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PHOTO BY MARY MOIEN

One of the award recipients, the Greenbelt Elementary School Sixth Grade Chorus, entertains at the Greenbelt Community Foundation Awards Ceremony on February 10.

Greenbelt Foundation Awards Ten Local Community Organizations

by Mary Moien

At a February 10 ceremony the Greenbelt Community Foundation awarded grants to 10 local organizations. The mission of the foundation is to support and promote efforts to enrich the quality of life in Greenbelt and to ensure the continuation of the visionary plan begun over 70 years ago by the city's founders. The foundation describes itself as "a bridge between the needs of the community and caring donors."

The foundation is an advised fund within the Prince George's Community Foundation. Its goal is to raise \$675,000 over five years. The awards made at this ceremony ranged from \$1,000

to \$4,000 per organization and the total awards for the cycle amounted to nearly \$24,000.

The program began with several songs from the Eleanor Roosevelt High School (ERHS) Dixieland Band. Dressed in black, the students entertained with period pieces including "Down by the Riverside" and "Has Anybody Seen My Gal?" During an intermission, the Greenbelt Elementary School Sixth Grade Chorus, a grant recipient, entertained with "Shenandoah." Foundation Chair Sylvia Lewis announced the recipients. For each award, an organization member made brief comments.

Grants

The Chesapeake Education, Arts and Research Society received funding to support the 2008 Green Man Festival. The group works to protect the local watershed, in which Greenbelt sits right in the middle.

The ERHS Wind Ensemble received funds to support the ensemble's invitational performance tour in China as part of the 2008 Olympics. Sally Wagner of the ERHS music department described how hard the students have been working to raise funds for this historic trip.

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Council Hears Proposed Plan On Spellman Overpass Actions

by Thomas X. White

The Greenbelt City Council moved quickly through a varied agenda at the regular council meeting on February 11. Besides welcoming three new city employees and reviewing expansion plans by Capital Cadillac on their property on Greenbelt Road (see separate stories), council addressed safety problems at the Spellman Overpass and work recently undertaken by Verizon in Greenbelt East. Both of these topics were introduced by Sheldon Goldberg of the Windsor Green Homeowners Association.

Goldberg reported that contract workers for Verizon were beginning construction work for the fiber optic network that will bring FiOS cable TV service to Greenbelt. He noted that some neighborhoods in Greenbelt East were

surprised when Verizon workers appeared in the neighborhood and began excavations. They were distressed with the lack of information from either Verizon or the contract firms doing the work. They wondered whether the excavation work was entirely on public-rights-of way or encroaching on private property.

City staff present at the meeting responded that they were aware of the work and would contact Verizon and the contract firms to assure that the work is done properly and that disturbed areas would be restored to their original appearance.

Spellman Overpass

In a January 22 worksession council had considered the recommendations in a report on public safety in the vicinity of

the Spellman Overpass. The report had been prepared jointly by the city's Community Relations Advisory Board and the Public Safety Advisory Committee, which had held public forums on the topic last year following heightened citizen concerns regarding violent activities and other behavior occurring in the area of the Roosevelt Center and the overpass.

At the February 11 meeting, Council approved the action plan for the Spellman overpass area, outlined in a staff memo January 12.

Elements of the Action Plan include:

- Continued Police Presence
- One or both of the School

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Council Approves Changes To Capital Cadillac Plans

by Thomas X. White

Capital Cadillac has indefinitely postponed its plans to develop an adjacent site to accommodate two new showrooms for the Hummer and Pontiac/Buick/GMC models. Instead the company now seeks county approval to expand its present showroom at 6500 Capital Drive within the Golden Triangle.

The topic was introduced at the Greenbelt City Council meeting on February 11 by Terri Hruby, assistant planner for the city. Hruby outlined the issues involved with a proposed revision to the detailed site plan that had been supported by council in October 2005. The land had formerly been owned by the Maryland State Highway Administration and is located just south of the dealership.

Capital Cadillac now proposes an expansion of its existing building to accommodate a new Hummer showroom, although the future of such showrooms on the new site ultimately depends on ongoing negotiations between Capital Cadillac and the General Motors Corporation.

Hruby outlined the features associated with the proposed expansion.

She noted that the city staff and the Advisory Planning Board (APB) have both recommended conditions for council approval of the revised site plan.

The proposed addition at the southwest corner of the existing building would be constructed on property already dedicated to impervious materials. The proposed design has a modern look, an arched roof line and large glass windows. Only minor sign changes are planned and the banner sign will be replaced with a channel letter sign advertising the Hummer logo.

APB's proposed conditions include the installation of an outdoor bench, the relocation of handicapped parking spaces, the resolution of property maintenance violations and a commitment to follow up with the city regarding the removal of a temporary trailer upon completion of the new addition. Hruby noted that the conditions, with the exception of the trailer removal, have already been addressed by the applicants and met in a revised site plan dated

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Art Gallery Exhibit Gives An Alternate City Vision

by Brian St. George

You've seen what Greenbelt might look like in the year 3007; you've been charretted and envisioned. Well, give your brain a massage. The art gallery at the Greenbelt Community Center is presenting "Jackson Martin's Pioneers," an alternate vision of Greenbelt.

An original work, "Pioneers" resulted from his studying various architectural and topographical maps, touring Greenbelt and visiting the Tugwell Room in the Greenbelt Library. Martin, a native of Tennessee, has bestowed on us a thriving organism surrounded by steel and plastic that provides his symbolic vision of Greenbelt.

Martin, a child of The Farm, was in town on Sunday, February 3 to give a presentation of his exhibit and a bit of his unique background. The gallery was full of curious residents as Martin began his story quite literally at the beginning. He began with a picture of a young woman sitting, holding a baby in a school bus converted into a home, while a young healthy-bearded man looks on. The baby was himself and the man and woman were his parents.

Established in 1971, The Farm sprang from the desire of 300 people, of whom his parents were part, called the "caravan." They traveled around the U.S. in the late sixties and early seventies to present their ideas of peace and sustainable living to the churches and colleges that invited them. Upon the completion of the tour, the group established The Farm.

The Farm

The Farm is an intentional community that grows its own food and runs its own school. They also run Plenty.org, a non-profit for the assistance of indigenous people, a book publishing company and a company that produces Geiger counters.

The citizens of The Farm came

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What Goes On

Monday, February 25

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

Thursday, February 28

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

Sunday, March 2

1 to 5 p.m., Artful Afternoon, Community Center

March Artful Afternoon: Dr. Seuss, Reading Fete

The city's next Artful Afternoon at the Community Center, co-sponsored by the Recreation Department and ACE Reading Club, will be held on Sunday, March 2 from 1 to 5 p.m. and will feature a celebration of Dr. Seuss' birthday and the Read Across America program. The National Education Association launched the Read Across America program in 1997 to focus the country's attention on the importance of reading. The nationwide celebration takes place each year on March 2, also the birthday of Dr. Seuss.

Enjoy the fun and exploration of reading with a Seuss-ish costume contest, poetry slam, book exchange, improv activities and invent a Dr. Seuss character puppet workshop. Special guest Greenbelt Mayor Judith Davis will read her favorite storybook aloud.

