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Council Refinances City Debt, Changes Refuse and Pool Fees

by Kathleen Gallagher

The agenda for the July 11 Greenbelt City Council meeting contained no presentations, no proclamations and no petitions or requests. It was no nonsense and all business but it nonetheless ran until about 10:40 p.m. All members of council were present.

On the agenda, in addition to council reports, were five pieces of legislation, five items of other business and several items for approval on the consent agenda. An item was added to the agenda by Councilmember Emmett Jordan titled "Formation of an Economic Development Work Group."

City Legislation

Following administrative reports, council moved into its review of legislation. An ordinance was introduced for first reading; then, following a suspension of council's rules, it was read again and adopted to award the refinancing of the city's debt to Sun-Trust Bank. Prior to adopting the ordinance, council needed to vote to waive bidding procedures on

this item, since the arrangement for refinancing with SunTrust was conducted by negotiation. A two-thirds majority was required to wave the bidding procedures. Both of the motions carried on a 6-1 vote, with Councilmember Rodney Roberts voting against the refinancing.

The purpose of the refinancing was to take advantage of lower interest rates and reduce the annual cost of the city's debt service. City Manager Michael McLaughlin said that he hoped the city would be able to pay off the existing debt in about 10 years by making additional payments beginning this fiscal year, which will result in a slightly reduced overall cost as well. The refinancing involves no new borrowing and council and staff agreed that SunTrust offered very good terms. An agreement with another bank had been close to completion when the city found it could get a better deal from SunTrust.

A resolution of negotiated See **DEBT**, page 6

purchase was adopted to award the contract for resurfacing tennis courts 1 through 4 at Braden Field to Tennis Courts, Inc., the company that was selected last month to install new lighting for all eight courts. The award is for \$117,868, which includes a number of enhancements to improve drainage and water runoff, as well as to anchor the net post sleeves. The vote was 6-0 to adopt, with Jordan recusing himself as a former member of the Greenbelt Tennis Association.

The other three resolutions on the agenda were all related to annual budgetary matters. Adopted unanimously was a resolution to increase refuse and recycling fees by \$4 per quarter and recyclingonly fees by \$1.50 per year, in accord with increases approved in the city budget adopted in June. The resulting new fees are \$67 per quarter or \$268 per year for refuse and recycling and \$33 per year for recycling only.

Council Opposes New Liquor Rules, Seeks Local Notification

by Barbara Hopkins

Two proposed rules issued by the Prince George's County Board of License Commissioners (Liquor Control Board) have met opposition from the Greenbelt City Council. Rule and Regulation 75 will allow approved businesses to offer live entertainment from 9 p.m. until 2 a.m. Rule and Regulation 76 will allow home delivery of alcoholic beverages, with the delivery person charged with responsibility to verify the recipient is of legal

At its meeting on June 20 council discussed these rules, then voted to send a letter to the board opposing both. City Manager Michael McLaughlin explained the rules were designed to implement legislation already passed by the Maryland General Assembly, making their adoption in some form inevitable.

Council had opposed these rules in previous stages of their development but members pressed for changes to Rule 75 requiring communication with municipal police departments during the process of issuing a Special Entertainment Permit.

As presented at the meeting, the rule required an applicant for the Special Entertainment Permit to notify only the county police of a security plan; not included were municipal police departments, where applicable.

According to the description, the security plan is designed to prevent a threat to the "peace and safety" of the surrounding area. A permit may be revoked for failure to follow the submitted security plan.

City Solicitor Robert Manzi pointed out that county police will not respond to a situation in Greenbelt, or in other areas with a municipal police force. He said the City of Laurel has opposed the rule for this reason.

Councilmember Rodney Roberts wanted the city to oppose Rule 75 outright. He said it would cause many problems.

Councilmember Leta Mach said the city should go on record as "strongly opposed," but should also request modifications to require communication with local police departments about security

The motion by Mach to send a letter requesting the discussed modifications and strongly opposing both rules was approved unanimously.

Liquor Delivery

Rule 76 defines conditions and requirements for obtaining and using a Letter of Authorization for liquor deliveries. The process includes an "advertising fee" of \$250 to accompany the application.

Deliveries must be made by an employee of the licensee who is 18 years of age or older and who has a current certificate in a state-approved alcohol awareness program. Deliveries may be made only during hours the licensee is open for business and only to the ordering person or, in some cases, to an approved

Records of the delivery, including the name, address, phone number and verified identification of the person making the order and accepting delivery will be maintained for 18 months and be made available to inspectors during monthly inspections. The licensee is required to notify the board of multiple deliveries to the same address on a given day and to observe and report conditions possibly indicating activity that is "unlawful, irresponsible or otherwise destructive." Deliveries must be refused in such cases.

Rule 75 Modified

Greenbelt Police Chief James Craze was among those who testified at a public hearing on June 28. He explained the city's position on Rule 75.

After the hearing, the rule was

See LIQUOR, page 6

Council Okays Tract Names, Signs for Forest Preserve

by Kathleen Gallagher

The urge to name the city's woodlands took shape a decade ago when the Committee to Save the Green Belt solicited recommendations to name the areas known as Parcel 1 and Parcel 2 as their property tax map designations. They were seeking names appropriately reflecting the natural value and importance of the woods to Greenbelters. In 2002 the group presented a list of 112 suggestions to the Greenbelt City Council.

Since the city was then considering how to manage and protect the areas later to become known as the North and South Preserves, formal naming took a back seat to establishment of a Forest Preserve Task Force to be charged with developing management and maintenance guidelines and to council's codification of the first two parcels as protected forest preserve. Two other parcels, in Boxwood and Belle Point, were added later.

When the task force finished its work the group was replaced by an ongoing Forest Preserve Advisory Board (FPAB). The board completed the first part of the naming project in April 2010 by recommending that the name "Greenbelt Forest Preserve" be formally adopted for all preserve areas, with additional designation for specific areas or parcels of the preserve.

Council subsequently asked the board to recommend a naming

See **PRESERVE**, page 9

Mayor Davis Is the MML's First Greenbelt President

by Kathleen Gallagher

Those who naysay the reports sections of city council meetings, give heed. One of the more interesting items coming out of the July 11 Greenbelt City Council meeting was brought up during the councilmembers' reports on the annual Maryland Municipal League (MML) Convention in Ocean City.

