our school heroes," Seidel said. "[The students] are familiar with the police officers like Marty Parker. They see these guys around and it's an opportunity for us to be able to recognize them for all the hard work that they do and have a positive twist on it."

The assembly concluded with students and staff holding hands in what was previously scheduled to be a "community circle" but due to inclement weather, students and staff held hands in rows across the auditorium. The call for holding hands caused the auditorium to erupt in reluctant groans; however students, wincingly in some cases, took each other's hands to sing a patriotic song and end the assembly with a celebration of unity.

Although the students at Greenbelt Elementary are too young to remember the events or had not yet been born that tragic day, Mayor Davis believes it is important for young children to learn about and to remember September 11.

"You need to know about [what happened] so you don't repeat history," Davis said. "Remember that people suffered. It's not just a sound bite on TV."

Second graders in Mary Mullennix's class, Sofie Dabelko and Evan Candey, were only about a year old in 2001, yet have an idea of what Patriot Day means to them.

"Lots of people died. There were firefighters that died," Dabelko said. "Everyone went to try to help people."

"What I think it basically means is it's honoring our country and our flag," Candey said.

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Members of the Prince George's North (Lanham) Brickman branch office spent half a day on June 29th cleaning up the historic Turner Cemetery on Ivy Lane. Founded in 1939, Brickman's 130 branch offices thorughout the U.S. do a community service project each June in memory of their founder Theodore Brickman. Left to right: Macedonio Perez, Angel Perez, Mike Drucis, Matt Mannion, Jay Moore, Nick Chrin, David Cruz and Odilio Monroy.

Mayor Judith Davis while he was working on the property where she lives. She referred him to Bill Phelan, assistant director of Public Works, who helped set up the project.

No Tombstones

There are no tombstones in the ground from the original gravesite but one can see the indentations of the graves. Slaves' graves were often thought to be marked with a single stone and several

of these were discovered as the workers completed the clearing. According to Hartman, "I felt like an archaeologist for a day."

Anyone looking for a place where people aren't babbling on cell phones, playing iPods, driving cars or motorcycles – a place without crowds, where the inhabitants are very quiet – take a walk over to the Turner Cemetery. Someday we all arrive at a similar destination.

Greenbelters Take Second Playoff Game

The Greenbelters of the Baltimore Beltway Senior Softball League held off Bowie Gold, 10-9, on Wednesday, September 12 at home to win their second of three games in the playoffs. Bowie took the lead in the 7th inning, 8-7, but third baseman Larry Dandridge saved the day by stabbing Bowie line drives in the 8th and 9th innings.

Eli Flam had a double and two singles for Greenbelt. Willie White doubled, singled and walked; Dave Kerr doubled, singled and was robbed of an extra-base hit; Irv Salzberg singled twice. Pitcher/manager Ray Reed doubled, Jim Harbaugh singled and walked, and Dandridge, Jim Cole, Jim Dugan and Lefty Smith all singled. Shortstop Harlan Park and shortfielder Paul Williams flagged down several hot shots; Mac McNamara and assistant manager John Strekel split catching duties.

On Monday, September 10 the Greenbelters pressed visiting Carroll County but lost 17-11, twice leaving the bases loaded in late innings. Fred Bohle, Harlan Park and Jim Dugan led Greenbelt with three hits apiece.

College Park Arts Exchange Arts Workshops

At the Old Parish House, 4711 Knox Rd., College Park

MAKING MALI MUDCLOTH with Julie Geschwind October 13, 11 am to 3 pm. Register by October 1. **COILED PAPER BASKETRY** with Elizabeth Morisette November 3, 10 am. Register by October 15.

To register send a check for \$15 per workshop to CPAE, PO Box 784, College Park, MD 20740 301-927-3013 info@cpae.org www.cpae.org

CPAE is funded in part by the City of College Park and the Prince George's Arts Council

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Robberies

September 1, 2:07 p.m., 6100 block Breezewood Drive, a man reported that he was walking to an apartment when he was approached by a man who asked him if he could make change. The suspect then produced a handgun and announced a robbery. After obtaining the man's money and cell phone, the suspect told him to run from the area. As the man was leaving the area he heard what he believed were two gunshots; he was not injured.

Another man reported that the same suspect attempted to rob him at gunpoint shortly after the first incident. The second victim reported that as he was exiting his vehicle in the parking lot in the 6100 block of Breezewood Drive, he was approached by a man who displayed a handgun and told him not to run. The man fled the area on foot and then observed the suspect fire a shot into the air. The suspect is described as a black male, 5'9", 150 pounds with black hair in long dreadlocks, wearing a black T-shirt and dark long pants.

