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#### **SEPTEMBER 3, 2009**

## First Candidate to Be Certified Labor Day Festival to Open For 2009 Election Is Ed Putens

Edward Putens, a current city council incumbent, is the first person to file as a candidate for the forthcoming city council election. Putens also was the first to file for the past four city council elections. His nomination papers have been certified by City Clerk Cindy Murray.

#### **Biography**

Edward Putens is completing his fourteenth term on the Greenbelt City Council. Putens has been a resident of Greenbelt for 42 years, starting in Springhill Lake (SHL). He has also lived in Charlestowne North, Windsor Green and most recently Greenbrook Estates. He was born in Hazelton, Pa., and grew up in Baltimore.

Putens has been employed by the federal government for 37 years and has received many awards and commendations. He has worked for the Food and Drug Administration for the past 22 years, mostly in management positions. Putens previously served in a variety of senior management and staff positions for the Department of Labor, Office of Personnel Management and



**Edward Putens** 

U.S. Postal Service.

Putens has taken a leading role to improve police protection and crime prevention. He has advocated the revitalization of SHL, now Empirian Village, and other property west of Kenilworth Avenue, in part to improve public safety. Council earlier supported his initiative to use video cameras in strategic areas in the city and to place two school resource officers in Greenbelt schools for security. He previously led the See PUTENS, page 6

successful efforts to have a traffic light installed at Greenbelt and Mandan Roads and a guardrail installed at Eleanor Roosevelt High School.

He proposed the city's new Public Safety Advisory Committee, as well as the Advisory Committee on Education (ACE). Putens also successfully initiated the Four Cities Coalition among Greenbelt, College Park, New Carrollton and Berwyn Heights, to expand inter-city cooperation on issues and projects of common concern. Putens has taken a leading role on senior citizen concerns and initiated a Senior Task Force, which led to establishment of the permanent Senior Citizen Advisory Committee.

Until 1993, Putens was the only councilmember living in Greenbelt East and he worked actively with the Greenbelt East Advisory Committee (GEAC), of which he was a co-founder. He was an original member of the Windsor Green Board of Directors and served on its board for eight years. He has been the

#### by Paula Clinedinst

The 2009 Labor Day Festival opening ceremonies will begin on Friday, September 4 at 6:30 p.m. with the National Anthem performed by third generation Greenbelter William Edwards, III, Navy Sea Chanter. Announcement of Greenbelt's 2009 Outstanding Citizen will follow. At 7:30 p.m. the Miss Greenbelt Pageant will begin its four-day program.

#### Carnival

The carnival midway opens Friday, September 4 at 6 p.m. and will be open Saturday from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m., Sunday from noon to 11 p.m. and Monday from noon to 6 p.m. Discount ride voucher wristbands are available at the Co-op until September 4.

#### **Information Day**

Information Day will be held Saturday from 10:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Publicize a group, cause or organization by staffing an information table. The deadline See FESTIVAL, page 6

has been extended and applications are available for download at www.greenbelt.com/laborday/ Information.htm or by calling David Pitts at 301-345-9605.

#### Parade

The Lone Ranger and Silver will be at the Festival and part of the parade. Immediately following the parade, the Lone Ranger postage stamp will be officially unveiled.

#### Entertainment

The first annual Greenbelt Idols competition will take place Friday night at 9 p.m. Join Jennifer Benton Boxwell, Isaac Cohen, Edda Richmond, Emma Gentle, K. Eileen Cannon Boswell, John Langworthy, Phylicia Atkins, Stephen Yednock, Pallas Bane, Alena Lewis and Nika Lin as they compete for Greenbelt Idol. The winner will receive \$500.

On Saturday night the Mary

## School Superintendent Hite Meets with City Council

#### by Amy S. Hansen

Greenbelt Middle School, (GMS) Phase II Boundary changes and the status of parent-liaison faculty positions were some of the topics Prince George's County School Superintendent William Hite brought before the Greenbelt City Council and members of Greenbelt's Advisory Committee on Education (ACE) on August 13.

Hite had not met with the city council since he was appointed superintendent last December. He used the meeting to explain his goals and give updates on continuing projects.

Construction on the new GMS is scheduled to begin in January 2010, he said, and advised council and ACE that advocacy was still needed. Phase II boundary evaluations for this part of the county would begin in the fall with public forums, he said.

ate career- or college-ready.

Hite described a new set of evaluation tools that teachers and administration would use to judge the effectiveness of programs. These tools mean that future budgets will no longer be cut (or increased) across the board; rather programs will be prioritized by their merit.

The GMS building construction has been timed to correspond with the state's expected release of funds in spring. If the building began now, Hite explained, they would end up spending the \$24 million they have now, and then stopping work until the next set of funds (roughly \$30 million) is released.

Even though the school system

by Carol Griffith

Legion Post #136 Installs New

Officers, Hosts Youth Program







of Maryland) president.

Beeg conducted the swearingin and reminded the new officers that the goal of their year of service should be "working for justice, freedom and democracy and preserving the integrity of the American Legion."

She also gave details of the annual Girls State for Maryland and called this year's session "productive and exciting." Each year, the American Legion sponsors the program for young women and its counterpart, Boys State, for young men, both of high school age. The goals of these programs are to train future leaders in good citizenship and to help them understand and participate in government at the city, county and state levels. This year Melanie Pope from Greenbelt was chosen as a "senator," as participants are called in Girls State. Two senators from each

Sandi Dutton helps Harold Bullock prepare for his installation as commander of American Legion Post 136 in Greenbelt.

state are then chosen to attend Girls or Boys Nation, which is held annually in the Washington, D.C., area and instructs the senators on the workings of government at the national level.

The Auxiliary also participates in many service-oriented activities. The women are active with Meals on Wheels and The Race for the Cure, a breast cancer advocacy annual event. A scholarship is provided for a nursing student to assist at the Washington Veterans Administration Medical Center and at Walter Reed's Fisher House, the USO and the Salvation Army.

#### New Officers

New officers of the American Legion Post 136 are Commander Harold Bullock, First Vice Commander James Middleton, Second Vice Commander Larry Williams and Chaplain Joe Williams. Bullock is Post 136's first African-American commander.

Clarence Bacon, a past

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He also discussed parent liaisons and Eleanor Roosevelt High School's Russian program. He talked about having every graduis currently applying for permits, there are still hurdles for the remaining funds. First, the list of proposed buildings comes out of the school board in October and goes to the county council. The

See COUNCIL, page 6

#### What Goes On

Friday, September 4 to Monday September 7 – Labor Day Festival Monday, September 7 - City Offices and GHI Closed for Holiday Wednesday, September 9 8 p.m., City Council Worksession on Animal Control, Community Center

#### Saturday, September 12

11 a.m. to 2 p.m., Pooch Plunge, Aquatic and Fitness Center 1 to 3 p.m., Annual Senior Citizen Open Forum, Community Center, Multipurpose Room, Room 201

## **Letters to the Editor**

#### Thanks for the Love

I have so many of you to thank as I continue to recover from my motorcycle accident. All of your warm wishes and words of encouragement have been instrumental in my healing. I cannot possibly express my gratitude. Each card, each visit, each query about my well-being expressed to Barbara, even each caring thought, I have felt. I know it sounds like I need to cut back on the pain medication. But I testify to you that all of your love has built a type of cocoon that has wrapped itself around me and given me strength and faith that, indeed, this too shall pass. I suppose you could call it a love bubble. I wear it proudly as it gleams with the wonderful variety of colors and personalities that form my Greenbelt family. Thank You! I love you all!

