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City's 2011 Art and Craft Fair Offers Creative Gifts for Sale

The Greenbelt Festival of Lights Art and Craft Fair celebrates 40 years of providing creative gifts this year. Prospective buyers can again connect with artists selling original creations that make great presents for year-round giving. Handmade items create meaningful connections between giver and receiver, the maker and the local economy. The show will open Saturday, December 3 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday, December 4 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Greenbelt Community Center. There is no admission charge.

Artisans from Greenbelt and the surrounding region offer a wide range of creations including ceramics, jewelry, toys, fine arts, handbags, home goods, stationery, personal care products and more. Gifts for all occasions will fill the gym.

Additional attractions will include live music, hands-on workshops, a prize drawing and a café to benefit the Greenbelt Arts Center.

The "Humanities Mart" will feature gifts for all ages from the Greenbelt Museum, Greenbelt's 75th Anniversary Committee, publications by the Greenbelt Writers Group and more. Youth entrepreneurs and nonprofit exhibitors will also present their creations.



Artist-in-residence Celestine Ranney-Howes shows off her beautiful textile arts at the 2010 Art and Craft Fair.

Free activities grace both days of the event. Saturday's schedule will include a hands-on paper tile workshop from 1 to 3 p.m. with Artist-in-residence Kathy Karlson. Harp 46 will perform on the gym stage from 3 to 5 p.m. On Sunday a wreath-making workshop will be held from 1 to 3 p.m., as well as a prize drawing at noon and the Alexandria Klezmet playing live music on the gym stage

from 2 to 4 p.m.

Prize Drawing

Everyone may enter the free prize drawing online at www.greenbeltmd.gov/arts or in person at the craft fair through 11:30 a.m. on Sunday, December 4. The prize is a gift certificate that can be presented at any Festival of Lights Art and Craft Fair booth or applied toward a

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Greenbelt's Sector Plan Process Is to Be Extended to Early 2013

by Thomas X. White

At the November 16 meeting of the Greenbelt Advisory Planning Board (APB), Chad Williams, the project manager for the Greenbelt Area Sector Plan, provided updates on the ongoing Greenbelt Metro Area and MD 193 Corridor Sector Plan and Sectional Map Amendment process. The Sector Plan and Sectional Map amendment will guide the long-term growth and development in this area including land use, transportation, en-

vironmental infrastructure, public facilities and economic development among other issues.

In his report Williams noted that the fourth community workshop on the Sector Plan was held on October 13 at Greenbelt Middle School. The Sector Plan covers Greenbelt West including Beltway Plaza Mall, Franklin Park at Greenbelt Station, the MD 193 Commercial Corridor and Berwyn Heights Industrial Area. The workshop essentially

ended the first phase of the planning process for the Sector Plan. He indicated a summary of the October 13 workshop would be posted on the agency's website at www.pgplanning.org/Greenbelt.htm and that an updated newsletter was mailed on November 15.

Williams also reported that the planning staff has requested a six-month extension for the planning process from the Prince George's County Council. If granted, the planning process and the plan approvals would occur in the first quarter of 2013 instead of the last quarter of 2012. Williams expressed regrets that the extension would likely preclude the Sector Plan adoption occurring at the time of Greenbelt's 75th Anniversary.

Upcoming Activities

In the meantime, a Prince George's Planning Staff meeting was scheduled for November 17 that would be a charrette-like planning session and include staff from other agencies. Williams indicated that he has prepared a draft memo on existing traffic

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American Education Week November 13 to 19, 2011

In a celebration of American education, these columns will be telling the stories of selected teachers from the schools that serve the Greenbelt community.

This week readers will get a glimpse inside Greenbelt Middle School and Turning Point Academy (see page 6). In coming weeks we will focus on Eleanor Roosevelt High, Springhill Lake, Magnolia and Greenbelt Elementary Schools.

Stephanie Blackwell Aids Special Students at GMS

by Amy S. Hansen

Many of Stephanie Blackwell's kids come past her in the cafeteria before class. She says good morning, makes eye contact and agrees that it is early. She has already started teaching.

Blackwell is a para-professional teacher's aide in Greenbelt Middle School's (GMS) Community Resource Instruction (CRI) program. This is a program for special education students. "Everything they learn in the classroom, we bring it to life in the community."

Besides working with the curriculum of English, math, social studies and science, the goal of CRI is to move the students into society. The school wants



Stephanie Blackwell

to help these kids be as accepted as possible, ready to employ their skills.

Blackwell says it's not a hard job. Her students are a joy. "I get a good laugh from someone every day."

And the affection is mutual. If she is out, they ask her where she was and why she wasn't at school. "That's nice," she smiles "It means they care. It means I'm making a difference."

She's worked at GMS for 13

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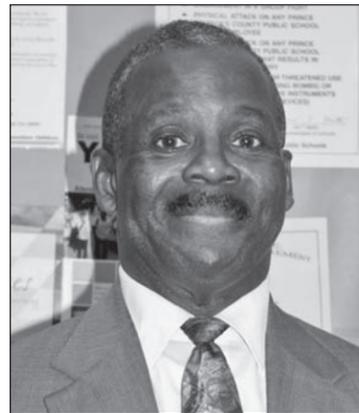
Wayne Davis: Guidance Counselor at GMS

by Amy S. Hansen

Wayne Davis walked in the Labor Day parade, ready to carry the Greenbelt Middle School (GMS) banner if the students needed help. He participated at the District 2 School Showcase, where all the schools had displays and information available for parents. And he is ready to show off GMS to prospective parents. Last year he organized three tours between January and May 2011.

This year the tours started earlier. "I am here to serve," he said during November's tour. Which is true, but he is also one of Greenbelt Middle School's best advocates.

He led the tour group out-



Wayne Davis

side to have a look at the new building rising from the dirt next to the parking lot. The building is on schedule for completion in July 2012.

"For 14 years I have worked at GMS," he said. "For

14 years I have heard about a new Greenbelt Middle School. Next year, I'll be able to say I've been here," he pointed at the old Greenbelt Middle School that is still in use. "I heard about the new building. And I have moved into it and used it."

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What Goes On

Saturday, November 26

9 a.m. to noon, Donation Drop-off, Parking Lot between City Office and the Community Center

Monday, November 28

8 p.m., City Council Meeting, Municipal Building, Live on Verizon 21, Comcast 71 and streaming at www.greenbeltmd.gov

Tuesday, November 29

7 p.m., Greenbelt Advisory Committee on Education (ACE), Municipal Building

Thursday, December 1

7 to 8:30 p.m., Coping with the Holidays Workshop, Community Center, Room 103

7:30 p.m., Greenbelt Homes, Inc. (GHI) Board Meeting, GHI Board Room

Letters

Appreciation

Please know that your mailman, Tony Schiavone, and his entire family are deeply appreciative of all the support each and every one of you has shown him. We are working through the process and remain hopeful that Tony will be returned to his position with the United States Postal Service. There are not enough words to express how humbled we are by this groundswell of caring. I have never been prouder to have been born and raised in such a wonderful community. From our family to yours, we wish all of you a happy holiday season.

