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# Election Analysis Five Good Reasons to Vote In Next Tuesday's Election

#### by James Giese

There are at least five good reasons to vote November 4 at the Gubernatorial Election in case you have not already done so by way of early voting or absentee ballot.

1. The race for governor might be closer than you think. Your vote could make a difference.

2. With strong endorsements for each of the two candidates, the District 2 school board race might be a close one. (See story below.) Your vote could make a difference.

3. Term limits for the county executive and council are back on the ballot. Your vote could make a difference.

4. Another controversial ballot question proposes to reduce the county's newspapers of record from three to one. Your vote could make a difference.

5. The fundamental right of every citizen of the United States is the right to vote for the leaders of our federal, state and local governments. Don't give up your right.

Polls will be open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. (See box on page 7.) Governor

A low voter turnout could contribute to the race for governor having a surprising result. Polls show that Republican Larry Hogan has narrowed the gap in his race against Democrat Lieutenant Governor Anthony Brown. Hogan chose to finance his campaign with state funding instead of raising funds himself. Outside groups have also provided support by taking out political ads and doing other forms of campaigning. Brown refused state funding which could limit the amount of funds he could raise and spend on the campaign instead relying on fundraising. He is said to be better financed. Outside organizations also have come to his support.

President Barack Obama and former President William Clinton

have campaigned with Brown while New Jersey Governor Chris Christie and rising Republican office contenders have appeared with Hogan.

The campaign has been reasonably civil. No aspersions have seemingly been made by either party as to the opponent's character, except for one quickly withdrawn Hogan comment about Brown's military record. As in almost all elections, however, the issue positions of the opponent have been greatly attacked and distorted by both parties and other facts often strongly distorted.

As lieutenant governor, Brown has been a strong supporter and spokesperson for incumbent Governor Martin O'Malley. O'Malley has consistently been a popular governor, although voter support declined recently due, in part, to many tax increases he successfully got the legislature to enact

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WMATA Contemplates Bus Service Here on Sundays

#### by Thomas X. White

On Wednesday, October 22, the Greenbelt City Council met with representatives of the Washington Metropolitan Area Transportation Authority (WMATA) and the Prince George's County Department of Public Works and Transportation (DPW&T) for updates on transportation services for Greenbelt.

Both transit providers offered updated ridership statistics (mainly covering the current year-todate) relating to the WMATA buses serving Greenbelt (R11, R12, G12, G13, G14, G16, C2 and C4) and the DPW&T The-Bus routes (Routes 11, 15-Express and 16). Generally they discussed future plans for the systems and addressed issues raised by councilmembers and Transit Riders United-Greenbelt (TRU-G).

The item of most interest, however, was the news that WMATA is giving active consideration to adding Sunday Metrobus service for Greenbelt, depending on the availability of funding.

Jan Hamre and Ginger Murphy represented WMATA, and Lou Farber and Niko Timrots represented DPW&T. Matt Johnson represented Greenbelt transit riders as spokesperson for TRU-G.

**Potential Improvements** 

Councilmembers welcomed hearing the news that WMATA

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## Local Registered Voters Are Predominantly Dems

#### by Mary Moien

Greenbelt remains a heavily Democrat-dominant town in 2014 with 73 percent registering as Democrats, 9 percent as Re-publicans and 18 percent as other parties or unaffiliated. These data are based on 11,231 Greenbelters registered at the close of registration on October 17. This figure shows about a 2.5 percent decrease in the number of registered voters compared to the presidential election in 2012. Greenbelt has continued to lean more to the Democratic side. In the 2000 election there were four Democrats for every Republican; in 2004 the ratio was 5 to 1; in 2008 the ratio was 6 to 1 and in 2012 there were over seven registered Democrats for every registered Republican. This year, however, there were over 60 percent more unaffiliated registrants (1640) than Republicans (987) There is also a continuing

(Center). East and West Greenbelt have somewhat higher percentages of Democrats – 76 percent at Turning Point Academy, 77 percent at Eleanor Roosevelt High School (Greenbelt East) and 81 percent at Springhill Lake Elementary.

Virtually the same percentage of registered voters (slightly over 40 percent each) now live in Greenbelt East, i.e. the Eleanor Roosevelt and Turning Point Academy polling places, as in the Center City (Center and North End). The remainder live in the Springhill Lake polling area. Franklin Park at Greenbelt Station (formerly Springhill Lake), however, has traditionally had a very low turnout for elections.

The smaller parties are lightly represented in the city; there are 66 registered for the Green Party (compared to 73 in 2012) and 29 for the Libertarian Party (identical to 2012). This year, 324 persons were grouped in "other" compared to 429 people in 2012. With 73 percent registering as Democrats, Greenbelt is "less" Democrat than Prince George's County which has overall 79 percent registered as

# ☑ Make a Date with the Voting Booth on Nov. 4 ☑

# Candidates Forum for Board Of Education Draws a Crowd

#### by James Giese

A capacity crowd filled the council chambers at the Greenbelt Municipal Building on October 23 for the candidates forum in which the two candidates for the District 2 seat on the Prince George's County Board of Education responded to questions posed by moderator Jon Gardner (a member of the sponsoring Greenbelt Advisory Committee on Education (ACE)) and by members of the audience. Both incumbent candidate Peggy Higgins of Greenbelt and challenger Lupi Grady of College Park conducted themselves well during the evening discussion that engendered little in controversy or significant difference in opinion on matters of education. They showed mild disagreement on school board makeup, however.

to another county over their concerns about safety and whether their children would be sufficiently challenged at school. But they chose to stay because they had resources to assure that their children did receive good educations. She noted that her neighbors had El Salvador but raised in Washington, D.C., where she attended public schools. In 1997 she became the first in her family to obtain a college degree, a bachelor's degree from Goucher College. In 2003 she earned a master's degree from George Washington University, specializing in curriculum instruction and bilingual and special education. During high school she was active in the Latin American Youth Center (LAYC), a youth development program for immigrant and minority youth and was then recruited as an employee. There she was involved in implementing the U.S. Department of Education funded Upward Bound program. She is now deputy director for the LAYC/Maryland Multicultural Youth Centers with managerial oversight of three sites in Montgomery and Prince George's Counties. She serves on the Governor's Commission of Service and Volunteerism and is a graduate of the Nonprofit Roundtable of Greater Washington's Future Executive Directors

#### Qualifications

In opening statements, the two candidates identified their qualifications for the office. By a flip of a coin, Grady went first, highlighting her having two children in the school system and her 20 years of experience in developing work programs for education.

Two years ago, she said, she and her husband debated moving

come to a different conclusion and had moved away.

Grady says she believes "We can do better," but it will require all residents to invest in making the schools great. She feels there is an urgency because "Our children are affected." With 65 percent of children in the school system defined as low income, there are many challenges, she said. She urged that parents be allowed to be involved in the school system and to participate in decision making.

Grady also urged greater investment in teacher development. She believes teacher compensation is insufficient and that there is a lack of support and guidance for teachers. The county needs to "have a pipeline to attract the best," she said.

#### **Born in El Salvador**

According to her website (lupigrady.com), Grady was born in

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shift toward unaffiliated voters.

Within Greenbelt there is some party variation by section of the city. Center city has a smaller percentage registered as Democrats - 63 percent at Greenbelt Elementary (North End) and 70 percent at Greenbelt Community Center

#### What Goes On

Democrats.

#### **Thursday, October 30**

**4:40 p.m. Sharp,** Costume Contest and Parade, Roosevelt Center, Centerway

#### Friday, October 31

6 to 8 p.m., Trick or Treat, Wherever Welcoming Lights Are On Saturday, November 1

**2 to 3 p.m.,** Greasy Pumpkin Event, Aquatic and Fitness Center **7 p.m.,** Free Halloween Edition Moonlit Movie, Hotel Transylvania, Youth Center

#### Wednesday, November 5

**8 p.m.,** Council Worksession with Economic Development Consultant at Community Center

# Letters to the Editor



Pumpkin carvers get ready for the walk.

#### Great Pumpkin Walk

I wanted to drop a short note thanking the organizers and volunteers of the annual Greenbelt Pumpkin Walk for putting on a very enjoyable event this past Saturday night. Thanks also to those who offered up their time and effort in transporting, carving and staging the pumpkins along the trail. The uniquely carved, illuminated pumpkins placed along the path made for a nice family Halloween-themed evening right here in the neighborhood.

I did, however, want to suggest that, in advance of next year's event, the "Northway Fields" section of Northway be closed to vehicular traffic. I and at least a dozen other parents and families were shocked to see numerous vehicles traveling up and down the dark narrow roadway. The section of Northway leading to the dumps is unpaved, unmarked, and unlit; factors, that when combined with young children and moving vehicles, create a significant safety hazard to pedestrian traffic attempting to reach the Pumpkin Walk trailhead. I'm not quite sure why people weren't instructed to park along the city streets and walk to the event. Allowing vehicular traffic of any kind after dark without a designated pedestrian walkway or other traffic control measures is short sighted to say the least.

#### Brandon Cole

#### It Takes a Village

We would like to thank the Greenbelt Pumpkin Festival planning committee members who powered this year's incredibly successful festival: Susan Barnett Jeannie Bellina, Allison Smith Bolten, Toby Delrahim, Paul Downs, Matt Holland, Damien Ossi and Lore Rosenthal. We would also like to recognize Dave Cockerham as super volunteer who pitched in at every step of the festival weekend. Because of these fine folks, we were able to bring back the highly-popular community carving party in

Roosevelt Center, host a Nature Hike to share the wonder of our forest, expand the Pumpkin Walk to include more than 40 "branded pumpkins" from Greenbelt community groups and businesses among our 250 plus jack o'lanterns, spook-ify this year's walk with more performers than ever, recycle pumpkins for composting across our community and food for people and farm animals and conduct a sunrise hike on the 11th anniversary of council's decision to establish the Greenbelt Forest Preserve. And we're not done yet. We hope you will join us for the first-ever Greasy Pumpkin on November 1 at the Greenbelt Aquatic and Fitness Center.

