Council Okays Some of Pepco’s Plans; Still Reviewing Others

by James Giese

Progress apparently is being made to resolve the extent of tree trimming and removal to be undertaken this fall and winter within the city by the Potomac Electric Power Company (Pepco) under and alongside its power lines – but not as fast as Pepco would like. Pepco had submitted seven plans detailing work to be done and identifying trees over four-inch caliper that would be affected. City staff has recommended approval of the work in five of the plans, while resolution of the others, which are more controversial, is in progress.

These five plans were reviewed by the Greenbelt City Council at its September 2 work-session and will probably be approved at the council’s September 16 regular meeting. However, Jerry Pasternak, a Pepco vice-president, noted that most of the tree work was to take place on the two plans still unresolved and urged quick resolution so that work could be scheduled for this year.

The five plans recommended by staff for approval are:

- Plan 15738: To remove along Greenbelt Road seven trees adjacent to Greenwood Village with tree replacement and one tree at the entrance to Lakecrest Drive. Plan 15739: To trim and prune trees on Hanover Parkway, Greenway Center Drive, Hanover Drive and Greenbelt Road.
- Plan 15740: To remove seven trees on Southway, mostly in the vicinity of the off-ramp from the Baltimore-Washington Parkway and two trees on city property adjacent to the entrance to the Hanover Apartments.
- Plan 15744: To remove 12 Bradford pears and one red oak on Edmonston Road at the Franklin Park Apartments.
- Plan 34021/28: To do work along the Pepco easement between Windsor Green and Doctor’s Hospital.

See PEPCO, page 10

City Council Receives Presentation On Economic Development Proposal

by Kathleen Gallagher

This meeting was a follow-up to a previous worksession on June 24, which was reported in detail in the July 9 issue of this paper. At the first meeting, the goal was to discuss the work of HCDC to see whether it or a similar organization might aid the city in determining its next steps in defining an economic development program.

Last year, the city contracted for a report from Sage Policy Group that provided analysis and recommendations for an economic development strategy for the city. Mayor Emmett Jordan explained that while councilmembers believed that work to be valuable as an overall analysis, they found they still needed more specifics on determining priorities and setting out the sequence of steps that needed to be taken. Jordan described the HCDC proposal as “very pragmatic” in what it presents.

See DEVELOPMENT, page 12

Outstanding Citizen Solange Hess waves to spectators during the Labor Day parade.

Solange T. Hess Is 2015 Outstanding Citizen

by Gabriela Martinez

Joe Timer, vice-president of Greenbelt’s Federal Credit Union and co-sponsor of the Outstanding Citizen Program, presented an official plaque to Hess, which recognized her for her dedication to helping the less fortunate in Greenbelt. Hess was also presented with a packet of gift certificates donated by local Greenbelt businesses and a T-shirt made from the Greenbelt Co-op Nursery.

Hess was officially recognized as an Outstanding Citizen by the Mayor of Greenbelt, Emmett Jordan, in a proclamation from council.

In her remarks, Hess expressed her gratitude and delight at having her family with her.

“We grew up here in Greenbelt. We had a great time in Greenbelt, and all I can say is...”

See HESS, page 6

What Goes On

Saturday, September 12
9 a.m. to noon, Donation Drop-off, Municipal Center Parking Lot
Noon, Aqua Zumba Pool Party, Aquatic and Fitness Center
(See city ad for fees.)
8 p.m., Moonlight Movies, Ghostbusters!, Aquatic and Fitness Center Lawn

Tuesday, September 15
8 p.m., City Council Meeting, Municipal Building, Live on Verizon 21, Comcast 71 and streaming on greenbeltmd.gov/municipaltv

Wednesday, September 16
7:30 p.m., Park and Recreation Advisory Board Meeting, Community Center
8 p.m., Council Worksession, Technology Issues, Community Center

2015 Miss Greenbelt Pageant Winners Announced

The Miss Greenbelt Scholarship Pageant crowned its 61st pageant winners on Sunday, September 6 at the American Legion Post 136. Alisha Karley was crowned Miss Greenbelt, Allison Heatz was crowned Junior Miss Greenbelt and Katherine Larkin was crowned Little Miss Greenbelt. Full story coming soon.
Letters to the Editor

THANKS
Hours after the Labor Day Festival had closed, my exchange student and I walked over to the bathroom area to see the crews packing up. When we saw the woman in charge, we thanked her for allowing us to tell her how polite and friendly all of the employees were. She then looked at me and said “I saw your picture in the Greenbelt News Review. You’re an exchange student from Germany.” I asked if she was from Greenbelt and she said that she was not but that she ran into one before she came. That says a lot about Sherwood Amusement! Thanks also to Linda Ivy for another great Festival. Thanks to Public Works for keeping the place clean and neat.

Linda Curtis

Good old Greenbelt!
As open letter to Greenbelt Public Works:
I want to thank you and the crew - our great fellows in your department.

It has been a full year and a half, and the Greenbelt Public Works crew is doing a great job. I got overconfident, which only meant I was not 100 percent concentrating on my work. A couple of weeks ago my thoughts must have been elsewhere and what! Learned my lesson and hopefully won’t make that mistake again. The heroes are Greenbelt’s Department of Public Works. I had run my Segway into a car parked far into the sidewalk, with its bumper against the concrete. I only go around such intrusions a zillion times with no problem. This time, not paying attention, I went flying, falling flat on my (helmeted) head, sprawled on the ground. A kind woman stopped (helmeted) head, sprawled on the ground. A kind woman stopped. She then looked in my machine back in place, help me sit up, get to my feet and helped me back to my machine. They offered to put my machine back in place.