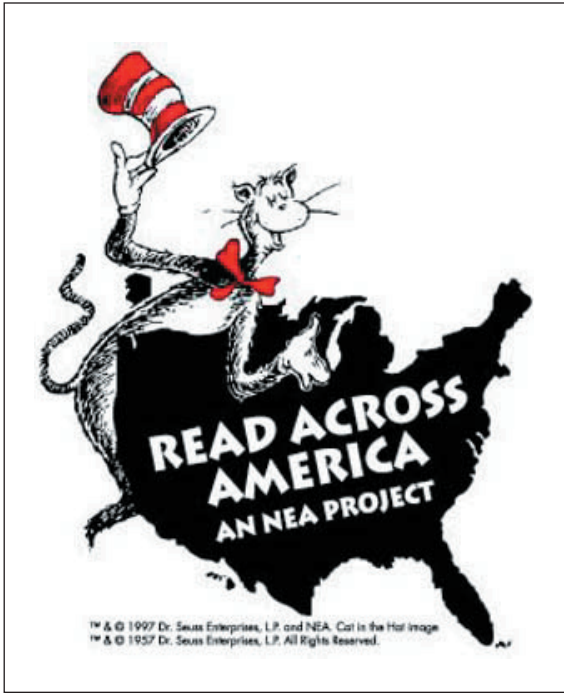
From 1 to 2 p.m. participants can invent a new Dr. Seuss-inspired character with local author Janet Gringold in a creative puppet workshop.

From 2 to 3 p.m. fun and games will be led by a local actor and drama teacher to get everyone moving, creating and having fun.

At 3 p.m. there will be a craziest costume contest for the Dr. Seuss characters created at the puppet workshop.

The contest will be followed by Davis reading her favorite storybook aloud and a free prize drawing. The drawing will include tickets to performances including Chick Corea and Gary Burton or Daniel Bernard Roumain at the Clarice Smith Performing Arts Center at the University of Maryland or a performance at the Greenbelt Arts Center. Anyone can enter the drawing at the Greenbelt Community Center Gallery before the day or at the Artful Afternoon.

At 3:30 p.m. award-winning poetry slam artist Gayle Danley will share her soulful words. Danley's style combines move-



ment and emotion as she performs magic on the audience, sweeping them up in words as she addresses and explores contemporary issues.

Other Events

From 1 to 5 p.m. there will be a book exchange. Bring books and take the same number of "new" books home.

In the Gallery will be more green fun and inspiration in the "Pioneers: Living Sculpture" by Jackson Martin inspired by Greenbelt. The exhibit is on display in the Community Center Art Gallery through March 16.

The Greenbelt Museum features "Sublime on a Dime: Fashions from the Great Depression to WWII" in the Community Center historic exhibit space. Across the street at 10B Crescent Road, tours of the historic 1930s Museum House are available from 1 to 5 p.m. for a nominal fee.

As at every month's Artful Afternoon there will be open studio visits with the artists-in-residence. Sculptures created at past arts events are scattered throughout the building.

Artful Afternoons are held the first Sunday of every month from 1 to 5 p.m. at the Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Road. These award-winning programs are sponsored by the City of Greenbelt with support from the Maryland State Arts Council, the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission and the Prince George's Arts Council. For more information about Artful Afternoon and other upcoming events and classes, visit www.greenbeltnmd.gov/arts or call Barbara Dickey Davis at 240-542-2062.

Widowed Persons Support Group

A new six-week support group for widowed men and women will begin April 3. 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 widowed persons of all ages, races and creeds. There is no fee.

During the six-week period the group shares experiences and exchanges practical information while discussing published materials prepared by bereavement specialists. Many widowed persons have found the emotional support and friendship provided in such groups to be helpful in going on with their lives.

The sessions will be held on Thursday afternoons from 2 to 4 p.m. in the first-floor café at Rexford Place, 9885 Greenbelt Road, Lanham. The series starts April 3 and ends May 8. Registration is required.

To register or for further information call Kathleen McFarland at 301-474-6892 or Leonie Penney at 301-441-8943.

Café Student Art Deadline Sunday

The New Deal Café will hold its first Student Art Exhibit this March. The Arts Committee is asking students to participate in the student show by exhibiting their artwork at the café.

Students must be at least 13 years old to participate. Each student is limited to one piece and all work must be framed with wire attached to the back. The drop off date for all artwork is Sunday, February 24 from 7 to 9 p.m.

There will be a reception held for the students on Sunday, March 9 from 7 to 9 p.m. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to come on down to the café to meet the artists. This is to be the first of two new group shows at the New Deal this year.

In addition to coordinating the Student Art Exhibit, the New Deal Art Committee will be planning a Children's Exhibit for April.

Those interested in exhibiting their work or obtaining more information on the shows may email Kristin Stenson at newdealcafeart@yahoo.com.

The New Deal Café art show program is sponsored by the Friends of New Deal Café Arts and is supported by a grant from the Greenbelt Community Foundation.

Grin Belt



"Based on your costumes, you must be the superdelegates . . ."

Help Park Remove Invasive Plants

Help protect Greenbelt Park from harmful invasive plants. Join in a hands-on nature preservation activity and learn about native and non-native plants on Saturday, March 1 at 11 a.m. in the Sweetgum Picnic Area.

This program will be every first Saturday of the month come rain or shine. Wear appropriate clothing; bring work gloves and a lunch/snack.

Greenbelt Park's entrance is located between Kenilworth Avenue and the Baltimore-Washington Parkway at 6565 Greenbelt Road.

For details call 301-344-3944 or visit <http://www.nps.gov/gree>.

African American Food at Riversdale

On Sunday, February 24 from noon to 3:30 p.m. in the dependency kitchen at Riversdale House Museum, the Riversdale Kitchen Guild will recreate early- to mid-19th century traditional African American foods. Participants will be able to view these dishes being made on the open hearth by costumed interpreters using period cookware and learn more about the life of Adam Plummer, a long-time slave at the plantation.

The Riversdale House Museum is located at 4811 Riverdale Road. For more information call 301-864-0420; TTY 301-699-2544; email Riversdale@pgparks.com or visit www.pgparks.com.

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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.

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Friday
*5, 8

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*1:45, *5, 8

Monday - Thursday
*5, 8

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NOTICE TO GHI MEMBERS

PRELIMINARY AGENDA BOARD MEETING

GHI BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Thursday, February 28, 2008

GHI BOARD ROOM, 7:30 PM

Key Agenda Items:

- EMO Energy Report
- Committee Charters
- Emergency Sewer Repair, 51L-P Ridge Rd. – 1st & 2nd Readings
- Rehabilitation of 9L Laurel – 1st Reading
- 2008 Slate Roof Contract – 2nd Reading
- 20K Hillside Bids for Repair – 2nd Reading
- 8A Crescent Contract Repairs – 2nd Reading
- Future Use of 9 GHI-owned Boiler Rooms - Projected Timeline & Firewall Information
- Schedule Manager's Performance Review

Regular Board meetings are open to Members
For more information, visit our website - www.ghi.coop

Community Events

At the Library

Storytimes

A librarian will read age-appropriate stories:

Tuesday, February 26, 10:30 a.m., Cuddletime for newborns to 17 months old with caregiver, limit 15 babies.

Wednesday, February 27, 10:30 and 11 a.m., Toddlertime for ages 18 to 35 months with caregiver, limit 15 children.