We also want to thank Greenbelters and their families who turned out to donate their time, trucks and muscles to make the Pumpkin Walk come off without a hitch. No small task. People of all ages and backgrounds came together to create the most inclusive Pumpkin Walk ever-including our very own Mayor Emmett Jordan. Our thanks go to Michael Hartman, Kristi Fletcher, Jean Newcomb, the extended Novick family, John and Ob Stith, the McElhennys, the Waters family, the Gaycken-McGrath family, Amy Knesel, Bernard Kelly, Erin Gatewood and Craig Roberts, the Wesley-Hunt family, the Marcavitch family, the Jenkins family, Sheila Maffay-Tuthill, Becky Roper, Cub Scout Pack 202 and Girl Scout Troop 5859. A special pumpkin thank you is extended to councilmember Rodney Roberts and his wife Tara for continuing the annual tradition of serving

Group, the Greenbelt Co-op Supermarket, members of the New Deal Café and Chef Karim, along with generous donations from Jim and Celia Craze and J Davis. And finally, we thank Val Elliott who served as a strong link with the Greenbelt Forest Preserve Advisory Board to foster stronger communication to create the most low-impact Pumpkin Walk and leave only magical memories behind in our community forest.

Until next year and Thank Goodness It's Forested.

Melissa Ann Ehrenreich Volunteer Organizer Greenbelt Pumpkin Walk Festival

#### Sustainability?

The article in October 9 News Review, "Greenbelt Receives Sustainable Award," listed the many commendable actions and achievements Greenbelt has undertaken to receive an award for moving the City of Greenbelt in a more sustainable direction.

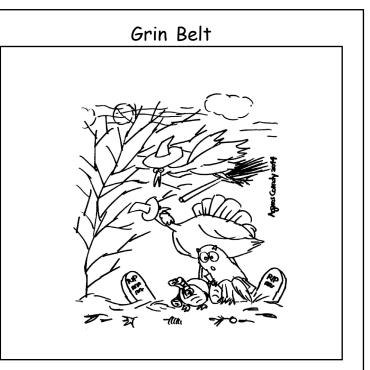
One of the listed items mentioned was, "The Greenbelt Forest Preserve has protected 225 acres of woodlands..." Citizens need to know that it would be more accurate to state that the Forest Preserve (FP) has now been reduced to about 223 acres. This has occurred over the past two years.

In November of 2012 about a half-acre of wooded area of the FP was cut and removed behind Hamilton Place. This was in Area C of the south tract. This has often been referred to as the unauthorized clearing.

In February of this year estimates are that slightly over one acre of FP was clear cut (including over 90 trees with diameters ranging from 3" up to 20") to provide eight-foot-wide buffer spaces around the community gardens in three different locations (Henry's Hollow, Hamilton Gardens and Gardenway garden plot areas). This occurred in parts of Area C and D of the FP.

And this fall about one-half acre was clear cut from the 10acre Belle Point FP area to make way for a new playground.

Two acres you say? That's not much. Well, here a little, there a little. In and around Greenbelt and especially throughout the county we are losing parcels of wooded areas to development and human needs. Greenbelt may be inching slowly towards a more green and sustainable future, as the article says, but somewhat less so with respect to preserving and protecting our forests, woodlands and wetlands for their own sake. Bob Snyder



"Witch bird has the best costume . . . for the Greenbelt voters to decide."

#### Investment Club Seeks Members

The Goddard Investment Club, a group of amateur investors who discuss and invest in stocks, is seeking new members. The club meets the second Monday of the month from 5 to 6:30 p.m. at the Community Center. The next meeting will be held Monday, November 10.

For more information email jdea@hotmail.com.

#### Menu for Senior Nutrition Program

The Senior Nutrition "Food and Friendship" program provides lunches for seniors Monday through Friday at the Community Center beginning at noon. Meals must be reserved by 11 a.m. two days ahead so that enough food is ordered. Call 301-397-2208, ext. 4215.

All meals include bread and margarine, coffee or tea and skim milk.

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**Correction** The photograph from the Franklin Park Day event in last week's paper misidentified the woman beside Barbara Havekost. She is Carolyn Lambright-Davis, a resident of Franklin Park. free hot chocolate to all pumpkin walkers.

We must also thank our sponsors including Maryland Milestones, CHEARS, Beltway Plaza Mall, the Mid-Atlantic Hiking

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# **Community Events**

#### **GHI Notes**

Saturday, November 1, 7 p.m., Pre Purchase Orientation, Board Room

Tuesday, November 4, 7 p.m., New Member Social, Board Room

Wednesday, November 5, 7 p.m., Building Task Force #2, Board Room

Thursday, November 6, 7:30 p.m., Board of Directors (Open Session), Board Room

Friday, November 7, OFFICE CLOSED. Emergency Maintenance will be Available.

#### Ageless Grace Free Sessions

Denise Medved, creator of the Ageless Grace exercise program, will be in Greenbelt on November 12 and 13 to certify new Ageless Grace educators. As part of this certification, there are three free 30-minute sessions that Medved is offering to the public. Come on down, meet Medved, and see what Ageless Grace is all about.

The free sessions are Wednesday, November 12 at 12:30 and 5:15 p.m., and Thursday, November 13 at 12:30 p.m. All sessions will be held in the Greenbelt Youth Center in the Multipurpose Room.

For more information on Ageless Grace or to register for the certification classes, go to agelessgrace.com. For more information on the classes call Karen Haseley at 301-397-2208.

#### Red Cross Holds Blood Drive Here

There will be a Red Cross blood donation drive on November 14 from noon to 6 p.m. at the Greenbelt Community Center. Blood donors must be at least 17 years old and weigh at least 110 pounds. Bring a donor card, driver's license or two other forms of identification. Appointments are encouraged but not required.

For details call 1-800-733-2767 or visit redcrossblood.org.

#### Slavic Food Fest Coming Nov. 1

St. Gregory of Nyssa Byzantine Catholic Church will hold its annual Slavic Food Fest and Bake Sale on November 1 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., with door prizes every half hour.

Eastern European ethnic foods including holupki, pirohi, halushki and kolbassi with sauerkraut will be available for eat-in and carry-out, both hot and frozen. Hot dogs and chips, too.

The bake sale features five types of kolachi: walnut, poppyseed, lekvar (prune, apricot and raspberry). Also available will be a wide selection of cakes, pies, cookies and other sweet treats.

St. Gregory's is located at 12420 Old Gunpowder Road Spur, Beltsville. For more information, call 301-953-9323 or 301-776-7929.

#### Co-op Annual Meeting Is Nov. 8

The Co-op's Annual Membership Meeting is on November 8, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Greenbelt Community Center multipurpose room (201). The meeting includes financial updates, board member elections, presentation of the Jim Cassels Community Service Award, door prizes and light refreshments.

#### Choir Seeks Singers For Upcoming Service

The Greenbelt Combined Choir will rehearse on two consecutive Thursday evenings in preparation for the annual Greenbelt Interdenominational Thanksgiving Service.

Rehearsals will be on two Thursdays, November 13 and 20, at 7:30 p.m., at the Greenbelt Community Church, on the corner of Hillside and Crescent Roads. All singers are welcome to join in this special yearly service. No experience is necessary. For further information, contact Jean Cook at 301-345-2597 or email eljmcook@verizon.net.

#### MakerSpace Project For Little Makers

The Greenbelt MakerSpace in Roosevelt Center is starting a new project for children between ages 2 and 6. It is called the "Little Makers!" Children work together with their parents to craft, create, invent and explore!

The first meeting is Friday, November 7 from 5 to 7 p.m. and will repeat every other Friday. Space is limited so register in advance for this free event at makerspace125.org/calendar/.

#### At the Library

Tuesday, November 4: Toddler Storytime, 2 p.m. for ages 2 to 3, limit 20. Pick up tickets at the children's desk.

Thursday, November 6: Kids' Euro Fest 2014 Preschool Storytime, 10:30 a.m., for ages 3 to 5, special presentation in the branch auditorium where children will discover Sweden as they explore stories, crafts and enjoy special treats. No tickets are required.

Monday, November 10, 7 p.m.; Chinese/English Preschool Storytime, limit 20, ages 3 to 5. Join in children's stories, songs, rhymes and other activities in Chinese and English. Pick up tickets at the information desk.



#### Computer Club Meets Nov. 13

The Greenbelt Computer Club will hold its monthly meeting on Thursday, November 13 at the Community Center, Room 103 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome to discuss computers and electronic devices.

#### School Board Race Revisited

The October 23 ACE-sponsored forum for school board candidates Peggy Higgins and Lupi Grady will be rebroadcast at noon and 6 p.m. daily through Monday on Verizon 21 and Comcast 71, as well as being available by video-stream on the city's web site (greenbeltmd.gov).

Utopia Film Festival Presents Sunday, Nov. 2nd & Wednesday, Nov. 5th Beginning at 8 PM

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# **Obituaries**

#### Sterling E. Tropp, Sr.

Sterling E. Tropp, Sr., of Plateau Place died Sunday, October 19, 2014. He was the husband of Betsy Tropp for 58 years; father of Sterling (Charlotte) Tropp, Jr., and Tammy Tropp; grandfather of Lisa Mavilia and Sgt. Calvin Tropp; great-grandfather of Malory Mavilia, Macy Mavilia and Bradley Tropp; brother of Starr Tropp, Glee Tropp and Shirley Tropp from Michigan. He was also honorary grandfather of Michael. Christina and Victoria Kerdock.

Friends and relatives called at Borgwardt Funeral Home on Tuesday October 21 and a funeral service was held at Greenbelt Baptist Church on Wednesday, October 22.

Interment took place in Frederick, Md.

#### In Memoriam A Memory of Marsha

Marsha Parker Bogardus, who died August 2014 (see obituary in the September 11 issue of this paper) and I were in kindergarten together at what was then Center School. We graduated together from High Point High School in 1963. There were many missed years. Our lives did not converge again until I lived in Los Angeles and Marsha lived a ferry ride away from San Francisco. By then she had two beautiful little girls, who in recent years have joyfully given her grandchildren. More than once Marsha and I found ourselves in Greenbelt at the same time, visiting family. Marsha's was a bold personality. She did not suffer fools gladly an unforgettable insurrectionist, and very funny. Her laugh was infectious - as was her goodness. I miss her very much.