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Cynthia Newcomer

Send us your photos!
The News Review would like to print more photos of Greenbelt landmarks, activities and the changing seasons. Photos should at least be 300 dpi, and please include the name of the photographer, and a caption. The caption must name any identifiable people in the photo, as well as explain the picture. The photos will be black and white, if the issue but may be color in the online version. Send us no more than five photos at a time. The heroes are Greenbelt’s Department of Public Works. I had run my Segway into a car parked far into the sidewalk, with its bumper against the concrete. I only go around such intrusions a zillion times with no problem. This time, not paying attention, I went flying, falling flat on my (helmeted) head, sprawled on the ground. A kind woman stopped.

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Elizabeth Flam

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Freda Lebowitz Wollman was there for eight years. Doctors Community Hospital. Another joy was the work she and Billy enjoyed together. She and Billy enjoyed caring for many other people, especially for over five years for two children in the sales industry for over 25 years. She was a dedicated employee working for one company in the automotive parts industry. Her son and daughter, Jerry Wollman, is now a hospital administrator in Baltimore. Her elder daughter, Iris Patillo, with her husband David, owns a construction management consulting firm near Atlanta. Her younger daughter, Mama, has just finished her master’s degree in social work and will be transitioning from hospitality sales to a career as a psychotherapist.

Freda’s five grandchildren, one girl and four boys, aged 23 down to 8, were a joy to her. After Freda’s marriage ended amicably in the eighties, she met Billy Fletcher. As friends, lovers and soulmates, they lived a full life until her death. One of Freda’s biggest joys was being with her family. As her children were growing up they were proud to live in the fun and cool house where all the kids wanted to hang out. She always had a hug or a snack for any child that needed a place to just be themselves. She was open, non-judgmental and fun, treating the kids as real people and not as silly little children.

Her home was always open on any holiday for those without another place to go. There was always room at the Wollman’s table, as she was always generous. Freda was a loyal and dedicated employee working for one company in the automotive parts sales industry for over 25 years and another for over five years until her retirement nine years ago. She and Billy enjoyed canoeing and fishing in their earlier years together. Even in retirement, Freda wanted to stay busy helping people. Another joy was the work that she did as a volunteer at Doctors Community Hospital. She was there for eight years.

It was said by co-workers and others that she was one of their most dedicated volunteers.

When she was diagnosed with emphysema over a decade ago she quit smoking. But the damage had been done and her weakened lung capacity took its toll on her body over the years. She gradually slowed down and lost her ability to get around with ease.

Even with her illness, she continued to help and support many projects over the years, like Ronald McDonald House, Children’s Hospital and cystic fibrosis to name a few.

After falling and breaking her pelvic bone in May she fought hard all summer to recuperate. The visitors, notes, cards and flower that she received all summer long were a testament to the number of people that she had an impact on throughout her life. Freda was one of a kind and her love touched many.

Her Shiva services, held at the home of her son in Silver Spring on August 18 and 19, were a beautiful celebration of her life. You know you’re a special person when your doctor attends your care as well as the nurses who cared for you at the end of your life. Even in dying, she taught us all a lot about living. A loving friend’s tribute.

Our condolences to the family and friends of Robert Bassett, who died August 28 after playing tennis.

Sympathies to the family and friends of Freda Lebowitz Wollman who was a longtime resident of Prince Georges County and a 25-year Greenbelter. She died August 16.

Liz Labukas was buried at Arlington National Cemetery on September 3, beside her parents Peter and Eileen Labukas. Liz always loved the Labor Day Festival which takes place every year near her birthday, September 5, especially playing bingo and helping to carry the Nursery School banner in the parade. She was remembered at the bingo this past Saturday night by a special blackout bingo her sister Kathy sponsored in her honor: A Koosa dogwood tree will be planted in her memory sometime later this fall near the Nursery School, where she worked for many years.

Doug and Lannay Tull are proud to announce the following news on their two daughters. Jacqueline Tull Willoughby has a full scholarship to pursue a Master of Fine Arts degree at the University of Delaware. Jacque received a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree in 1957. She married in 1960, graduated from Northwestern High School in 1957. She was born November 26, 1939, who resided on Eastway for the past 27 years and died on August 16, was raised in Pennsylvania. Liz’s college, growing up in Mount Rainier and then University Park. She graduated from Northwestern High School in 1957. She married in 1960, lived in the Lewisdale community in Hyattsville, and had a son and two daughters. Her son, Jerry Wollman, is now a hospital administrator in Baltimore. Her elder daughter, Iris Patillo, with her husband David, owns a construction management consulting firm near Atlanta. Her younger daughter, Mama, has just finished her master’s degree in social work and will be transitioning from hospitality sales to a career as a psychotherapist.

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CITY INFORMATION

GREENBELT AQUATIC & FITNESS CENTER
OUTDOOR POOL IS OPEN
The Indoor Pool and Hot Tub will close from September 8 to approximately October 23rd.
The outdoor pool will stay open through Saturday, September 12th.

ABSENTEE VOTING: Any qualified voter of the City of Greenbelt may choose to vote by EARLY VOTING or ABSENTEE VOTING.