Thursday, February 28, 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.

Menu for Senior Nutrition Program

The Senior Nutrition "Food and Friendship" program provides lunches for seniors Monday through Friday at the Community Center. Meals need to be reserved by 11 a.m. the previous day to assure sufficient quantities of food are ordered. Call 301-397-2208, ext. 4215 for information about the program and to make reservations.

Meals are served beginning at noon. All meals include bread and margarine, coffee or tea and one percent milk. Menus for Monday, February 25 through Friday, February 29 include:

Monday - Apple juice, bar-b-que beef on a bun, warm baked beans, broccoli slaw, lemon par-fait.

Tuesday - Orange juice, sliced turkey cutlet with gravy, corn-bread dressing, California mixed vegetables, mixed fruit cup.

Wednesday - Cream of celery soup with crackers, veal and cheese patty with tomato sauce, wild rice, okra/tomatoes/corn, applesauce.

Thursday - Apple juice, BBQ chicken, black-eyed peas, chopped collards, yellow apple.

Friday - Orange juice, cheese omelette, home-fried potatoes, two sausage links, yogurt.

Registration Ongoing For SHL Head Start

The Prince Georges County Public Schools' Head Start program is now registering children for the upcoming school year 2008-2009 for the Springhill Lake Head Start Center. That center houses four Head Start classrooms and 60 children. Greenbelt families can register children ages 3, 4 and 5.

For further information call 301-448-0901.

Explorations Focus On Acupuncture

Explorations Unlimited will host a presentation by Karen Moore, LA, LCSW-C on Friday, February 29 at 1:15 p.m. Moore will give a presentation on acupuncture and will cover some history of how acupuncture came to the United States. Using a poster, she will identify the different meridians or channels of the body, and explain how they work and what a treatment is like. In addition she will discuss how acupuncture can be used in treating many health issues.

Moore, who moved to Greenbelt a year ago, has been a clinical social worker for over 20 years and became interested in acupuncture through her own experience as a patient when acupuncture helped her recover from an illness in 1989. She has been receiving acupuncture regularly since. Moore completed a masters degree in acupuncture at the Traditional Acupuncture Institute in Laurel in 2001. She has a combined acupuncture/psychotherapy practice, Belle Point Wellness, located at 7935 Belle Point Drive, Greenbelt.

This presentation will be held in the Senior Classroom, Room 114. All are welcome and questions are encouraged. Call 301-397-2208 for more information.

City Notes

Special Details crew installed 10 new speed signs on Ridge and Crescent Roads.

Street Maintenance crew removed beaver dams from the stream near the Springhill Lake Recreation Center.

Parks crew continued removing dirt and woodchips and started hauling blacktop millings in preparation for a new playground installation at Canning Terrace; installed new trash receptacles at Buddy Attick Lake Park, Youth Center and at the bus shelter on Hanover Parkway; and replaced roofing on picnic table shelters at Buddy Attick Lake Park.

The facilities maintenance crew met with a finish carpenter at the Community Center to assess the condition of the interior doors and to obtain a proposal to make the repairs. The crew also met with a lighting specialist to discuss new energy-saving fluorescent fixtures and light sensor switches. Information gathered will be used in city buildings.

Mishkan Torah Has Blood Drive Sunday

Mishkan Torah will host a blood drive at the synagogue on Sunday, February 24 from noon to 4 p.m. Call 1-800-GIVE-LIFE (1-800-448-4543) to schedule a donation. The American Red Cross will be running the blood drive.

Mishkan Torah is located on the corner of Ridge Road and Westway. Its address is 10 Ridge Road.

Astronomical Society Holds Talk on Sun

Recent observations of the sun will be the topic at the Astronomical Society meeting on Thursday, February 28, 7:30 p.m. at the Howard B. Owens Science Center, 9601 Greenbelt Road.

Dr. Terry Kucera, a solar astronomer working at Goddard Space Flight Center, will present "Two New Views of Our Star: The Sun from STEREO." Kucera will discuss recent observations of the sun and solar wind from space with special emphasis on the new STEREO program. STEREO is a two-spacecraft mission launched in 2006. The two sun-orbiting spacecraft have been moving apart for the last year and providing new views of the sun, solar wind, comets and more.

Kucera, who came to Goddard in 1993, has studied the solar atmosphere and solar activity using instruments from the radio to X-rays and is currently the deputy project scientist on the STEREO mission.

All are welcome.

Garden Club Meets, Assigns Garden Plots

The annual meeting of the Greenbelt Garden Club will be held on Thursday, March 7 at 7 p.m. at the Greenbelt police station.

Membership dues for garden plots will be collected and plots will be assigned on a first-come basis. The plots are approximately 50 x 50 feet. There is a fee which may be paid by check.

For details call club President Harold Grapes at 301-441-4628.

Workshops Offered For Self Management

The Prince George's County Area Agency on Aging, Prince George's Community College and the Greenbelt Assistance in Living program offer a series of workshops for people with chronic conditions. Called "Living Well: Take Charge of Your Health," the workshops are modeled after the Chronic Disease Self-Management workshop developed by Stanford University. Classes begin Wednesday, February 27 from 1 to 3:30 p.m. in the Senior Classroom at the Greenbelt Community Center.

The workshop is for anyone with one or more chronic conditions and also welcomes caregivers. A chronic condition is an ongoing medical condition that may cause suffering and loss of physical abilities over many years, e.g. diabetes, heart disease, stroke, arthritis, obesity, depression and lung disease.

The classes offer a supportive atmosphere through short lectures, modeling, interactive feedback, practice sessions and problem-solving. Participants learn skills to manage symptoms, communicate effectively with doctors, lessen frustration, fight fatigue, make daily tasks easier and get more out of life. An important short introductory session takes place the week before the workshop. Each session runs for 2 1/2 hours once a week for six weeks, led by two trained lay leaders who themselves live with chronic conditions.

There is a fee which includes the manual used and a CD and must be paid to the leader on the first day of class. A limited number of scholarships are available. Call Gloria Mitchell at 240-542-2031 to register for the Living Well program in Greenbelt.

High Tea, Concert At Mishkan Torah

The Mishkan Torah Sisterhood will present its third annual High Tea and Concert on Sunday, March 2 from 3 to 5 p.m. "Songs You Love" features three talents from the OPERAtunities Music Club. Cantor Yael Fischman, a member of Mishkan Torah, will be joined by Jing Chang, soprano and Leticia MacDonald, pianist. Songs will include Broadway favorites such as "Memory" from "Cats" as well as opera selections, such as Carmen's seductive aria and the "Barcarole" duet from "Tales of Hoffman."

An assortment of teas, finger sandwiches and desserts will be offered to delight every palate. Fanciful hats and gloves are encouraged (but not required) to enhance the ambiance. There is a fee with a ticket price reduction for advance purchase; also sold at the door if space is available.

Call 301-474-4223 for reservations.

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Week of FEBRUARY 22

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Alvin and the Chipmunks, G

12:40, 2:40

The Eye, PG-13

5:05, 7:40, 10

Veggie Tales, G

12:30, 2:50

Rambo, R

5:05, 7:30, 9:50

Jumper, PG-13 (!)

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Welcome Home Roscoe Jenkins, PG-13

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Step Up 2, PG-13 (!)