A special thanks, too, to the Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department & Rescue Squad. You arrived on the scene in what to me felt like a minute. Your care and concern was professional. It was an honor to ride in the rig with you, although next time I would prefer not to be the patient. If there is ever a next time for me or one of my family, I hope the situation again falls on your competent and always-ready shoulders.

Rick Ransom

#### Saving Trees in City And What it Means

Fifty-one trees are tagged for removal so a stream can be widened to protect a lake from sedimentation. Sounds impressive: a small stream is to be mechanically engineered to become a wide stream so a lake is saved . . . minus lots of trees. But these were the trees that needed to be saved in 2002 from plants that came from foreign lands that were creeping up their sides and would have killed them during that environmental crisis. The state forester said they had to be saved or lose tax credits! Tree lovers were equally concerned that ecosystem services would be compromised with tree loss.

OK so now a new crisis has developed from an older one . . . in the form of sediment unleashed when vegetation was removed from the stream banks and forest through chain saws and pesticides to be flushed downstream to the lake. But this action plan was

tive plants have returned and covered up the stream banks once again and the erosion has subsided and returned to normal amounts, this time the trees must go . . . to avert another environmental crisis: dirty water.

So does that mean the trees are not that important after all since they are now not needed? Did I get it right? That means we didn't have to wipe out the wildlife and kill so many plants, after all, back in 2002, in a war with foreign plants. That means the sediment wouldn't have become an issue for the lake (brought on by stream bank erosion). But residents at the lake said they didn't like the sedimentation and declared it should be stopped once and for all. And a contractor confirmed that only one stream was responsible. He knew, because he killed vegetation in the 2002 war against nature causing that sedimentation. And he said he knew how to fix this new crisis, also. Enough city councilmembers agreed with him to award him another contract but not all bought his story. Neither do I.

Next time let's think about how unimportant trees are. Maybe we'll be able to spare a few . . . next time. I'm speechless.

Jean Newcomb

#### Where Are My Trees?

In response to the Letter to the Editor last week "Where Are My Rights?" I would like to respond that there are not enough trees

in Charlestowne Village. I have lived here for over 20 years and have watched with sadness as trees have been lost to weather, disease, etc. and not been replaced.

What was once a beautiful court in which I live is now a barren courtyard with only two trees. I do not like looking out from my home and seeing other townhouses. I used to enjoy the trees and the shade and beauty they added to our development. Unfortunately, replacing lost trees does not seem to be a priority for Charlestowne Village. The stumps remain from the lost trees and despite numerous letters to the board not one tree has been replaced in the 20-plus years I have lived here.

Most of the trees in my yard were planted by my family and we enjoy the quiet, peace, shade and beauty they provide, not to mention the energy savings. I personally would count my blessings if Charlestowne Village planted just one tree in my court and ecstatic if they planted 10.

While we might not always like it, we live in a "condominium" development and don't always have a lot of say over what is or isn't done in the development. It is the price we pay for not owning a single family home. I am grateful for the work the board does and hope to see some trees planted in the future – at least one tree for every tree lost. Greenbelt is called Greenbelt for a reason. Let's make Charlestowne Village greener.

Cheryl Gleason

#### Corrections

Ooops . . . in the tradition of Christmas in July the News Review celebrated April Fools' Day last week. How many readers caught that we ran the middle school hearing story twice? Today's front page contains the story we meant to run. The News Review regrets the error.

In the Labor Day Festival schedule in last week's newspaper some information was omitted from the green box at the top of page 3. Here is the missing text:

All events will take place in the Roosevelt Center parking lots unless otherwise noted. No advance registration is required unless stated. No alcoholic beverages will be sold at the Festival. City ordinances prohibit the consumption of alcoholic beverages in city parks, buildings and in the Festival area.

This schedule is subject to change without notice. Questions? Call Festival Information at 301-345-0147 or visit the Information Booth on the grounds.



Those who want to sign the

petition and are not attending the

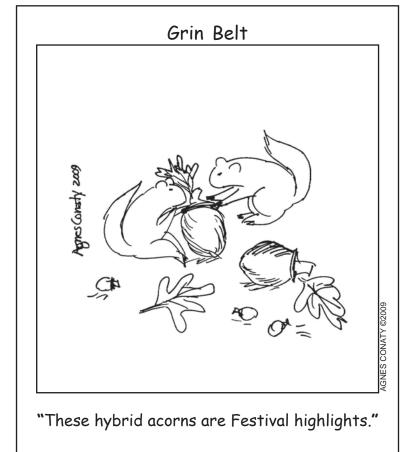
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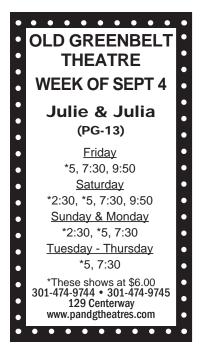


#### **Build GMS Petition at Labor Day Festival**

There will be a petition avail- Parents and community memable during the Labor Day Fesbers from Greenbelt and the surtival to sign in support of the rounding area are encouraged to new Greenbelt Middle School sign this new petition. It will be available all weekend at the (GMS) building. The first half of the funding was secured from Greenbelt Elementary School the state and county, thanks in PTA used book sale, located in part to a previous petition orgaa tent in the parking lot near nized by parents and supporters the entrance to the Aquatics and of Greenbelt schools. Building Fitness Center, behind the New is scheduled to begin in January Deal Café. 2010 but the remaining funding is still in doubt.

The county and state will make their decisions this fall.

supposed to protect the trees not place them in harm's way. And even though the foreign and na-



#### In the Labor Day Darade

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## **Community Events**

#### At the Library

Storytimes A librarian will read age-appropriate stories.

Tuesday, September 8, 10:30 a.m., Cuddletime for newborns to 17 months old with caregiver, limit 15 babies.

Wednesday, September 9, 10:30 and 11 a.m., Toddlertime for ages 18 to 35 months with caregiver, limit 15 children for each group.

Thursday, September 10, 10:30 a.m., Drop-in Storytime for ages three to five years, limit 20 children.

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



#### **GHI Notes**

Thursday, September 3, 7:30 p.m., Board Meeting - Board Room

Friday, September 4, Offices Closed – Emergency maintenance available by calling 301-474-6011.

Monday, September 7, Offices Closed for Labor Day - Emergency maintenance available by calling 301-474-6011.