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EARLY VOTING DATES AND LOCATIONS
Schoen Hills Park Clubhouse 6915 Hanover Parkway
Saturday, October 17th, 9:00 am to 1:00 pm
Sunday, October 18th, 11:00 am to 2:00 pm
Springhill Lake Recreation Center 6101 Cherrywood Lane
Saturday, October 24th, 9:00 am to 1:00 pm
Sunday, October 25th, 11:00 am to 2:00 pm
Greenbelt Municipal Building 25 Crescent Road
Mondays – Fridays
October 19th – October 30th, 9:00 am – 5:00 pm
Tuesdays until 8:00 pm

NO MORE EXCUSES!
Throughout the month in the Municipal Building, September 8 to approximately October 23rd
Greenbelt may choose to vote by EARLY VOTING.

DONATION DROP-OFF TO RESUME ON SEPTEMBER 12TH
GreenDrop will be collecting your items on the 2nd and 4th Saturday of the month in the Municipal Center Parking lot from 9:00am-12:00pm.
that Greenbelt is Great. I do want the young people to re-
member to love your parents and your teachers fond and dear,”
said Hess.

After the ceremony, Hess and former Outstanding Citizens gath-
ered in the Council Room in the Municipal Building for the
traditional celebratory cake and punch. Jordan presented Hess
with a small model of the Mother and Child statue in Roosevelt
Center.

“Solange exemplifies a lot of the best qualities the Outstanding
Citizen Committee is looking for,” Jordan said.

Background
Hess was born and grew up in Winnipeg, Canada, on the banks of
the Red River. Her passion for volunteering, she said, comes from being a child of the Great
Depression.

“The sense of volunteering started in my family way back when. It all started at home. We always had to give back and share. We always had little to give and little to share.”

Hess’s father worked as a phy-
sician and her mother volunteered
as a nurse in the local hospital. Growing up in a family of medi-
cal professionals, Hess developed
a calling for nursing. She en-
elled in nursing school at Misericordia
College in Minnesota.

She became a nurse shortly af-
terward and worked for 55 years
in the profession.

Motivated by her desire to gain more nursing experience in the field of psychiatry, Hess
decided to move to the United
States for the first time to work at the Menninger Clinic in Kan-
sas. She later traveled to Alaska, where she met and fell in love
with her husband.

Activities
Despite living a busy life of a
mother of three boys, Hess
still found time to be energeti-
cally involved in youth organi-
zations. She was a volunteer
for the Greenbelt Little League
and the Eleanor Roosevelt High
School Tennis Team.

Her involvement in the com-
unity is broad and extends to
different organizations in the
community. She is an active
member in a variety of clubs,
such as the Greenbelt Golden
Age Club, and is also a member
of the Greenbelt News Review’s
proofreading team. Hess is certi-
fied in Emergency Preparedness
and volunteers in Greenbelt’s
Community Emergency Response
Team. Her nurse certification
also qualifies her to perform
blood screenings for the Heart
Association and city-sponsored
health fairs.

Hess’s work goes beyond vol-
unteering; she also helps develop
poverty alleviation programs,
such as the Greenbelt Assistance
in Living Program, also known as
GAIL. She is an active parishion-
er and member of the Ladies of
Charity in St. Hugh of Grenoble.

For eight years Hess has been co-
ordinator for the Pantry of Green-
belt—an ecumenical program that
provides groceries confidentially to underprivileged families in
Greenbelt sustained solely by do-
nations and the generosity of the
community. The Pantry serves
fifteen families a week.

The Ladies of Charity obtain
most of their donations from
shoppers at the Greenbelt Co-
op who drop off foodstuffs in a
green bin labeled ”Food Pantry Donations.” Volunteers pick up
the groceries once a week and
bring them to St. Hugh of Grench-
oble, where the Ladies of Charity
organize the groceries and pack-
age them into meals.

When asked to describe what
was her most gratifying experi-
ce as a volunteer, Solange Hess
simply responded: “It is better to
give than to receive.”

“I’ve met up with such gen-
erous people they have been so
wonderful. We have kept this
alive, even though we have no
wonder. We have kept this
wonder, even though we have no
source of income. It’s the gener-
osity of the people of Greenbelt
that has sustained me and the
members of the pantry,” Hess
said.

(Gabriela Martinez is a Uni-
versity of Maryland graduate
school student writing for the
News Review.)

Transportation Planning Board
Community Leadership Institute

How are transportation deci-
dions made in this region? How
can community leaders make a
difference?

The Transportation Planning
Board’s (TPB) Community Lead-
ership Institute (CLI) is designed
to help community leaders fig-
ure out those questions. Over
the course of three interrelated
modules, the CLI aims to empow-
er individuals to get involved in
transportation decision-mak-
ing whenever and wherever it
occurs. Facilitated by Kathy
Porter—current WMATA board
member and former TPB chair
and Takoma Park Mayor—the
CLI uses interactive group ex-
ercises and discussions to help
participants better understand
regional challenges as well as
opportunities for successful
pub-
ic involvement. At each step of
the way, participants discuss
ways in which the interests of
their local communities connect
close the planning issues facing
the entire region. By providing
this big-picture context, the CLI
encourages participants to “think
regionally and act locally.”

Interested candidates must
commit to attending all three ses-
sions: Wednesday evenings from
5:30 to 9 p.m. on October 7, 10
and 14 at the Metropolitan Wash-
ington Council of Governments
offices in Washington, D.C.
Interested candidates must submit
a brief statement of interest before
September 25, 2015.

The statement of interest can
either be submitted online (www.
mwcog.org/cli) or by sending an
e-mail to Bryan Hayes (bhayes@mwcog.
org) and must include the following
information:

Name, state of residence, mail-
ing address affiliation with a civic
association or community group,
recent experiences or roles in
community leadership, why you
are interested in participating in
the TPB Community Leader-
ship Institute one how you heard
about the CLI.

Also write a one-to-two sen-
tence bio to be shared with other
members of the CLI.