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Vantage Point, PG-13 (!)

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The Spiderwick Chronicles, PG

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Send in information about your organization's activities for the Community Events page.

The 'Good Guys'

**John McBride
Donald Nickolson
Rick Ransom
Richard Patterson
Pat Fern**

**at Greenbelt
American Legion
Friday, Feb. 29
8:30 pm to 12 am**

\$5 donation, please

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Greenbelt Nursery School Open House

Registration for Fall 2008
Saturday, February 23, 10 am - 1 pm

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Obituaries

Joyce Keith Foerter

Former Greenbelt resident Joyce "Joann" Keith Foerter died on February 12, 2008.



Born August 10, 1963, to Ethel and William Keith, she lived in Greenbelt during the 80s until 2000. She graduated in the Eleanor Roosevelt High School class of 1981. She worked at the movie theater in the Center and the Greenbelt pool.

Mrs. Foerter was preceded in death by her parents as well as sisters Cyndi Keith Rasberry and Valerie Keith Pinney.

She is survived by her daughter Kristel Foerter Rabideau and her husband Shawn; a son Billy Foerter; her sisters Kristi Keith Miller and her husband Ray of Hanover, Md., and Kimberlea Kelley; and numerous nieces and nephews.

A memorial service will be held Saturday, February 23 at 11 a.m. at Trinity Moravian Church, 7011 Good Luck Road, New Carrollton. A reception at the church fellowship hall will follow the services.

Expressions of sympathy can be made to Cancer Support Foundation, Inc., <http://www.cancersupportfoundation.org/index.html> or to Cancer Support Foundation, 8268 Academy Road, Ellicott City, MD 21043.

Our Neighbors

Greenbelters were saddened to hear of the death of former resident Joyce "Joann" Keith Foerter, who died on February 12, 2008.

Adrianna Terrell, a junior Japanese major, has been awarded the University of Findlay President's Scholarship for the 2007-08 academic year. Terrell, a 2005 graduate of ERHS, is the daughter of Kate and Alan Terrell of Hedgewood Dr.



Best wishes for a speedy recovery to News Review staffer and former city manager Jim Giese, who had knee replacement surgery at Washington Adventist Hospital on February 19.

To submit news for this column call 301-474-6892 or email newsreview@greenbelt.com.

— Kathleen McFarland



Catholic Community of Greenbelt MASS

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Municipal Building

Baha'i Faith

"When all mankind shall receive the same opportunity of education and the equality of men and women be realized, the foundations of war will be utterly destroyed."
— Abdu'l-Bahá

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Collect Used Bicycles For Delivery Overseas

by Roya Bauman

Bring unwanted used but usable bikes and donate them to Bikes for the World between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. on Saturday, March 1 at the Bauman-Branyan household, 30-A Ridge Road, in old Greenbelt. These no-longer-wanted bicycles will be shipped overseas to nonprofit community development programs, which refurbish and distribute them to low-income workers and students in need of affordable transport. Volunteers will receive the bicycles from the public, evaluate them for tax purposes and issue receipts and compact the bikes for shipping by removing pedals and baskets and turning handlebars.

The Bauman-Branyan family of Greenbelt is conducting this used bicycle collection as a family service project in observance of the Bahá'í holy period of Ayyám-i-Há or Days of Divine Essence (February 26 through March 1). During this five-day period, Bahá'ís all over the world commemorate this time of charity, hospitality and gift-giving in preparation for a period of

fasting and the Bahá'í new year, March 21.

Millions of useable bikes gather dust in basements, garages and storage areas across the United States. Millions more are thrown out every year. (Americans purchase close to 20 million new bikes annually.) Meanwhile, people in developing nations too often have few alternatives to walking miles to get to jobs, schools, health services, etc. Good quality used bikes from the United States can be easily reconditioned in developing countries to provide affordable transportation.

To this end, Bikes for the World, a sponsored project of the Washington Area Bicyclist Association, enlists businesses and community organizations – service clubs, communities of faith, scout troops and schools across the mid-Atlantic region – to undertake one-time local bike drives to rescue this under-appreciated resource. Bikes for the World encompasses some 80 community organizations and more than 500

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Mowatt Memorial United Methodist Church
40 Ridge Road, Greenbelt
Open heart, Open minds, Open doors
www.greenbeltumc.org 301-474-9410
Rev. Dr. Paul C. Kim, Pastor
Sunday School 10:00am Worship Service 11:00am
Prayer Meeting Sun. 10:00am
Wednesday Lenten Bible Study – 6:30pm Soup & Bread, 7:00pm Bible Study
Starts February 6 Come as you are!

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
February 24, 10 a.m.
"Clouds of Consciousness"
by Jaco B. ten Hove, co-minister, with Michael Leger and Pallas Bane, worship associates
(Congregational meeting after the service.)
— Barbara W. and Jaco B. ten Hove, co-ministers



Congregation Mishkan Torah
10 Ridge Road, Greenbelt, MD 20770 301-474-4223
An unpretentious, historic, welcoming, liberal, egalitarian synagogue that respects tradition and becomes your extended family in the 21st century.

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Educational programs for children K-12 and for adults.
Combined innovative full family educational program for parents and children.
Conversion classes. Concert choir. Social Action program.
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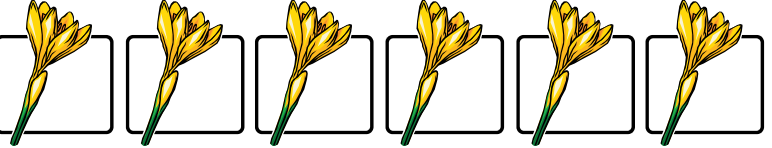
Historic synagogue dually affiliated with United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism and the Jewish Reconstructionist Federation

Learn About Islam

GIVE THANKS

Every breath that we breathe is a blessing from God and we learn from the Prophet Solomon (peace be upon him) to recognize these blessings each day. The Holy Qur'an tells us how he never forgot to be thankful to God. He is quoted to have said, "This is by the grace of my Lord, to test me whether I am grateful or ungrateful! And if any is grateful, it is (a gain) for his own soul; but if any is ungrateful, truly my Lord is free of all needs, supreme in honor."
— The Holy Qur'an, 27:40

Count your blessings every day. For more information about gratefulness from an Islamic perspective, call 301-982-9463 or email info@searchislam.org or visit www.searchislam.org.





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

Welcome!

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

ALL are Welcome!

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

ST. HUGH OF GRENOBLE 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

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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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!

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Sunday


8:15 am Worship Service
9:15 am Sunday School/Bible Study
10:30 am Worship Service

Wednesday Lenten Service

12:15 pm Service
7:30 pm Devotions, Bible Study



Fax 301-220-0694 • E-mail myholycross@verizon.net



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)

Feb. 24 – Paul's Ministry and Future Plans
Romans 15:14-33
Pastor Lou Redd
301-474-4499 410-340-8242 (cell)
...living life together

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volunteers in Maryland, Virginia, Delaware and Washington, D.C. Founded in January 2005, Bikes for the World has collected and shipped more than 14,000 bicycles to 10 nonprofit partners in eight countries: Costa Rica, Guatemala, Honduras, Panama, the Gambia, Ghana, Namibia, Barbados and Sri Lanka.