Kathleen Fitzgerald
Schiavone

A Huge Thanks

To those who looked out for me when I could not look out for myself during last week's "out-of-body" transient global amnesia experience. I'm back.

With special gratitude to everybody who pitched in on no notice during the News Review production period for the Nov. 17 issue to assure the paper got out and was on time.

Eileen Farnham

Thank You Greenbelt

The two Help By Phone food pantries that serve Greenbelt and nearby areas sincerely thank the generous residents of Greenbelt for the van-loads of canned goods we have received during the past two weeks. Last week we received food collected by Greenbelt Cub Scout Troop 202 and this week it was the residents of Greenbriar. We also thank Greenbelt Boy Scouts and the Greenbelt Lions Club for sorting and delivering the food.

Marsha Voigt
President
Help By Phone
Board of Directors



OLD GREENBELT THEATRE WEEK OF NOV 25

J. Edgar
(R)

Friday - Saturday

*1:45, *4:30, 7:20, 9:50

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*1:45, *4:30, 7:20

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*4:45, 7:30

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Reporter Keeps Learning As She Covers City Council

by Barbara Hopkins

When I answer the phone and hear the voice of our news editor Elaine Skolnik, my mind begins racing immediately for excuses, reasons why I can't report on the city council meeting I'm sure she will ask me to cover. Though my initial response is reluctance, unless I have a legitimate reason for not accepting, I find I always end up agreeing to the assignment.

Sure, I'd rather stay comfy at home watching *Dancing with the Stars* or the Bachelor and "enjoyable" is not the correct description of covering the city council. But the truth is – and I hesitate to say this in print, especially where I know Elaine will read it – I'd have to say I benefit by covering these meetings.

As a result of attending and writing about Greenbelt's City Council meetings, I've learned something about a number of subjects I probably never would have otherwise encountered: city planning, the workings of city governments, the county's Green Infrastructure Plan, the many interesting things that go on at the Beltsville Agricultural Research Center, the Playful City program.

Without these assignments, I would likely still have no idea what MCOG is (Metropolitan Washington Council of Government) and I might be unaware that buildings can be built and insulated with straw or of the restraints on remodeling in a historic district. I would be less informed about the Purple Line and the workings of the county fire department.

I'm often amazed when I realize that I have some familiarity with a topic only because I covered a city council meeting when it was discussed. I can't help but think that all this exposure to new material and wrestling with it to produce a coherent story has increased the amount of wiring in my brain. And for one who checks the "over 65" box, that has to be an especially good thing.

Further Research

Sometimes I don't have a clue what council is talking about and it takes a thorough reading of background material put together by City Clerk Cindy Murray, often a little research (help from the Internet) and queries to Greenbelt citizens or members of city staff in order to put together a story that I hope represents the truth.

Though I have been reluctant to call on city staff, knowing surely they are busy and lacking time to educate a cub reporter, I have to say that, to a person, they have been exceedingly, cheerfully helpful – willing to enlarge my understanding by sharing their time and expertise. Their help, invaluable, is much appreciated.

I've been challenged to decide what is the real news of the meeting. In the beginning I tended to report on everything. Essentially I was providing minutes.

Writing about council meetings has helped me, I think, to become a better writer. Writers are usually instructed to "write what you know." And writing

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Letters to the Editor

The News Review welcomes letters to the editor. Letters should be submitted before 9 p.m. Tuesday and bear the writer's signature and printed name, address and phone number. If possible, letters should be typed double-spaced.

Alternatively, letters can be emailed along with a way to contact the writer by email or phone number on Tuesday evening.

All letters are subject to editing for reasons of space, libel, taste and clarity. Letters are considered accepted when published.

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"We are thankful for what we have
and will share these with those who don't."

GNS Kindergarten Information Night

On Monday, December 5 from 7 to 9 p.m. Greenbelt Nursery School (GNS) will host a forum on kindergarten options available to families in Greenbelt and nearby communities. Representatives from public and private schools will present information on their programs and answer questions. It will be held in Room 202 (Theater Rehearsal Room) at the Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Road. Parking is available behind the library.

Participating schools include Greenbelt Elementary School, Berwyn Heights Elementary,

Friends Community School, Holy Trinity Episcopal Day School and Robert Goddard French Immersion School. The forum is open to all, free of charge. This is the 11th year Greenbelt Nursery School has sponsored a kindergarten forum as a service to members and the community.

The school is a not-for-profit parent cooperative nursery school in its 69th year of operation. For details about the school visit www.greenbeltnurseryschool.org. For more information about the forum call 301-474-5570 or email gns@greenbeltnurseryschool.org.

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DEADLINES: Letters, Articles and ads—10 p.m. Tuesday. Materials for publication may be mailed to address above, deposited in our box in the Co-op grocery store (by 7 p.m. Tuesday) or brought to our office in the Community Center, 15 Crescent Road, during office hours. Mail subscriptions—\$40/year.

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

Obituaries

Jane R. Stern

Jane Roberts Stern, 73, of Greenbelt died of cancer on Saturday, November 19, 2011, at her home.



Mrs. Stern was born in Baltimore and raised in Catonsville. Serving as a public school teacher in Baltimore City for over 30 years, she moved to Greenbelt in 2002 after the death of her husband.

A volunteer throughout her life, she was a docent at the Baltimore Zoo, program coordinator for the Catonsville Women's Club, member of the GHI Companion Animal Committee, volunteer for GIVES and assisted the elderly and any neighbor in need in her 5 Court of Gardenway. She was also a member of Sukyo Mahikari, a community-based spiritual organization. Through this practice of True Light, she offered support to animals of her Greenbelt neighbors.

With an active circle of life-long friends, Mrs. Stern traveled the world. Her other interests included scuba diving, playing Scrabble and reading books. She thought of others first every day of her life and her life was filled with the joy she brought to other people.

Mrs. Stern was preceded in death by her husband David Stern. She is the mother of Cindy Barbee and her husband Snick and Susan Stern. Besides her children Mrs. Stern is survived by her mother-in-law, Naomi Stern, seven brothers-in-law and nine sisters-in-law, in addition to one dog named Boo and a very depressed cat named Rocky.

As a celebration of her life, a memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. on Saturday, November 26 at Catonsville United Methodist Church, 6 Melvin Avenue, Catonsville, Md.