Statements of interest may also
be mailed to:
Bryan Hayes, Metropolitan
Washington Council of Govern-
ments, 777 North Capital Street,
NE Suite 300, Washington, DC
20002.

A member of the TPB staff
will contact those who submit
a statement of interest regarding
registration status.

CLI participants represent a
range of transportation interests
and come from all corners of the
metropolitan Washington region.
For the CLI to be successful, it
is important for participants to
comprise a comprehensive group
that is representative of the mo-
asic of interests and geographical
diversity within our region. The
TPB hosts the CLI multiple times
annually, so if interested parties
are unable to attend the CLI this
fall, future opportunities will be
available.

For more information on the
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Thursday, September 10, 2015
Greenbelt, Maryland, is a Hotbed of Everyday Climate Change Action

by Kelsey Ryan

For many people today, the environmental movement can seem intimidating. Changing climate is scary, as are environmental inequality, pollution, and waste. What can one person do to change these realities? But for one resident of Greenbelt, Maryland, there’s one important way the “green” movement can seem more friendly: encouragement.

“It’s good to explain environmental issues on a basic level,” says Jane Young. Young is a longtime Greenbelt local and a coordinator of the Greenbelt Westminster Group, a collaborative effort by the Greenbelt Community Church, the Greenbelt Climate Action Network (GCAN), and other environmentally-focused groups around the city. Early this August, we at Groundswell got the opportunity to take a special tour of Greenbelt, hosted by Young. And along the way, she told us the story of her journey to clean energy, and Greenbelt’s success in making environmentalism something everyone can access.

“An important part of being stewards of the Earth is to wrap their heads around,” says Young. “Even in Greenbelt—which is a green community—a lot of people still don’t understand what to do or how.”

The key to making real change, thinks Young, is making environmentalism part of daily life. “Some people recycle already, and that’s great,” she says. “But then you see people who write off recycling, but they garden. That’s also good thing, probably even better than just recycling. We’ve got to help people see why the Earth is important, and all the ways they can easily participate.”

Mass Casualty Drill
On September 12 The first-ever local, multi-municipality evening mass casualty drill will take place on the evening of Saturday, September 12, at the Berwyn Heights Elementary School, where Community Emergency Response Teams (CERT) from Berwyn Heights, Laurel and Greenbelt will jointly respond to a disaster scenario.

CERT volunteers will practice disaster response procedures including search and rescue, mass casualty care and a full deploy of emergency assets as they locate, triage and treat casualties. The three municipalities have a long history of cooperation and training together, and it is understood that in the event of a disaster they may be called upon to help each other. An important feature of the event is that it is drill not encumbering major municipal government resources or management. Instead, the operation is being staffed and managed by trained and certified citizen volunteers.

“The fact that this drill is not mechanized reflects the need in a city like Greenbelt to do the training to ensure that we can share the same assets but manage them differently,” said Anne Dowdy, communications chair for the Greenbelt CERT. “It’s a way to keep the training real and the cost lower.”

The drill will also be an opportunity for community members to meet one another.

“In the church, it’s really important that we work together. An important part of being stewards of the Earth is to wrap their heads around,” says Young, a member of the Greenbelt Climate Action Network.

These may seem basic, but to Young, “small steps add up.”

On our tour of Greenbelt, we stopped first by the Greenbelt Community Church (GCC). Young has been a member of GCC for 40 years, and has been a part of many initiatives to make the church more eco-friendly.

Young also spoke of parts of downtown Greenbelt, including the New Deal Cafe, a local restaurant and community gathering spot.

Thanks so much for giving us the chance to see how Greenbelt makes action on the environment an everyday community activity. Jane! We’re so thankful for community allies like yours, and individuals like you.

With permission from groundswell.org.

From Beirut to Greenbelt: Salesh Finds Connection Here

by Jim Link

Aiman Saleh has been making Greenbelters (more) beautiful and stylish for nearly 20 years in their Haven of Beauty, Palace of Stylist, and is more mandated, Greenbelt Barber and Stylist Hair Salon.

Looking spiffy and chic, customers have been leaving 151 Centerway, adjacent to Greenbelt Auto and Truck Repair, diagonally opposite the Greenbelt Grocery Co-op, since 1996, quite satisfied.

Don’t take my word for it, google their emporium to read a fistful of positive reviews.

Aiman and Amal Saleh have been emigrating from Beirut to the USA in 1990 toward the end of the civil war. Sectarian and political violence among Shi’a, Sunnis, Maronite, Palestinian and Israel factions made life in Beirut unpalatable, to put it euphemistically.

A brother in Beverly, also a barber, recommended them so that “we could look for a better life,” Aiman said. And they found it, or more precisely, forged it in Greenbelt. “We love it here. We have a connection with our clients. We are like family, claimed Amal.

We like Greenbelt very much. ’It’s quiet, not America. Over the years they brought two children into the world. Son Aiman, now 29, has a degree in biology and physiology from the University of Maryland and is a doctor at the American University in Beirut. A doll or noble historical irony? It’s no stretch to say Aiman’s parents left a wounded land and that Aiman has returned to help heal it.

Aiman and Amal Saleh outside their shop, Greenbelt Barber and Stylist Hair Salon. Daughter Rola, 22, graduated this past May from University of Maryland with a double major in political science and Arabic.

Aiman met Amal when he was working on a road construction crew in her neighborhood and noticed her walking by daily. He eventually gathered his courage to the sticking point and engaged her in conversation. Courtship ensued.