The bikes collected in Greenbelt will go to any one of several current overseas partners, including Ghana's Village Bike Project (www.ibf/vbp) and Asante Akim Multi-purpose Telecentre (www.patriensa.com), the Panamanian Association of Goodwill Industries or the Costa Rican Peasants Foundation (FINCA Costa Rica). Typically, partners train and employ local workers to recondition the bikes, generating productive employment and distribute the repaired bikes at low cost to low-income farmers, small businesspeople and students – those who otherwise might have no transportation. The Panamanian group employs individuals with disabilities to recondition the bikes, while the Costa Rican group provides capital in the form of bicycles to rural women for small business development. Other programs benefited to date include tsunami recovery in Sri Lanka and health care delivery in Namibia.

Costs

Bikes for the World relies on U.S. volunteers to collect, compact and ship bicycles. Still, it has many expenses, including trucking and international shipping. The average cost of getting a bicycle overseas with spare parts and getting good information on partner programs is between \$15 and \$20. Recipients pay only a percentage of expenses. Therefore a tax-deductible \$10 per bike donation is suggested to defray a portion of costs and get the bike to a qualified destination. BfW will provide a receipt for tax deduction purposes for the value of the bike as well as any financial contribution.

So put that old bike to good use – donate it to Bikes for the World.

For further information on Bikes for the World, visit www.bikesfortheworld.org or call Keith Oberg at 703-525-0931.

Artists Yang, Offord Welcomed to Area

Thursday, February 28 through Saturday, March 1 at 8 p.m., the Clarice Smith Center will present the area premiere of storyteller/photographer William Yang's performance of "Shadows," a social documentary combined with personal observation and the original music of Colin Offord on the great island mouth bow. The presentation recalls the life of communities haunted by the shadows of history – communities dispossessed, then finally reconciled.

On Saturday, March 1 the Greenbelt Community Center will host an informal discussion and reception with Yang at 1 p.m. This reception will focus on Yang's life and work and guests are welcome to bring photographs of their own to share in conversation. The reception is co-sponsored by the Greenbelt Recreation Department Arts Program and GreenBELT Pride.

To reserve a spot at this free reception call Arts Supervisor Nicole DeWald at 240-542-2057.



City Information

GREENBELT CITY COUNCIL

February 25, 2008– 8:00 p.m.

Regular Meeting–Municipal Building

COMMUNICATIONS

Presentations

Petitions and Requests (Petitions received at the meeting will not be acted upon by the City Council at this meeting unless Council waives its Standing Rules.)

*Committee Reports

Advisory Planning Board Report #08-01 (Capitol Cadillac Expansion)

LEGISLATION

A Resolution of the City of Greenbelt, Maryland, to Authorize Acceptance of Bond Bill Funds from the Maryland Legislature, to Authorize Acceptance of the Requirement for a Preservation Easement on the Property, and to Authorize the City Manager to Execute All Necessary Documents (2nd Reading, Adoption)

OTHER BUSINESS

Verizon – Update on Fiber Optic Progress

New Agreement with ICMA-RC for Deferred Compensation Plan State Legislation

*Appointment to Advisory Group

* 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.

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

GREENBELT RECREATION DEPARTMENT
and **GREENBELT ARTS CENTER** present
THE 2008 YOUTH MUSICAL

THE TRIALS OF HERCULES

By Christopher Cherry

How did a fatherless teenaged boy become the most famous hero in history?

February 22 and 23 at 7:00 pm

and February 23 at 2:00 pm

All Shows at the Greenbelt Arts Center

Tickets \$5

Free Discussion for Kids led by Melissa Sites following the February 23 afternoon show
Buy show tickets now at the Community Center Monday – Friday, 9:00 am to 4:30 pm
or charge them by phone: 301-397-2208.

Greenbelt Animal Control Pet of the Week



Chloe is a stunning young tortoiseshell, de-clawed female. Approximately two years old, Chloe was abandoned with her sister at a local hotel, and never reclaimed. While her sister was adopted months ago, Chloe is still waiting for her new home. Although she tolerates other cats if she must, Chloe is definitely more of a people person.

With Chloe, you will have a living piece of abstract art.

Adopt a "Picatso" today

For more information, call 301-474-6124.

Greenbelt Recreation Department
25 Crescent Road, Greenbelt, MD 20770
301-397-2200 Fax: 301-397-2203

SPRING CAMP 2008

Monday, March 17- Friday, March 21

CIRCUS CAMP

Join us for Ringling Brothers Barnum and Bailey Circus performer Greg May for a fun-filled spring break and learn how to juggle, walk on stilts, balance board and more!! Campers are safely taught at their skill level. They will demonstrate their new skills and performance on Friday afternoon at 2:30. Campers must bring a non-perishable lunch each day (except for Friday the day of the camp cookout)

Time: 9:00am-3:30pm

Fee: \$158 R ; \$182 NR

Location: Community Center– 15 Crescent Road

Aftercare: 3:30pm-6:00 pm- \$25/child

Before care: 7:00am-9:00am-\$20/child



SPRING CAMP

Our Spring Camp is the perfect opportunity to keep your child active during their break. We'll keep your child's break action-packed whether we are at the Youth Center or on one of our exciting fieldtrips. Activities include clay modeling, swimming, gym games and much more. Field Trips are scheduled for Pump It Up, the Maryland Science Center, roller skating, and bowling. A Camp Cookout will be held on Friday along with a performance by Jungle John. All campers must be in kindergarten through sixth grade. Campers must have a non-perishable lunch and drink each day, except on Friday.

Time: 9:00am-3:30pm

Fee: \$131 R ; \$150 NR

Location: Youth Center, 99 Centerway

Aftercare: 3:30pm-6:00 pm- \$25/child

Before care: 7:00am-9:00am-\$20/child



GREENBELT VISIONING SESSIONS NOW ONLINE!

Greenbelt City Council recently held three Visioning Sessions throughout the city. The purpose of these sessions was to have citizens express their views on how to make Greenbelt the best community it can be now, and into the future. Results of these sessions will help to assist City Council in setting goals and work plans for the coming years. Results and comments from these sessions are now posted at www.greenbeltmd.gov. If you were not able to attend one of these sessions and would like to make a comment, please email info@greenbeltmd.gov with the subject should be "Visioning Session."

RECYCLING & ENVIRONMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

EARTH DAY T-SHIRT DESIGN CONTEST!



DESIGN THE CITY OF GREENBELT'S OFFICIAL
EARTH DAY 2008 T-SHIRT

(Please limit design to 4 colors)

Submit your original design depicting: GREENBELT
CELEBRATES EARTH DAY by Friday, March 7th.

Mail your design to: REAC, c/o City of Greenbelt,
25 Crescent Road, Greenbelt, Maryland...or bring it in to
this address and place in drop box.

Open to all whether you are 5 years old or 100 years young.
Winning design will be selected by the Recycling and Environment
Advisory Committee (REAC). T-Shirts will be distributed during the
Earth Day celebration on Saturday, April 19th.

**The winner of the contest will receive a
\$100.00 gift certificate to REI.**

For more information contact Cindy Murray at 240-542-2153.



AN ARTFUL AFTERNOON

Sunday, March 2, 1:00-5:00pm

Enjoy this monthly, free mini arts festival!