For the first time in its 76year history, in June 2012 the MML could have a Greenbelter as president of its board of directors when Mayor Judith Davis, who was voted president-elect last week, takes the gavel at next year's convention from this year's incoming president, Mayor Michael Bennett of Aberdeen.

MML represents 157 municipal governments and two speonly statewide organization in Maryland composed solely of municipal officials and devoted to the promotion of all branches of municipal administration.

Davis has also served as chair of the board of directors for the



Judith Davis

Metropolitan Washington Councial taxing districts throughout cil of Governments (COG) but the state of Maryland. It is the former Greenbelt Mayor Gil Weidenteld had preceded her as the first Greenbelter in that role. In other top jobs, she is also a past president of the COG Corporation, the Prince George's County Municipal Association and Prince George's Municipal Women.

What Goes On

Friday, July 15

8 to 10 p.m., Family Night Out, Aquatics Center Outdoor Pool Saturday, July 16

11 a.m. to 2 p.m., Greenbelt Fire Department Recruitment Open House, 125 Crescent Road

Monday, July 18

8 p.m., Council Worksession with WMATA – Update on Development at Greenbelt Metro, Municipal Building

Thursday, July 21

7 p.m., Second Greenbelt Metro Area and Md. 193 Corridor, Sector Plan Workshop, Greenbelt Youth Center

Friday, July 22

7 p.m., 2011 Scholarship Show, Community Center Gym

Letters to the Editor

THANKS!

I would like to send a special thank you to everyone who worked hard putting together my July 2 benefit at the Greenbelt American Legion.

I also want to thank everyone who attended and thank them for their generosity. I was very moved.

Monique Jezierski

Trucks, Ruts, Road Beds

Allow me to correct a statement in the otherwise excellent article "GHI Board Ponders Member Issues – Additions, Egress" by Sue Krofchik in the June 30 issue of the Greenbelt News Review. It mistakenly states that John Gannon lives at 9G Ridge Road. John Gannon lives at 9E.

I thank Ms. Krofchik for adding accurate dimensions to the description of the road bed in the 9 Court Ridge Road common area by the excellent method of taking measurements herself. Her article also mentioned the permanent truck tire rut that continues for several yards past the road bed, through the common area and then through my yard at 9G. (The tire rut will not be in my yard after the new yard plat is approved. Of course, that will not make the tire rut look any better or change its location.) I congratulate the writer on photographing one of the many contractor trucks that have parked in the enclosed 9 Court common area.

Trucks park there so frequently, it is actually pretty easy to catch them at it. In an undated photo taken by Dorothy Gonthier, our neighbor, a contractor truck and a contractor's private vehicle can be seen parked on the grass. Another photo (not shown here) shows three GHI trucks; two trucks are parked in the 9 Court common area and one in my yard at 9G.

Part of the problem has been solved. Matt Berres, manager of GHI Maintenance, has told 9 Court residents that he has ordered small trucks in future to use the pedestrian underpass between the library and the playground and not to drive through 9 Court. We very much appreciate this

But GHI trucks are only some



A contractor's truck and a vehicle are parked in the grass at 9 Court Ridge, next to a No Parking sign illustrating how a common area and member's yard are used for parking and through traffic.

of the trucks that roll through or park on the grass: there are trucks from GHI contractors, the City of Greenbelt, Pepco, Verizon and sometimes private contractors.

Nine Court had a split rail fence at the end of the garages to block traffic. GHI maintenance workers could remove the rails when they needed to drive through. The fence kept non-GHI trucks from parking in or driving through the area. Some years ago, snowplowing knocked the fence down and it was not repaired. The residents of 9 Court Ridge Road are discussing asking the GHI board to restore the fence.

The problem with the road bed is that if it looks like it can be driven over or parked on, it will be. We need a physical barrier.

Kyle McAbee

Costs Explained

Last week's letter entitled "Let Members Decide" by Thomas Moran included some misinformation. I would like to correct the record.

Whether or not the full Community-Wide Upgrade is adopted, all GHI homes will continue to have some components replaced once they reach the end of their useful life. These items include windows and doors on all units and siding and waste water pipes in frame homes. These necessary

improvements are already funded through GHI's Replacement Reserve Program. Every month, a portion of members' co-op fees goes into the Replacement Reserves to ensure that funds are on hand when components wear out and need to be replaced.

Similarly, the upcoming Phase 2 of the Pilot Program includes some necessary and alreadyfunded replacements. The total cost for building envelope improvements in 28 homes and replacement of waste water pipes in eight homes is \$510,396. However, \$254,885 is already funded through the Replacement Reserves. The remaining \$255,511 will go towards items such as bathroom ventilation fans and insulation in attics, crawl spaces and walls. These items are being installed in pilot homes to assess their costs and benefits on behalf of the entire community. Therefore, GHI's Board of Directors proposes that \$255,511 be borne by the full membership. This amounts to roughly \$160/member.

> Laura Moore GHI Vice President

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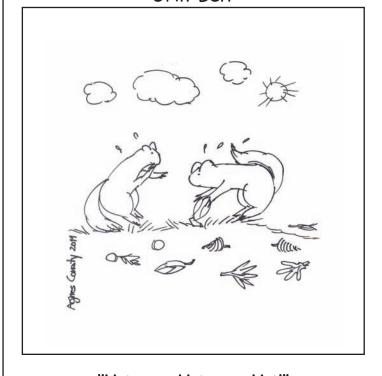
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Sign Language Class Offered

The Greenbelt Recreation Department is offering a beginning sign language class beginning July 25 and ending on August 17. The class meets twice a week on Mondays and Wednesdays from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. at the Greenbelt Aquatic and Fitness Center. The class will teach some of the basics of American Sign Language.

Participants must pre-register by Friday, July 22 at the Greenbelt Recreation Department. Call 240-542-2054 for more details.

Watch Bonsai Demo At U.S. Arboretum

On Saturday, July 16 from 1 to 3 p.m. there will be a bonsai demonstration at the U.S. National Arboretum, 3501 New York Avenue, N.E.

Learn what is required to continue to improve the crape myrtle bonsai created two years ago for the bonsai museum exhibit, Becoming a Bonsai, at the Arboretum. Watch the necessary processes including branch selection, pruning, styling and wiring.

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2011 Lecture Series



FREE!

Friends of the Greenbelt Museum invite you to a Preservation Evening!