In lieu of flowers, expressions of sympathy may be directed in Mrs. Stern's memory to the National Park Foundation, 1201 Eye St., NW, Suite 550B, Washington, D.C. 20005.

College Park Youth Choir Will Perform

The College Park Youth Choir will perform at the Riverdale Presbyterian Holiday Celebration on Sunday, December 4 at 4 p.m. The church is located at 6513 Queens Chapel Road, University Park.

The Youth Choir Fall Concert will be held on Tuesday, December 20 at 7:30 p.m. at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, 4512 College Avenue, College Park.

There is no admission fee.

UM Gamer Symphony Plays Fall Concert

The University of Maryland's Gamer Symphony Orchestra (GSO), which performs music drawn entirely from classic video games like Final Fantasy and new hits like Super Mario Galaxy, will give its annual fall concert on Saturday, December 3 at 2 p.m. in the Dekelbom Concert Hall of the Clarice Smith Performing Arts Center. The show is free, family-friendly and open to the public. The hall will open at 1:30 p.m. for seating.

For three semesters in a row, the GSO has filled Dekelbom, the largest performing arts space on the College Park campus. Highlights from this concert's repertoire include themes from Pokémon, Shadow of the Colossus and Civilization V.

GSO's 120-plus members include a 30-person chorus, which sings both on its own and together with the instrumentalists. Founded in 2005 by five students, the GSO works to establish video game music as a serious art form and uses it to bring new and younger audiences to orchestral performances.

GSO is the first organization of its type at the college level. In addition to performing, members organize yearly video game tournaments to raise money for the Children's National Medical Center in Washington, D.C., and engage in educational outreach endeavors with area high school students.

Details about the group as well as recordings may be found at umd.gamersymphony.org.

Our Neighbors

We were saddened to hear of the death of Jane Stern of Gardenway on November 19, 2011. Condolences to her daughter, News Review staffer Susan Stern and other family and friends.

Congratulations to Todd and Ellen Myers Kliman of Hyattsville on the birth of their second son, Theo Elias Kliman, on November 19. He joins big brother Jesse, almost four. Their grandmother is Greenbelter Itsy Kliman. The new baby is the namesake of his grandfather, the late Ted Kliman.

Happy birthday and best wishes to Dolly Tome of Green Ridge House, who becomes 95 years young on November 26.

Send us your reports of new babies, awards, honors, etc. to share with our readers. Email us at newsreview@greenbelt.com or leave a message at 301-474-6892.

— Kathleen McFarland

UM Offers Free Seasonal Concerts

The University of Maryland Percussion Ensemble will perform "Music for the Seasons" on Monday, December 5 at 8 p.m. in Dekelbom Concert Hall of the Clarice Smith Performing Arts Center. The Percussion Ensemble conjures images of the seasons in a striking program that includes a world premiere and two concerti.

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 Rev. Fay Lundin, Pastor

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 Dec. 11 Was Jesus born in a CAVE? Dec. 18 Interview with a shepherd.
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UM Chamber Concert Dec. 2

The University of Maryland School of Music presents a free Honors Chamber Music Recital on Friday, December 2 at 8 p.m. in Gildenhorn Recital Hall of the Clarice Smith Performing Arts Center. This concert is a showcase of exceptional ensembles selected by faculty.

Parents Time Out

Mowatt Memorial United Methodist Church is offering a free parents' afternoon out on Saturday, November 27 from 1 to 5 p.m. Parents can shop or run errands without kids four years old and up while they keep busy with fun activities. Children can bring their own snack and drink.

Register in advance by emailing betty@GreenbeltUMC.org.

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 Daily Mass: 7:15 a.m.
 Sacrament of Penance: Saturday 3:45-4:45 p.m.
 Pastor: Rev. Walter J. Tappe
 Pastoral Associate: Rev. R. Scott Hurd

At the outset of every endeavor, it is incumbent to look to the end of it. Of all the arts and sciences, set the children to studying those which will result in advantage to man, will ensure his progress and elevate his rank. (Baha'u'llah)

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

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Services

- 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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Arts Advisory Board To Meet December 6

The Greenbelt Arts Advisory Board will meet next on Tuesday, December 6 at 7 p.m. at the Greenbelt Community Center. The Center is located at 15 Crescent Road in Greenbelt.

For details, contact Nicole DeWald, staff liaison, at 240-542-2057.

Saturday Is Support Small Business Day

Saturday, November 26 is the nation's second Annual Small Business Saturday. Taking advantage of the busiest shopping weekend of the year, the day is dedicated to encouraging support of the many small local businesses that create jobs, boost the economy and preserve neighborhoods around the country.

Part of a national movement to increase awareness of the critical role played by small businesses, the day's focus is on job creation; small firms have created 65 percent of new job growth. An important statistic in deciding whom to patronize is the fact that every \$100 spent in locally-owned, independent stores returns \$68 to the community through taxes, payroll and other local expenditures.

Gwen McCall, president/CEO of the county's Economic Development Committee, reminds shoppers that supporting local businesses is more than a one-day event – and encourages consistent patronizing of local small businesses, which are the backbone of the economy and the glue that holds communities together. That is especially true in the current economy when these local businesses most need community support.

Native Americans Join UM in Free Powwow

Native Americans from around the area will be taking part in the University of Maryland's sixth annual free Native American Indian Powwow on Saturday, December 3 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. A grand entry will take place at 11 a.m. Featured performers this year will be the NDN Boys. Other features include Native American food, educational and craft vendors. There will be door prizes, inter-tribal dancing and a Native American flutist. Guest drums are welcome.

This celebration of Native American culture will take place in the Samuel Riggs IV Alumni Center on the campus in College Park. Free parking is available in Lot 1. For more information call Dottie Chicquelo at 301-405-5618 or chicodh@umd.edu.

National Gallery Offers Liszt Concert

The National Gallery of Art will offer a free concert on Sunday, November 27 at 6:30 p.m. in the West Garden Court. Pianist Steven Spooner will play music of Liszt.

School Federal Aid Forms Due Nov. 30

The Prince George's County Public Schools are conducting the 2011-2012 federal Impact Aid survey. A survey form will be sent home with each student. It is essential that parents and guardians complete the form and return by Wednesday, November 30.

Information from the surveys will help determine the amount of federal funding available to the school system under the Impact Aid program. Funds will be used supplies, textbooks and various educational programs.

For details visit www1.pgcps.org/pasb or call 301-952-6300.

Saturday Bird Walk Offered in Bowie

The Prince George's Audubon Society will host a free bird walk at the Fran Uhler Natural Area on Saturday, December 3. Participants will meet at 7:30 a.m. at the end of Lemon Bridge Road, just north of Bowie State University, to seek migrating and resident woodland and field birds and waterfowl. There is a good possibility of sighting raptor flyovers at this Patuxent River forested floodplain. Beginners and experts are welcome. Waterproof footwear and binoculars are recommended.