> Kathleen McGee Treat New York, N.Y.

#### Exploring Medicare

Explorations Unlimited welcomes Tonya Womack on Friday, October 31. Womack will be giving an overview of the Medstar Medicare plans that are available during Medicare Open Enrollment. On Friday, November 7, Mollie Gurian from Prince George's County will be giving a Medicare overview and what kinds of things people need to pay attention to during Medicare Open Enrollment. Gurian will be focusing on the prescription cov-



The sisters after taking their final vows. The four sisters are Sr. Mary Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament Ardrover, Sr. Mary Joy of Martyrs Kimble, Sr. Maria Advocata Nostra Leger and Sr. Maryja Czarna Madonna Wojciechowski.

## Sister Mary Joy of Martyrs

#### by Kathleen McFarland

On Sunday, September 14, St. Hugh's parishioners held a gala reception for one of their own, Sister Mary Joy of Martyrs, as she prepared to take her final vows as a religious sister of the missionary order, Servants of the Lord and the Virgin of Matara (SSVM), known as The Servidoras. The parish hall was decorated with flags from many countries, and each table of food held dishes from a different culture or country, prepared by the parishioners. Representatives of each parish organization saluted her and wished her success in her vocation.

In her former life as Katherine Kimble, daughter of Mary Margaret and Stephen Kimble, Sister Joy and her brother Stephen grew up in Greenbelt and attended St. Hugh's School. Katherine excelled in sports, playing soccer and softball in CYO and the Greenbelt Boys and Girls Club and even baseball on the Indians Little League team. She went on to Pallotti High School in Laurel, where she was catcher on the Pallotti softball team all four years. She graduated in 2006.

That summer after graduation, Katherine went to Argentina with Pallotti's youth group ministry in a program to assist the SSVM sisters who helped older and disabled

women. She was very moved by the sisters and their work. After returning from the trip and trying college for just one month, she went back to Argentina to stay with the sisters and think about her vocation. Returning to Greenbelt in December 2006, she told her parents of her decision.

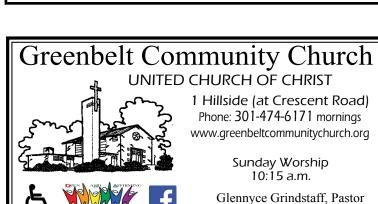
She entered the order in January 2007, staying at the SSVM Novitiate in Upper Marlboro, first as a postulant (someone who is planning to enter the order). In December of 2007 she became a novice, received her blue habit and took her religious name, Sister Mary Joy of Martyrs. In October 2008 she made her first vows of poverty, chastity and obedience at the SSVM Juniorate in Washington and studied there for a year before being assigned to the Novitiate where she taught classes and continued her own studies.

In July 2010, Sister Joy was assigned to the SSVM community in Guyana where she served as Mother of their community for three years. Her next assignment was to the International House of Studies in Tuscania, Italy (north of Rome), where she continued her studies, with some teaching. In 2014 she returned to the U.S. and on September 15 made her final vows

at a beautiful ceremony conducted by Theodore Cardinal McCarrick in the Crypt Church of the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington.

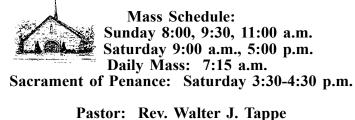
Sister Joy is already back in Tuscania, where her





All Saints Day Remembrance





#### **Berwyn Presbyterian Church** Rev. Mary Pullen - Pastor 301-474-7573



6301 Greenbelt Road Berwyn Heights, MD 20740



Worship

Sun 11:00 am - 12:00 pm (Child Care Available)

erage. Both of these sessions are informational only, so enrollees can make informed decisions.

Explorations Unlimited is held every Friday beginning at 1 p.m. at the Greenbelt Community Center. These presentations will be held in room 114. Everyone is welcome to attend and questions are always encouraged. Call 301-397-2208 for more information.

> Catholic Community of Greenbelt MASS Sundays 10 A.M. Municipal Building

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Sister Joy with her brother Stephen at the reception after taking her final vows.

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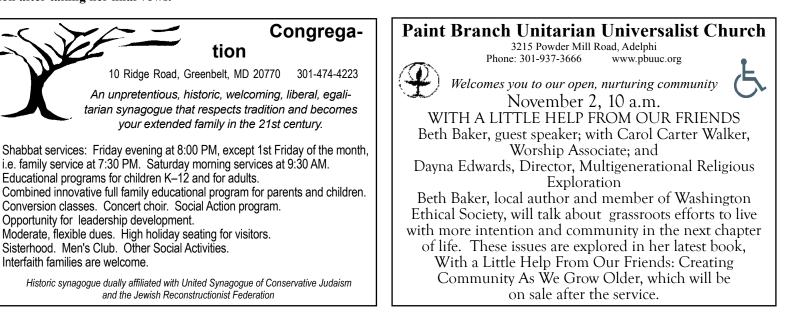
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**MEETINGS FOR THE WEEK OF November 3-7** Wednesday, November 5 at 8:00pm, COUNCIL WORK SES-SION with Economic Development Consultant at Community Center, 15 Crescent Road.

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

#### **Movie Theatre Operation Solicitation**

The City of Greenbelt is seeking an operator for the Greenbelt Theatre at 129 Centerway, Greenbelt, MD. The 400 seat movie theatre, which has been owned by the City since 2002, has been in operation since 1938. It is currently undergoing a \$1.2 million renovation including new digital projection equipment, new concession area and new mechanical systems. Interested parties should submit proposals by December 2, 2014. More details are available at www.greenbeltmd.gov.

#### AGELESS GRACE SEMINAR

Learn how you can apply the benefits of the Ageless Grace® program for your students, your clients, your loved ones, and yourself at Greenbelt, MD.

Ageless Grace® Personal Practice Seminar: Wednesday, Nov 12, 9:00am-1:00pm Highly recommended for those wanting to be certified - \$55 register online at www.agelessgrace.com Only \$30 if you register for the certification at the same time.

Ageless Grace® Educator Certification: Wednesday, Nov 12, 1:45-5:45pm AND Thursday, Nov 13, 9:00am-1:00pm and 2:00-6:30pm. \$325 including all training materials, playbook, 3 DVD set and flashcards (\$355 including seminar); register online at www.agelessgrace.com

FREE 30-minute Public Classes: Wednesday at 12:30pm and 5:15pm, and Thursday at 12:30pm Location: Greenbelt Youth Center, 99 Centerway, Greenbelt, MD 20770. For more information contact Karen Haseley at khaseley@greenbeltmd.gov



**MOONLIT MOVIE** SPECIAL HALLOWEEN **EDITION!** Saturday, November 1, 7pm. FREE! **Greenbelt Youth Center 99** 

> Centerway Hotel Transylvania

#### **Greenbelt Community Center** Recreation Assistants needed.

Customer service & event set up. Weekday & evening shifts. \$8.40/hr. PT EOE Apply on line at www.greenbeltmd.gov/jobs

#### **Greenbelt Municipal Access**

Verizon 21, Comcast 71 and Streaming at www.greenbeltmd.gov/municipaltv Thursday, October 30-Monday, November 3 12pm & 6pm: ACE presents School Board Candidate's Forum.



#### City of Greenbelt Recreation Department

COSTUME CONTEST & PARADE Thursday, October 30 Starts at 4:40pm Sharp

**Roosevelt Center-Centerway** Come dressed in your finest Halloween costume! Prizes will be rewarded to contestants with the most innovative costume in their age group. There will also be a category for the

best in family and best pet. Refreshments and a performance by comedy juggler and circus performer, Michael Rosman will follow the parade. Rosman has appeared on David Letterman, Jay Leno and the Wendy Williams Show.

Call the weather hotline at 301-474-0646. In the event of inclement weather for updated event status.



#### **RECYCLE RIGHT CONTEST** "WIN WITH YOUR BIN"

You can win prizes by properly preparing your residential recycling bin during the next couple of weeks (Oct 27 to Nov 7). Five winners will

be selected: one winner from each of the four City Recycling Collection Routes and one winner from a Contractual Recycling Collection Route.

Make sure you have clean, properly prepared recyclables set out on your collection day!

Check out our website to see what goes in your bin: www.greenbeltmd.gov/curbside-recycling

Part of the AMERICA RECYCLES DAY Celebration. America Recycles Day is on November 15. This event is sponsored by the City of Greenbelt and the Metropolitan Council of Governments.

For more information call the City Sustainability Office at 240-542-2153.

#### **GREASY PUMPKIN EVENT**

The Greenbelt Pumpkin Festival is pleased to host the first-ever Greasy Pumpkin on November 1st from 2-3PM at the Greenbelt Aquatic and Fitness Center, 101 Centerway. Join us for a family-friendly competition to pit teams against each other to push a greased up pumpkin across the pool.

Competitors will be groups in teams of two in three agespecific heats (5-8 years, 9-12 years and 13 years and up). Join in on the slippery fun!

#### Fall In Love at the Greenbelt Animal Shelter 550-A Crescent Road 301-474-6124

During this campaign, the shelter is waiving adoption fees (for approved adopters) for all adult cats. Open Wednesdays 4-7pm and Saturdays 9am-12pm



Skeeter is a handsome black cat with the most GORGEOUS ice blue eyes. Skeeter gets along great with other cats and loves to be brushed and cuddled. He would love to be a part of your household and get settled in while the leaves are still falling! Come visit Skeeter!

#### Greenbelt **CARES** Youth Mentoring Program

Free Tutoring and Mentoring for youth ages 12-17 who are Greenbelt residents or who attend Greenbelt Middle School. Robert

Goddard French Immersion or Eleanor Roosevelt High School. "Where learning and caring match up and grow"

Would you like to make a difference in the life of a young person?

We are seeking Volunteer mentors to work with youth to improve their academic abilities and to inspire them to succeed in life.

For more information contact Glenda Bullock-Willis 301-345-6660.