Tuesday, September 8, 8:30 a.m., Ad-Hoc Yard Lines Committee - GHI Library

7 p.m., Sustainable Design & Practices – Board Room

Wednesday, September 9, 7:30 p.m., Marketing Committee GHI Lobby

Saturday, September 12, 11 a.m., Pre-purchase Orientation Board Room

Committee and board meetings are open; members are encouraged to attend.

#### GIC Investment Club To Meet on Sept. 14

The Goddard Investment Club (GIC) will meet on Monday, September 14 from 5 to 6:30 p.m. in the Theater Rehearsal Room on the second floor of the Greenbelt Community Center. GIC is seeking other amateur investors interested in learning about and investing in stocks. Meetings are on the second Monday of the month. For more information email GoddardInvestmentClub@ vahoo.com and include "GIC" in the subject line.

#### Computer Club Meets Free Music at Café Thursday, Sept. 10

The Greenbelt Computer Club will hold its September meeting on Thursday, September 10 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. at the Greenbelt Community Center in Room 103

Mary Camp will show some simple ways to customize the computer desktop screen. Everyone is welcome.

#### Golden Age Club

by Bunny Fitzgerald

The Golden Age Club was saddened by the death of Florence Holly, a longtime member. She will be remembered for her many contributions to the club. She served as president and on many committees and very seldom missed a meeting. We send our condolences and love to her family.

Many members are getting out their suitcases and preparing for the trip to Mackinaw City, Mich. We'll travel by bus and then a ferry trip out to Mackinac Island and a cruise through the Soo Locks in Sault Sainte Marie.

Lori Moran will be our leader on the trip and will be handing out luggage tags and itineraries at the next meeting.

Hope to see everyone at the Labor Day Festival and the parade.

There are some great trips planned for this fall; stop in the office at the Community Center to sign up.

#### CCRIC to Meet On Wed., Sept. 9

Citizens to Conserve and Restore Indian Creek (CCRIC) will have its bi-monthly meeting on Wednesday, September 9 at 7 p.m. at the Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Road.

Agenda items include updates on pending development proposals in Beltsville affecting Indian Creek and the latest sediment runoff problems. There is a lot more going on.

## For Upcoming Week

On Thursday, September 3 from 7 to 9 p.m. the New Deal Café will host an open microphone session (scheduled every Thursday).

Friday, September 4 from 6:30 to 8 p.m. will feature jazz and blues piano by John Guernsey of Takoma Park (repeats every Friday and Saturday).

Saturday, September 5 from 1 to 2:45 p.m. will feature Steve Pollack, followed by Art McKinney's jazz jam from 3 to 6 p.m.

On Sunday, September 6 Jim Stinson will play the lute from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., followed by the Tom Reyes Jazz Trio playing from 2 to 5 p.m.

#### Next Week

Tuesday, September 8 from 7 to 9 p.m., singer/songwriter Logan Kraft will perform. On Wednesday, there will be belly dancing by Brena from 7 to 9 p.m. Friday, September 11 from 8 to 11 p.m. the Zekiah Swampcats, a five-piece bluegrass band, will play.

#### **Blues Festival**

Saturday, September 12 is the Greenbelt Blues Festival outdoors from 3 to 8 p.m., then inside the Café from 8 to 11 p.m., featuring The Capital Blues Ensemble, Andy Poxon Band, Johny Grave, Anthony "Swampdog" Clark, Joseph Stich and the Outer Fringe and more.

Sunday, September 13 will feature Sasha Colette with Indie, blues and Americana from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m., followed by Jack Couldn't Make It from 5 to 8 p.m.

For more information visit the Café website at www.newdealcafe.com or call Chef Karim Kmaiha at 301-474-5642.

#### **Toastmasters Meet**

The next meeting of Toastmasters is on Wednesday, September 9 from 7 to 9 p.m. at Holy Cross Lutheran Church, 6905 Greenbelt Road. For more information call 301-906-0865.



#### Climate Action Group To Meet Wednesday

The next meeting of the Greenbelt Climate Action Network (GCAN), to be held on Wednesday, September 9 at 7:30 p.m. at the Greenbelt Community Center, will discuss the pending federal climate change bill. Earlier this summer, the House of Representatives took the first step toward addressing the current climate and energy challenges by passing the American Clean Energy and Security Act.

Climate change activists from all over the country have been working to ensure its enactment in advance of December international climate talks in Copenhagen.

Susan Stewart, a member of 1Sky (www.1sky.org), a coalition of environmental, scientific and other organizations whose goal is to pressure Congress to pass global warming legislation will facilitate the meeting. She will recap recent activities and share pictures of what activists have been doing since spring. She will also compare the House bill to the 1Sky platform.

Attendees will have a chance to share their thoughts on this issue. The agenda includes a discussion of other environmental events happening this month. For more details call 301-441-3809.

More Community Events can be found on pages 2, 8, 11 and 12.

Join Scouting Night We are looking for young men from First through Fifth Grades and their parents to come join in the fun!!! Thursday September 17th, 6:30PM Greenbelt Community Church; 1 Hillside Road Cubmaster: Gary Sanderson 301.552.4795 cubinfo@pack202.org www.pack202.org



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#### Astronauts to Visit Schools Wednesday

Next Wednesday, September 9 at 9 a.m. two NASA astronauts will visit local schools. Astronaut Loren Shriver will visit Springhill Lake Elementary and Astronaut Bruce McCandless will visit Greenbelt Middle School to talk to students.

Both astronauts were on the mission that deployed the Hubble Space Telescope and will tell the students about lots of cool, inspiring things.



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Greenbelt Arts Center

#### THIS WEEKEND: A Bard Double-Header!



Fridays & Saturdays Sept 4 & 5, 11 & 12, 18 & 19 at 8:00 pm A classic bromance - without the bros

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Written by William Shakespeare, Adapted and directed by Bill Jones 2009 Shakespeare-On-The-Green Sat Sep 5, 2009, at 12pm, 2pm, and 4pm; & Sun Sep 6, 2009, at 2pm; inside the theater. Romance, deceit, jealousy, swordplay, murder! All in about one hour and FREE!

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## **Obituaries**

#### Florence Mae Holly

Florence Mae Holly, 100, who lived half of those 100 years in Greenbelt, died of congestive heart failure on August 25,



2009, at Chesapeake Hospice.

Mrs. Holly was born in Brooklyn in 1909. In 1918 her mother and newborn brother died in the Spanish flu epidemic. She and her brother John were adopted by a farmer and his wife in Madison County, Va. She lived on the farm where they grew produce during the Great Depression and learned to be frugal.

Graduating from St. Elizabeth's Hospital's Nursing School, she began her nursing career and developed a specialization in physical therapy. She also worked in Providence Hospital.

It was at St. Elizabeth that Mrs. Holly met her husband, Martin Holly who was receiving treatment for a knee injury. They were married on December 24, 1942. A few weeks later he went overseas not to return for several years.

Martin, Florence and daughters Mary and Patricia moved to Greenbelt in the 1950s where they lived in 45 Court Ridge.