As a 10 year old, Aiman was a fanatical soccer player, but his talent didn’t match his desire, he recalls winnily, so active playing has faded into fond memory.

He is happy to say that Amal is a wonderful cook, not a culinary parter like himself. So traditional Lebanese fare tabbouli, hummus, baba ghanoush graces their dining room table regularly. They both are big fans of Chef Karim’s Lebanese delicacies at the New Deal Cafe.

Living proof of the warmth, energy, cultural diversity and bohemian community contribution that immigrant citizens can bring, Awan and Amal assure me that their affection for Greenbelt and their clientele is “from the heart.”

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PHOTO BY JIM LINK
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+ Access to weight management and behavior modification therapy
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Greenbelt Blues Festival Honors King of the Blues

by Chris Logan

The Greenbelt 13th Annual Blues Festival is tuning up with lots of activities. In addition to terrific live music, this year’s festival is dedicated to the memory of the “King of the Blues,” BB King. In honor of BB King, there will be two free showings of BB King’s life story, The Life of Riley at Beltway Plaza, Academy 8 Stadium Theaters (Wednesday, September 16 at 7 p.m.) and at the Old Greenbelt Theatre (Saturday, September 19 at 7:30 p.m.). The movie, narrated by Morgan Freeman, has received many accolades. Following the showing on Saturday, there may be a discussion with a member of the DC Blues Society about the movie and the music. During the live music events, the performers will speak about how BB King influenced their music. BB King died on May 14, 2015 from complications with a major heart attack. Information about the disease and its prevention will be available at the venue.

The live music begins on Friday, September 18 from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Beltway Plaza Mall. Kevin Robinson will play his magical, cordless guitar at the corner hub (Center Court) intersection by the entrance to Academy 8 Stadium Theaters. On Saturday, September 19, the music continues at the outdoor stage in Greenbelt’s historic Roosevelt Center from 1 to 7 p.m. and indoors from 7:30 to 11:30 p.m. in the New Deal Café.

Friends of the New Deal Café (FONDC) are encouraged by the community support for this festival. For the third year in a row, Beltway Plaza continues to be a major festival sponsor. FONDC also welcomes four new sponsors: Maryland Milestones/ATHA Inc., Old Greenbelt Theatre, Town Center Realty and Whole Health Wellness. FONDC thanks the returning sponsors Greenbelt Auto & Truck, Greenbelt Co-op Supermarket and Pharmacy and Greenbelt Credit Union.

All festival events are free of charge. There is plenty of free parking and great music, so bring chairs and enjoy Greenbelt’s 13th Annual Blues Festival. This event is produced by the New Deal Café and is made possible by support from FONDC and the City of Greenbelt.

Upcoming Events At The New Deal
Thursday, September 10, Mid-Day Melodies with Amy C Kraft from noon to 2 p.m. Open Mic hosted by James and Martha from 7 to 10 p.m.
Friday, September 11, John Guernsey plays classic American standards on piano from 7 to 8 p.m. Crush Funk Brass offer music funked up and played on all brass instruments from 8:30 to 11:30 p.m.
Saturday, September 12, Bruce Krit plays classical guitar from 4 to 6 p.m. John Guernsey plays jazz piano tunes from 7 to 8 p.m. Beggar’s Tomb recreates classic The Grateful Dead from 8:30 to 11:30 p.m.
Sunday, September 13, please join the Deaf Brunch from 10:30 a.m. until noon. The Not2Cool Jazz Trio performs from 11:30 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. The Chick Hall Trio offers up a mix of rock, blue, country, and swing from 5 to 8 p.m.
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2015 Labor Day Parade Winners
1. Best in parade – New Deal Café
2. Best in parade – Fire Emergency Greenbelt Police APC
3. 1st runner up – Fire Emergency Greenbelt VFD Truck # 352
4. Best in parade – Car Club 126 (Factory Five 818 Roadster)
5. Best in parade – Dr. John Union
6. Best community – Erhs varsity Cheerleader’s – Greenbelt Auto & Truck
7. Best overall – Rhode Hall Catholic Church Ladies Charity
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Council was also told by staff that Charlestown Village has ap-
proved Pepco’s proposals within its area, the affected area of Last-
er Lane was approved by all but one homeowner, two residents on
Maplewood Court oppose the proposed removal of four Bradford
pears in front of their homes and Greenbelt Homes, Incorporated,
where extensive work is proposed, is still reviewing that request.

Complaints
Mayor Emnett Jordan ex-
pressed disappointment that Pepco had not furnished a requested map
showing all the work proposed to be done in the city instead of the
multiple plans. He also noted the difficulty the city had responding
quickly to Pepco’s request for ap-
proval because it was summertime
and many people involved or af-
fected were on vacation.

Pasternak said that Pepco’s
power grid is not based upon mun-
icipal boundaries and that the seven plans were based upon the
location of feeder lines to be worked upon. In an email to McLaughlin he also said that trying to compile the wide ge-
ographic area covered by several
maps into one map that contains all the proposed work on prop-
erty would essentially yield a
useless, unidentifiable blob.

Councilmember Judith Davi
complained about the “tone of
emails” sent by Pepco. She con-
considered Pepco to be strong-armed through the council and citi-
izens. Pasternak
apologized for the time constraints.
Pepco wanted people to know
that either yes or no answers were
needed soon in order for the work to be scheduled. Near approval
for five plans was fine, but most of
the work to be done is depicted in the two plans still pending. There
is still a need to finalize the plan
in accordance with city responses and to line up contractors to do the
work which should be done
between now and December.