Artist in Residence Open House, Greenbelt Museum
Tours, All Ages, FREE

Greenbelt Community Center

Celebrate Dr. Seuss' birthday and Read Across America
Enjoy the fun and exploration of reading with a Seuss-ish
costume contest, poetry slam, book exchange, improv activities
and invent your own Dr. Seuss character puppet workshop.
Info: Barbara Davis 301-397-2208

Greenbelt Municipal /Public Access Channel 71
MUNICIPAL ACCESS: 301-474-8000: Monday, February 25 at 8:00pm: City Council Meeting (live) Tuesday & Thursday, February 26 & 28 10am & 6pm "Ask the Expert," 7:00pm: "The Hubcaps," 8:30: Replay of Council Meeting

PUBLIC ACCESS (GATE): 301-507-6581: Wednesday & Friday, February 27 & 29 7pm "GES MLK Poetry" 7:15pm "PGCC Jazz Ensemble," 8:15 "Baltimore Inner Harbor"

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"We have sold everything in the school that's not nailed down," she said.

The Friends of New Deal Café Arts received a grant to support programs and new initiatives for art shows. Speaking for the group, Ray Stevens stated that the grant will cover activities throughout the Roosevelt Center, not just inside the New Deal Café.

The Friends of Still Creek received a grant to purchase a projector that will be shared with other organizations for environmental education.

Greenbelt Association for the Visual Arts will use its grant to help support "A Celebration of 10 Years of the Animation Program" that is jointly sponsored by Greenbelt Access Television Inc. Tom Baker, vice president of the association, commented that this is a unique program, teaching young children to create animation.

The Greenbelt Elementary School Sixth Grade Chorus received some funding toward the children's participation in "Welcome to America - Our Country in Song," an invitational concert at Walt Disney World over Memorial Day. The music director, Dara Case, said the children have been singing together since the fourth grade, which is very unusual in the county. They had to audition for the invitation and have worked on songs in German, Latin and Spanish. The grant will cover the costs for four of the students.

The Greenbelt Farmers Market is a group supporting a farm-

ers market in Roosevelt Center. Dorrie Bates, president of the Greenbelt Co-op, said they hope that the market can start in June. She thanked the foundation "for a huge leg up."

Greenbelt in Focus received support to produce monthly video programs to be shown in local movie theaters. Greenbelt City Councilmember Konrad Herling stated that the videos will promote the spirit and activities of the city. He hopes that there will also be cartoons produced by local children.

Greenbelt International Cultural Festival, planning its 3rd Annual Festival in the Fall, was described by Edith Beauchamp as a festival to highlight the cultural diversity of the city.

The Ladies of Charity of St. Hugh's Church, which takes responsibility for the only food pantry in the city, will use the grant to supplement donated foods for the poor. Solange Hess, representing the organization, indicated that about 10 families a week are helped by the food pantry, which also receives food items collected in the box at the Co-op.

The ceremony was followed by refreshments donated by Safeway.

New Grant Applications

The Greenbelt Community Foundation is now accepting proposals for the Summer Grant Awards. The deadline for submitting proposals is April 1. Greenbelt organizations can email info@greenbeltfoundation.org for information and an application form.

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together to function in a spirit of cooperation and participate in all aspects of life including civics, maintenance, arts, education and entertainment.

Sound Familiar?

This is part of the attraction of the Greenbelt project for Martin. The design of Greenbelt, including its social institutions, resembles The Farm in many ways. As he says, "It's nice to see democracy working on a small scale" (referring to both Greenbelt and The Farm). Interestingly the organisms representing the city of Greenbelt were chosen for their sustainable qualities. They are hardy, resilient, use minimal water and other resources and are what Martin calls, "community oriented plants."

They get along well with each other to the point that members of different genera bloom simultaneously in order to "conserve energy and ensure mutual pollination."

Satellite Perspective

In his words, "These plants are not high maintenance; they are easy to take care of."

The botanical and geometric steel and plastic representation of Greenbelt is a satellite perspective. The two major arteries, Ridge and Crescent, are represented through abstract and concrete reflections of the flat and rolling land.



Artist Jackson Martin (left) hands a flower to a passerby from his "mobile greenhouse" at Brooklyn's 11th annual Art Under the Bridge Festival in 2007.

In fact, although he was born on The Farm, he moved with his mother to the city when he was 11 and indicated that he is equally comfortable in either the city or country and strives to communicate this in his art.

Rose Remenick and Dorothy Baluch of Greenbelt both indicated they had never been to an Artful Afternoon but "we were curious

Naturally there are man-made structures present, which are represented by a device, common to most, yet used by few. This structure represents the angular and straight designs of the blocks and super blocks of Greenbelt.

Can the observer identify the pilo cereus that represents the Community Center?

Jong Sun Lee, an admirer of Martin's work, commented that "It is very compelling to see things that are very important to us (the environment and nature) and to go beyond simply pleasing the eyes, to challenge our eyes."

At the same time Martin said, "I don't want 'Pioneers' to be so conceptual that you don't see the beauty. I enjoy blurring boundaries. Generally when I work with all art, it is juxtaposition between nature and industry; I do not give preference over one to another."

to see what (Martin's Pioneers) has to do with art." Baluch commented that "we have an artist here (Greenbelter) Paul Downs that does art with wood."

Nicole DeWald, art supervisor, told Martin, "It means so much to us that you created this for us." She also suggested that the intersection of intentional and organic creation of Martin's art dovetails so seamlessly.

The exhibit runs through March 16. The gallery hours are Monday through Saturday 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. and Sunday 9 a.m. to 7 p.m., except when the room is reserved for a meeting or special event. The Community Center is located at 15 Crescent Road. For more information about the exhibition call 240-542-2057.

The community-oriented plants are on sabbatical from Behnke's Nurseries in Beltsville.

Some People Don't Smile in Pictures . . .

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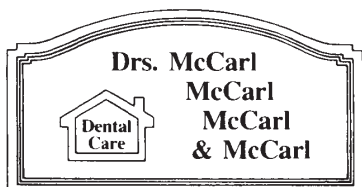


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Office Hours:
Monday 8-5
Tuesday 9-8:30
Wednesday 9-8
Thursday 8-4
Friday 8-3
Saturday 8-12

McCarl Dental Group
301-474-4144

28 Ridge Road, Greenbelt, Maryland 20770-0717

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.

Trespass

February 8, 1:01 p.m., Beltway Plaza, a nonresident man was arrested and charged with trespass. Police saw him inside the mall after he had been banned from there by agents of the property. He was transported to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner.

February 14, 7:58 a.m., 7500 block Greenway Center Drive, a nonresident woman was arrested and charged with trespass and resisting arrest. Police responded to a report of a suspicious person inside the stairwell area of an office building. Investigation revealed that she had no legitimate reason to be on the property. The woman was then asked to leave by an agent of the property and was arrested when she refused. She resisted attempts by officers to place her in custody and was transported to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner.

Burglaries

February 8, 7:26 a.m., Greenway Center, an attempted commercial burglary was reported.

February 12, 5:40 p.m., 6100 block Springhill Terrace, it was reported that unknown person(s) attempted to enter a residence by pulling a screen from a window and breaking the window out. Entry did not appear to have been gained.

February 12, 8:10 p.m., 9100 block Springhill Lane, it was reported that unknown person(s) entered a residence by forcing open the front door. A television and a laptop computer were taken.