Mrs. Holly became immersed in the new community. She became a member of Holy Cross Lutheran Church. She helped in the building of the new church building and was president of the Women's Guild for many years. She worked as a volunteer in the third grade at Springhill Lake Elementary School. She became a member of the Greenbelt Golden Age Club and served as president several times.

In 1989 Mrs. Holly was named Outstanding Citizen of the year. In addition to visiting nursing homes to deliver care pledges, Mrs. Holly transported seniors to clubs and churches. Also she worked with county executives to obtain local bus transportation.

At age 92 she joined the Literary Council and tutored elementary school children in reading. At age 95 she voluntarily gave up her driver's license. Parents and teachers of the children then arranged for the children to come to her house to be tutored.

Mrs. Holly was known for her cheerfulness and her willingness to go on with her activities even in her later years. She loved living in Greenbelt. She liked working in her garden, crocheting, watching the news and reading historical novels. Her husband Martin died in 1990. She was also preceded in death by her daughter Mary Elizabeth Harmon, her two brothers John Taylor and Robert Taylor, her sister Dorothy Nussbaum and her nephew Cliff Holly.

She is survived by her daughter Patricia G. Routt of Annapolis, two granddaughters Dawn Marie Tilghman of Richmond, Va., and Laura Parry of Annapolis; and many nieces and nephews and great nieces, great nephews and great-grand nephews and nieces.

A private family funeral will be held at Cheltenham Veterans Cemetery on Thursday, September 3. A memorial service will be held at Holy Cross Lutheran Church, 6905 Greenbelt Road on Saturday, September 12 at 11 a.m. In lieu of flowers donations may be made in her name to Holy Cross Lutheran Church Sunday School program or Prince George's Literacy Council. Online condolences to the family and guest book signing may be made by visiting kalasfuneralhome.com.

– Laura Parry, Paula Clinedinst, Barbara Likowski

#### Stephen German

Former Greenbelter Stephen "Buddy" German, 62, died August 27, 2009, after a valiant fight with a terminal illness.

Mr. German was raised on Ridge Road and attended Greenbelt schools. He held many local jobs including projectionist for the Old Greenbelt Theatre.

He served in the U.S. Navy aboard the aircraft carrier U.S.S. Independence. He worked as an auto mechanic and a distributor for the Evening Star newspaper after his tour of duty in Viet Nam. He worked for the U.S. government in Carderock, Md., Greenbelt and Los Angeles, where he lived since the late 1980s.

Mr. German was an active member of the Greenbelt Fire Department and Rescue Squad, where he held the rank of Captain. He much preferred driving the fire engines.

He loved the outdoors and spent a lot of time camping, boating and hunting. He enjoyed



#### HOLY CROSS LUTHERAN CHURCH

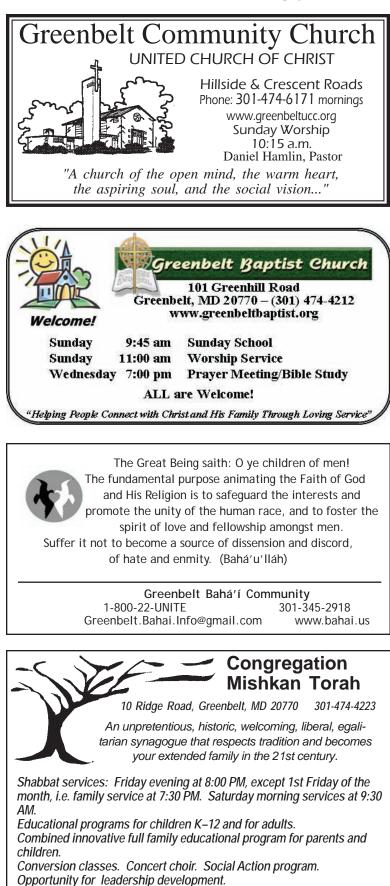
skiing and playing softball. Golf became a big part of his life in later years.

His survivors include brothers Martin and William German, sister Sandy, nephew Troy, niece Olivia, great niece Cheyanne and many friends and loved ones. In Memoriam

#### Missing Betty Allen

Her voice was strong and vibrant. She was filled with a spirit that moved her voice and choir, her family, her community. It was from Paint Branch Unitar-

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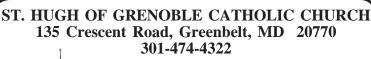
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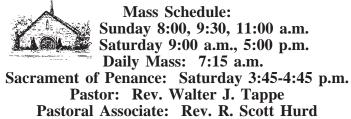


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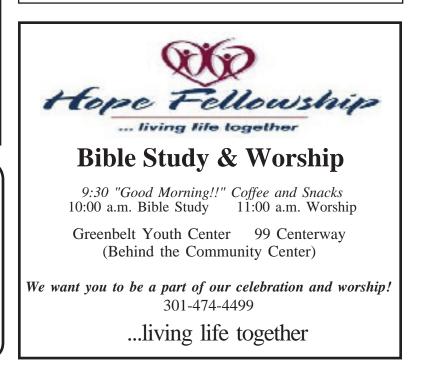


Sundays 10 A.M. Municipal Building





Interfaith families are welcome.



## Obituaries

ian Universalist Church that she sang but it was from her community of Greenbelt and our library that every Greenbelter could feel that spirit and her spirit.

My family was fortunate enough to meet Betty and her family in 1960 when they moved from Michigan. Not only did this mean her children were good friends with whom to play and learn, it meant that there was one more person whom I knew when I went to the library who would be interested to see what I was reading or the books I checked out. Betty's presence meant that the library not only strengthened and enriched our community, it meant on a more personal level that Betty and my mom also had lots to share as they worked together for 20 or so years. Lessons I learned from my folks were reinforced by Betty - patience, to fight for those who did not enjoy the same quality of life so that they too would be so enriched, to do your homework, to know history, to read and to take advantage of the library.

Her energy and drive to create and sustain a room at the library that preserved documents, pictures and articles important in our city's history helped make the Tugwell Room happen. It has taken many dedicated volunteers to try to do the same job since her retirement.

I remember her with a smile and laughter, her love of her husband and her children. It was palpable.

I remember campaigning in 2003 and talking with her when she said to me, emphatically, "Konrad, this time win!" Well, as had been the case when I was a child, she was the re-enforcer for me. In her public and private life, she was someone who made our individual lives better and the community, as great as it is, better. Thank you, Betty. We will miss you very much but are so glad you lived in our company. – Konrad Herling

#### <u>In Memoriam</u> Remembering Betty Allen

Betty Allen was a towering figure in Greenbelt. I knew her as a neighbor and friend. But, mostly, I knew her as Greenbelt's unofficial historian. For more than a decade, Betty oversaw the collection of books, papers and memorabilia related to Greenbelt's history that was donated to the Greenbelt Library where she worked. The collection is housed in the library's Rexford Guy Tugwell Room, named for the man who was instrumental in persuading President Franklin Delano Roosevelt to construct Greenbelt. Betty catalogued the collection and knew personally where every photograph and print document was located. She was sought out by countless researchers and shared her knowledge equally with both the high school student writing a paper about Eleanor Roosevelt and the PhD candidate writing about the social significance of Greenbelt's many organizations. During the city of Greenbelt's 50th Anniversary in 1987 which I chaired, Betty was invaluable in providing tutorials for those of us working on establishing the Greenbelt Museum. Betty often



#### CITY ELECTION INFORMATION ELECTION CLERKS NEEDED

The City of Greenbelt Board of Elections is seeking several residents who would be willing to serve as election officials on November 3, 2009, from 6 a.m. until about 9 p.m. Clerks must also attend a training session on November 2 from 7:00 p.m. until about 9 p.m.