Homeowners Complaints
Later in the meeting, Derek
Thompson, representing the Wind-
 sor Green Homeowners Associa-
tion (WGHOA), also complained
that Pepco did not know “how
to deal with homeowners.” He
noted that this was the second
time in three years that Pepco had
proposed work in Windsor Green.
In a memorandum to the city he
reported that WGHOA was first
made aware of the current work
proposal on June 10. Pepco was
invited to an association meeting on June 15 where the residents
were told that a response was
needed by June 30. He believes
that Pepco “misunderstood the
slow and deliberate response by
which the HOA normally deals
with issues affecting homeowners.”

There was that same to what
place when Pepco made its ear-
lier request and it was only when
the residents met with a Pepco
arbitor that the issues were re-
solved. However, he objected to
replacement trees being planted
in December, which he believed
resulted in 36 of them having to
be replaced.

Both city Horticulturist Brian
Thompson and Derek Dutky, plans
pathologist who is a member
of the city’s Advisory Committee
on Trees, disagreed that those trees
had been planted at the wrong
time with Dutky saying that spring
was absolutely the worst time to
plant trees because they don’t have
enough time to set their roots be-
cause the nursery heat and drought
take place.

Trimming?
Councilmember Emily Rob-
erts opposed cutting down any
trees, advocating that they in-
stead be trimmed to 15 feet from
wires. Dutky disagreed, saying
that many trimmed trees develop
muck defects, and she didn’t want the
city to have dangerous trees.

Townsend said that this was es-
specially true of maples and that
trimming can result in dieback and
decay to trunks. It was also noted that many of
the trees affected were old Brad-
ford pears and that these trees drop
branches with age and become
hazardous to cars and people.

Dutky said that they had looked
at 154 trees identified by Pepco
and found that 104 should be
removed. Another 18 needed to be
trimmed.

Roberts expressed concern
about the impact of these remov-
als on the tree canopy and asked
what percentage would be af-
dept. Dutky noted that rough
estimates of the city tree canopies
were based upon aerial photos and
that it would be impossible to get the
detailed percentages Roberts
sought. She said that it was im-
portant to have excellent quality
trees and she advocated the city
have a tree replacement policy
similar to that of Calvert County.

City Manager Michael
McLaughlin said the city needed
to know where tree planting was
appropriate and that it was a staff
plan to undertake a tree study.

McLaughlin wanted to know
what trees removed by Pepco
would be replaced and Pasternak
said all that were requested.

Davies thought it would be bet-
ter for the city to negotiate a re-
placement cost with Pepco and
do it itself, but Dutky said that
the trees offered by Pepco were
of good quality and should be ac-
teped.

She also provided council with
a list of acceptable replacement
trees for under power lines pre-
pared by the tree committee.

The important thing, Dutky said, was to
water the new trees regularly for
three years; it would take that long
for the root systems to become
well established.

BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND!
Six dates in September:

Saturday, 9/12 & 9/19 - 1pm
Sunday, 9/13 & 9/20 - 9pm
Wednesday, 9/16 & 9/23 - 3:15pm

Chicago philanthropist Julius Rosenwald, son of an immigrant
peddler, rose to head Sears and partnered with Booker T.
Washington to build 3,400 Southern schools in African American
communities in the early 1900s during the Jim Crow era.
The Old Greenbelt Theatre's sold-out first screening of the documentary film Rosenwald and Q&A session with director Alex Kemper and research historian Susan G. Pearl took place on Tuesday, September 1. Kemper's 12-year old project is an impressi- ve feat; she manages to encapsu- late social history, biography, his- tory, and most importantly, rich yet unexplored African American history, all in a 90 minute film. I walked away from the event with three powerful takeaways: the legacy of Julius Rosenwald, the past of Rosenwald schools is alive and thriving in Prince George's County, history matters as it is a biography of Julius Rosenwald.

In fact, “history matters” is the slogan on the back of her “Rosenwald and Savage” t-shirt. By this she means that everyone is capable of the radical generosity that Rosenwald modeled. And love that Julius Rosenwald is a Jim Crow state, there were over 5,300 schools here in our back- yard. Inside Every One of Us called) inside of us.

Benny Larson was the first audience member to stand during the Q&A and share that he at- tended one of those schools and that his mother was a teacher. After that, the Board members and 27 Rosenwald schools built in Prince George's County.

By this she means that everyone has some of us.

But what makes some rich people rich and asserts that rich people are not smarters; in fact, “there is ample evidence to the contrary.”

What makes some rich people generous philanthropists? Why did JR give aid to people he had no personal interest in helping? Kemper’s thesis is that Rosenwald’s philanthropy is a combination of factors: the early influence of his child- hood neighborhoods, the Lincolns of Burlington, Vermont, and his mother’s guidance; Jewish ideals of tzedakah (charity) and tikkun olam (repairing the world); his friendships, with progressive Rabbi Emil Hirsch; and his relationship with Booker T. Washington and Tuskegee University.

No matter our personal expe- riences, no matter the sums in our bank accounts, we have the capacity to act. Kemper’s mes- sage was resonating: we are cap- able of the radical generosity and love that Julius Rosenwald modeled.

Cara Snyder, a Greenbelt resident, is a journalism student at the University of Maryland writing for the News Review.

In Memoriam
Robert Bassett,
Greenbelt Tennis
Legend, Dies on Court

Robert (“Bobby”) Bassett, a long-time member of the Green- belt Tennis Association and four- day a week player at Braden Field, died on Friday, August 28, 2015, at age 65. He was born on December 7, 1949 and died as he lived – on the tennis court – and after winning a doubles match.