Call 410-765-6482 for details.

Mid-Week Bird Walk On Goldman Trail

The Prince George's Audubon Society will hold a free guided bird walk at Lake Artemesia to look for migrating and resident songbirds, waterfowl and other bird flyovers on Thursday, December 1 at 3 p.m. The paved walk loops around the 38-acre lake and beside Indian Creek. Meet at the parking lot at Berwyn Road and Balew Avenue in Berwyn Heights. Beginners and experts are welcome. Binoculars are suggested.

For more information call 301-459-3375.

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Greenbelt Recreation Department winter arts class.

Additional prizes will include tickets to a performance of the winner's choice at the Greenbelt Arts Center and passes to a Mad Hot Ballroom dance party at the Community Center. No purchase is necessary and participants need not be present to win.

For more details on the Art and Craft Fair visit www.greenbeltmd.gov/arts or call the Community Center at 301-397-2208.



City Information

GREENBELT CITY COUNCIL MEETING
November 28, 2011 - 8:00 p.m.
Municipal Building

COMMUNICATIONS

Presentations

- Recycle Right Awards
- Municipal Government Month Proclamation
- 75th Anniversary Committee Briefing

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

Minutes of Council Meetings

- Administrative Reports**
- Council Reports**
- Committee Reports**

LEGISLATION

OTHER BUSINESS

- 2012 Legislative Program
- Other Reports
- *- Reappointments to Advisory Groups
- *- Resignation from Advisory Group

MEETINGS

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

VACANCIES ON BOARDS & COMMITTEES

Volunteer to serve on City Council Advisory Groups. Vacancies: Advisory Committee on Education, Advisory Planning Board, Arts Advisory Board, Forest Preserve Advisory Board, Greenbelt Advisory Committee on Environmental Sustainability, Park & Recreation Advisory Board, Public Safety Advisory Committee, Senior Citizens Advisory Committee, and Youth Advisory Committee (Adult Member)

For information call 301-474-8000.

The Greenbelt Assistance in Living Program in conjunction with Community Hospices Presents

COPING WITH THE HOLIDAYS WORKSHOP

Thursday, December 1 from 7:00 – 8:30 pm
GREENBELT COMMUNITY CENTER—
Rm.103

15 Crescent Road, Greenbelt, MD 20770

The holiday season can be particularly difficult for people who are grieving. As the whole world seems wrapped up with joy and frivolity, the bereaved person can feel out of place. This workshop will provide some ideas to help individuals make the holidays a bit more manageable.

To register please contact the Greenbelt Assistance in Living Program at 301-345-6660

MEETINGS FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 28- DECEMBER 2

Monday, November 28 at 8:00pm, **REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING** at the Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road. Live on Verizon 21, Comcast 71 and streaming at www.greenbeltmd.gov

Tuesday, November 29 at 7:00pm, **GREENBELT ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION (ACE)** at the Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road. The main focus of the meeting will be reviewing the Grants and making decisions about which ones to fund.

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



GREENBELT ANIMAL SHELTER

550-A Crescent Road (behind Police Station)
COME OUT AND VISIT ALL THE ADORABLE PETS.

Congratulations to Mickey and Garfield on their adoptions
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THANK YOU! A group of kids gathered pledges in advance of the November 25 "Rock-a-marathon" when they will gather other pledges and rock in rocking chairs from noon till midnight. They donated all pledges to the shelter and the Peyton and Chase Fund matched their pledges up to \$1,000. Almost \$3,000 was already raised in all.

THANK YOU TO: Payton and Chase Fund (foundation), Samantha Moore, Mairead Alexander, Jake Trangsnid, Jan Knutson, Scott Candey, Kathryn Breon, Kristen Beauchamp, Sarah McCarthy, Sam Goldstein, Olma Knutson, Clare Alexander, Allen Beauchamp, Skylar Scheff, Emily Colby, Evan Candey, Elizabeth Moore, Jared Hamlin and Liam McConiogue

THE SHELTER IS NOW UP TO CAPACITY WITH SWEET KITTENS AND CATS THAT NEED HOMES. PLEASE COME OUT TO SEE THEM, AND MAYBE EVEN SHARE YOUR HOME!

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Saturday, November 26

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Parking lot between City Office and the Community Center

Info: City of Greenbelt Recycling Office at 301-474-8308.

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GIVE LIFE**

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years and isn't yet tired of the many field trips or the curriculum.

During a normal school day, students start with the creative arts classes – art, music, physical education and technology. For Blackwell, that means sitting near them and keeping students on task. She reminds them to keep their voices reasonable and, like she does in the cafeteria, works at socializing the kids.

Later in the language arts classes her duties are similar – helping and encouraging where students need it. Some of the students can't read, so she may read the stories out loud. Teachers use pictures for students whose brains work better with pictures.

They push the students to achieve the highest level of independence that they are capable of. When CRI students get to high school, Blackwell says, they will be in vocational training. The students work well on jobs such as landscaping and banquet preparation, where the overall job can be broken into small repeatable steps.

She says that the new school building will have more facilities that can be used with the CRI kids. And she praises GMS Principal Warren Tweedy for walking

the halls and having a presence with the CRI students as well as the rest of the school.

Stephanie Blackwell's job grew out of what she did at home. The mother of three, one of her sons has autism. Through advocating for him she learned about possibilities for kids with significant learning disabilities. She also saw how much of a difference one teacher could make for her son.

Early in elementary school her autistic son had an exceptional teacher. "She saw what we saw," Blackwell said. With the teacher's help Terry was able to go much further, eventually graduating from the CRI program at High Point High School and landing a job at the Riderwood retirement community.

She became an advocate, testifying on Capitol Hill about the importance of special education. Even as her own children have graduated – one is in college – she continues to help other parents navigate the maze of getting services for special education students and she mentors kids who want to go to college.

"I'm giving back something," she said explaining one of the reasons she loves her job. "That's my passion."

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Davis came to the school via administrative work at the University of the District of Columbia. After 25 years there, he retired. He said his wife wanted him to volunteer but he decided to be "selfish" and get paid. He commutes from his home in Cheltenham, near Andrews Air Force Base.

After admiring the brick and mortar Davis led the tour back to the current GMS library. Here was the real point of the tour, the faculty and the atmosphere of the school.

As we walked through the halls he pointed out the quiet. Students were working. Teachers were working. Yes, Davis admits, the change between classes is a little chaotic but it isn't unreasonable. "People can't really get a feel for this building unless you spend some time here," he said after the tour had dispersed.

And this building is a school he likes.