#### **FUNDING FOR LOW INCOME, GREEN-BELT RESIDENTS' VETERINARY CARE**

The Greenbelt Assistance in Living Program has been awarded a grant to provide low income households, disabled, and seniors funding for care of their pets. Income thresholds apply.

#### Please visit

www.greenbeltmd.gov for more information and to download an application.

Funding is provided by a grant from the Banfield Charitable Trust. For more information contact the GAIL office at 301-345-6660 ext. 2012.

**FAMILY FIT** NIGHT Wed., November 12 from 6-8pm at the

1:30pm & 7:30pm: Regular City Council Meeting of October 27

4pm & 10pm: League of Women Voters Forum

#### LEAF VACUUM SCHEDULE - NOVEMBER 2014

The City Public Works Department will again collect loose leaves from the following areas with the leaf vacuum from November 3, 2014 until January 16, 2015. We remind residents to rake the leaves to the curb, but not into the street, and to remove all sticks and stones from the pile as these can damage the machinery. Areas to be collected will be posted as in past years. We also remind residents not to park in front of leaf piles. Info: 301-474-8004

#### WEEK OF:

November 3-7: Lakeside November 10-14: Boxwood (Nov. 11 Holiday) November 17-21: Woodland Hills, Greenbrook Village Estates, Windsor Green

November 24-28: Lakewood (Nov. 27-28 Holiday)

Like us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/cityofgreenbelt Flower is cute tabby cat with a white stripe on her nose and adorable white paws. At 5 years old, Flower loves to be petted and enjoys sitting in your lap! She likes playing with feather toys and laser pointers. She is better in a one-cat household. Flower is waiting by the window for you to come visit her!

#### **VACANCIES ON BOARDS &** COMMITTEES

Volunteer to serve on City Council Advisory Groups. There are currently vacancies on: Advisory Committee on Education, Arts Advisory Board, Greenbelt Advisory Committee on Environmental Sustainability and Youth Advisory Committee For information call 301-474-8000.

#### **Greenbelt Youth** Center 99 Centerway

Bring the family and enjoy Hoops and Ropes, Beachball Volleyball, Speed Shooting Drills, Shuttle Run. Wii Dance Off, Soccer Shoot Out, Ping Pong, Fitness Zone and more.

This is a FREE event! Prizes! Family Rec Card Vouchers, School's Out Vouchers, Day passes to the Greenbelt Aquatic & Fitness Center.

For more information call 301-387-2200 **GET ACTIVE!** 

## ELECTION continued from page 1

to keep the state government afloat and because of a lagging economic recovery for the state from the last recession. Hogan's campaign against O'Malley's record and tying Brown to it as well, has probably contributed to O'Malley's slide in popularity and to Hogan's rise in the most recent polls.

#### **Conservative Campaign**

With a strong lead in registered Democratic voters over Republicans in Maryland, Brown has run a conservative campaign. While supporting O'Malley's accomplishments, Brown emphasizes what can be done in the future more than what has been done in the past. His two primary advocacies have been to gradually expand half-day prekindergarten to all four-year-olds and to make Maryland more attractive to business owners.

Hogan proposes to lower taxes affecting the middle class and small businesses and to make up for lost revenues by eliminating waste and fraud. Neither candidate has provided great detail as to how his objectives might be reached, although Brown's policy statement is reported to be many times longer than Hogan's.

Hogan's television ads consistently hammer at some 40 tax increases obtained by O'Malley and by Hogan's desire to roll them back. He also emphasizes a survey he made that determined that "47 percent" of Marylanders would like to move elsewhere if they could. According to one ad, the source for this statistic appears to be an informal poll he took at a campaign gathering possibly with his supporters present.

#### Brown Ads

Brown has taken out ads criticizing earlier conservative stances Hogan took on gun control and on women's reproductive rights. For this campaign, Hogan has taken more moderate positions to broaden his support. Hogan, however, received a solid endorsement from the National Rifle Association.

Neither candidate has much experience managing a large organization. Brown has been charged with implementing the new federal health care program in Maryland which proved to be a disaster. Hogan's experience is as a small businessman.

Brown served for 30 years in the U.S. Army in both active and reserve duty. He served eight years in the Maryland General Assembly before his election eight years ago as lieutenant governor.

Prince George's County Council, proposes to increase the limit on the number of four-year terms a county councilmember or executive can serve from two to three. Now, if reelected, an executive or councilmember can serve two terms or eight years.

Term limits were first implemented in Prince George's County in 1992. Later, in 2000 voters soundly defeated a proposal to eliminate term limits.

The council decided to make another try not by seeking a repeal of term limits but by increasing the number of permissible terms. If Question J passes, a councilmember, if reelected, could serve three terms or 12 years.

County Executive Rushern Baker is unopposed in this election in his effort to obtain a second term. Should the amendment pass, Baker could seek a third term in 2018.

Those supporting passage make the argument that if a councilmember is well liked and doing a good job, she or he should be able to serve more than two terms. Let the voters decide whether the person should stay in office. Those opposing claim officeholders achieve name recognition unfairly and that their financial campaign resources make it difficult to defeat them. After eight years, they think it is time to give someone new, with a fresh approach, a chance to serve in the office.

#### **Newspaper Notices**

The other ballot question producing some controversy is Question H relating to required public notices by Prince George's County. If approved, the county would have to publish required legal notices in only one newspaper of record instead of three. By publishing its notices in only one newspaper, the county would reduce legal notice printing costs by two-thirds or more.

It is contended that the internet offers another less costly means for posting notices. Also, with the newspaper industry in decline, it may no longer be possible to find three newspapers of record within the county.

Naturally, newspapers of record that receive county notices as advertisements strongly oppose this proposal since such payments may make the difference in the paper's financial ability to continue publishing. Newspapers have served as the principal watchdog of governmental goings on. They have exposed many illegal or improper activities through the years. Their supporters contend that revenue from such notices is necessary to continue to support a free press. Comptroller Peter Franchot is being challenged for reelection by Republican William H. Campbell. Attorney General Brian E. Frosh is opposed by Republican Jeffrey N. Pritzker and by Libertarian Leo Wayne Dymowski. Congressman for Maryland's Fifth District, Democrat Steny H. Hoyer, is opposed by Republican candidate Chris Chaffee.

State Senator for the 22nd District Paul Pinsky is opposed by Republican Janice Denise Fountaine. The three incumbent delegates seeking election – Tawanna P. Gaines, Anne Healey and Alonzo T. Washington – are challenged only by Republican Lynn White.

At the county level, County Executive Rushern L. Baker, III, State's Attorney Angela Alsobrooks, Register of Wills Cereta A. Lee and Judges of the Orphans' Court Wendy Alise Cartwright, Athena Malloy Groves and Vicky L. Ivory-Orem all seek reelection without opposition.

The Democratic primary winner for the office of Clerk of the Circuit Court, Sydney Harrison, is also now unopposed. Only Sheriff Melvin C. High is opposed by Republican Gregory Prakas.

#### **Ballot Questions**

Two questions seeking approval to amend the state constitution Question 1, if approved, will limit the use of state Transportation Trust Funds to authorized highway and transportation expense purposes only. A provision would be included, however, that if the governor declares a fiscal emergency, these funds could be used or transferred for other purposes if the General Assembly adopts authorizing legislation by a three-fifths vote. During the recent recession, these funds were diverted to other uses.

Question 2 would enable charter counties, such as Prince George's, to hold special elections to fill vacancies in the office of county executive.

Referendum Questions A to E, required by county charter ask voters to authorize the issuance of county bonds, i.e., the borrowing of moneys, to be used for a variety of major capital expenses for public safety, library, college, county building and public works and transportation facilities.

Question F is a county charter amendment proposal to clarify language to satisfy bond attorneys. It provides that bonds can be in either serial and/or term form. Questions G and I are county charter amendment proposals. Question G provides for the county chief administrative officer to serve as acting county executive should the office of county executive become vacant. Question I would add "disability" and "sexual orientation" to the charter list of prohibited discriminations.

#### The Old Curmudgeon



## Where to Vote: Polling Places for Greenbelters

Election Day is Tuesday, November 4. Of course, all registered Greenbelt voters are going to get out and vote. Right? So what are the remaining options for those who have not already voted in the 2014 Gubernatorial Election?

Some ships have already left port. It is too late to register to vote in this election if one is not already registered. It is also too late to change party affiliation.

#### Election Day

While there are other limited options remaining for the fleet of foot, most voters who have not by now implemented another plan probably expect to vote in the traditional way – in the company of their neighbors and friends at their local polling place on Election Day. Polling places will be open from 7 a.m. until 8 p.m. on Tuesday, November 4.

Voters still must report to their assigned precincts (see box on page 7) based on the residence address at which they appear on the voting rolls. None of that new-fangled "go anywhere in the county" business applies on Election Day. Prince George's County has mailed its booklet containing the official sample ballot in English and Spanish to all registered voters. The assigned polling place for voters at the address to which the booklet was sent is shown on the back cover to the left of the voter address. Voters can also easily determine their polling place online by going to elections.state.md.us and clicking on "Where do I vote?" Those needing more assistance can call the county board of elections office at 301-341-7300.

Thursday, October 30 have from 10 a.m. until 8 p.m. to participate in the last day of early voting at any of the eight designated polling places in the county. The location closest to Greenbelt is the College Park Community Center at 5051 Pierce Avenue.

#### Absentee Voting

Since the deadline for submitting a request to have an absentee ballot mailed to a voter was October 28, that is no longer an option. If the voter can provide an email address and is able to download and print the ballot upon notification from the county that it is ready, the deadline for applying online is Friday, October 31 at 11:59 p.m. Otherwise, acquiring an absentee ballot this close to Election Day requires that the voter or the voter's designated agent apply in person for a late absentee ballot at the county board of elections at 1100 Mercantile Lane, Suite 115A in Largo between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. on weekdays. For more information on late absentee ballots or designating an agent, call the county board of elections at 301-341-7300.