I had the pleasure of know- ing Bobby for nearly 20 years, the late Al Hangrime, Jim Badini and this reporter were among the early birds at Braden Field, playing before anyone else was around. Bobby was the first tennis player I ever met who “talked trash” on the court – but in a wholly inoffensive way. For example, whenever someone congratulated him on a good shot, his standard response was “it was just that easy.” I often said “just stay thank you”, Bobby, but that wasn’t his style. Although in his prime he had excellent tennis skills, he would equal up on his shots when playing less talented opponents.

But Bobby was much more than a tennis player. He was also a talented photographer who loved nature and reveled in get- ting great shots of landscape, animals and especially flowers. He won several prizes for pho- tography at the annual Labor Day Festival, including this year, where his photograph of purple cone flowers won first place in the Flower category and second place as the Community Favor- ite, based on votes from those who attended the photographic displays.

The presentation of Bobby’s award on September 7th, 2015 was a reminder that Bobby was a “gentle soul” who was al- ways the first contestant to submit his photographs. Although most of his tennis friends did not see the gentle-soul-side of Bobby’s personality during his matches, the fact that it came out during his artistic endeavors bespeaks of his complexity.

Finally, Bobby was a loving father and grandfather. He had two daughters, Gerri Bassett Ten- nyson and Kristal Bassett Posada and three grandchildren, Dwight Tennyson, Jr., Taylor Tennyson, and Reina Marie Posada Bassett. Although Bobby was a private person, he never made a secret of how proud he was of his progeny.

A service was held at Pope Funeral Home’s Forestville Chapel on September 3, where friends and relatives expressed their joy in knowing Bobby. The Greenbelt tennis and arts commu- nity shared that joy – and sorrow.

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Weekly Storytimes
Wednesday, September 16: Preschool Storytime, 10:15 and 11:15 a.m. for children ages 11-24 months.
Thursday, September 17: Baby Storytime, 10:15 a.m., for ages 11-24 months.
Preschool Storytime, 11:15 a.m., for ages birth-12 months. Toddler Storytime, 10 a.m., for children ages 12-24 months. All storytimes are limited to 20 people.

Crazy 8s
Tuesday, September 15, 2015: 4 p.m., for children in grades K-2; limit 25 registrants; 5 p.m., for children in grades 3-5; limit 25 registrants.
Crazy 8s is a new after-school math club designed to get kids fired up about math. Every Crazy 8s meeting includes open-ended math problems and hands-on challenges that will run every Tuesday afternoon through November. Contact Todd Swanson for more information at 301-345-5800 to register your child for the appropriate session.

At the Movies
Saturday, September 19, 2 p.m., for children ages 6-11 and helps them build reading confidence while reading aloud to specially trained therapy dogs. The program ends at 3 p.m., and each child will read for 15 minutes. Registration required. Contact Amy Tan at the branch at 301-345-5800 for more information.

Adults: A Discussion on Amy Tan’s The Valley of Amazement
Tuesday, September 15, 7 p.m. Join the library’s Adult Book Discussion on the latest novel by The New York Times bestselling author, Amy Tan. The Valley of Amazement is a sweeping epic of two warring families, and the original story behind their search for identity—from the parlor of Shanghai courtesans to the living rooms of a remote Chinese village.

Fall 2015 African History & Geography Storytime Series
Tuesday, September 15, 7 p.m. “A Matter of Justice: The Mass Incarceration of African Americans and Its Effects on Their Families”, will be the first session of this audio visual lecture series presented by C.R. Gibbs, historian of the African Diaspora.

The Prince George’s Memory Project: Capturing Our Legacy with Home Movies & Photographs
Saturday, September 19, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Join us for this audio visual lecture project that will tell the story of our community. This fall, the branch library will host a film digitization project by the county’s Manuscript Library System will serve as collection points for pictures and tapes, and the Greenbelt.

The Greenbelt branch library will host the first collection day in the Mesnes’ memory project series of the history of the county by scanning your photographs at the Branch Library or your home videos in the care of a film archivist for consideration as part of the upcoming documentary film project about Prince George’s County. For details, call the PGC-MC Community Engagement office at 301-699-3500

Free Film of Legendary Musician BB King
A free film of legendary musician BB King, The Life of Riley, will be shown at the Academy 8 and Old Greenbelt Theaters as part of the Greenbelt Blues Festival starting on September 16. Subsequent show dates are listed below.

BB King, the “King of the Blues” traveled far during his lifetime. He went from picking cotton in Mississippi to picking music notes for presidents, royalty and millions of fans around the globe. To honor this amazing man, this year’s Greenbelt 13th Annual Blues Festival is dedicated to the memory and accomplishments of King, who died May 14, 2015. The movie provides insight into BB King’s extraordinary life and shows how his music influenced many of today’s famous musicians.

The movie portrays King borne into poverty and suffering from a caution that came up several times. He died with a warning: take and what county and state resources the city should take action before they would be in sufficient agreement to consider building a business in Greenbelt. The Full film will be shown at the Belkway Plaza Arts Center at the Old Greenbelt Theatre. All showings are free of charge. Dates and Times: Belkway Plaza, Wednesday, September 16 at 7 p.m. at Academy 8 Movie Theaters and Old Greenbelt Theatre, Saturday, September 19 at 7:30 p.m. at Old Greenbelt Theatre.

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HCDC Proposal
At tonight’s meeting, Eisenberg returned to present a more formal proposal to work with the city. It is turned out, councilmembers were sufficiently impressed with the proposal that they invited him to present the program at the September 28 regular council meeting in order to share it with the businesses. It was tentatively agreed that this presentation would be placed on the agenda.