February 13, 9:58 a.m., 9100 block Springhill Lane, it was

reported that unknown person(s) entered a residence by breaking out a window. Nothing appeared to have been taken.

February 13, 4:35 p.m., 8000 block Mandan Road, it was reported that unknown person(s) used unknown means to enter a residence. Jewelry was taken.

Vehicle Crimes

Two vehicles were reported stolen: a 1998 Honda Civic 2-door from the 9200 block Edmonston Road and a red 1998 Honda Civic 2-door with Maryland tags 8DCK25 from Beltway Plaza.

Four vehicles were recovered, one by Greenbelt police and three by outside departments. No arrests were made in any recovery.

Vandalism to and theft from vehicles were reported in the following areas: Beltway Plaza, 5800 block Cherrywood Terrace (two incidents), 9200 block Springhill Lane, 6100 block Springhill Terrace, 6400 block Ivy Lane, 200 block Ivy Lane and 7800 block Hanover Parkway.

Theft Arrests

February 7, in reference to a 2007 Toyota Yaris 4-door, reported stolen January 30 from the 7500 block of Mandan Road, a resident youth has been petitioned for auto theft, theft, unauthorized use, false statement and hindering.

February 10, 5800 block Cherrywood Terrace, a nonresident woman was arrested and charged with theft when police stopped a vehicle for an equipment violation. A computer check revealed that the tags on the vehicle had been reported stolen. The woman was released on citation pending trial.

State Seatbelt Awards for Police, ERHS



The Greenbelt Police Department, Eleanor Roosevelt High School and the citizens of Greenbelt recognized for exemplary seatbelt use. Shown (left to right) receiving the award are Neil J. Pedersen, governor's safety representative and state highway administrator; School Resource Officer John Rogers; Eleanor Roosevelt Senior High School Investigative Counselor Tony Camp; and Stephanie Hancock of the Region III, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

Representatives of the Greenbelt Police Department and Eleanor Roosevelt High School (ERHS) were recognized by the Maryland Highway Office at the State Highway Administration and the Committee for Safety Belt Use, Inc. for exemplary seatbelt use by their employees and students throughout 2007. The awards ceremony, which took place at the BWI Airport Marriott, featured special recognition of businesses, schools, religious institutions and agen-

cies after at least 92 percent of their populations were observed wearing seatbelts on at least two occasions.

To qualify for the award, participants conducted two observational seatbelt surveys in their parking lots during regular business hours. These surveys were spaced at least 30 days apart to indicate sustained usage rates and were conducted according to guidelines provided by the Governor's Highway Safety Office at the Maryland Highway

Administration.

Maryland now boasts the highest seatbelt compliance rate on the east coast and one of the highest in the country. Ninety-three (93) percent of Maryland motorists are now using seatbelts as they travel. The students of Eleanor Roosevelt Senior High School and the citizens of Greenbelt both recorded a usage rate of 92 percent. The employees of the Greenbelt Police Department observed a usage rate of 100 percent.

Neighborhood Watch Training February 26

The Old Greenbelt Neighborhood Watch (OGNW) will hold a training session for new members on Tuesday, February 26 at 7 p.m. in the meeting room at the Greenbelt Police Station. The training takes about a half-hour and will be followed by the group's monthly general meeting at 7:30 p.m. The OGNW welcomes any adults who are interested in joining the group.

For more information call Officer George Mathews at the Greenbelt Police Department, 301-474-7200, or just show up at the training session. No reservations are required.



GAC Holds Contest for New Logo Design

After many years in which the familiar green half-circle design became associated with the Greenbelt Arts Center (GAC), there was a feeling that it was time for a change. As a result, GAC is searching for a new logo. The group wants it to reflect their participation mainly in the performing arts (theater, music, dance) as well as, possibly, in the visual arts (the lobby displays). They are seeking a striking design to be used in programs, flyers, posters, the newsletter, website and stationery. There is no fee for submitting a graphic design (or several).

GAC hopes for a logo that is "interesting, exciting, provocative and evocative of who they are and what they do." The new design will be selected by a GAC committee; all submissions become the property of the Arts

Center.

Deadline for submissions is March 1. The winner will receive a set of four tickets worth over \$120 to any production in the 2008-2009 season through December 31, 2009. The winner will be announced at the GAC Annual Meeting on Sunday, March 30. Use of the new logo will begin with the new season.

Designers are asked to send all submissions to: The Greenbelt Arts Center, P.O. Box 293, Greenbelt, MD 20768-0293 or to bring them to the theater at 123 Centerway in Greenbelt. All entries should be marked: Attention GAC Logo Contest.

For further information designers may contact Norma R. Ozur by phone at 301-935-2771 or by email at: nozur@verizon.net.

This article was written by Norma R. Ozur.

The Department is offering a reward of up to \$500 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of a suspect in any of the unsolved crimes reported in the blotter. People may anonymously report suspected drug activity by calling the Drug Tip Line at 301-507-6522.

PLANS

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February 1, 2008.

Andre Gingles, an attorney representing Capital Cadillac, noted concerns with the condition concerning the trailer removal. He noted that the trailer in question serves the Buick/Pontiac/GMC part of the dealership and that its use is related to ongoing discussions between Capital Cadillac and General Motors as to the fate and/or timing of the proposed new showrooms on the adjacent site.

Following discussion between members of council and city staff, an amendment was suggested that would substitute Buick/Pontiac/GMC in place of Hummer in the condition relating to the trailer.

City staff assured council that the key condition was that Capital Cadillac agrees to bring the temporary trailer, which has been used on the dealership site since 2001, into conformance with the county code within 30 days or to remove the trailer within that time period. Council unanimously approved the revised DSP.

Glass Show/Sale On March 1 and 2

The Del-Mar-Va Depression Glass Club will present its 73rd semi-annual Early American through Mid-20th Century Pattern, Elegant and Depression-Era Glassware, Kitchenware, China and Pottery Show and Sale on March 1 and 2.

The show is held at Duval High School at the corner of Greenbelt Road and Good Luck Road in Lanham; just a couple of minutes from the NASA Visitor Center and Museum. Show hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Sunday.

The club continues to offer its popular glass identification service without charge to those attending. Identification is performed by knowledgeable club members and dealers, making use of the club's extensive library of books containing pertinent information about patterns, designs, artists and imaginative creations.

There is a fee for admission. For directions and information call 301-565-2361 or 410-263-4192 or email ybrian@juno.com.

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OVERPASS continued from page 1

Resource Officers (SROs) will monitor activity daily at the overpass and the paths leading up to it, unless an emergency or critical event requires their presence elsewhere. The SRO activities will be supplemented with Bike Patrol, K-9 and Patrol Officers. Council was pleased to receive feedback on the increased visibility of Greenbelt police in the area.

• **Proper Maintenance** – In addition to regular maintenance of the area by the city Public Works Department, Public Works crews will also assume responsibility for repair of any holes in the fence that extends along the Baltimore-Washington Parkway for 100 feet on either side of the overpass.

• **Move plaque** - The plaque in honor of the late Congresswoman Gladys Noon Spellman will be moved to a lower concrete pad near the overpass. The existing raised stand for the plaque will be removed.