Tuesday, July 19, 7pm, 10B Crescent Rd

Sip lemonade by lantern light while learning about the historic fabric of our community! Join us for an old-fashioned garden party with a brief informative talk about the architectural significance of the Museum's 1937 cinderblock home. Special guest: historic preservationist Michael Leventhal, a winner of the 2011 Secretary of the Interior Historic Preservation Awards. Free parking available across the street behind the library. For more information, or to support the Museum, visit greenbeltmuseum.org.

Community Events

At the Library

Tuesday, July 19, 7 p.m., Reptile World Ages 6 to 12

Book Discussion

Tuesday, July 19, 7 p.m., Adult Book Discussion, "Unaccustomed Earth" by Jhump Lahiri.

Storytimes

On Wednesdays and Thursdays a librarian reads age-appropriate stories to children and parents using imagination and props.

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

Thursday, July 21, 10:30 a.m., Toddler Time for ages 18 to 35 months with caregiver, limit 15 children.

Pick up a free ticket for the Storytime events at the information desk.



GHI Notes

Thursday, July 14, 7:30 p.m., Board of Directors regular meeting, Board Room

Monday, July 18, 7 p.m., Communicator Task Force - GHI

Tuesday, July 19, 7:30 p.m., Companion Animal Committee -GHI lobby

Wednesday, July 20, 7 p.m., Woodlands Committee - GHI Board Room

Sunday, July 24, noon, Prepurchase orientation - GHI Board

Monday, July 25, 7 p.m., Board training – Board Room

Wednesday, July 27, 7 p.m., Buildings/Addition Maintenance Task Force joint meeting - Board Room

Note: Regularly scheduled board meetings for the summer will be on July 14 and August 18. Committee and board meetings are open; members are encouraged to attend.

Fun Runs Starting At Attick Lake Park

The City of Greenbelt Recreation Department and the Prince George's County Running Club are joining forces for a third summer to host free summer fun runs on Thursdays during July and August on the lake path at Buddy Attick Park. The course will take runners and walkers around the lake path for their choice of either one lap (1.5 miles) or two laps (3 miles). The fun runs are open to all runners and walkers (novices, combination runners/walkers, individuals and families).

The program is free but registration and a waiver are required. The runs will begin at 7 p.m., with registration from 6:15 to 6:45 p.m. in the Youth Center parking lot, 99 Centerway.

For more information call 301-397-2200.

Wine Tastings Held At Greenbelt Co-op

The Greenbelt Co-op Supermarket will hold wine tastings on Fridays, July 15 and 22 from 4 to 7 p.m. These events are free and open to the public. Age identification is required.

Donation Drop-Off On Sat., July 23

A Donation Drop-Off, cosponsored with the American Rescue Workers, will be held on Saturday, July 23 from 9 a.m. to noon behind the Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road and the Community Center, 15 Crescent

Bring usable clothing, shoes, dishes, books, furniture and toys to make tax-deductible donations. Materials are redistributed to needy families in Prince George's County.

For more information call the City of Greenbelt Recycling Office at 301-474-8303.

FOGM Sponsors Free Lecture

Join Friends of the Greenbelt Museum at a free garden party and talk on Tuesday, July 19 at 7 p.m. Michael Leventhal, award winning historic preservationist, will give a brief presentation on the architectural significance of the museum's 1937 cinderblock home. Refreshments will be The museum is located at 10B Crescent Road. Park free in the lot behind the library, across the street. For more information see www.greenbeltmuseum.org.

Meeting with Police At Greenbriar July 19

Recently the on-site office at Greenbriar has had a number of complaints regarding loitering, drug activity and noise in the community. An open meeting has been scheduled on Tuesday, July 19 at 7:30 p.m. in the Terrace Room for all Greenbriar and Glen Oaks residents to voice their concerns to the Greenbelt police.

Greenbelters Beat Bowie Bronze Twice

The Greenbelters swept a doubleheader from Bowie Bronze on Monday, July 11 in the Baltimore Beltway Senior Softball League. Leading the hit parade of singles and occasional doubles were Barry Clark, with three hits in each game; John Benish with five hits for the day; and Jasper Pendergrass and Robert Colbert, who went three for three respectively in the first and second games.

Clyde Moody pitched the first game and Paul Williams the closer. Because of the heat, each batter started with a count of one ball and one strike. Rex Powell was awarded the second game ball after two spectacular catches in left center field closed off potential rallies.

More Community Events on page 2, 4 and 6

Car Wash

Greenbelt Community Church Sat., July 16, 9a.m. to 12 p.m. 1 Hillside Road

> Proceeds will benefit the Youth Group's upcoming trip to an outdoor ministry center

Children to Learn **About Preservation**

The Prince George's County Memorial Library System and the Smithsonian National Museum of African American History and Culture will offer a free program to 8 to 11 year olds. Using the theme of discover, preserve and celebrate, participants will be introduced to segregation in the

First, they will read a story, "Ruth and the Green Book," by Calvin Ramsey.

Then, to investigate and be a conservator, participants will wear cotton gloves as they explore authentic artifacts from the 1950s. After recording their observations, they will determine a preservation plan for each object.

They will keep their gloves and activity book, which they can use to preserve their own family history.

Each branch library participating will have a different program date. The Greenbelt library's date is Tuesday, July 26 from 2 to 3:30 p.m. and 4 to 5:30 p.m. Those interested in taking part must reserve a spot as only a limited number can be accepted. Call to reserve a place as soon as possible at 301-345-5800.



The flagpoles at Goddard have an additional space shuttle flag when the shuttle is in orbit. This tradition comes to an end with the final mission of Atlantis.

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And other interested parties Are invited to attend a meeting In the Theater Rehearsal room 7-9 PM Tuesday, July 19

To form a steering committee, amass capital, And develop a for-profit corporation To operate a hardware and variety store In Roosevelt Center, possibly to be called

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July 20 & 24 - Staged Reading: Reasons To Be Pretty, guest production by
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July 23 - Neil Young Tribute Concert
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Week of JULY 15

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No Wednesday 11:45 showing of Harry Potter July 20. Free showing of Mega Mind at that time. Seating is limited.

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New Pastor, Rev. Michael Christ Takes Over at Greenbelt Baptist

by Jim Link

The Greenbelt Baptist Church and its new pastor Reverend Michael Christ are going through a period of getting to know each other. After only a month and a half, it seems a good fit.