Davis' job as seventh grade guidance counselor means helping some 350 students identify career aspirations and register for classes. He works closely with students having emotional

or discipline problems. He tries to be in constant contact with the parents and with the rest of the faculty. He also monitors students who may have learning disabilities.

"I think it's a crime that there are kids with learning disabilities that get to this level and have never been screened," he said. "These kids could get by in elementary school. We should be able to screen any child whose parents ask for it. Parents should know to ask."

This year Davis and his intern are creating a mentoring program specifically for Hispanic students. He also has helped with Saturday school for students who need extra help.

His overall goal is not only to help the school make Adequate Yearly Progress – the state standard for students' test scores – but to help grow self-motivated learners. As an example, he points out his grandson's high school graduation picture.

"He told me last year, 'I don't want to take your money [for college], I'll find scholarships.' And you know what?" Davis asks with some pride, "He did."

Private School TAG Applications Open

The Prince George's County Public Schools (PGCPS) Talented and Gifted Office is currently accepting applications from private school students for testing for PGCPS Talented and Gifted (TAG) program eligibility. Testing is for students who are county residents and currently in grades 1 through 7 in private schools.

To request the Private School Testing Application call or email the TAG Office at 301-808-3790, TAG Program Specialist Scott

Brenner at sbrenner@pgcps.org or TAG Supervisor Theresa Jackson at tjackson@pgcps.org.

Applications and supporting documentation are due in the TAG Office no later than January 12. Late applications will not be accepted.

Testing will be held on Saturday, February 18 at 8:30 a.m. at Kenmoor Middle School, 2500 Kenmoor Drive, Landover, with a snow date of February 25. Only applicants will be tested; there will be no walk-ins.

American Education Week – Nov. 13-19

E. Anderson Leads Way with Challenges

by Jim Link

It's closing time at Turning Point Academy (TPA) on Friday at 2:30; anticipation is high; the bell rings and a lovely horde of K-8 students bursts into the corridors, scurrying to their buses and heading home for the weekend. Noisy? Yes. Chaotic or rough? No.

Directing this controlled traffic is Dr. Kenneth Jones, principal of the first charter public school in Prince George's County. Standing in the middle of the main corridor, he crisply insists, "Keep right!" and "No running!" Then the dapper, alert Jones leads me to the classroom of Eulalee Anderson, a teacher who he says "has no difficulty with children with challenges."

"Her students' test scores always improve; her children are always mannerly; I don't have to worry about them running in the corridors," he adds.

Born in Jamaica, Anderson speaks with a soft island accent, punctuating her speech with a soft smile. In her fifth year at TPA, Anderson has been teaching "for 26 years total in Jamaica and here," she says. Teaching third grade means she teaches "ev-



Eulalee Anderson

everything – reading, math, social studies, science."

Anderson's destiny took her to TPA after a pair of twins she had taught at Berwyn Christian School enrolled there. Their grandmother praised her to Principal Jones, who contacted her for a job interview. Bingo, so to speak.

Satisfaction in Growth

What is most rewarding about teaching, Anderson says, is "the growth. Growth in academics and behavior. I love to get basic kids and see them move to proficient and then to advanced. I get very excited by that. That's my satisfaction," she said.

Maintaining classroom discipline is crucial according to Anderson. "I know a child cannot learn in a disruptive environment; teaching is ineffective in a disruptive environment. I try different strategies to quell stuff (acting out) at the beginning of the school year. If the first effort doesn't work, I go home and think, 'What can I do different the next day?' So I try another tactic, keep trying until I basically get it about perfect. It's never perfectly perfect," she smiles.

In addition to using this methodological flexibility, Anderson tries hard "to know my students and their different home environments."

What frustrates Anderson most about some home environments is parental indifference to their children's school assignments. "I can tell when parents have not supervised their children – their homework is missing completely or done incorrectly."

It's comforting to see her "Helping Hands" bulletin board with the names of the students who have done chores for Anderson or helped to decorate the classroom. And it's reassuring to realize the truth of her big poster: "Bully-Free Classroom."

Character Education Defines Baum's Style

by Jim Link

Dr. Kenneth Jones, principal of Turning Point Academy (TPA), had me liking Nicole Baum, his 6th grade reading teacher, even before I met her.

The helmsman of the elementary school (K-8, 543 students, 26 teachers) located on Good Luck Road in Greenbelt, explained that TPA concentrates on "character education." The mission of Prince George's County's first charter public school, begun in 2006, as he said, is "to point young people in the right direction."

To this end Nicole Baum is a great asset. "This is her second year here and she hasn't missed a beat since she came on board. There is no difficulty in her classroom; she has a real passion for teaching and is constantly honing her pedagogical skills," he said.

Ensnared in her temporary classroom on the back parking lot of the school, Baum assures me she and her colleagues have not been relegated to some academic Siberia. Actually their rooms are quite sturdy and acoustically muffled. Her professional touch brings its prevailing intimacy and brightness.

In her fourth year in Prince George's County, Baum lost her job when her previous school eliminated the 6th grade.

"The kids went to various middle schools and four teachers needed new jobs," Baum said. "I was intrigued by teaching at a charter school – I'm extremely happy I landed at TPA. I really enjoy mentoring my children; building interpersonal relationships is very important to me."



Nicole Baum

The reading department's chairperson and team leader, Baum says it's necessary "to know the students' families, the sort of support system the kids have. Our charter is character education, so I educate them not only in the classroom, but also try to be a role model."

Baum and her two other team members meet regularly, discuss student achievements and plan activities. They recently set up "an after-school intramural sports and homework club. If the students kept their grades up, they could play sports. It's a very positive ex-

perience for the kids and for me," she said.

Baum relies heavily on a computer program called Study Island: "It facilitates teaching the core skills the students need to learn by the end of the year."

Baum's voice trailed off slightly when she said, "I love working with middle school age students – not everybody does . . ."

Skeptical Interviewer: "What about hormonal rage?"

Baum: "Well, it's a challenge. In a perfect world all my children would come in every day prepared with all their school supplies and homework complete. But we don't live in a perfect world. I'm pretty strict and I try to point them in the right direction, to help them grow, to become genuine young men and young ladies. Character building and mentoring is a dimension we have here that makes us unique."

A Philadelphia native, Baum ended the interview by pointing out her Philadelphia Sports Wall, where newspaper headlines blazoned the Phillies' recent World Series victory. "We are winners!" one said. The same could be said of Baum and her students.

Kliman to Speak at Lecture Series

On Thursday, December 8 former Greenbelter Andrew Kliman, Ph.D., will lead a discussion based on his new book "The Failure of Capitalist Production: Underlying Causes of the Great Recession" at the Takoma Park Community Center Auditorium.