• **Education/Outreach** – The Police Department will conduct a community meeting to discuss steps to be taken by the city. The department will also distribute crime prevention tips and a flyer on the approved action steps and enable area residents to sign up for email alerts.

• **Emergency Call-Box** – An emergency call box will be installed near the overpass on the Gardenway side.

• **Security Cameras** – Two security cameras will be installed, one on the Gardenway side and one on the Greenbriar side.

Other recommendations not included in the action plan include the planting of materials along the paths leading to the overpass, straightening out the path on the Gardenway approach that would involve loss of trees, improved lighting and private security. If further study warrants their implementation, they will be reconsidered.

State Legislation

Several pieces of state legislation were considered by council with city staff recommendations for support. The bills included House Bill 364 /Senate Bill 269 that would authorize the use of speed cameras throughout Maryland. If approved, a municipality such as Greenbelt would be required to enact a local ordinance, hold a public hearing, provide public notice of the speed camera system and provide a 12-month "warning" period before implementing such a program.

HB 373/SB 204 would define "Transit-oriented development" in the state's Mass Transit Article of the Maryland Transportation Code. HB 509/SB 336 would set up a state task force to study requiring deposits on returnable beverage containers in the state.

SB 431 would require the Maryland Department of Natural Resources to develop legislation for the 2009 session that would ensure a process in Maryland to achieve no net loss of forest beginning in 2010. Finally, HB 512/SB 302, labeled as the Maryland Affordable Housing Investment Fund, would create a fund to be used to support, foster and promote affordable housing. Here council offered an amendment to have the bill include cooperative housing.

In addition to the bills recommended for support, HB 1023 was added to the list. HB 1023 would prohibit liquor license transfers for gas stations. Because some gas stations continue to have grandfathered status for their licenses, the legislation would assure they could not be transferred upon sale of the establishment. Council gave unanimous support to the five legislative proposals.

Visionary Follow-up

During the administrative reports section of the agenda, Mayor Judith Davis and City Manager Michael McLaughlin reported on the follow-up actions from the city's recent visioning process in each of the three sectors of the city. The collated listing of topics and suggestions brought up at the three meetings will be posted on the city's website (www.greenbeltmd.gov). Residents not able to attend the sessions may send comments via email (see city ad on page 5) or in writing to the city office at 25 Crescent Rd. Davis noted that council is considering follow-up worksessions on the visioning session topics in each of the three sectors.

Davis advised council that she had received a copy of a report, entitled "Preservation of the Past for a Greener Future: An Analysis of Historic Preservation Tools as Methods for Guiding Change in Old Greenbelt," prepared by a University of Maryland Historic Preservation Studio Team (HISP 650) as part of the Greener Greenbelt Initiative.

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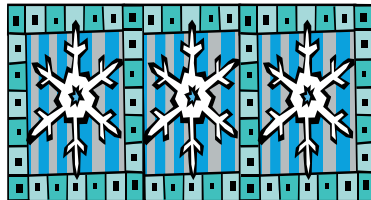
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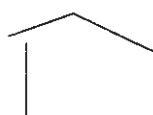
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Council Welcomes Three Of Four New Employees

by Thomas X. White

At the February 11 meeting of the Greenbelt City Council, council welcomed three new city employees.

Police Chief James Craze and Sergeant Carl Schinner were on hand to introduce Jason Kelly, Greenbelt's newest police officer and to have the oath of office administered by Mayor Judith Davis. Kelly, a 2005 graduate of the University of Maryland Police Academy, previously worked for the sheriff's office in Queen Anne's County and the University of Maryland. Council gave a gracious welcome to Kelly and his wife and two young daughters.

Kenny Hall, Greenbelt's director of Public Works, then stepped forward to introduce Lesley Riddle as the new superintendent of Parks and Grounds. Riddle will be replacing the recently retired Bill Phelan. She comes to Greenbelt from her position as horticultural manager for the Melwood Horticultural Training Center.

Riddle's horticultural and landscaping career has spanned the last 23 years with jobs and assignments in the greater Washington area that have won her awards in home and garden competitions. She earned a B.S. in biology from the University of Rochester in 1985; a B.S. in business in November 2006 and is currently working on a master's in sustainable landscape design.

Councilmembers were impressed with Riddle's credentials and Davis noted the topic for her master's degree would certainly fit in with Greenbelt's long-range plans. Riddle noted that Greenbelt's reputation for maintaining open green space, parks and

woodlands was one reason she was attracted to the position.

The third newcomer is Savitri Belizaire who has assumed the newly created position of case manager for the Greenbelt Assistance in Living Program (GAIL). She was introduced by Community Resource Advocate Christal Batey.

Belizaire has a master's degree from the School of Social Work at the University of Maryland and comes to the city from the Prince George's County Administration on Aging, where she coordinated medical services for seniors.

Her background in social services includes medical social work in the United Kingdom, American Indian tribal work for the U.S. Department of Education and involvement with a popular radio talk show series on health issues for the University of Maryland Medical Center in Baltimore.

Members of council welcomed Belizaire to Greenbelt and noted that filling this new position is critical in enhancing the level of services for Greenbelt citizens and helping seniors and the handicapped to remain in their homes as long as possible. The happiest person in the room, however, was Christal Batey, who told council that filling this new position was like a Christmas present for the GAIL program.

Although she was not present for this meeting, members of council noted they were anxious to meet the newest member of the city planning staff, Amy Hofstra. They asked Terri Hruby, present for another item on the agenda, to make sure they get a chance to meet Hofstra at a future meeting.

New Deal Announces Musical Schedule

by Bill Muney

Thursday, February 28 from 7 to 9 p.m., SAW Open Mic with Julie Kehrl and Keith Thorne. Email Julie and Keith (kthorne11@cox.net) to sign up.

Friday, February 29 from 8 to 10:30 p.m., Guitarist Rowan Corbett of Tinsmith and iLYAiMY. Acacia Sears will open and play guitar with Rowan.

Saturday, March 1 from 8 to 10:30 p.m., Mike Hamilton and Friends: the "Don't Blame Us" band, best local country and bluegrass players. In the band are Melinda Rose Hamilton, guitar, mandolin and vocals; Paul Foster Clair, bass guitar and vocals; David Goodman, fiddle; Bruce Sponsler, banjo; and Mike Hamilton, guitar and mandolin.

Mike Hamilton grew up in Titusville, a small town in the mountains of northwestern Pennsylvania. So it's no wonder that the subjects nearest and dearest to his heart are reflected in his songs of the working man's everyday life with its struggles and triumphs, fears and joys. The performances are loose and free flowing with mostly bluegrass and folk and Hamilton's original songs peppered with whatever the group decided to play as the night rolled on.

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Fun for All at Springhill Lake Bike Rodeo

On Saturday, February 16 approximately 20 youths learned bicycle safety tips during a Bike Rodeo sponsored by Campfire USA, Springhill Lake Apartments and the Greenbelt Police Department's Bike Unit.

After watching a safety presentation put on by Campfire USA volunteers and speaking with bike officers about bike safety, the attendees were fitted for bicycle helmets and set out to put what they learned to the test

on a skills course laid out in the parking lot. What started out as a frigid morning turned into a pleasant, sunny day, perfect for taking on the bicycle skills course with Bike Officer Gordon Rose. The course included circling, changing direction, slow speed



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