#### **Absentee Ballot**

Voted absentee ballots must be mailed or hand-delivered to the county board of elections in Largo. They may not be submitted online, returned by email or fax, or taken to a polling place. If hand-delivered, the ballot must arrive at the board of elections in Largo no later than 8 p.m. on Election Day, November 4. If mailed, the envelope must be postmarked on or before Election Day and received by the Board of Elections in Largo by 10 a.m. on Friday, November 14.

Hogan was a cabinet member for four years during the Ehrlich administration, serving as the governor's appointment secretary.

Also running for governor is Libertarian Shawn Quinn.

#### **Ballot Issues**

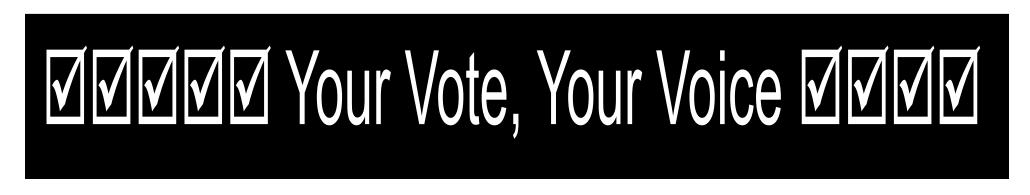
Of the 12 questions asked of voters on the ballot, only two are considered controversial. The county charter amendment Question J, placed on the ballot by the

#### **Other Offices**

With Democratic voter registrations strongly outnumbering those of Republicans in the state and this county, most Democratic candidates for other offices face token opposition or none at all in this election,

#### Early Voting

Alert readers of the News Review who are actually reading this paper on its publication date of The options are dwindling. The clock is ticking. Choose a voting method and just do it.



# 50 Years Ago . . . Johnson v. Goldwater

#### by Tom Jones

Excerpts selected from the News Review online archive. The following are front-page excerpts about the election 50 years ago from October 29, 1964.

This year, for the first time, Greenbelt will have two polling places: Center School (third precinct) and North End School (sixth precinct) . . .

The key contest, of course, is between Presidential candidates Lyndon B. Johnson and Barry Goldwater . .

Because the Maryland legislature failed to meet court standards in redistricting after the 1960 Census, the additional representative awarded Maryland as a result of increased population is elected by the state as a whole.

Normal Democratic majorities are expected to prevail in the balloting in Greenbelt next Tuesday, November 3, although Republican leaders believe that a large silent vote will cut down these majorities.

In the same edition on page 3 another topic concerned Green*belters*.

The question of uniformity in Greenbelt Homes, Inc. came up again on a member's request to attach dark-painted wood shutters to his house and to paint the trim around them dark. A spirited discussion arose between proponents of uniformity and proponents of individuality . . . The board finally voted 4 to 3 to deny the request.

And on page 1: The Master Plan recommends construction of a new arterial four-lane highway through Springhill Lake connecting Greenbelt Road with Kenilworth Avenue, by-passing over the Beltway (now Cherrywood Lane). The Plan also proposes all undeveloped land on the south side of Crescent Road should be added to the Greenbelt Lake Park.

And, stridently, in the conclusion of a letter to the editor.

As a point of information, the episode of the prolonged blowing of the siren last Sunday was the fault of the telephone company and not the fire department.

See next week's issue for the results of the contest between Lyndon B. Johnson and Barry Goldwater! And read the October 29, 1964, News Review among thousands of weekly issues since 1937 in the News Review online archive at GreenbeltNews-Review.com/archive.

#### MVA Expands Waiver **Period for Veterans**

The Maryland Motor Vehicle Administration (MVA) has announced that the Commercial Driver's License (CDL) Military Waiver grace period to allow a waiver of the CDL skills test for veterans has been increased from 90 days to one year from the date of military separation.

The CDL Military Waiver allows veterans and active duty personnel who meet specific criteria to use the skills they obtained in the military to obtain the recognized civilian CDL. As permitted under regulations from the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA), the MVA will waive the driver skills test for veterans, which is required to obtain a commercial license.

The waiver only applies to a Class A and Class B CDL. To qualify veterans must have two years of experience driving as part of their job function immediately preceding their discharge from the military; have a good driving record; have certification from their commanding officers of the type of vehicle they operated to determine the appropriate license classification and their years of operation and pass the CDL knowledge test.



#### **General Election Polling Places**

Election Day for the 2014 Gubernatorial Election is Tuesday. November 4. Polls will be open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. Voters can avoid delays by voting between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. Five polling places serve Greenbelt:

#### Greenbelt Community Center (Precinct 3) 15 Crescent Road

Greenbelt Elementary School (Precinct 6) 66 Ridge Road

Springhill Lake Elementary School (Precinct 8) 6060 Springhill Drive

Eleanor Roosevelt High School (Precinct 13) 7601 Hanover Parkway

**Turning Point Academy** (Precinct 18) 7800 Good Luck Road

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# **On November 5**

The next meeting of the Greenbelt Toastmasters Club will be on Wednesday, November 5 at 7:30 p.m. in the Social Hall of Greenbelt Community Church at Crescent and Hillside Roads. The group offers professionals, stay at home parents and retirees a supportive environment to improve skills



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## SCHOOL BOARD continued from page 1

#### Fellowship Program.

#### **Opening Statement**

Completing her first four-year term on the board, Higgins' opening statement highlighted her 22 years as a resident of Greenbelt, her 30 years as a social worker, of which 28 have involved work with children and her 25 years as director of the College Park Youth and Family Services Department. Besides this experience, she now brings four years of service as a school board incumbent.

Higgins lists the highlights of her accomplishments in the past four years as partnering with the PTAs (Parent Teacher Associations) to gain greater parental involvement, establishing a web site to show school accomplishments, helping over 1,000 parents navigate the school system red tape, speaking up for those not treated right and helping to form a coalition to retain funding for Camp Schmidt, where science and technology are fostered.

According to Higgins' campaign website re-electpeggyhigginsforschoolboard.com she has a master's degree from Catholic University in social work and a second degree from the University of Maryland University College in state and local government general administration. She was vice-chair of the board of education from 2011 to 2012 and is a member of the board's Finance, Audit and Budget Committee. She also serves as board liaison to the county Special Education Citizens' Advisory Committee and the Maryland Association of Boards of Education Legislative Committee.

#### Reorganization

The last of the six questions posed by Gardner for ACE, and a follow-up question posed by resident William Orleans, dealt with the quickly-enacted reorganization of the school board in 2013 that revised the process for selecting a new school superintendent. This restructuring resulted in the selection of Dr. Kevin Maxwell as the school chief executive officer.

As reported in the press at that time, upon learning of a shortlist of candidates being considered by the school board for the superintendent position and finding them wanting, County Executive Rushern Baker and District 22 State Senator Paul Pinsky successfully sought emergency legislation from the Maryland General Assembly to provide a dramatic reorganization of the school board. At that time four appointed members were added to the nine elected memResponding to the question posed by ACE about the reorganization, Grady said that as a parent she was for the change in structure but that she did not agree with the way it had come about. She felt there should have been better communication. She was excited, however, by the appointment of Maxwell and by some of the things he has since done.

#### Opposed

Higgins said she was not in favor of the reorganization because it was done without the community's engagement. She noted that a first legislative hearing was held on Good Friday and the second early on Easter Monday, because the bill had not been put up until the legislative session was almost ended.

"That's happened," she said. "I was effective on the old board and I am being effective in this new structure. Whatever the structure is, I am doing my job."

Orleans asked how well the new board worked together and if there was a clear dividing line of authority between that of the county executive and the school board.

Grady responded that there was no research to indicate that the new structure would work. She said the change came about because the old board was in the process of hiring a superintendent without pursuing the question of who was the best qualified.

The additional appointed board members brought expertise, however, that aided the board in selecting qualified people. Maxwell, she said, is responsible for making the system work.

"Do the appointed people get along with elected people? Yes," Higgins said. "People do come together." She noted, however the differences in structure: that the county executive now appoints the CEO, the chair and vice-chair of the board and that a two-thirds vote of the board is now required to override an administrative decision of the CEO.

#### **Audience Questions**

Asking the first audience question of the evening, David Lange of Greenbelt asked the candidates to comment on the endorsement of Grady by the Washington Post. In endorsing Grady, the Post had found Higgins to be an "implacable foe" of Baker's "meaningful" efforts and had stated that Higgins "remains a hindrance to the efforts of the new leadership." Grady has been endorsed by both Baker and Pinsky.

Higgins said she had been a bit startled to see the editorial. "If the Post got it right, then a lot of others got it wrong," she said. would encourage greater parental and community involvement with the schools, the school board and the school system.

Higgins replied that she already had held quarterly meetings with all the PTAs in her district. She noted that people were more apt to be concerned about the school system when they have an issue and that it was her job to bring these issues forward.

Grady felt that a lot of opportunities had been missed. She said she would look at different ways to achieve involvement, such as maybe doing more on weekends.

Another ACE question asked how the candidates felt about those who emphasize teaching the fundamentals over music, art and physical education.

Grady noted that the school attended by her children provides an after-school arts director but she felt more arts work could be done.

Higgins noted that this year's budget had provided more funds for arts programs and that she had voted for it.

Higgins said she is a member of the budget committee which is proposing a continual increase in funding for arts teachers and for full-time media consultants. She gave kudos to the Greenbelt Recreation Department arts program.

ACE's third question was how the school system could attract and keep qualified teachers and prevent teacher burnout.

In reply, Higgins said the county had wonderfully talented teachers. The human resources department has been reorganized, she said, to better serve teachers and to improve recruitment. But she noted that the District of Columbia school system was paying 50 percent more in salaries, which made it difficult to recruit and keep teachers. There is also a problem with teacher burnout and a need for a teacher monitoring program, she said.

#### **Peer-to-Peer Programs**

Grady noted a Montgomery County peer-to-peer program has teachers going into colleagues' classrooms to observe and support. There is a need, she said, to create incentives to encourage strong teachers to stay, with feedback on an ongoing basis.

The fourth ACE question noted that several schools were overcrowded, including the new Greenbelt Middle School, and further noted the ongoing housing development at Greenbelt Station. "What should be done about the and what curriculum changes should be made.