Kliman grew up in the 58 court of Crescent Road, where his mother, Itsy Kliman, still lives. An economist, he is a

tenured professor of economics at Pace University in New York. His brother Todd Kliman of Hyattsville is also an author who has given talks in Greenbelt and elsewhere about his own book, "The Wild Vine."

The book discussion starts at 7:30 p.m.

For more information call 301-891-7224 or visit the Facebook page at <http://facebook.com/TakomaParkMD>.

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Tide 2X Liquid Laundry Detergent 50 oz. \$5⁹⁹	Shurfine All Purpose Flour 5 lb. \$2⁰⁰	Post Honey Bunches of Oats Cereals Assorted 14.5 oz. \$2⁵⁰	Eight O'Clock Coffee Whole Bean/Ground Select Varieties 11-12 oz. \$3⁹⁹	Smucker's Grape Jelly 32 oz. \$1⁹⁹

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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.

Robberies

November 10, 4:10 p.m., Ora Glen Drive at Frankfort Drive, four young men approached a man, assaulted him and took his property. The suspects are described as black males, all 15 to 20 years old, 5'11" to 6' tall, 130 to 150 pounds, wearing masks and dark clothing. One of the suspects was wearing an orange and black jacket.

November 10, 5:13 p.m., 7000 block Megan Lane, two teenagers approached two victims, assaulted one of them and stole the other's property. The suspects are described as black males, 15 to 17 years old, 5'7" tall with thin builds, wearing dark colored clothing and masks.

DWI Arrest

November 8, 5:51 p.m., 7500 block Greenbelt Road, a resident man was arrested and charged with driving under the influence of alcohol and driving while impaired by alcohol, among other charges, after a traffic stop. The man was released on citations pending trial.

Drug Arrest

November 10, 5:18 p.m., 7500 block Greenbelt Road, a resident man was arrested and charged with possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia, disorderly conduct and resisting arrest, among other charges. The suspect was released to the

Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner.

Trespass

November 12, 11:09 p.m., 6100 block Breezewood Court, a nonresident man was arrested and charged with trespassing on private property and giving a false statement to a police officer. The suspect was released to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner.

Vandalism

November 15, 6:11 p.m., 5900 block Cherrywood Terrace, a door lock was damaged.

Burglary

November 15, 3:21 p.m., 9000 block Breezewood Terrace, electronics were reported taken.

Vehicle Crimes

On November 16, a gold 1998 Infiniti with Md. tags was stolen from the 7700 block Ora Court. An attempted auto theft occurred in the 5900 block Cherrywood Terrace.

Vandalism was reported at 7500 block Mandan Road (broken car window), 6100 block Breezewood Court (broken car windows) and 6000 block Springhill Drive (broken windshield).

Thefts from vehicles were reported at 9100 block Springhill Lane (rear MD tag) and 5900 block Cherrywood Lane (wheels).

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.

Sing Along at Free Bach Cantata Series

The University of Maryland School of Music will present the second performance in the Bach Cantata Series on Thursday, December 1 at 1:30 p.m. in the Grand Pavilion of the Clarice Smith Performing Arts Center.

The Bach Cantata Series is dedicated to exploring the more than 200 extant cantatas of J. S. Bach through informal performances by students and friends of the UMD Choral Activities. The cantata to be performed, "Nun Komm, Der Heiden Heiland (BWV 610)," was written by Bach for performance on the first Sunday of Advent.

All singers are welcome. A rehearsal will be held before the performance from 12:15 to 1 p.m. in Room 2201, near the Music Department.

No reservations or tickets are required for the audience. Admittance is on a first-come, first-seated basis, beginning 30 minutes before the event. For directions or more information visit claricesmithcenter.umd.edu or call 301-405-2787.

Electric Supplier Info Now Online

The Maryland Public Service Commission (PSC) has launched an online portal that allows electricity suppliers to upload their most current offers to the PSC's website. Consumers can search the website to identify licensed suppliers and to find any current offers suppliers have uploaded.

Information includes specific details to assist potential buyers shopping for a new electricity supplier, such as the duration of the contract, the cost of electricity per kilowatt hour, any applicable contract cancellation fees and a link to the supplier website.

Because electricity rates are subject to fluctuation, each supplier is required to update its offer information at least once a month. The accuracy of the information and number of open offers on the portal is based solely on data uploaded by each supplier. The PSC advises consumers to review all offer information carefully and to note key contract terms such as early termination fees. Visit the site on the PSC's web page at www.psc.state.md.us.

Donations Sought For Shop with a Cop

The Greenbelt Fraternal Order of Police will hold its third Shop with a Cop event on Saturday, December 10 at Beltway Plaza.

Shop with a Cop partners needy children from the community with police officers for a shopping outing where the officers help each child buy Christmas presents for their families and themselves, followed by a present-wrapping party with pizza. The children, who are selected by nominations from their elementary school, are each allotted a \$100 budget for the shopping trip.

Shop with a Cop is funded by corporate sponsorships and community donations. Donations may be mailed to Greenbelt FOP, PO Box 94, Greenbelt, MD 20768 or dropped by the police station in an envelope marked Greenbelt FOP/Shop with a Cop.

For further information contact Tim White at 301-379-8191 or Twhite@greenbeltmd.gov or Scott Kaiser at 301-474-7200 or Skaiser@greenbeltmd.gov.

Murder Suspect Gets Life Plus 30

On November 10, 2011, Rydell Lee Estep was sentenced in the Prince George's County Circuit Court to life in prison plus 30 years with no possibility of parole for the murder of 16-year-old Jericka Chambers. Chambers was fatally shot outside an apartment building in the 5900 block of Cherrywood Lane. After an intensive four-week investigation, Greenbelt detectives identified the suspect and obtained an arrest warrant for Estep.

On September 22, 2011, Estep was found guilty of four charges, including First Degree Murder.

Discover the Menu To Delight Tarantulas

The public is invited to observe tarantulas in a controlled setting at the Smithsonian National Museum of Natural History. Tarantulas there are fed Tuesday through Friday at 10:30 and 11:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. On Saturday and Sunday, feeding times are 11:30 a.m. and 12:30 and 1:30 p.m.



Chief James R. Craze addresses the Joint Select Committee on Deficit Reduction. To his right is U.S. Senator Frank Lautenberg (D-NJ).

— photo courtesy of the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP)

Craze Urges Enactment Of Communications Act

On Tuesday, November 15 Greenbelt Chief of Police James R. Craze, speaking on behalf of the International Association of Chiefs of Police and joined by U.S. senators and representatives, called on members of the Joint Committee on Deficit Reduction (the so-called "Super Committee") to include in their proposal to Congress the "Public Safety Spectrum and Wireless Innovation Act," a measure they claim would reduce the deficit by \$6.5 billion. This proposed legislation would create a nationwide com-

munications network for public safety officials to use during emergencies.