This is a rewarding experience for anyone who is interested in the political process and would like to play an active role in the local election. There is a stipend of \$135, plus a training fee of \$25.

There may also be a need for additional clerks to assist in the counting of absentee ballots. This job would entail working for two or three hours in the late afternoon/early evening of November 3. No preliminary training is necessary. The pay for absentee ballot clerks is \$35.

To apply, please visit the City offices to submit an application, or call or e-mail Cindy Murray, City Clerk, at 301-474-8000 or cmurray@greenbeltmd.gov to request a form. You may also print out the form from the City Web site.



#### NEW! SHUTTLE SERVICE TO AND FROM EMPIRIAN VILLAGE FOR LABOR DAY FESTIVAL!

Saturday 9/5 Pick up at 12 noon from Springhill Lake Recreation Center and drop off in front of the Municipal Building

Pick up at 8pm from the Municipal Building

#### **HOLIDAY SCHEDULE**

City Offices will be closed Monday, September 7th, in observance of Labor Day.

The Greenbelt Connection will not be operating.

REFUSE/RECYCLING SCHEDULE Week of September 7th Monday Route – Collected Tuesday Tuesday Route – Collected Wednesday Wednesday Route – Collected Thursday Thursday Route – Collected Friday

There will be no appliance or yard waste collections on Friday, September 11th.

#### **MEETINGS FOR SEPTEMBER 7-11**

Wednesday, September 9 at 8:00pm, **CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION**, with Animal Control, at Greenbelt Community Center

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

Senior Citizen Advisory Committee presents:

ANNUAL SENIOR CITIZEN OPEN FORUM

Saturday, September 12, 2009 1:00-3:00 p.m. Greenbelt Community Center

Multi-purpose Room, Room 201

This is your opportunity to speak and be heard about issues relating to seniors in Greenbelt.

#### MOM'S MORNING OUT Preschool Registration



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This traditional pre-school program focuses on providing activities which encourage social development, gross motor skills, and listening to and following instructions. Children must be fully potty trained before they are

eligible to register. For more information please call the Greenbelt Recreation Department at 301-397-2200.

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VACANCIES ON BOARDS & COMMITTEES Volunteer to serve on City Council Advisory Groups. Vacancies exist on the: Green Advisory Committee on Environmental Sustainability, Youth Advisory Committee, Senior Citizens Advisory Committee, Forest Preserve Advisory Board, Arts Advisory Board, Community Relations Advisory Board, Public Safety Advisory Committee For more info call 301-474-8000.

Members of City Advisory Boards and Committees

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and drop off at the Springhill Lake Recreation Center

Sunday, 9/6 Pick up at 12 noon from Springhill Lake Recreation Center and drop off in front of the Municipal Building

> Pick up at 8pm from the Municipal Building and drop off at the Springhill Lake Recreation Center

**ay, 9/7** Pick up at 1pm from the Springhill Lake Recreation Center and drop off in front of the Municipal Building

> Pick up at 4pm in front of the Municipal Building and drop off at the Springhill Lake Recreation Center

This is in addition to Labor Day Shuttle Service provided to other city locations.

For a full shuttle schedule and event schedule visit www. greenbelt.com/laborday. Also posted on Greenbelt Municipal Access Verizon 21 and Comcast 71 memberships at the Greenbelt Aquatic and Fitness Ctr.

FALL 10-WEEK GED COURSE REGISTRATION TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15 BEGINNING AT 10:30a.m. Greenbelt Municipal Building – 25 Crescent Road Classes will be held on Tuesdays & Thursdays September 17 to November 19 GED I: 10:30am-12:30pm; GED II: 1:00-3:00pm For more information call Greenbelt CARES: 301-345-6660.

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GREENBELT CITYLINK: www.greenbeltmd.gov

Monday, 9/7

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National Commander and now Judge Advocate of the Department, installed the officers and reminded them of their mission to uphold the goals of the American Legion, be of service to the community and nation and work for the rehabilitation of wounded veterans and the education of the children of veterans. Bacon praised Post 136 as a "tremendous" Post in its service to Greenbelt and the American Legion.

On July 19 American Legion Post 136 hosted all participants in Boys Nation for dinner. The senators, two from each state, were a very diverse group and all exhibited much enthusiasm and energy. David Rayburn, American Legion National Commander, spoke briefly and then allowed the young men to ask questions. Rayburn challenged the senators to be self-reliant, to set high goals for themselves and continue to challenge themselves by pursu-



Newly installed officers of the American Legion Post 136 Auxiliary are, from left to right: Front row: Donna Dietrich, Genney Bonney, Tina Butler and Rosita Dietrich. Back row: Sandi Dutton with Rusty Beeg, Maryland Auxiliary president.

ing new ideas.

PUTENS

The senators asked intelligent and insightful questions about the American Legion's position on current events such as health care and terrorism. Rayburn concluded by encouraging the young men to keep to the principles of fair play and teamwork and to work for justice and equality for all.

#### **FESTIVAL** continued from page 1

Shaver Band (www.maryshaverband.com) will perform onstage from 8 to 11 p.m. Bruce Swaim will perform jazz music on Sunday from noon until 2 p.m. The Reagan Years (www.thereaganyears.com) will be on stage Sunday night following the crowning of Miss Greenbelt. The Hubcaps (www.hubcaps.com) will perform on Monday from 2 to 4:30 p.m.

The first Battle of the Bands will take place Sunday afternoon. The finalists are On Strike, Blue Dog and Outta Scope. The winner will perform New Year's Eve at the Community Center.

#### Shuttle

The committee is looking for volunteers to drive the shuttle. The shuttle runs throughout the Festival weekend and drivers work in shifts. Call Brian York at 301-474-4610 if interested. The shuttle has four stops throughout Greenbelt - Greenbelt Elementary School, Green Ridge House, the Armory and Eleanor Roosevelt High School lower parking lot. There is no set schedule but a shuttle will be at any given stop every 15 to 20 minutes.

See the insert in last week's paper for more information on the 2009 Labor Festival.

#### **Museum Exhibition**

Visit the Greenbelt Museum Exhibition in the Community

president of Greenbrook Estates for the past nine years. For several years Putens worked with the Good Neighbor Group at SHL and later with the SHL Neighborhood Improvement Team.