The force for asking Eisenberg to present again was a concern raised later in the meeting that the council may not have adequately conveyed to Greenbelt residents why there is a need for the program and development projects in the city.

The proposal is divided into three sections: the development of web-based informational tools to assist residents and businesses, while also signaling the city’s intention to be a business-supportive community; analysis of what types of programs city and state might undertak and what county and state resources the city should take action before they would be in sufficient agreement to consider.

The second part of the proposal was quite workload for the city and the council agreed that the first two parts of the proposal would be quite workload for the city and the city council. It was agreed that part two would inform part three. The third part, however, is a caution that came up several times. He died with a warning: take and what county and state resources the city should take action before they would be in sufficient agreement to consider building a business in Greenbelt. The Full film will be shown at the Belkway Plaza Arts Center at the Old Greenbelt Theatre. All showings are free of charge. Dates and Times: Belkway Plaza, Wednesday, September 16 at 7 p.m. at Academy 8 Movie Theaters and Old Greenbelt Theatre, Saturday, September 19 at 7:30 p.m. at Old Greenbelt Theatre.

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Enjoy a half-hour guided tram tour through forests, meadows and wetlands around the National Wildlife Visitor Center on an all-electric, open air vehicle that provides a unique type of access to the wildlife and their habitats at Patuxent Research Refuge. The tram is handicap accessible. Tours will be offered on weekends through early November, weather permitting. Tickets will be given out at the front desk in the Visitor Center for each designated time. They may be reserved by calling 301-497-5898.

DEFEND CHILD’S HEARING

1. If after exposure to loud sound at any musical event your fetus-infant-child-adolescent is experiencing any unusual body movements or hearing discomfort or distortion it would be best to see a doctor or get his or her hearing tested right away.

2. I suggest the audiologists at U of MD HESP (Hearing and Speech Dept)

3. If you are into alternative or complementary medicine choose ASAP some foods for your child that have sufficient or ample magnesium. Ask your doctor.

4. It’s easy to check all of this on the Internet. Bill Norwood, Greenbelt MD since 1981

GAFC Celebrates Legendary Member Irene Fulton Pavlish

Irene Pavlish celebrates her birthday at the Greenbelt Aquatic and Fitness Center on August 28.

Irene Fulton Pavlish gathered with her Aquacize Class members, family and friends on Friday, August 28 to celebrate her 88th birthday at the Greenbelt Aquatic and Fitness Center (GAFC). Irene has participated in the 8 a.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday classes since the indoor pool opened in 1991, and has traditionally been the one to honor class member birthdays with her special homemade cakes. This year, as illness has kept her away from the pool, the cake and party were provided by current and former class members at the GAFC.

Born on August 28, 1927 and raised in Kansas, Irene is a woman of sturdy stock: a person of great determination, hard work, family dedication and one with strong opinions about any local and world event. She came to Greenbelt as a newlywed with her husband Lee Fulton in 1946 and lived in homes on Laurel Hill Road, Ridge Road, Laster Lane and currently again on Ridge Road. Her four children were all born and raised in Greenbelt. Two children, Joe and Linda, still live nearby while oldest son John lives in Oregon. Irene has continued to live a wonderful life after losing two husbands (Lee Fulton and Charlie Pavlish) and her daughter Nancy. (She has been a member of the Greenbelt Community Church since its beginnings in the early 1950s.)

Many remember Irene from the Greenbelt Co-op Grocery, where she worked as a checker from 1946 until 1985. (Irene finally retired at age 75 after a 16-year career at the Government Printing Office.) There were some breaks in her job at the Co-op as she raised her family but her enthusiasm for fitness began at home with her children as they exercised with Jack LaLanne on TV. She participated in fitness programs throughout the area before discovering her love for water aerobics at the new GAFC in 1991. Her fear of water disappeared as she enthusiastically embraced the joy of the pool with so many of her new and old friends. Happy Birthday, Irene! We admire your wonderful gift of gab and your enthusiasm for food, friends, family and a good book.

2015 Information Day Ribbon Winners

At the Greenbelt Labor Day Festival

Photos by Deborah Hartwick.

1st Place - PM Pediatrics. From left - Sarah Zgainer, Alejandra Vargas.

2nd Place - St. Joseph’s Regional Catholic Church. From left - Robert Reeser, Robert Reeser, Zach Hooker.

3rd Place - Utopia Film Festival.

4th Place - Eleanor Roosevelt High School Robotics Club. From the left: (back row) Patrick Healey, Matt Zackerman; (middle row) Hunter Whaples, Henry Tuit Farquhar, Adam Burchett; (front row) Mike Desch, Daniel Garwah.
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Greenbelt Labor Day Festival 2015!

It was a hot time in the old town. Residents from all parts of Greenbelt and beyond came for three and a half days of sun, rides, food, and music. Here are a few quick highlights. More stories to come in following weeks.

(Clockwise from above) The Labor Day Festival ground from the top of the Ferris wheel.

The Greenbelt Elementary School PTA’s book sale had a bumper year, raising close to $15,000.

With belly dancers and singers, the New Deal Café took best in the parade after shimmying down the road.

Caitlin McGrath, Executive Director of Old Greenbelt Theatre as Dorothy from the Wizard of Oz, left, and Mary-Denise Smith march with the Old Greenbelt Theatre group. Greenbelt Labor Day

From left, Maya Gareri, Holly Wheeler, Lien Gareri, Joe Gareri and Fred pose after Fred participated in the pet show on Saturday.

Festival rides are a chance to see everything upside down and backwards.

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