Craze was joined by public safety first responder colleagues from across the nation. Creating this network is one of the few remaining recommendations of the 9/11 Commission report not implemented. The measure would provide the public safety community with sole control of the airways within a radio frequency spectrum and also the funding needed to deploy a nationwide, inter-operable broadband network.

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SECTOR PLAN
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conditions that reflects A or B conditions for most East-West traffic in the plan area and E or F (failing) conditions for North-South flows. Following the staff charrette Williams said that the results, including preferred alternatives, would be shared with the community. No time frame for a meeting with the community was given.

Williams also noted that a mid-January 2012 meeting is planned with consultants. Community workshops including another youth workshop will likely resume in May 2012. Following the second round of community workshops a joint public hearing of the Prince George's Planning Board and the County Council would be scheduled around October 2012.

In his interactions with the City's APB at the meeting, Williams noted that his group is mindful of various activities taking place outside of the Sector Planning process that may have impacts on the overall plan. He and his group are well aware of the Greenbelt Middle School issues and especially the county's planning for a school bus lot for the northern area of the county. They are also following the ongoing discussions among the community and WMATA and "The-Bus" agencies on possible modifications to the area bus routes. Members of the APB advised him that they are in the final stages of approving a comprehensive Pedestrian & Bicycle Master Plan for Greenbelt and hoped that that effort would be considered in the Sector Plan process.

APB members were also interested in the likelihood of land-use or zoning changes being included in the Sector Plan process and Williams indicated that some zoning change recommendations may be included in the final Sector Plan and Sectional Map Amendment. He noted that there was some feeling that the Sector area may have too much retail and may need additional residential development. Further he noted that with the long delay in realizing potential development of the Greenbelt Metro sites, there could be a potential downgrade of the Metro site from "Metro Center" status to "Regional Center."

APB members also noted the sensitivity related to the public open space needs in the area and the proposed plans for Beltway Plaza redevelopment. Williams noted that with Beltway Plaza's proposals, the owners felt that the site-plan proposal for the rear parking lot (Breezewood Lane) appears to be driving the (plans) for the existing shopping center. He also noted that possible public recreational uses for the state owned conservation site between Cherrywood Lane and the Metro Property will be considered.

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— Sierra Club

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up a council story challenges a reporter to get to know something, fast.

Sometimes I make a mistake, the reading public rightfully complains and that doesn't feel good. But also sometimes someone takes the time to say they enjoyed my story, or to thank me for explaining something and enlightening them. They may not be aware, of course, that I was enlightened myself while writing the story and that their expressed gratitude is another reward for the effort it took.

Either way, it helps me grow as a writer and a person.

Curiosity Increased

In short, reporting on city council meetings has stimulated my curiosity. It has taken me down streets I never thought about traveling. It has challenged me as well to make a story as interesting as I possibly can about a subject that may be pretty dry – or at least to be concise and clear while relaying the information.

City council meetings can be boring, they can be long, they can use what might as well be a foreign language later to be decoded. On the up side, reporting them can broaden one's knowledge, give a deeper appreciation for the workings of city government and the dedication of its staff and, of course, challenge one to improve as a writer.

The News Review does not have a large pool of reporters, even fewer willing to cover city council meetings. We could use more.

The "pay" is minimal, of course; there is no health insurance or paid vacations or holidays. But there are snacks, the camaraderie of convivial people and the personal satisfaction and sense of accomplishment from accepting and meeting a challenge.

And exercise for the brain. Give it a try; you might be surprised and find yourself willing to do it again.

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Saturday, November 26, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.,
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Sunday, December 4, 11:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.,
Mishkan Torah Synagogue 10 Ridge Road,
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Tuesday December 6, 2 to 8 p.m.,
Laurel Regional Hospital, 7300 Van Dusen Road,
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Why Is It Necessary To Replace Missing Teeth?



Dr. David McCarl, Dr. Clayton McCarl,
Dr. Monica Mattson, Dr. Jay McCarl
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Replacing a missing tooth is important for several reasons. When you lose a tooth, your jawbone gradually loses strength and firmness, causing bone loss and changes in facial features. The loss of even one tooth can cause an unstable bite and chewing problems. Because remaining teeth often shift, proper cleaning becomes more difficult leading to periodontal problems and tooth decay. Teeth that have shifted no longer fit together properly, which can create excessive wear, headaches, and many other problems. There are also concerns associated with the appearance of a smile with missing teeth. First impressions are made at a glance and nothing makes a better impression than a beautiful smile. Most adults feel extremely self-conscious about a gap in their smile.

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With the recent advances in minimally invasive dental implants, more patients are candidates for permanent tooth replacement. Mini dental implants are popular because of their immediate use and also because they are less invasive, less expensive, and heal faster than traditional implants. The most common use of mini dental implants is stabilization of dentures.

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MERCHANDISE

BEDROOM SET for sale: purchased in 2011! Wood by Scandia. 6-drawer dresser, 2-drawer night table, mirror, headboard, footboard, \$250. Queen-size mattress & footboard free to buyer. *nothing sold separately. 301-220-2576 cash & carry.

NOTICES

INCENTIVE to prevent autism—search <autism “effects on marriage”> Bill Norwood

PETS

A GRAY-STRIPED, white-chested male cat has been visiting our home in the 65 Court of Ridge Road. He's friendly and rubs up against our legs, so we think he belongs to someone. Our female cats think he is very handsome, but they have said we are a 2-cat household. If he is yours, please contact us at 301-982-1212 so we can let you know the next time he comes calling.

REAL ESTATE – SALE

UNIQUE GHI TOWNHOME – 2 br + large addition with full 2nd bath. Expanded living room with fireplace. Hardwood floors throughout, ceiling fan in every room, extra closets, stacked washer/dryer, deck and window A/C units incl. \$178,000. Call 301-312-0398.

REAL ESTATE – RENTAL

GREENBELT/LANHAM – SFH, near NASA, 3 bedrooms, large master bedroom, 1.5 baths, dining area, carport, driveway, street parking, washer, dryer, new appliances, ¼ acre yard, storage shed, trees, partly furnished. Rent: \$900's++/month. Alternatively: share for \$300's++ per month per person for 3 persons. Consider better offers. 301-552-3354.

GREENBELT/LANHAM – Walk to NASA, 3 BRs, 1 bath, recreation room, bar, windows, big yard, utility room, washer, dryer, \$800's; OR ALTERNATIVELY share: \$200's/room. Consider better offers. 301-552-3354

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COMPUTERS – Systems installation, troubleshooting, network, wireless computer design and upgrades, anti-virus, anti-spam, firewall. IBM, Dell, HP, Gateway. JBS, 240-601-4163, 301-474-3946.