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Prior to his council service, Putens was chair of the Community Relations Advisory Board (CRAB), which developed the proposal to establish a city-wide crime prevention program that led eventually to the current Public Safety Advisory Committee. He has been active at different times in a variety of community organizations, including Greenbelt Consumer Co-op, Friends of the Greenbelt Museum, Greenbelt Arts Center and the Eleanor and Franklin Roosevelt Democratic Club. He was an active participant in the Greenbelt Boys and Girls Club programs when his two children were young.

While on council, Putens served on county, state and national committees to represent Greenbelt's interests. He is the past chair of the Small Cities Council of the National League of Cities and also served on other committees. He is also a member of the regional Washington Metropolitan Council of Governments (COG), Prince George's County Municipal Association and the Maryland Municipal League. He currently serves on the COG Human Resources and Public Safety Policy Committee, which he previously chaired, and was also a member of COG's Transportation Planning Board. Putens is a graduate of the University of Maryland, where he earned a degree in microbiology and was a member of the lacrosse team. While attending college, he was employed in various research capacities for medical and research development companies and co-authored several patents dealing with minimizing air pollutants.



Our sympathy to GIVES volunteer Susan Jones on the sudden death of her brother Melvin of Glen Olden, Pa.

We were sorry to hear of the death of former Greenbelter Stephen German in California on August 27, 2009.

#### **Congratulations to:**

- Michael Stevens, 12, who won one gold (50 meter backstroke) and three silver medals (100 meter backstroke and 200 and 400 meter medley relays in which he swam the 50 and 100 meter backstroke, respectively) in State College, Pa., this year. The Championship, which includes most states from Northern Virginia to Maine on the East Coast was held August 12 through 15. This was Michael's first year participating in a zone meet where qualifying is a major accomplishment, let alone medaling in an event.

- Kenneth Silberman of Southway, who was reelected president of the Courage Handiham System Amateur Radio Club on August 20. This national ham radio club works as part of the Courage Handiham System to help disabled persons develop their skills and confidence by teaching and practicing the technically challenging field of ham radio. More information about the organization is available at http://www.handiham. org.

A big Greenbelt welcome to Bongkotchakorn Changkwian, better known as "Nicky," an exchange student from Yasothon in eastern Thailand, who will be living with host Linda Curtis while completing her sophomore year at ERHS. This 16-year-old, who already plays the flute, is looking forward to taking piano lessons, joining the drama club and perfecting her English with her host. In fact, she dreams of becoming an English teacher herself. Nicky is the 20th student Linda Curtis has hosted under sponsorship of Global Insights. To send information email us at newsreview@greenbelt.com or leave a message at 301-474-6892.

## COUNCIL continued from page 1

county council can change the help parents navigate the school list of priorities before sending it to the state at the end of November. Finally the state decides in December.

When asked where advocacy for this project would be most important, Hite answered, "I would recommend advocating at every level."

#### **Boundary Issues**

Boundaries are a hot issue everywhere, Hite acknowledged. He said the administration had learned something from Phase I, conducted last spring. "What we heard [from parents] in the first phase was 'don't bring us your in the system include smaller plans before talking to us.""

In the first phase several schools scheduled for closure housed highly effective programs that parents feared would not work as well in different settings with different faculty. The plans for closure were then reconsidered and some of the schools in question have remained open.

#### Phase II

For Phase II, Hite said the administration would start with an open meeting instead of a plan.

Hite lamented budget cuts that have forced the county to lay off about 160 of the county's 250 parent liaisons. The 90 parent liaisons who are left will each serve in several schools.

The parent liaison's job is to high school," Hite said.

#### Focus on Trains

An exhibit featuring model trains will be shown at the College Park Aviation Museum from Saturday, September 5 through Monday, September 7. Miniature trains, villages, tunnels and depots are part of the National Capital Trackers display of model railroads. The exhibit is included with regular museum admission fee.

system. Hite said he is a strong proponent of the program but he preferred to cut those spots rather than classroom positions. In all, the system has had to cut 1,500 full-time positions.

Addressing the status of Eleanor Roosevelt High School, Hite explained that the half-time Russian position was cut by mistake and has been reinstated. He added that the new evaluation system should make it easier not to cut out an entire program.

#### **Other Plans**

Other plans for high schools schools of choice - which might be housed inside larger schools, career track curricula and generally raising the standards for the curriculum across the board. As an example of the latter point, Hite said: "Last year we put 80 percent of our eighth graders in algebra." Algebra had previously been taught in ninth grade. It is one of the required subjects for the High School Assessment (HSA) tests.

By assuming the students could do more and getting them the courses, the school system had success. "We had 4,400 students take the HSA in eighth grade and they had a higher passrate than first-time test takers in

#### Mid-week Bird Walks

Free mid-week fall bird walks around Lake Artemesia for beginners and experts are held on the Luther Goldman Birding Trail at 3 p.m. on Thursdays, September 3 and 17. Meet at the parking lot at Berwyn Road and Balew Avenue in Berwyn Heights. Call 301-459-3375 for more information.



Center Exhibition room on Friday and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 10 p.m., Sunday from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Monday from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Admission is free.

#### 15K/3K Race/Run

On Sunday the annual Larry Noel 15K race will take place from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. A 3K Fun Run will start at 5:10 p.m. Packet pick-up and late registration for both are at the Youth Center from 4 to 4:45 p.m. The starting line is on Northway at Woodland Way. For informa-tion call the D.C. Roadrunners Hotline at 703-241-0395 or email larrynoel15k@verizon.net. There is an entry fee.

(Candidate biographies are prepared by the candidates.)

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## **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.

#### DWI

August 23, 3:45 a.m., Greenbelt Road at Kenilworth Avenue. A 28-year-old resident male was arrested after a traffic stop and charged with driving while intoxicated and with a suspended license. He was released on citations pending trial.

August 28, 1:10 a.m., Ora Glen Drive at Greenbrook Drive. A 24-year-old resident was arrested after a traffic stop and charged with multiple crimes including possession of a stolen firearm with obliterated serial number and driving while intoxicated. He was released to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner.

#### Burglary

August 26, 7:31 p.m., 7100 block Lake Drive. A laptop and cash were taken.

#### Robberies

August 21, 10:38 p.m., 6100 block Breezewood Drive. Two suspects approached a female, pushed her to the ground, took her purse and fled on foot. They are described as black males. One was 18 to 20 years old, 6'0" to 6'2", 135 to 150 pounds with black hair, wearing brown shorts and a white muscle-style T-shirt. The other had black hair, with no further information.

August 23, 8:14 p.m., 9200 block Springhill Lane. A man was approached and assaulted by three males who took his money and then fled the area. One was a black male, 15 to 20 years old, wearing a white T-shirt and dark pants. The other two are black males, described only as being 15 to 20 years old.

#### Drug Arrest

August 27, 11:23 p.m., 5800 block Cherrywood Terrace. A resident juvenile was petitioned for possession with intent to distribute marijuana in a school zone and other drug charges involving counterfeit drugs and drug paraphernalia. The juvenile was released to a parent pending action by the juvenile justice system.