September 3, 11:33 p.m., 9300 block Edmonston Road, a food delivery person reported that he was in a parking lot waiting for a customer to pick up an order when he was approached by two of four black males, one armed with a handgun, while the other two sat nearby. A robbery was announced and, after taking money and food from the delivery person, all four entered the delivery person's vehicle in an attempt to leave the scene. The suspects then exited the vehicle for unknown reasons and fled the area on foot.

September 6, 1 a.m., 9200 block Edmonston Road, a cab

Police Blotter

Based on information released by the Greenbelt Police Department, http://www.greenbeltmd.gov/police/index.htm, link in left frame to "Weekly Report" or http://www.greenbeltmd.gov/police/weekly_report.pdf.

Dates and times are those when police were first contacted about incidents.

driver reported that he picked up a black man and a black woman at Arundel Mills. The cab driver drove the suspects to the 9200 block of Edmonston Road, where one of the suspects grabbed the driver around the neck from behind and punched him in the head. The second suspect took money from the driver's pockets. The two then exited the vehicle and fled the area on foot.

Assaults

September 2, 8:08 p.m., 6000 block Springhill Drive, a man reported that he was in a parking lot when he was approached by one of four men. The man asked him for a dollar. When he stated that he had no money, the suspect punched him in the face. All four suspects fled the scene on foot. The man was not injured. The suspects are described as four black males; one was 17 to 20 years of age, 5'9", 180 pounds, wearing a red shirt with white stripes and black pants.

September 3, 9:24 p.m., 6200 block Breezewood Court, a man reported that he was involved in a motor vehicle accident with another motorist. When he exited his vehicle to exchange information, the other driver approached him and punched him in the face. The suspect then got back into his vehicle and fled the scene. The suspect is described as a black male, 6' with a heavy build and black hair. The vehicle is

described as a dark colored passenger vehicle.

Theft

September 4, 10:26 p.m., Beltway Plaza, a woman reported that she was in the front parking lot when she was approached from behind by a young man, who attempted to pull her purse from her shoulder. The purse strap broke and the purse fell to the ground. The young man fled the scene on foot. The suspect is described as a black male 16 to 18 years of age, 5'7" to 5'9", black hair and brown eyes, wearing all black clothing.

Disorderly Conduct

September 2, 2:56 a.m., Northway Fields, a resident man was arrested and charged with disorderly conduct when police responded to a report of an altercation in the area of the ball fields. A large group of people were found there and were asked to leave the area. All parties complied but the man returned a short time later yelling and screaming loudly. He was released on citation pending trial.

Vandalism

September 2, 6:39 p.m., 101 Centerway, unknown person(s) painted graffiti in the men's room of the Greenbelt Aquatics and Fitness Center.

September 5, 9:07 a.m., unit block of Crescent Road, unknown person(s) spray painted graffiti on the outside walls of two apartment buildings.

September 3, 5:56 p.m., 6000 block Breezewood Drive, unknown person(s) spray painted graffiti on the walls of a laundry room.

September 3, 10:12 p.m., 5900 block Cherrywood Lane, a woman reported that she heard the sound of glass breaking, then observed a man breaking out a neighbor's window. The man fled the area on foot. The suspect is described as a male, wearing a white shirt with a blue stripe.

September 5, 3:39 a.m., 99 Centerway, unknown person(s) spray painted graffiti in the area of the Greenbelt Skate Park, the Greenbelt Library and the nearby underpass.

Burglaries

August 31, 12:19 p.m., 6200 block Springhill Drive, unknown person(s) used unknown means to enter a residence. Money was taken.

August 31, 1:26 p.m., 9300 block Edmonston Road, a man reported that he came home and observed that some of his property had been rifled through. He then observed a man hiding behind the blinds of his open sliding glass door. The man ran from the residence and fled the area on foot. The suspect is described as a black male 18 to 24 years of age, 5'6", 140 pounds with black hair and brown eyes, a medium complexion and a goatee, wearing a white T-shirt and jeans.

Attempted Murders Under Investigation

Police responded to a report of a shooting on Saturday, September 1 at 11:16 p.m. in the 6100 block of Breezewood Court. Upon arrival it was determined that the victim had actually been stabbed multiple times. He was transported to Prince George's Hospital for treatment. There is no suspect information at this time; investigation is continuing.

Also on September 1, 12:10 a.m. in the 7700 block of Hanover Parkway, Steve Dnard Saxon, 18, of 6233 Springhill Drive was arrested and charged with attempted murder, robbery, theft over \$500 of a motor vehicle and assault. Calvin Akbar Keene, 18, of Hyattsville was arrested and charged with robbery and assault.