Reverend Christ, who doesn't mind being called Pastor Mike, says his congregation of about 100 consists of "good people, very kind people. I love the ethnic diversity here; it's good to appreciate people from all over the world."

Two parishioners have kind things to say already about Pastor Mike. Mary Ann Baker was grateful for his visit while she was recuperating from surgery. "I've heard him preach three times" she said, "and I think he gets his message across well. I think we've got a good man in the neighborhood."

Dr. Neil Deo agrees. He says, "Michael Christ has stepped into his new job with aplomb and finesse just by being himself. He is a good listener, a quiet talker and confident in his training at Capital Bible Seminary (in Lanham). He is solution-oriented and lovingly open to the world."

Greenbelt Baptist Church had no full-time pastor since the departure of Mark Johnson three and a half years ago but has no lost sheep in its midst. "We had two wonderful interim pastors, Pastor Charles Sharp and Pastor Ronald James, for two and a half years and one year, respectively," said Christ. "They were very good."

Asian Experiences

Before coming to Greenbelt, Christ did missionary work for three years, in a very urban area north of Iraq. Though attached to a Christian church, he also did work among the Kurdish Muslims. "My work with them was relational; it was largely meeting people and talking to them," he said.

Christ applied for the pastoral position here because "I believe in the power of the gospel; I have great confidence in it," he said. He paused and then added, "Any coach would be excited about taking a new job with excellent team players in whom he has confidence. Well, I have great confidence in scripture.'

Christ explained his goals by alluding to St. Paul's Letter to the Colossians (Ch. 1): 'The gospel has come to you and is bearing fruit' I want to get to know the congregation, to try to care for them, to teach them scripture. That might mean more people coming to church here or it could mean greater growth for those already here."

Speaking to a Christian pastor whose name is Christ nudged me to ask if being so named fated him in any way to become a preacher. "I didn't think of it



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as a kid - it didn't have any sway on me," Christ chuckled. Appropriately, every member of Christ's family has a biblical name. His wife Rebecca is the mother of their three children, Matthew (5), Anna (4) and Sara (2).

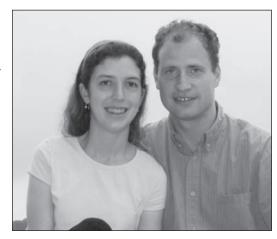
Pastor Mike wasn't always intent on entering the min-

Bike Rider

Years ago as a bike messenger in

Baltimore, his birthplace, he took a fancy to racing mountain bikes. "I actually became a semi-pro but didn't really go far. In college I realized bike messenger and mountain bike racer were not career options," he said, smiling. "I discovered that I enjoyed studying scripture much more than I enjoyed racing mountain bikes."

Just blocks from Greenbelt Baptist Church are half a dozen other religious congregations: St. Hugh's Catholic Church, Greenbelt Community Church and Mishkan Torah Synagogue, for example.



Rev. Michael and Rebecca Christ

Does Pastor Mike intend to participate in any ecumenical interfaith activities with his religious neighbors?

"I'd like to meet the pastors," Christ said. "I'd be willing to cooperate in some activities, if they are Greenbelt-related."

One of Pastor Mike's efforts to reach out is his blog spot, where he invites dialogue at viatorum.wordpress.com.

With a new young, athletic, earnest, digitally savvy pastor, it seems as if Greenbelt Baptist Church is blessed indeed.

Children are even as a branch that is fresh and green; they will grow up in whatever way you train them. Take the utmost care to give them high ideals and goals, so that once they come of age, they will cast their beams like brilliant candles on the world. (Abdu'l-Baha)

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St. George's Episcopal Church

Join us around a table where all are welcome!

Sundays

8 a.m. simple, quiet service (no music)

10 a.m. main service

(music includes a mixture of acoustic guitar, piano and organ music)

Wednesdays

7 p.m. service with healing prayers (no music)

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Foundation Grants Awarded at Reception

The Greenbelt Community Foundation will announce its summer grant awards at a reception at the Greenbelt Community Center on Sunday, July 17 at 2 p.m.

Grants are awarded to local nonprofit or cooperative organizations for specific projects that "celebrate, respect and build upon the legacy and ideals of Greenbelt." New Advisory Board members will also be presented at this event.

For more information call 301-982-8993.

Race Is New **Exhibit Subject**

The Smithsonian Natural History Museum is displaying an exhibit entitled "Race: Are We So Different." This new free exhibit is located in the Special Exhibits Gallery on the second floor.

Mowatt Memorial United Methodist Church 40 Ridge Road, Greenbelt

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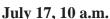
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Congratulations to:

- Greenbelt Mayor Judith Davis, on being selected as president of the board of directors for 2012 for the Maryland Municipal League.
- Rianna Lynne Vandergaast, who has been awarded a doctorate in philosophy and biochemistry by the University of Wisconsin in Madison, Wisc.
- Hank Irving on being recognized by the Lions Club with the Lions International Medal of Merit for outstanding citizenship and service to the club and to the community.
- Gabriela McCall Delgato, who was born in Greenbelt and is now a senior at Louisiana State University, for her activities in creating a website for college students with disabilities. When she could not find a place online with information she needed about disability-friendly colleges and available resources, she created such a website herself, weconnectnow. wordpress.com. It provides access to relevant news, blogs, personal stories, information about government resources, laws and regulations and opportunities for contacting other college students with disabilities. The bilingual website has received more than 50,000 hits since 2009.
- Greenbelt grandparents
 Kathy and Mike Kerdock of Plateau Place, who welcome new arrival, Adyson Mae Kerdock, born on July 1, 2011, in Gadsen, Ala., weighing 10 lbs. Her parents are Michael Kerdock and Keysha Tidmore; also welcoming Ady are aunts Kristine and Tory Kerdock.

Send us your reports of new babies, awards, honors, etc. to share with our readers. We'd especially like to hear more from our neighbors in Greenbelt East and Greenbelt West (Franklin Park). To send information for "Our Neighbors" email us at newsreview@greenbelt.com or leave a message at 301-474-6892.

– Kathleen McFarland

Montpelier Concert: Riseband and Show

On Friday, July 22 from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. as part of the Montpelier summer concert series, Riseband and Show will present rhythm and blues, Motown and jazz. The concert, held on the west lawn of the Montpelier Mansion grounds is free and open to all ages.