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LEAVES MULCHED – Small GHI units GS-SS, \$30; end units, \$40. 301-213-3273

HOUSECLEANING – Over 20 years in Greenbelt area! Weekly, bi-weekly, monthly, or one time cleaning offered. Local references and free estimates available. Debbie, 301-459-5239

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- 7B Laurel Hill: One Bedroom lower level with Great location, compare to the rest - **\$69,500**
- 39F Ridge Rd: 3 BR with large addition, Owner is ready to make a deal- **\$165,000**
- 39K Ridge Rd: 2 BR block /1 Bath, priced to move with AC credit - **\$129,000**
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FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS

The Festival of Lights is a seasonal celebration with activities for all ages. Neighbors of all backgrounds and traditions are invited to come together in a spirit of peace and hope.

We celebrate the sense of community that will warm our hearts during the cold winter ahead, and contemplate with joyous anticipation how we aspire to shine brightly in the new year to come!



Holiday Tree Lighting

Friday, December 2nd
Begins at 7:00pm.
Greenbelt Community Center front lawn. All ages welcome – FREE!

Holiday lights will adorn the tree in the traditional spirit of the Festival of Lights season. Musical performances by the Greenbelt Concert Band Brass Choir and other community groups will herald Santa's grand entrance to help light the tree. Complimentary cookies and hot chocolate will be provided by the Recreation Department.

**City of Greenbelt
Department of Recreation
25 Crescent Road
Greenbelt, MD 20770
Business Office: 301-397-2200**

Holiday Memories at the Greenbelt Museum

Friday, December 2 from 6 - 8pm (Following the City's Tree Lighting)
Stroll over to the Greenbelt Museum's historic house at 10-B Crescent Road. Sip warm cider, take a free tour of the house which sparkles at night with holiday decorations, and peruse the museum's gift shop which will be freshly stocked with new holiday merchandise.

For more information, visit www.greenbeltmuseum.org, email museum@greenbeltmd.gov or call 301-507-6582.

Local Events:

Pancake Breakfast with Santa

Saturday, 12/03, 8-11am
Greenbelt American Legion
Post #136,
6900 Greenbelt Rd.
\$7/adults
Ages 12 & under/ FREE
All-you-can-eat pancakes, sausage, eggs, and beverages. Please bring your camera to photograph your little ones with Santa. For more information, please call Lynda Varda, 301-474-8964.



Hosted By: The Greenbelt Lions Club, in conjunction with the American Legion Post #136

Greenbelt East Tree Lighting

Sunday 12/04, 6:00pm
Greenbriar Community Building- FREE Open to all ages.
Information: 301.441.1096
Hosted by: Greenbriar

Spaghetti Dinner

Sunday, 12/11, 5:30-7:30pm
Greenbelt Community Church, 1 Hillside Road
Includes choice of sauce with or without meat, salad, bread and beverage. Fee at door.
Hosted by: Greenbelt Community Church

Greenbelt Combined Choir Holiday Concert

Sunday, 12/11, 7:30pm
Greenbelt Community Church, 1 Hillside Road
Open to all ages/FREE
Under the direction of Jean Cook, members of many churches and the community form the Combined Choir to perform traditional and contemporary Christmas music. Hosted by: Greenbelt Community Church

75th Anniversary

Opening Event

Sunday, January 8, 1-4pm
Greenbelt Community Center
Please join us as we kickoff the 75th Anniversary of Greenbelt! Enjoy an Artful Afternoon, listen to the Greenbelt Community Center Commemorative address, see an artwork dedication, watch the Bel Cantanti Opera performance, participate in a craft workshop, visit the artist studio open house and much more! For more information, please call the Community Center at 301-397-2208.

Santa's Visit

Greenbelt Youth Center
Saturday, December 10,
10am-12pm
For all ages. FREE!
Santa has planned an annual trip to Greenbelt into his busy holiday schedule. All children will receive a free picture with Santa. Parents are welcome to bring their own recording devices to relive the moment.



Elves Workshop

Saturday,
December 10
1:30 - 3:30pm
Greenbelt Youth Center
Ages 6-12,
\$5/Child

Pre-registration required. Children will bake holiday cookies and make a beautiful holiday craft. Instructor: Gaye Houchens

Countdown Camp

December 27- 30
9am-3:30pm
Greenbelt Youth Center
Residents: \$133
Non-Residents: \$166
A fun, safe, and affordable Winter Camp for children out of school during the Winter Break. Children will go on field trips and have special guests visit. For ages 5-12. Registration required. For more information call 301-397-2200.



Resolution Swim

Sunday, January 1st
9 - 11:30am
Greenbelt Aquatic & Fitness Center
Start the year off right and with a little support from others as you all dive right into your resolutions! Open swim, 3 1/2 lanes available (must circle swim). \$5.00. Register at GAFC front desk.

Polar Plunge!

Sunday, January 1st
11:45 - 11:55am
Greenbelt Aquatic & Fitness Center
Wake yourself up for the New Year with an invigorating dip in the OUTDOOR POOL!
For more information call 301-397-2204.
The first 50 to register by 12/15/11 receive a sweatshirt!



Juried Art and Craft Fair

Greenbelt Community Center
FREE admission, concerts and hands-on crafts!
More Information: 240-542-2057
Find unique and affordable hand-crafted gifts for any occasion. Visit the Humanities Mart for Greenbelt Museum gifts, publications by local authors, and Greenbelt 75th Anniversary commemorative items. Refreshments available at the Festival of Lights Café to benefit the Greenbelt Arts Center.

SATURDAY, December 3:

10am-5pm: Craft Fair and Festival of Lights Café Open
1pm-3pm: FREE Craft Workshop
3pm-5pm: FREE Harp 46 World Fusion Concert

SUNDAY, December 4th:

11am-4pm: Craft Fair and Festival of Lights Café Open
1pm-3pm: FREE Wreath-Making Workshop
1pm-4pm: Artists' Studio Open House
2pm-4pm: Klezmer Concert with Alexandria Klezmet

For a full list of artists and crafters, please visit www.greenbeltmd.gov/arts



Recreation Facility Holiday Hours:

DATE	GCC	GAFC	YC/SHLRC
11/24	CLOSED	8am-4pm	12-4pm
11/25	9am-4pm	6am-10pm	12-9:45pm
12/24	9am-4pm	8am-5pm	12-5pm
12/25	CLOSED	12pm-4pm	12-4pm
12/31	9am-4pm	8am-5pm	12-5pm
1/01	12pm-4pm	12pm-4pm	12-4pm

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GAFC=Greenbelt Aquatic & Fitness Center,
YC/SHLRC= Youth Center and Springhill Lake Recreation Center