#### Vandalism

August 27, 12:51 a.m., 9200 block Springhill Lane. A wooden bench and two parking lot lights were broken.

#### Automotive Crimes

One was 18 to 20 years old, 6'0" Four cars were stolen. Two to 6'2", 135 to 150 pounds with were from Ridge Road: a green

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. 1996 Jeep Cherokee with MD tag 617M225 from 6 Court and a white 1992 Honda Accord with OH tag EVJ2981 from 14 Court. A white 2008 Nissan Altima with VA tag XSF4028 was taken from the 9300 block Edmonston Road. A silver 2008 Nissan Titan with MD tag 77278CC was stolen from the 6100 block Breezewood Drive.

Thefts from autos occurred in the following locations: 6500 block Springcrest Drive (four hubcaps), 7600 block Hanover Parkway (GPS unit mount), 7800 block Hanover Parkway, 2 incidents (car stereo, CD player and camera), 500 block Crescent Road (expiration stickers), 9100 block Springhill Lane (DVD player and battery charger), 6100 block Breezewood Drive (set of wheels), 6500 block Capitol Drive (GPS unit). An attempted theft from auto occurred in the 7200 block Hanover Drive.

Six separate incidents of theft from autos took place over a two-day period in the 6300 block Golden Triangle. Items taken included clothing, jewelry, tools, three GPS units, radar detector and car radio.

One incident of vandalism occurred when a windshield was damaged in the 9100 block Springhill Lane. One stolen tag and two stolen vehicles were recovered without any arrests.

#### Juvenile Apprehended In BoA Hold-up Try

On August 27 a nonresident juvenile was apprehended and petitioned in connection with the attempted robbery of the Bank of America at 6038 Greenbelt Road last Tuesday. The juvenile was remanded to the custody of the Department of Juvenile Services. No further information is available as the investigation is continuing.

#### Photo Club to Meet On Tuesday, Sept. 8

The Greenbelt Photo Club will have its first meeting of the fall on Tuesday, September 8 at 7:30 p.m. with a speaker from UPhoto in Beltsville discussing digital printing and other services the business offers. The meeting will be in Room 112 at the Greenbelt Community Center.

On Sunday, September 13 from 1 to 4 p.m. Bill Cornett will give a floral photography workshop to club members in Room 114 at the Community Center. Examples of his work can be seen at the Greenbelt Credit Union or at his website: www.williamcornett.com. Anyone may attend, however, there will be a fee. Email Cornett at photocornett1@yahoo.com for details.

For club information email greenbeltphotoclub@yahoo.com.

#### Help Pull Invasives At Greenbelt Park

The public is invited to assist staff at Greenbelt Park in removing invasive plants from the property on the first Saturday of every month. The activity provides an opportunity to learn about native and non-native plants while contributing to a hands-on preservation effort.

Participants will meet in the Sweetgum Picnic Area of the park at 11 a.m. on Saturday, September 5 and are encouraged to wear appropriate clothing and work gloves and to bring water and a snack. Tick repellant is also suggested. The park entrance is located at 6565 Greenbelt Road. For details call 301-344-3944 or visit www.nps.gov/gree.

#### SIDS Walk at Lake Park September 13

The CJ Foundation will sponsor an annual charity walk to raise funds for Sudden Infant Death Syndrome research on Sunday, September 13 at Buddy Attick Park rain or shine. Registration is free (although taxdeductible donations are greatly needed and appreciated) and begins at 8:15 a.m. Walkers may start the 1.25-mile walk around Greenbelt Lake anytime between then and 11 a.m. A light breakfast will be served and a face-painting clown/magician will entertain. Leashed pets are welcome.

For details, a pledge form or to register in advance call Joani Horchler at 301-322-2620, tollfree 1-877-WeLoveYou (1-877-935-6839), cell 301-802-7445 or www.sidssurvivalguide.org.

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## After Reel Lawnmowers, What Is Next for Parade?

#### by Hopi Auerbach

The Greenbelt News Review was able to obtain the following interview with a source close to last year's Greenbelt Reel Lawnmower Society Precision Drill Team. The unofficial spokesperson agreed to talk with us only on condition of anonymity. That person is identified only as Anonymous Source (AS).

GNR: Last year, your entry in the Greenbelt Labor Day Parade won three major awards. How are you going to top that this year?

Anonymous Source: In addition to six of the original lawnmower team, we also have four new participants. But most importantly, we do still have the key creative talents. Karen Wallace is doing the choreography. You may remember her as the team captain, who gave cues with a whistle last year. And Jim Cohen originated this year's basic concept and wrote the text.

GNR: Yes, but what exactly will you be doing? You've told us it won't be reel lawnmowers again this year.

AS: That's right. It will be another low-tech, traditional alternative to a household task that is now usually accomplished with a device that requires fossil fuels.

GNR: Okay, what is it?

AS: Gee, I sure wish I could tell you, GNR, but then I'd have to kill you and I like you too much for that. Where would I get my community news? How would I know what's on sale at the Co-op grocery? And how

our memory cards?

AS: We'll be near the end, in position #62, after County Councilmember Ingrid Turner and before the Knights of Columbus. And gentlefolk in Greenbelt still a-bed shall think themselves accursed they were not there and hold their memories cheap whiles any speaks that witnessed us upon this Labor Day.

GNR: Why all the secrecy? Why can't you just tell me what it is?

AS: Well, if I did that, then it wouldn't be a surprise, would it?

## ACE Science, Reading Clubs Begin in September

#### by Jon Gardner

The City of Greenbelt Advisory Committee on Education (ACE) announces the formation of monthly Science and Reading Clubs.

The Reading Club will meet from 7 to 8 p.m. on the second Thursday of each month starting September 10 at Springhill Lake Elementary School in Empirian Village. The Science Club will meet from 7 to 8:30 p.m. on the fourth Thursday of each month starting September 24 at the Greenbelt Community Center. There will also be a monthly newsletter for club members.

The two clubs are free of charge and open to 8- to 14-yearolds who live in Greenbelt or who attend one of the seven ACE core schools: Greenbelt Elementary, Springhill Lake Elementary, Magnolia Elementary, Turning Point Academy, St. Hugh School, Greenbelt Middle or Eleanor Roosevelt High School.

The ACE Science Club is a new offering. Jacob Tosado, a graduate student in physics at the University of Maryland, will lead the group. Club meetings will feature chemical explosions, physics-based magic tricks, mathematical games, engineering challenges and more. Although club members will learn about science, the emphasis will be on having fun while exploring the wonder of the physical world.

Violet McKain, a teacher at Eleanor Roosevelt High School, will lead the reformulated and revived Reading Club. Although previously the ACE Reading Club was an after-school activity at individual schools, the new club will meet in the evenings and have students from all schools meet together. Club members will discuss books they are reading, play reading-based games, write in journals and more. The club will also feature old favorites such as video-taped book reports. As with the Science Club, the emphasis will be on having fun.