People are invited to bring friends, picnic and a blanket or chairs. There is no admission or parking fee. In case of rain the performance will be cancelled. Call 301-953-7882 after 5 p.m. the day of the concert for verification.





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Patuxent Research Refuge Has Longer Summer Hours

Patuxent Research Refuge in Laurel has extended summer hours for public visitation. The North Tract entrance to the Refuge will be open from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Friday and Saturday evenings through Saturday, August 13. The walking trails

of the Refuge's National Wildlife Visitor Center will also be open until 7 p.m. every Tuesday ("Twilight Tuesdays") through August 16.

The Visitor Center grounds routinely open at dawn so that birdwatchers, wildlife photog-

raphers and others can enjoy the trails. Twilight Tuesdays are designed for the public to take advantage of the longer daylight hours to enjoy the outdoors.

The North Tract is located east of Laurel, off Rt. 198 be-

tween the Baltimore-Washington Parkway and Rt. 32. The Visitor Center is located south of Laurel, off Powder Mill Road between Rt. 197 and the Baltimore-Washington Parkway.

For more information or directions visit patuxent.fws.gov.



City Information

MEETINGS FOR JULY 18-22

Monday, July 18th at 8:00pm, CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION with WMATA Update on Development at Greenbelt Metro at Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road.

Wednesday, July 20th at 6:30pm, FIRST PUBLIC MEETING ON BALTIMORE-WASHINGTON PARKWAY WIDENING FEASIBILITY STUDY at Meade Middle School, 1103 26th Street, Ft. Meade, MD

Thursday, July 21st at 7pm, SECOND GREENBELT METRO AREA AND MD 193 CORRIDOR SECTOR PLAN WORKSHOP at the Greenbelt Youth Center, 99 Centerway.

The focus of this workshop will be on the Capital Office Park, Golden Triangle Office Park, University Square, Charlestown, and Belle Point. Topics to be discussed include land use, transportation, public safety, and the environment.

This schedule is subject to change. For confirmation that a meeting is being held call 301-474-8000.

Greenbelt Aquatic & Fitness Center Upcoming Events

FAMILY NIGHT FRIDAY, JULY 15th FROM 8:00-10:00 p.m. OUTDOOR POOL-101 CENTERWAY

Admittance to the pool will be \$3.00 for all families, including passholders. Bring your pool toys and the whole family for an evening of fun!

Family Swim Night is designed to give families an opportunity to spend an evening together in a recreational atmosphere. Entering families must have at least one adult. Families will be charged \$1.00 for each additional non-family member, with a limit of three non-family members per group. In the case of inclement weather, the event will be moved to the Indoor Pool.

THE OUTDOOR POOL WILL OPEN AT 1:00 P.M. ON SATURDAY, JULY 16th DUE TO A GMST SWIM MEET

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Committee

For information call 301-474-8000.

SATURDAY, JULY 30th 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon Public Works Yard

City residents can recycle old and/or unwanted computers and other electronic items.

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For further information, contact the Greenbelt Recycling Office at 240-542-2153.

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CALL 301-397-2208 for information or to buy tickets.

GREENBELT VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPT.

125 Crescent Road

Recruitment Open House on Saturday, July 16th 11am-2pm

Opportunities to tour the fire house, fire apparatus, meet with other prospective and current members will be available during this time. Applications will also be available. Lunch and refreshments will be provided.

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A resolution to reduce the summer daily admission rate to the Greenbelt Aquatic and Fitness Center (GAFC) for nonresidents was adopted unanimously. It was noted that the intention had been to lower this fee following Labor Day weekend, in accord with usual practice but GAFC staff inadvertently jumped the gun and implemented the new rate effective Memorial Day weekend.

Introduced for first reading was the annual resolution to permit the negotiated purchase of goods and services from certain vendors with whom the city's purchases are below the bid limit of \$10,000 but total purchases for the year reach or exceed the limit. These vendors are often sole sources or based on bids accepted by other government agencies.

Request for Resolution

Council was not in agreement on how to respond to a request made at the June 20 regular meeting from Maryland United for Peace and Justice to adopt a resolution in support of pursuing an amendment to the Constitution to overturn the Supreme Court decision in the Citizens United v. Federal Election Commission case, in which corporations would be permitted to fund political ads independent of candidate cam-

Mayor Judith Davis and Councilmember Edward Putens both said that the council['s position on such matters was that it would not take a position on issues that were not directly related to municipal matters. Davis said that beyond that she thought that seeking a Constitutional amendment, which could take forever, was ill-advised as a solution. Councilmembers Konrad Herling, Rodney Roberts and Leta Mach were more inclined to support the request. Herling had offered a motion in favor of a letter of support, with a second from Roberts, but in the absence of any imminent agreement on how to approach the matter, Jordan moved that the item be tabled and brought back later. The motion to table passed 6-1, with Roberts voting no.

Co. Stormwater Legislation

In preparation for a county council public hearing on Tuesday, July 19 on CB-15-2011, a bill to establish stormwater runoff standards for redevelopment projects in Prince George's County, Terri Hruby, assistant director for planning, reported to council that although modest improvements had been made in the bill since the council last commented on it. He said he viewed the group's primarily in the area of municipal task as threefold: to examine

notification, it still falls well short of the standards the city council and the environmental community have advocated. While Greenbelt has pressed for a 2.7-inch runoff requirement for redevelopment projects, the county bill provides for only a half-inch standard until 2016, with a slightly higher 0.75inch requirement until 2019 and only then reaches its peak of a one-inch standard.

Council discussed at length whether to be pragmatic and attempt to push for an immediate implementation of a one-inch standard or whether to stick to its guns and reaffirm the need for a 2.7-inch standard. Eventually Putens made a motion, seconded by Roberts, to reiterate the city's previous strong position, which passed unanimously. Hruby commented that although the standard was not likely to be improved, she thought the city could potentially have some real impact in the area of municipal referrals.