Police observed a 2001 Ford Mustang in the area of Greenbelt Road and Hanover Parkway. A computer check revealed that the vehicle had been reported stolen August 26. The vehicle was stopped and at one point the driver drove the suspect vehicle toward an officer on foot. The officer fired at the vehicle and the vehicle then struck the officer, resulting in minor injuries. The suspect vehicle struck a citizen's vehicle and four occupants exited the suspect vehicle and attempted to flee the scene on foot. Saxon was apprehended after a short foot pursuit by a K-9 dog and handler and Keene was arrested without incident by a K-9 dog and handler in the parking lot of Eleanor Roosevelt High School. Saxon was transported to the hos-

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pital for treatment of minor injuries. Both men were transported to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner. Investigation is continuing regarding the identity of the two other suspects.

On Friday, September 7 at 1:14 p.m., police responded to the 6200 block of Springhill Court for a report of a shooting victim. A man reported that he was walking in the 6200 block of Breezewood Court when a vehicle pulled up alongside him. The front seat passenger produced a handgun and shot the man once in the leg. The suspects fled the scene in a vehicle in an unknown direction. The victim was transported to Prince George's Hospital for treatment of non-life threatening injuries. The suspects are described as four black males in their late teens to early 20s, all wearing black T-shirts. Two of the suspects had hair in dreadlocks. The suspect vehicle is described as a black mid-90s 4-door automobile, possibly a Chevrolet Caprice or Impala.



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Those interested should call the Adult Services staff 301-985-4690 at the Hyattsville Public Library to sign up. The classes are free but the number of available seats may be limited.

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Arts, Museum Jointly Host Tues. Evening of Art, History

On Tuesday evening, September 18 everyone is invited to join the Greenbelt Recreation Department and the Greenbelt Museum for an evening of art and history at the Greenbelt Community Center. All ages are welcome and all programs are free of charge.

The evening begins with a joint reception from 6 to 7:30 p.m. in the Art Gallery. The reception honors the Greenbelt Community Center's Artists-in-residence, whose work is featured in the current exhibition. "Formed and Transformed" highlights the inspiration which participating artists derive from each other's aesthetics, techniques, concepts and personal attributes. Art can build community and a community of artists builds on itself.

Participants in the exhibition include all of the current artists-in-residence: Gina Denn, Loraine DiPietro, Mary Gawlik, Pam Hagerhorst, Kathy Karlson, Marla McLean, Elizabeth Morisette, Celestine Ranney-Howes, Hussein Saidi and Judy Stone. Tom Baker and Jean Newcomb, alumnae of the program, also are participating in the show, which was conceived and coordinated by Loraine DiPietro with the support of the Greenbelt Recreation Department.

One of the joys of being a resident artist here in Greenbelt is the interaction with the other artists," says Ranney-Howes, a fabric artist and costume designer with the University of Maryland Baltimore County's theater program. "Loraine [DiPietro] and I shared a studio for a year and were always showing each other our newest work, discussing it and occasionally trying to duplicate it in our own media. The results were not often successful but when they were, it was a wonderful experience. It also inspired me to go beyond what I did into new places."

Following the reception the Greenbelt Museum will host



Morisette's "Villi Cluster"

a lecture entitled Cooperative America with featured speaker Leta Mach, member of the Greenbelt City Council. The lecture will take place in the Community Center Multipurpose Room beginning at 7:30 p.m.

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The Greenbelt Community Center is located at 15 Crescent Road. For more information about the "Formed and Transformed" exhibition call Arts Supervisor Nicole DeWald, at 240-542-2057. For information about the lecture Cooperative America, call Greenbelt Museum Curator Jill St. John at 301-507-

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– to the following seven ERHS students, who were named as semifinalists in the 2008 National Merit Scholarship Program yesterday: Nicholas J. Chornay, Elise D. Flynn, Sara Lavigna, Chinwe C. Madubata, Kynan T. Rilee, Steven S. Sheridan and Sophia E. Stewart. These academically talented students are among 16,000 nationwide who will vie next spring for 8,200 merit scholarship awards worth \$34 million.

– to Michelle Firmin, Saba Gyemfi, Cory Holland, Jessica House, Jessica Mealey, Danielle Miller, Corinne Tull and Ahmed Gbadamosi, who are recipients of 2007-08 legislator scholarships awarded by Maryland Delegate Anne Healey. Healey's selection team included citizen volunteers from District 22 and she adds applications for the 2008-09 scholarship program will be available in mid-January, with a completion deadline of April 15.

 to Christopher Dingman, son of Lynn Perlik and Charles Dingman of Ridge Road, who was named to the Dean's list for the spring semester at Berklee College of Music in Boston.