The two clubs will share a monthly newsletter which will report on the club meetings and include activities and fun facts. Karen Yoho will put together the newsletter with input from Tosado and McKain. Yoho is a former member of ACE and has wide experience in marketing and communications for nonprofit organizations. The newsletter will be given to attendees at the club meetings and also distributed by email and through the website.

The ACE Science and Reading Clubs are funded by the City of Greenbelt and managed by Greenbelt CARES for the Advisory Committee on Education.

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GNR: How about "off the record"? I won't tell anyone else. Just between you and me, eh?

AS: No can do. Apparently we've already sustained a minor security breach. It's bad enough that there's been a small leak to the public.

GNR: Well, if something's already been leaked, at least you can tell me that much, no?

AS: Oh, all right. It seems some parties have gotten word that there may be strings involved in our performance. To that, I can only respond that there will be no guitars in our parade entry.

GNR: Do you know what position you'll have in the parade line-up? Will you be near the front, when we still have plenty of digital space left on

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## Artful Afternoon Features Art On and Off the Midway

The next Artful Afternoon program, featuring art on (and off) the midway will be held during the Labor Day Festival from 1 to 4 p.m. on Sunday, September 6.

For those who have bought their used books for the year at the Greenbelt Elementary School PTA book sale booth, volunteered, ridden on rides, eaten carnival food and had tons of fun but find it is still hours until the crowning of the Misses Greenbelt, Artful Afternoon beckons with a free Sunday afternoon of art and art programs both in the Community Center and on the festival midway.

#### Craft Projects

People of all ages can make craft projects on the midway and attend a gallery reception in the Community Center.

From 1 to 3 p.m., look for art carts on the Labor Day Festival Midway (between the Community Center and Roosevelt Center). Make a free island-inspired craft with Greenbelt's artists-inresidence, in honor of their new exhibit "My Island." In case of rain the workshop will be held in the Community Center Gallery.

#### Art Reception

From 3 to 4 p.m. there will be a reception for the exhibition "My Island: New Work by the Community Center's "artists in residence" in the Community Center Art Gallery. The show theme "My Island" is interpreted by the nine artists-in-residence in their various media, includ-

#### A piece of "island-inspired" art by Artist-in-residence Loraine DiPietro.

ing paper, painting, ceramics and fiber arts. The show, organized by artist Loraine DiPietro, will remain on display through September 21.

#### **Festival Art Shows**

Make time to see art by friends and neighbors at the Community Art Shows organized by the Greenbelt Association for the Visual Arts (GAVA) and hosted by the City of Greenbelt. Call Barbara Simon of GAVA at 301-474-2192 for details.

Every month Greenbelt's Artful Afternoon also offers a studio open house with the Center's artists in residence, Greenbelt Museum historic home tours and current historical exhibits. These activities are open to the public and free, with the exception of a nominal fee for the house tour. Artful Afternoons are an introduction to the many art classes and activities offered by the city.

For more information visit www.greenbeltmd.gov/arts or call 240-542-2057.

#### Audubon Society Free Bird Walk

Take a bird walk with the Prince George's Audubon Society at the Fran Uhler Natural Area on Saturday, September 5. Meet at 7:30 a.m. at the end of Lemon Bridge Road just north of Bowie State University to look for migrating and resident woodland and field birds, waterfowl and more. There will also be the option to bird the nearby WB&A trail. This walk is for beginners and experts alike. Waterproof footwear and binoculars are suggested.

Call 410-765-6482 for details.

#### **Needlework Lecture**

The annual Second Tuesday Lecture Series at Belair Mansion begins on Tuesday, September 8 at 7:30 p.m. Samantha Dorsey, Curatorial Research Associate at George Washington's Mount Vernon, will discuss "Ties that Bind: 18th Century Samplers." Dorsey is a graduate of the Winterthur Program in Decorative Arts and a longtime student of 18th century history. The lecture is free and open to the public. Belair Mansion is located at 12207 Tulip Grove Drive in Bowie. Call 301-809-3089 for more information.

#### Woodland Hills Plans Reunion

The Woodland Hills community is planning a 50th anniversary celebration in Greenbelt on November 7 or 8 to meet and share stories. Anyone who is a past or present resident of Northway or Woodland Way or has contact information for past residents is asked to send the information (name, telephone number, email address and original Woodland Hills address) to woodlandhills@ greenbelt.com or leave a message at 301-474-5773 to receive updates and join in.





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### <u>A Review</u> Abridging "Othello"

#### by Eli Flam

Shakespeare-On-The-Green went indoors on Saturday, August 29 to open a short run of "Othello." Adapted to an hour's production by director Bill Jones, the classic Shakespearean drama calls forth phrases that have enriched the language since the Bard wrote centuries ago. As a closing speech by Othello reminds, this is a story of someone "that loved not wisely but too well."

The cast of 10 avoided the day's dodgy weather by moving into the Greenbelt Arts Center, next to the (green) outdoor setting that Jones said would be used on Sunday, the Labor Day weekend times noted at review's end. On stage, backed by handpainted panels of a tree, a house and an interior scene, Iago (Greg Miloro) quickly stirs up intrigue with Roderigo (Zachary Binnney), an admirer of the fair Desdemona (Elisa Rodero). She has just been secretly married to Othello (Jivon Jackson), a black general

for Venice. Her father, Brabantio (Stuart Rick), on learning of the marriage, decries it; Cassio (Jon Douglass) with Iago, one of Othello's officers, gets caught in the machinations. Soon jealousy – "the green-eyed monster" –flourishes and some spiffy swordplay ensues.

Like the play's tightened scope, dialogue and monologues move along at a fast clip. Weighing in on key supportive roles are Ludovica (Jocelyn Meyer) and Emilia/Bianca (Katherine Mocho). A soldier is played by Joshua Dixon, "a Cypress gallant" by Dorian Winterfeld. Crew members include Rachel Kepnes, Tom Zanner, Anna Socrates, Stephen Cox (as fight coordinator), Hailey Trifiro and Ginny Jones (for the period-suggestive costumes). WALK, JOG, OR PUSH A STROLLER

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#### NARFE Meeting On Wed., Sept. 9

National Active and Retired Federal Employees Association (NARFE) Chapter 1122 will hold a meeting on Wednesday, September 9 at 1:30 p.m. at the New Carrollton Municipal Center, 6016 Princess Garden Parkway in New Carrollton. Financial advisor Bernard Long of AXA Advisors, LLC will give a presentation on "The Adventure of a Lifetime."

Call 301-459-6100 for directions to the Municipal Center.

#### Museum Offers Kids Nature Program

The Smithsonian National Museum of Natural History on the Mall will offer a free kids (ages 4 and up) program, "Create a Personal Nature Bio-Journal," on Saturday, September 12 from 1 to 4 p.m. Guided by local artist and author Edwin Fontanez, children will create bio-journals to record their observations of nature, decorating them with rubber stamps of their favorite animals, flowers and birds or their own drawings.

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