Higgins said she thought that the implementation was very important but that there was a problem in how it was being done by Maryland obtaining Race to the Top Funds, which require a tight time limit.

Grady said it was not fair to hold educators responsible for something given out at the last minute without ongoing training. There is a need, she thought, to figure out how to get everyone on the same page in order to move forward.

#### **Audience Concerns**

Most audience questions related to special concerns of individual questioners.

Theodora Scarato of Greenbelt expressed concern about the decision to permit cell towers on many school properties. She asked if either candidate would bring the matter back to the table.

Grady said she was not aware of the issue but that it was an important matter to be looked at once more. She advocated an open decision processes. Higgins said that opponents of the cell towers had made themselves clear on the matter and that she favored it being brought before the policy committee for a proper discussion.

Amy Hansen wanted to know what the biggest issues were relating to the two high schools in the district – Parkdale and Eleanor Roosevelt.

Higgins thought it was how to keep ninth graders from failing and repeating the grade and how to enable dropouts to get back into the system. Grady said they were addressing the problems of students who are struggling and mitigating the process for going to college.

Jim Cassady of Greenbelt East was concerned, he said, with how much time would be needed and how much time the candidates would have available to do the job.

Grady said that by working for a non-profit, she was able to modify her work schedule to accommodate the needs of the school board job and that she would spend as much time as was needed.

Higgins said she spent 15 to 20 hours a week as a school board member, three times as much as she had been told it would require. She has flexibility in her job, however, to accommodate the board work.

She does emails early in the morning, she said, and has given up doing photography and reading. It was a big adjustment in the beginning, she added, but she has been doing the work for four years and would love to do it for four more. Grady said the primary reason children are dropping out of school is that they are not learning anything. She proposes a resident career network in which residents would tell children about their careers. If elected, she said, she would look into the food served at the cafeterias.

#### **Artificial Turf**

Susan Stewart of Greenbelt is concerned that the county is using artificial turf on playing fields. She believes its use is not really cost effective and that it generates gas and other pollutants.

Grady answered that she was aware of these concerns. She said she would look into the matter once she was on the board.

Higgins said that Maxwell strongly favors its use as does the county coaches association. A new high school will be getting artificial turf, she said. She added that school funds are not being used for it, that Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission funds are to be used instead. While she is against its use, she said, it would require a two-thirds vote of the board to override the CEO's decision.

Genevieve Kelley of Greenbelt asked what the candidates might due to improve teacher morale by addressing paperwork complaints.

Higgins felt it was a matter for the teachers' union to bring up this issue along with their recommendations. She said that the CEO and some teachers felt it was necessary.

Grady thought there was a need for more communication and information on the issue and suggested focus groups involving teachers.

#### Spanish Immersion

Konrad Herling asked if there would ever be a Spanish immersion program in the district. Higgins said there were already two, maybe three, in the system and that the board had listened to him and to parents in initiating them. Grady noted that the programs had just started.

Jessica Cordero of Berwyn Heights asked how single parents, who have difficulty getting away from their parental duties, might be better involved. Grady said she would look for ways to engage such parents. Higgins asked Cordero what might make sense, such as possibly using audiovisual computer conferencing to enable participation.

#### Dora Kennedy

Judy Ott of Greenbelt, a retired elementary school teacher, urged the candidates to support naming the old Greenbelt Middle School, now a French immersion school, after Dora F. Kennedy. Kennedy was the first supervisor of foreign language education in Prince George's County, retiring in 1991. After that, she became an adjunct instructor in foreign language teacher training at the University of Maryland until her death in 2009. "She was an in-spiration to me," Ott said. Higgins said she had known Kennedy, a key to language development in the county. "She was something," Higgins said. She added that a committee is considering the naming of the school and will submit its recommendations to Maxwell, who will then submit a recommendation to the board. Grady thanked Ott for bringing the proposal to her attention.

bers: three of them appointed by the county executive (now Rushern Baker) and one by the county council.

Since this reorganization, the county executive now appoints the school CEO from a list of three candidates selected by a search committee. He or she also appoints the board's chair and vicechair who previously had been elected by the school board.

This legislation also limited the board's ability by requiring a two thirds vote to override a CEO's management decision. At that time, all members of the school board, including Higgins, strongly opposed the proposal. They saw it as hastily drafted and usurping of the board's powers and the electoral process.

Baker, however, contended that the change was necessary for him to assert greater control in upgrading the county educational system. Higgins has been endorsed, however, by the Gazette-Enquirer newspapers and by many local officials, including personal endorsements of all members of the Greenbelt City Council and the endorsement of the Prince George's Teachers Union.

Not understanding why the Post's endorsement went that way, she noted that she asks a lot of questions. She commented that she was interviewed by a Post representative for only two minutes on the phone.

Grady said she was happy to receive the Post endorsement and believed she was qualified to do the job.

#### ACE Questions

Gardner's first question that night asked how the candidates

problem?" they asked.

Grady felt there was a need for better projection of enrollments, she said, and a need to look to Maryland delegates to provide more funds.

Higgins said the growth in student population is real and that she keeps raising the issue with the administration. She added that many school buildings in the district are old and in bad shape and that they need maintenance.

She said that the new middle school now has 1,200 students enrolled, of whom some 700 are students who would have attended the old school; 300 are in the talented and gifted program which has been added there; and the remainder are transfers.

The fifth question Gardner proposed for ACE asked their opinion of how the common core curriculum is being implemented

#### **Chicken Nuggets**

Kristen Beauchamp, a Roosevelt student from Greenbelt, complained that she had had no field trips since eighth grade. Also, as a teenager she still only gets the same five chicken nugget pieces she had gotten in kindergarten in the school lunch program.

Higgins said Beauchamp should send her an email outlining the food problem and that she would forward it to the school nutrition officer for an explanation and would ask others who might have problems to do the same. She is working to get Geneses Works Program, a work-study program for the county.

## WMATA continued from page 1

officials were considering adding Sunday WMATA bus service for Greenbelt. There were indications that a \$6.5 million request was being made in order to make the new service available. WMATA officials informed council that public input regarding the budget would be appropriate and that Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT) support would be critical for the budget process, which would be considered in the January/February period, with a decision made by March 2015.

Other improvements underway include the launch of Google Transit for TheBus service this fall, the installation of new bus shelters and benches over the next several years and an increase in the number of American Disabilities Act (ADA) compliant bus stops.

#### Ridership

Farber provided highlights for the various TheBus routes. He indicated that Route 11 has achieved increased viability since its route and schedule were changed to complement Metrobus routes, thereby providing greater connectivity between the Greenbelt Metro Station, the federal courthouse, Roosevelt Center and Greenbelt East.

Route 15-Express service has been expanded, he said, and is providing replacement coverage for the discontinued Route 15. Route 16 provides wider service between the Greenbelt Metro Station and the New Carrollton

**Boneless Pork** 

#### Metro Station.

A snapshot of the September 2014 performance for TheBus routes showed on-time performance ranging from 61 percent for Route 15-Express and up to 92 percent for Route 11. Passenger counts for those routes ranged from more than 5,000 for Route 15-Express, more than 7,000 for Route 11 and just over 24,000 for Route 16.

#### September Statistics

The September 2014 statistics for WMATA bus routes serving Greenbelt included ridership counts for the C2, C4 Greenbelt to Glenmont route at 333,032; the G12, 13, 14 and 16 service to New Carrollton at 77,433; and the R3 service to Prince George's Plaza at 5,763. The R11 and the R12 Kenilworth Avenue Line had ridership at 42,342. WMATA statistics include some performance monitoring for the Greenbelt service.

Farber noted interesting statistics relating to on-time performance of the routes and customer complaints. Beginning in March 2014, he said, the on-time performance of the Greenbelt Metrobus service spiked upward and continued at a higher level through September.

Likewise, the level of customer complaints for that same period also dropped precipitously, he said, and stayed low through September 2014.

Farber pointed out that improvements in each case resulted from a change in management at

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the Landover Metrobus maintenance facility.

#### **TRU-G** Input

Matt Johnson outlined several transportation issues that his group believes are important for the community.

• TRU-G's goal would be the provision of seven-day Metro service for Greenbelt citizens and if WMATA is successful in implementing Sunday service, it should be the same schedule as for Saturday.

When he asked transportation officials what they could do, they responded that they would request members of the Maryland General Assembly and MDOT to support the funding. They would also solicit the aid of county officials and Metro board members.

• There should be late night bus service on Saturdays.

• Reallocation of the array of bus stops at the Greenbelt Metro Station, based upon rider destinations, should be considered and bus drivers should be given more discretion to discharge riders closer to the station.

• TRU-G suggests a half-hour headway for TheBus Route 16 after 9 a.m.

 Provide for bus riders' ideas/ thoughts regarding any changes relating to the relocation of the FBI to the Greenbelt Metro site. WMATA should do this before it is too late for input.

• Address the lack of shade at the Greenbelt Metro line of bus stops, suggesting investment of shade trees on the sloping bank behind the bus stops.

• Provide more leeway on timed bus transfers.

The comments and suggestions provided by Johnson were well received by the transportation officials. When he wondered where the promised bus bike racks were, the response was "They are coming." When he asked for more "speaker" stops, they indicated that a Federal Transportation Administration grant was possible. And they said that if they were able to add Sunday service, the schedule would likely look like the Saturday schedule. Murphy advised council that when there are events or occasions that need extra bus service for the Greenbelt area, to let them know.

When Mayor Emmett Jordan inquired about WMATA's role, if any, in the FBI relocation, Hamre indicated that WMATA would be staying out of the way, with the three possible sites under consideration up to the General Services Administration and their selected developers. WMATA has concerns regarding the security issues related to the location of a consolidated FBI headquarters in proximity to the Metro station. Their sense is that the process and negotiation steps will take some time and one impact may be to put on hold any major improvements until more is known regarding the proposed development.

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Vegetables

#### Upcoming Events At the New Deal

Thursday, October 30, Mid-Day Melodies with Amy C. Kraft from noon to 2 p.m. Open Mic will be hosted by Tom Gleason from 7 to 9 p.m.