– to Greenbrook Village resident Michael A. Zeleny, Jr., a 2006 DeMatha graduate, on completion of his first year at Baltimore County Community College on the Dean's List with a GPA of 3.82. Michael is pursuing an associate degree in applied technology, majoring in automotive technology.

Labor Day brought fond memories of Greenbelt and led to the following email from Nancy and Ed Birner: "Ed and Nancy Birner send greetings from the Lutheran Home in Rockville where we are now living. Parkinson's Disease and its complications caused the move and so Ed is living in the main facility while Nancy is in the independent living area. While Labor Day weekend brought to mind many good memories of 50+ years in Greenbelt, it is never far from their minds and hearts. They are thankful for the people who make Greenbelt a special place and for the many who helped during Ed's illness. May God bless you!" The address for the National Lutheran Home is 9701 Viers Drive, Rockville, MD 20850.

Happy 80th Birthday to News Review staffer Eve Gresser. Gresser has become quite visible in the city as a proofreader and copy editor for the paper and as a knitting instructor for the city recreation department.

Send us your reports of new babies, awards, honors, etc. to share with our readers. To send information for "Our Neighbors" email us at newsreview@greenbelt. com or leave a message at 301-474-6892.

Kathleen McFarland

Piano Concert Opens UM Season on Sat.

On Saturday, September 15 at 8 p.m. the UM School of Music opens its 2007-2008 season with a free solo recital by renowned pianist and faculty artist Larissa Dedova. This concert will take place in Gildenhorn Recital Hall of the Clarice Smith Performing Arts Center.

Annual Peace Vigil Carries On Despite Carnival Set Up

by Doug Love

The third annual Greenbelt Peace Vigil was moved to Roosevelt Center, as the usual meeting place in front of the library was covered with carnival equipment, somewhat resembling the military equipment we want to see moved out of Iraq.

Folks started coming into the Center and sat around the Mother and Child statue until 6:12 p.m., when the announcements started. Nathan Harrington, a MoveOn. Org organizer, told us that over 600 groups around the country were meeting at the same time. The goal is to bring the troops home safe and now. Over 3700 have died, 25,000 have been wounded and 70,000 to 200,000 Iraqis have also been killed.

The speeches stopped when Ocelia Pearsall, the other MoveOn.Org organizer, came with a basket of War Toll Calendars. These were the lists of soldiers who had died every day during 2007 and their home towns, plus the weekly numbers of wounded. We then took turns reading these names for nearly an hour.

While the readings were going on I asked a few of the folks in the Center what they thought about the vigil. One said, "It's a very good, positive thing. They want the troops to be here and not dying."

A Center regular said, "I'm tired of my taxes going for unresolved issues. I have a friend who's only 21-22, training kids to go to Iraq." One Greenbelter thought it might be more effective if done down in front of the White House.

By 6:30, when names from March 16 were being read, the crowd had swelled to 26. Several shoppers stopped to watch and some participated. Employ-

ees from the Co-op came out for their breaks and watched for a while. At 6:35 two folks in motorized wheelchairs came by.

I suddenly noticed that almost all of the fatalities were from small towns. I heard Baltimore mentioned a few times and LA and Chicago once each but I never heard New York, Boston or Philadelphia mentioned. In fact small towns and small cities seemed to be called with equal frequency.

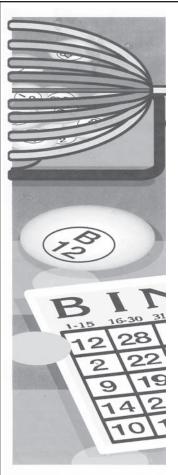
I knew some of the Midwestern small towns well and noticed further that college towns, with their preponderance of draft-age youth, were not being called. I suspect that this is because in college towns and big cities the Bill of Rights Defense Committees have been somewhat successful in getting kids to opt out of being pressured into the military. The most named towns were in California and Texas.

By the end 24 people had read. Vigil candles in glass holders were passed out and Shirley Middleton reminded us that there are even more fatalities in Iraq of Americans killed in nonmilitary situations. She also noted that many babies are being born deformed from depleted uranium in the environment. And 68 percent of those dying are in the 17 to 25 age group, affecting the entire generation.

Several of us spoke of our concerns for the children and young adults and our country's future. After a moment of silence announcements were made of the marches on the National Mall on September 15 and October 27. It was a vigil that we will remember for many years, at the turning point where we have started winning the war of reason over fear.

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