Program Open Space

A last-minute drop in Fiscal Year 2012 allocations occurred in the state's Program Open Space funding, subsequent to submission by city staff of its draft annual plan. Hruby said there is some expectation that the losses will be made up later. The staff's recommendation, which council supported unanimously, was that they approve the plan as drafted, including a staff proposal to transfer monies from the Buddy Attick Park Master Plan Improvements Project, which was approved in last year's plan, to the 12 Court Hillside Road Playground Improvement Project, which is included in this year's plan. The reason for the change is that the playground project is ready to go and the park project

Council also approved unanimously recommendations from the Forest Preserve Advisory Board regarding the naming of individual tracts that are part of the Greenbelt Forest Preserve and two types of signs to be installed at the individual tracts (see separate article on page 1).

Economic Development

The item added to the agenda at the onset of the meeting by Jordan, "Formation of an Economic Development Work Group," was discussed at some length. Jordan's proposal was to form a work group with Herling and any others who were interested in order to jump-start progress on this topic and report at the August council meeting.

public-private partnerships, to initiate outreach to the business community and to look at business retention in the city.

Other councilmembers raised concerns about the potential of a work group to run afoul of the state's open meeting law, which applies to any quorum of council gathered to discuss city business. Davis also pointed out that council's current rules do not provide for sub-groups of council to work apart from the whole. Although it was apparent that Jordan and Herling would have preferred to be able to move forward more quickly, it was agreed to schedule a worksession as soon as possible for the full council to form a plan for expediting progress on economic development.

Council also took several actions on the consent agenda, approving recommendations of the staff without discussion. These included receipt of three reports from standing boards and committees, which will be taken up on the agendas of future council meetings or worksessions and a report providing an update from the city's 75th Anniversary Committee. In addition, Jamie Phillips was appointed to the Greenbelt Advisory Committee on Environmental Sustainability.

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modified, adding a requirement that applications for the Special Entertainment Permit show evidence that the requesting establishment's security plan had been submitted to the municipal police department, if there was one.

The modifications, however, did not include Liquor Control Board review of comments on an application from municipal police departments; only comments from the county police are subject to review by the board.

The city will have another opportunity to comment at the hearing to be held on July 26.

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Reel & Meal Film Monday Is "Mother"

The next film in the Reel and Meal at the New Deal, on Monday, July 18 at 7 p.m. is "Mother: Caring for 7 Billion." A vegan buffet is available for purchase at 6:30 p.m. The film "Mother" is about the issue of population growth that silently fuels most pressing environmental, humanitarian and social crises. With the world's population reaching seven billion people this year, now is a critical time to talk about the subject.

Population was once at the top of the international agenda, dominating the first Earth Day and the subject of best-selling books. Since the 1960s world population has nearly doubled, adding more than three billion people. During that time, however, talking about population has become politically incorrect because of sensitive issues surrounding the topic - religion, economics, family planning and gender inequality. Yet it remains an issue people cannot afford to

The film illustrates both overconsumption and inequity sides of the population issue by following Beth, a mother and a child-rights activist as she comes to discover, along with the audience, the thorny complexities of the population issue. Beth travels to Ethiopia and encounters Zinet, a woman who has found the courage to break free of 1,000-year-old cultural barriers.

It strives to educate rather than to blame, highlighting a different path for humanity. Overpopulation is also seen as a symptom of a larger problem, a "domination system" that for most of human history has glorified the domination of man over nature, man over child and man over woman. To break this pattern, the film's premise is that humankind must change its conquering mindset into a nurturing one, with the first step being to raise the status of women worldwide.

The discussion leader for the evening is Robert Walker, the executive vice president of the Population Institute, where he directs advocacy and public education activities including its work on issues related to health, economic development, sustainability and the environ-

The Reel & Meal environmental and social justice film series is co-sponsored by the Beaverdam Creek Watershed Watch Group, Chesapeake Education, Arts and Research Society, Prince George's Peace and Justice coalition and Green Vegan Networking.

City Notes

A handful of Public Works employees, headed by Karl Skaggs, put on a fine fireworks display at Buddy Attick Park for the July 4 celebration.

Facilities/Building Maintenance crew started running the second HVAC unit at the Springhill Lake Recreation Center.

Refuse/Recycling/Sustainability crews collected 36.27 tons of refuse and 15.54 tons of comingled recyclable materials.

Animal Control staff reported three cats were taken into custody, one bird was taken to the wild-life rehab center, one dog running at large was returned to the owner and two found dogs need to be adopted.

CARES

Intern Vinny Rojas Trozzo is assisting with the summer tutoring camp program and the GED course. Trozzo's sisters Elena and Adrienne were student interns and their mom, Teresa, works with the Recreation Department's summer camp pro-



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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.

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

Attempted Murder

July 2, 5:45 p.m., 5900 block Cherrywood Lane, a man reported that he was approached in the wooded area behind Cherrywood Lane by several men, one of whom fired a gun at him while the others assaulted him. The suspects are described as eight Hispanic males, 19 to 20 years old, 5'6" tall, wearing white Tshirts and black jeans.

Robberies

July 2, 12:52 a.m., Gardenway at Ridge Road, two men approached a person, displayed a handgun and took the person's property. The suspects are described as two black males, 18 years old, 5'8" to 5'10" tall, wearing black T-shirts and jeans.

July 4, 2:59 a.m., 7000 block Mathew Street, as a cab came to pick up a fare, a man emerged from the woods with a handgun. The cab driver was able to flee the area and contact police.

July 5, 10:27 p.m., Roosevelt Center, two young men assaulted a man and took his property. The suspects are described as two black males, 13 to 18 years old, 5'6" to 5'10" tall, weighing 130 to 140 pounds with black hair, brown eyes, wearing white or light-colored shirts and blue jeans.

July 6, 5:11 p.m., 6400 block Ivy Lane, a man reported that a man threw hot coffee on him and took his money.

DWI Arrest

July 2, 12:10 a.m., 7500 block Greenbelt Road, a nonresident man was arrested and charged with driving under the influence of alcohol and driving while impaired by alcohol, along with possession of drug paraphernalia and theft under \$100 after a traffic stop in which the man's vehicle was displaying a stolen registration sticker. He was released on citations pending trial.

Drug Arrest

July 2, 10:21 p.m., 5900 block Greenbelt Road, a resident man was arrested and charged with possession of drug paraphernalia. He was released on citation pending trial.

Reckless Endangerment

July 7, 4:07 a.m., 8000 block Mandan Road, the sound of gun shots was reported; responding officers found two unoccupied vehicles had been struck by bullets.

Trespass

July 4, 3:41 p.m., 9200 block Springhill Lane, a nonresident man was arrested, charged with trespassing on private property and released on citation pending trial.