Friday, October 31, John Guernsey plays standards on piano from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Saskia and the Truly Unruly Band offer up an evening of blues, R&B, funk and jazz music from 8 to 11 p.m. Join us for this special Halloween show with costume contests and prizes.

Saturday, November 1, The TV John Show will be offered from 11 a.m. till noon. Bruce Kritt will play classical guitar from 4 to 6 p.m. Guernsey plays standards on piano from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Skyline Hotel offers an exciting combination of pop, rock and blues. Dandy, a funk rock band with a dash of soul and a pinch of the blues plays classics from the 60s and 70s. This double band bill will play from 8 to 11 p.m.

Join the Deaf Brunch Sunday, November 2 from 10:30 a.m. till noon. In the evening, Hollertown will play from 5 to 8 p.m. This bluegrass and old-time band plays everything from old-timey standards to tunes by Lady Gaga, Bob Marley and the Texas Tornados. A fun show for all ages.

Tuesday, November 4, The New Old Jamboree hosted by Ruthie and the Wranglers offers old songs, new songs and many special guests from 7 to 9 p.m. Wednesday, November 5, Wynne Paris & Groovananda bring world beat, rock, kirtan, Indian, jazz and trance music to the Café from 7 to 9 p.m.

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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.

#### Robbery

October 17, 2:09 p.m., 6000 block Greenbelt Road. A woman entered Diamond Jewelers, asked about some jewelry and then left. She returned a short time later, carrying a cup of water, and asked to see some pieces of jewelry. When the employee removed them from the glass case she threw the water in the employee's face and fled with the jewelry. She is described as a black woman, 5 ft. 1 inch, 125 pounds, with red hair and brown eyes, wearing a black zip-up jacket with a white logo on the front right collar, black or dark blue leggings, a red hat and black low-top shoes.

#### Burglary Arrest

October 19, 3:20 p.m., 7200 block Morrison Drive. One man was arrested and a warrant issued for a woman, with a second man being investigated, following an argument about a dog. Two people reported that after a dog belonging to neighbors got into their back yard an argument ensued, following which

the three neighbors allegedly came into their yard and began to assault them. One of the three people entered the home of the two people to continue the assault. One of the persons assaulted was transported to Doctors Community Hospital because of difficulty breathing. A 19-year-old Greenbelt man was arrested, charged with first degree burglary and three counts of second degree assault, and transported to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner. Warrants were obtained charging a 43-year-old Greenbelt woman with third degree burglary, fourth degree burglary and three counts of second degree assault. Investigation of the second man is continuing.

#### Assault

October 20, 4:47 p.m., 9100 block Edmonston Road. A man reported that as he was walking down the street, two men assaulted, punched and choked him. He refused treatment for minor injuries.

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.

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People may anonymously report suspected drug activity by calling the Drug Tip Line at 240-542-2145.

Theft

October 16, 12 p.m. 7100 block Mathew Street. A Japanese maple tree was dug up and removed from a flower bed.

October 18, 8:30 a.m., 6000 block Cherrywood Court. Power tools were removed from a storage unit.

#### Vehicle Crime

Three vehicles were stolen, a maroon 2001 Chrysler Voyager with Md. tags 9MD6488; a maroon 2-door 2002 Jeep Wrangler with Md. tags 7AW3988; and a gray 2-door 2010 Chevrolet Camaro with Md. tags 2AH5575.

One stolen vehicle was recovered, a 2009 Honda Accord taken from the 5900 block Cherrywood Terrace was recovered by D.C. Metropolitan police in the 2500 block Benning Road N.E. No arrests were made.

Three reports of vandalism were received: In the 5900 block Cherrywood Terrace the hood of a vehicle was scratched and in both the 6000 block Springhill Drive and 5900 block Cherrywood Terrace two tires were cut in each location.

#### Trick-or-Treat Time Is Set for Greenbelt

Official hours for trick-or-treating in Greenbelt are from 6 to 8 p.m. on Fri-

day, October 31.

Residents wishing to participate in trick-ortreating are asked to turn on porch lights or, in the case of apartment occupants, to tie a piece of white cloth on their door.



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PRELIMINARY AGENDA

#### GDC & GHI BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING

#### Thursday, November 6, 2014

GHI ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 7:30 PM

#### GDC Agenda Items:

• Review 2015 Budget for Parkway Apartments

#### **GHI Agenda Items:**

- Presentation of Companion Animal Committee's 2014 Semi-Annual Report
- Proposed Installation of 21'x15' Concrete Patio in Garden Side Yard
   of 37D Ridge Road
- Buildings Committee Recommendations Re: Procedures for the Homes Improvement Program
- Buildings Committee Recommendations Re: Homes Improvement Program Outreach Strategy
- Buildings Committee Recommendations Re: Solar Water Heater Installation By Members
- Proposed Employee Health Benefit Costs for 2015
- 2015 GHI Operating Budget, 1st Reading
- Taskforce Recommendations Re: Electric Charging Stations
- Request for Staff to Investigate and Report on Restoration of Working
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- Presentation of Investment Committee's Report

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# Sympathy to the family and friends of longtime Greenbelter A Review Fanny by Goddard's MAD Is Rollicking

#### by Jim Link

Bring your handkerchiefs but

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Goddard Space Flight Center's

MAD (Music and Drama) big,

warm, rollicking annual fall pro-

duction. Set in 1930's Mar-

seilles, this romantic musical is

the bittersweet story of restless

young sailor Marius's love for

the beautiful ingenue Fanny, com-

plicated by 70-year-old Panisse's

name with over 25 cast members

backed by 23 musicians serving

up Harold Rome's memorable

music and lyrics. Greenbelt resi-

dents involved in the show in-

clude Mary Lou Fisher (assistant

director), Tommy Zanner (lighting

designer), Glen Harris (bass) and

Mairead Alexander and News Re-

view staffers Anne Gardner and

sexy Moroccan flouncing (Mela-

nie Pinot-Elliott) and tumbling,

cartwheeling gymnasts, this lush

production is equal parts drama,

gan's story is based on Marcel

Pagnol's movie trilogy Marius/

Fanny/Cesar. In 1954 the 19

year old Florence Henderson

made her Broadway debut as Fanny, with Ezio Pinza as her ar-

dent/reluctant Marius and Walter

Slezak as the aging Panisse. The

1961 movie starred Leslie Caron

S.N. Behrman and Joshua Lo-

Laced with ballroom dancing,

Helen Sydavar (violinists).

schmaltz and romance.

MAD gives excess a good

rivalry for Fanny's affections.

2014. Condolences to the family and friends of Sterling Edward Tropp, Sr., of Plateau Place, 81, who died October 19, 2014. His funeral was held at the Greenbelt Baptist Church on October 22.

Elizabeth (Betty) Polaschik, 95,

who died Sunday, October 26,

We were sorry to hear of the death of former Greenbelter Robert S. Isenstein of Beltsville, who died October 21, 2014, and send sympathy to his family and friends.

Greenbelt native Barbara Baluch Stevens and her partner Patrick McCauley, as the duo "Annie & Mac," were recently inducted into the Old Time Music Hall of Fame. The duo, based in Front Royal, Va., play and sing old-time songs, accompanying themselves on guitar, banjo and other un-amplified instruments, and promote their "back-porch" music with live performances, CD's and self-recorded videos on YouTube. The induction ceremony took place at the 39th annual National Old Time Festival of Traditional Music & Rural Lifestyle in LeMars, Iowa, in August. Some other names in this Hall of Fame are Roy Acuff, Johnny Cash, the Carter Family, Hank Williams, and even Patti Page, who was inducted two years ago.

A "lost" neighbor has been found! About a week ago, Nancy DePlatchett got a surprising phone call from her former neighbor, Nadine Connor, who had lived in 1 Court Ridge Road for over 40 years before moving to an assisted living facility several years ago. Her neighbors had lost track of her; and after receiving the phone call, Nancy and another neighbor, Joan Marionni, went to visit Nadine at her current home. The Residence on Greenbelt (formerly Rexford Place) and had a delightful reunion. Nadine celebrated her 100th birthday last May! Old friends can contact her by mail at 9885 Greenbelt Road, Lanham 20706, or phone the receptionist at 301-486-1590 to get a message to her.

To send information email us at newsreview@verizon.net or leave a message at 301-474-6892. - Kathleen McFarland

#### **Bellydance Concert**

The College Park Arts Exchange will be the site of the Raq Out Bellydance Concert on Saturday, November 1 from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. Raq Sharqi performers, teachers and students share this exciting dance form with the community. Free and open to the public; fun and appropriate for all ages. Plus, there will be a bellydance gear swap meet before the show. Open to the public from 3 to 5 p.m. as Fanny, with Charles Boyer and Maurice Chevalier. Jeff Pattison as The Admiral

kicks off the evening beautifully with his "Octopus Song," in which he wishes he had eight arms to love the ladies. Pattison also plays mandolin in the orchestra.

Daniel Lu as Marius is touching with his "Restless Heart," as he yearns for the sea more than for Fanny (temporarily). Randy Barth, the randy, tender, not really so dirty old man is quite appealing as Panisse, who convinces himself that it's "Never Too Late For Love."

Marie Nearing is delectably convincing as Fanny as she sings "I love a boy who has no heart to give." Jerry Katcheressian as Marius's father Cesar, urges his son to marry Fanny with the wonderful "Why Be Afraid to Dance?"

Because MAD's usual venue is closed for renovation, Fanny is playing at the Charis Center for the Arts, 13010 8th Street, Bowie 20720 in what used to be St. James Episcopal Church. The orchestra is in a separate room adjacent to the stage and watches the play as it plays on a big screen TV. Ironically, the audience gets to sit in wooden church pews as the decidedly secular action unfolds.

Fanny plays from October 24 to November 22 at 8 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays and 3 p.m. on Sundays. For ticket sales and more information, call 240-475-8800 or go to madtheater.org



Young couple Fanny (Marie Nearing) and Marius (Roger Porres).



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The Japanese Miyako Tiko Drummers Group engages onlookers at the Greenbelt Drum and Rhythm Festival.