July 5, 10:50 p.m., 9200 block Springhill Lane, a nonresident man was arrested and charged with trespassing on private property. He was released to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner.

Burglaries

July 4, 8:38 p.m., 5800 block Cherrywood Terrace, electronics were reported taken.

July 5, 6:18 p.m., 6000 block Springhill Drive, rugs and art were reported taken.

July 6, 9:09 a.m., 100 block Westway. Electronics were reported taken.

Vehicle Crime

A red 2007 Kawasaki motorcycle was reported stolen from the 7700 block Hanover Parkway.

Thefts from vehicles were reported in the following areas: 5800 block Cherrywood Terrace (computer tablet); 6200 block Springhill Court (Md. temporary tag); and 6100 block Breezewood Court (radio, clothes).

The Department is offering a reward of up to \$1,000 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of a suspect in any of the unsolved crimes reported in the blotter. Call 1-866-411-TIPS. People may anonymously report suspected drug activity by calling the Drug Tip Line at 240-542-2145.



Lions Club Honors Hank Irving



On June 14 the Greenbelt Lions Club honored Greenbelter Hank Irving, center, with the Lions International Medal of Merit for outstanding citizenship and service to the club and to the community. The medal, the highest honor bestowed by the Lions Club, was awarded at the club's Installation and Awards meeting at the Bowie Inn. Past recipients of the award include Congressman Steny Hoyer and News Review Editor Mary Lou Williamson.

Irving is a past president of the Lions Club and served many years as director of Greenbelt's Recreation Department. He retired in 2009. Pictured on the left is Ron Wells; on the right is Rowland Hoke.

Irving said the medal is a wonderful award to receive, one he never thought of for himself.

— Barbara Hopkins

Not for Children Only at Patuxent Refuge

Patuxent Research Refuge public programs are held at two sites, the North Tract and the National Wildlife Visitor Center. All programs are free, although donations to the Friends of Patuxent are appreciated. These programs do require advance registration by calling 301-497-5887; special needs can be accommodated with advance notice.

For more information visit the website at patuxent.fws.gov.

North Tract

The North Tract, located on Rt. 198 between the Baltimore-Washington Parkway and Rt. 32, is offering the following programs:

Herp Search – Saturday, July 16, 1 to 2:30 p.m., for all ages. Join a refuge naturalist on this guided search for reptiles and amphibians. Bring walking shoes and water and remember to dress for the weather.

Night Hike – Saturday, July 16, 7:30 to 9 p.m., for ages 5 and older. Discover the night-time world of the refuge while looking and listening for nocturnal animals on this guided walk.

Bird Walk – Sunday, July 17, 8:15 to 10:15 a.m., for all ages. Search for birds in several refuge habitats on this guided hike. Field guides and binoculars are recommended.

What's Buggin' Bats! – Saturday, July 23, 7:30 to 8:30 p.m., for all ages. Discover Maryland's bats and the dangers they face. Learn the vital role they play in the environment and why they are so helpful.

Weed Warriors – Wednesday, July 20 and Saturday, July 30, 9 a.m. to noon, for ages 13 and

Patuxent Research Refuge older. Non-native invasive plants are threatening wildlife habitat. The Refuge needs help to stop them – bring gloves and water (and hand tools if available) and help fight these alien invaders.

Wildflower Walk – Saturday, July 30, 10 a.m. to noon, for all ages. Discover the role that wildflowers play in the ecosystem and learn to identify some common species on this guided walk. Field guide, water and magnifying glass recommended.

Visitor Center

The National Wildlife Visitor Center, located on Powder Mill Road between the Baltimore-Washington Parkway and Route 197, is offering the following programs:

Beautiful Butterflies – Saturday, July 16, 10 to 11 a.m., for ages 8 to 10. Learn how to identify Maryland butterflies. Discover the incredible role these beautiful and delicate insects play in nature and the creatures that rely on their success.

Whose Clues? – Saturday, July 23, 10 to 11:30 a.m., for ages 5 to 7. Why are tracks and scat so important? Join this fun, interactive program to learn why. Discover signs of animals who have been hanging out at Patuxent.

An Otter's Tale – Wednesday, July 27, 1 to 2:30 p.m., for ages 5 to 7. Live the life of an otter in this "otterageous" hands-on program. Learn why otters are so at home in the water.

Nature Tots: Lady Bugs, Lady Bugs! – Thursday, July 28, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. and 1 to 2 p.m., for ages 3 to 4. Search for lady bugs and learn all about them through songs and stories.



IRS Help Centers Open on Saturday

The IRS is offering Saturday Open Houses this summer to provide free assistance to taxpayers who need information required to file their tax returns or help with account questions, such as collection or examination issues. The next open house is Saturday, July 16 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. The nearest offices to Greenbelt are 8401 Corporate Drive in Landover and 11510 Georgia Avenue in Wheaton.

The IRS will offer help and advice to people who want to get a fresh start with their tax liabilities. IRS Commissioner Doug Shulman says, "We are making fundamental changes to our lien system and other collection tools that will help taxpayers and give them a fresh start. These steps are good for people facing tough times and they reflect a responsible approach for the tax sys-In some instances virtual assistance will be provided by connecting by telephone to IRS employees who are working in other offices around the country.

Information available July 16 will include adjustments to IRS lien policies; increases in the dollar threshold when liens are issued, resulting in fewer tax liens; procedures to make it easier for taxpayers to obtain lien withdrawals after paying a tax bill with liens withdrawn in most cases where taxpayers enter into direct debit installment agreements; easier access to installment agreements for struggling small businesses; and expansion of a streamlined offer-in-compromise program. Limited help preparing tax forms is available on a firstcome, first-served basis.

Over 35,000 taxpayers attended similar IRS summer open house events last year.







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convention for these specific areas. With council's unanimous approval at its July 11 meeting of the board's suggestions, the loop on the naming appears at long last to have been closed.

Ginny Mudrock, chair of FPAB, presented the board's recommendation that each tract or preserve area name begin with "Greenbelt Forest Preserve" to convey the unity and legal status of the protected areas. In addition, the board recommends that each tract have a unique name reflecting its location, history or other special characteristic by which it is known.

Recommendations for the four existing tracts (known as the North and South Preserves, Boxwood Preserve and Belle Point Preserve) respectively will be Greenbelt Forest Preserve, North Woods Tract; Greenbelt Forest Preserve, Hamilton Woods Tract; Greenbelt Forest Preserve, Boxwood Tract; and Greenbelt Forest Preserve, Belle Point Tract.

FPAB anticipates proposing to city council that other tracts be added to the preserve in the near future, with names following the newly established convention.

Forest Preserve Signage

In a related matter, FPAB also recommended fulfilling the specification in the Greenbelt Forest Preserve guidelines for signage to designate the protected areas. Commenting wryly that it took FPAB many meetings to develop recommendations on this topic in part because its membership largely comprises people who do not care for signs, Chair Ginny Mudrock said the group recommended that two sign types be placed at each preserve area.

Identification signs to be placed at the entrance would be similar to the city's standard, routed redwood signs. Each would give the full name of Greenbelt Forest Preserve and the specific tract name.

Also included to identify the signs as related to the forest preserve would be a painted leaf representing a predominant tree type for each area. The second type of sign would be regulatory, similar in content and design to those in other city parks, but worded in its directives to reflect the spirit of the forest preserve. Council unanimously approved the recommendations on signs.

New State Web Portal For Solar Applications

On July 11 the Maryland Public Service Commission (PSC) launched a new web portal to speed the processing of applications for solar renewable energy applications. The majority of applications are filed by solar installation companies on behalf of residential customers.

The new electronic process speeds the process, eliminates duplicating and mailing costs and allows applicants to save and upload files to the web portal. A checklist ensures that each step is accurately completed and gives immediate notification of errors or missing information, as well as centralizing applications so they are available to PSC staff to answer applicants' questions.

The web portal is accessed at the PSC website, www.psc.md.us under the "Electric" menu.

First Meeting on B-W Parkway Widening Set

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NAMI Group Meets July 18

The New Carrollton Area Support Group of the National Alliance of the Mentally Ill (NAMI) will meet Monday, July 18 from 10 a.m. to noon to prepare mailing and provide other volunteer tasks while sharing mental health experiences, challenges and solutions. The meeting will be at the Hanko Building at Beckett Field, 8511 Legation Road in New Carrollton. Call Dominique Thomas, 301-385-1699 or email nami. dom@domthom.com for details.

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Enduring Exercise Class Leads To Friendship, Fun and Fitness

by Virginia Beauchamp

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Two of our group - Jeanie Roke and I - met in an earlier class, even before Amy took over the group. Since then others have joined along the way. I'm guessing that among us about eight - perhaps more - have been together as new folks have joined, and stayed, for something like 10, 12, even 15 or 20 years.

Two long-time members are husband and wife team Larry and Rena Hull; and sometimes, for a year or two, other men have joined the group. But most of us are women.

Every Tuesday and Thursday evening between 7 and 8 p.m., you'll find us bending and stretching, working every muscle, perhaps standing on one foot and then the other, leaning forward to touch our toes, sometimes lying on our backs. Then we may sit up, reaching toward the ceiling with our hands. There's no music, just Amy's quiet voice, leading us gently through the routines, telling us what to do.

When she has to miss class for a trip away perhaps, there's her voice on a tape she had made for such occasions - or CDs now, of course. Usually classmate Lisa Meyer leads us in the moves described by Amy's voice. Sometimes we select an earlier recording, we admit, from a session when things seemed

In the last years, as we get older, Amy seems to work us even harder - or so we feel. She herself confesses to serious back problems following an auto accident with a tractor-trailer long years ago. She thinks continuing work-outs help keep under control the pain that has been caused by that experience.

Changes

Our lives have changed, of course, over these years. And so has Amy's.

When she joined our ranks, her daughters, Alicia and Rachel, were babies. Now they are ca-



Amy Derin

reer women, married, and living, respectively, near Atlanta and Baltimore.

Alicia, with an M.A. from the University of Florida and Ph.D. from Iowa State, is assistant headmaster at Trinity School in Marietta, Georgia. "A wonderful fit," her mother says. From earlier days as a visitor to Georgia - and cheered on by her daughter (if deplored by her own husband, Stephen) – Amy for some time enjoyed hang gliding.

Rachel, in Perry Hall north of Baltimore and a graduate of the University of California at Berkeley, works at NIH at the National Institute on Aging. As researcher and first-author of a recent professional paper, Rachel was recognized recently with her agency's employeeof-the-month award. She is a founding member of a gourmet cooking club.

We met both girls as young gigglers, years and years ago when they had to be banished from watching our class. Later, though - of high school age they joined our ranks for a year or two. At Eleanor Roosevelt High School both enrolled in science and technology programs, origin of their later careers; in this choice both followed the model of their father, a graduate

Amy herself attended the University of Buffalo, where she majored in psychology. She went on then for graduate work at UCLA, where she focused on developmental psychology. There

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Creative Kids Camp Plans Fourth Scholarship Show

by Olivia Guerrieri

You'll want to get to this event early: the staffers of Greenbelt's summer camp programs are putting on another scholarship show! Each year since 2007, the staff and volunteers involved with Creative Kids Camp and Camp Encore have showed off their talents in this highly anticipated summer spectacle.

This year's show, on July 22, is sure to live up to its predecessors. The performance, beginning at 7 p.m., will be held in the Greenbelt Community Center Gymnasium at 15 Crescent Road. Singing, dancing, improvisation and more will wow the audience. And, in a News Review exclusive, the show's directors have revealed that it will include performances by Ana Anderson, Colleen Arnold, Kim Bressi, Stefan Brodd, Ian Brown-Gorrell, Evan Camara, Chris Cherry, Arianne Goolsby, Olivia Guerrieri, Amritha Jayanti, Priyanka Jayanti, Scott Kincaid, Phoebe McFarb, Christina O'Brien, Danny Parisi, Nisha Pawar, Jillian Schneider, Ashley Thomas and Mason Trap-

The scholarship show takes its name from its cause: the Marv Purcell Geiger Scholarship Fund, which helps to provide scholarships for Recreation Department classes and camps throughout the year. Staffers involved in the show do so on their own time. Don't miss this chance to see these amazing performances.

Admission to the show is by donation, with a minimum suggested of \$5. Tickets can be purchased in advance through the Community Center office, Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Call 301-397-2208 for information or tickets.

Olivia Guerrieri is a member of the Creative Kids staff.



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