# Drum Festival Rhythms Echo in Roosevelt Center

#### by Charlie Hansler

Susie Womble, 44, of Hollywood, Md., never picked up a drum in her life until a year ago when she attended the first annual Greenbelt Drum and Rhythm Festival at Roosevelt Center. Now she is a regular drummer and returned to the festival this year with her own drum to participate. "Last year I came to Greenbelt Rhythm and Drum Festival and that was my first time being introduced to drumming at all. It really kicked off my interest in drumming and taking classes and learning more," Womble said. She added how accepting and comfortable the participants and organizers made her feel.

Experienced drummers and complete novices of all ages came to the second Greenbelt Drum and Rhythm Festival, Saturday, September 27 from 10:30 a.m. to 8 p.m. in Roosevelt Center. The center was filled with folks of all ages with tie-dye and tribal folk-style clothing and, most significantly, people playing drums of every imaginable type and origin. All were encouraged to bring their own instruments or to pick up a drum and join the intermittent drum circles held between showings of the many bands that played throughout the day. In addition to the drum circles and main stage performances, there were free drum lessons and classes throughout the day for anyone who wished to learn drumming more formally.

The festival drew people from all over the area such as Tommy Bergeron, 35, of Mount Vernon, Va. who said it was a great place "to bring the kids and let them enjoy the rhythm and good vibes."

In addition to its familyfriendly nature the festival was geared to be open to everyone and as an entirely grassrootscommunity supported event.

Hillary Banachowski of Takoma Park, the festival's volunteer coordinator, said the local community was very supportive of the festival and that "It's free because we feel like music should be accessible to everybody. Classes are free, drum circles, drum performances, everything is free."

The drumming styles were eclectic and broadly representative of many different styles and cultures ranging from Middle Eastern, West African, Cuban, Caribbean, and Japanese Taiko drumming to Balkan Romaniinfluenced drumming.

There were a few tents selling drums and clothing but only one drum stand exclusively renting out drums to festivalgoers. This stand was operated by Michael Kweku Owusu, who splits his time between Ghana and Washington D.C. Owusu is the founder and operator of the non-profit Drumming Up From Poverty (DUFP). "DUFP works to improve the quality of life for street children living in Ghana. We have the kids make the drums and we ship them out and 10 percent of profits go to the children," Owusu said. DUFP has plans to eventually build a school for the children

school for the children who make the drums.

The festival, in addition to raising money throughout the

# Remembering Izzy Parker The Old Curmudgeon

#### by Jim Link

The winners of the Remembering Izzy cartoon contest sponsored jointly by the Greenbelt Museum and the Greenbelt News Review were announced Sunday, October 19 at a reception in the Greenbelt Community Center.

Eight contestants contributed 16 entries in the wry and selfdeprecating spirit of Izzy Parker, long time cartoonist for the News Review, whose Grin and Bear It cartoon often featured The Old Curmudgeon, a character clearly based on Izzy himself. His cartoons radiated a deep affection for Greenbelt while frequently puncturing the occasional pretentiousness of our city's zeal for liberal causes of every stripe.

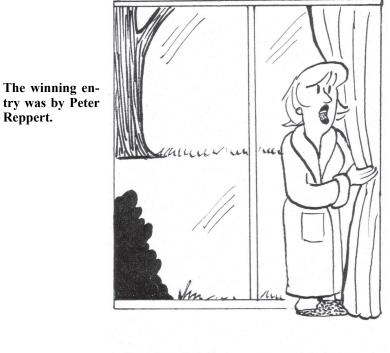
Peter Reppert was the winner and Chris Logan won second place. The six runners up are Larry Flynn, Julia Kender and Barbara Simon, Shayna Skolnik, Andrea Wiggen and Colette Zanin.

Megan Searing Young, director of the Greenbelt Museum, thanked all of the contestants and told them, "These cartoons are one of the many things that make Greenbelt Greenbelt. A cartoon's powerful visual language makes a good cartoonist someone who is part clown, poet, artist and dreamer."

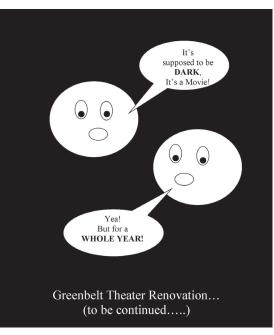
Mary Lou Williamson, editor of the News Review, thanked the judges for their hard work, particularly Gene Weingarten, columnist for the Washington Post. She also thanked JoEllen Sarff for framing and displaying all of the contestants' cartoons as well as several of Izzy's own. All of the cartoons will be displayed throughout the month of November in the Greenbelt Museum, Williamson added.

Reppert began cartooning for his junior high and high school newspapers in Reading, Pa., his hometown. Asked what makes a good cartoon, he said, "It shouldn't be cluttered with too much detail, should pack a punch with little detail. Telling the truth satirically is delicious."

Reppert graciously said that he liked Shayna Skolnik's entry



Honey, the neighbor's fake deer are eating our plastic flowers again!



the most. And Judith Davis thought Skolnik's entry "is the most interesting." It shows a woman standing up in a convertible speeding down Crescent Road, with the caption "I get so many camera tickets these days I might as well get a glamor shot."

Colette Zanin's entry featured several booths at a festival in Roosevelt Center; one booth The second place winner was Chris Logan.

was the "COVRAC - Committee Of Volunteers Representing All Causes."

Joseph Sucher, former longtime Greenbelter, said, "I used to meet Izzy in the (Roosevelt) Center and chat. He was always interesting to talk to, was in fact very curmudgeonly and frequently claimed that truth is always the funniest thing."



The Middle Eastern-style band Stream and the Blue Dragons brings their compelling rhythms to enthusiastic crowds at Roosevelt Center.

year, sold water bottles, t-shirts, and raffle tickets to raise funds for next year. The sponsor was Friends of the New Deal Café. Katy Gaughan, also a festival organizer from Takoma Park, summed up the main inspiration for the event by saying, "Even though we all have things that make us different the one thing that connects us is our pulse, our rhythm." She estimated that more than 1,000 participants attended this year's festival. Charlie Hansler is

a University of Mary-

land graduate student

in journalism writing

for the News Review.



Contest participants hold their certificates. Pictured from left: Megan Searing Young, curator, Greenbelt Museum; Peter Reppert; Julia Kender; Barbara Simon; Andrea Wiggen; Larry Flynn; and Mary Lou Williamson, editor, Greenbelt News Review. Participants not pictured are Chris Logan, Shayna Skolnik and Colette Zanin.



Folk singer Emily Armoa will kick off the outdoor festival

# Halloween Music Fest In Roosevelt Center

by Anne Gardner

There will be a free outdoor concert in Roosevelt Center on Saturday, November 1 starting at 4 p.m. The TnT Teens 'n' Twenties Halloween Music Festival will feature teenage bands outside from 4 to 8 p.m., and then twenty-something bands inside the New Deal Café from 8 to 11 p.m.

The festival, sponsored by the Friends of the New Deal Café Arts (FONDCA), with support from the City of Greenbelt, is an opportunity for teens, too old for trick-or-treating, to celebrate Halloween in their own way.

The afternoon will begin at 4 p.m. with folk singer Emily Armoa, a regular at the Café's Kid's Open Mic who performed recently at the Labor Day Festival Rising Stars and the GHI annual picnic. Two Eleanor Roosevelt High School soloists, Waffiha Badarani and Bryce Dubayah, will follow, covering popular songs with their distinctive gospel and jazz styles.

A variety of teen rock bands playing original songs fill in the rest of the outdoor event.

"Idle Empire" combines symphonic progressive rock with their own personal twist, while "Poprocks and Coke" have a 90s alternative rock style. "The Accidentals" play indie-inspired progressive rock and "Eyes Like Ours" is a metalcore band.

Popular ERHS comedian Charles Fahey will emcee the teen event. He is known to local audiences through the Greenbelt Winter Youth Musicals and the ERHS Aloniz improv team. Greenbelt teen artist James Rog-



Noah Waldron, one of the two vocalists in "Eyes Like Ours"

ers-Sites designed the event flyer. The festival moves inside the New Deal Café at 8 p.m., with two slightly older twenty-something bands. "Dandy" plays funk rock with a dash of soul and a pinch of the blues; classic rock acts from the 60s and 70s. "Skyline Drive" plays a combination of pop, rock and blues, ranging from Eric Clapton and Led Zeppelin to John Mayer.

The eclectic mix of musical styles will have something to

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21-08 Springhill Lake E.S.	1,432	65	6	3	252	17	1,775			
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21-18 Turning Pt. Academy	1,817	155	5	5	382	72	2,436			
Total Greenbelt	8,185	987	66	29	1640	324	11,231			
Prince George's County	429,207	41,743	746	1,052	58,384	14,761	545,893			
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State of Maryland	2,043,479	954,940	8,448	14,550	662,964	34,317	3,718,698			

\*Registration figures include active voters only – those who have voted in at least one of the two last presidential elections. Sources: Precinct figures – Prince George's County Board of Elections; Other figures – Maryland State Board of Elections (Sept. 2014)

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David Huber of "Poprocks and Coke"

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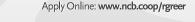


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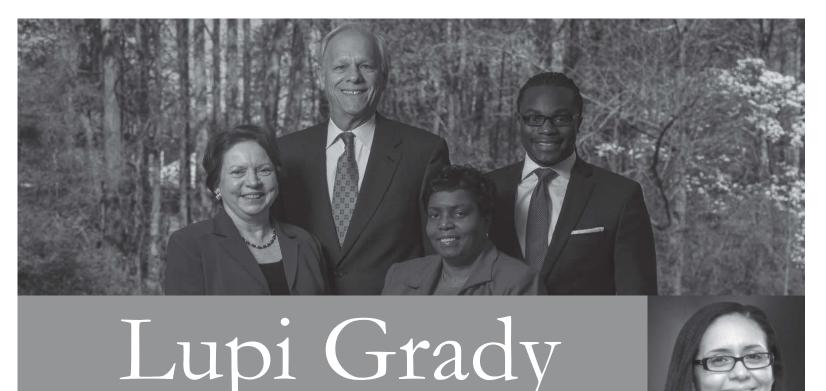
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