

## What Goes On

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Thanksgiving Interfaith  
Service, Mowatt Methodist  
Church, Ridge Rd.

# Greenbelt

# News Review

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## Tree Ceremony Gives Opportunity For Memories of Early Greenbelt

by James Giese

The six children of Anthony and Catherine Madden recently donated six dogwood trees to the city in memory of their parents. The trees have been planted just off Crescent Road in the stream valley park next to the Woodland Hills subdivision. On Saturday, October 29, a beautiful autumn day, the Madden children and other family members, the Greenbelt City Council, and a group of Greenbelt and Woodland Hills pioneers gathered to dedicate the trees.

Mayor Antoinette Bram presented the Madden family with a Proclamation in appreciation of Tony and Kitty Madden, declaring that the couple "thought they had found paradise in 1938 (when they moved to Greenbelt) but strived for the major part of their lives to make it a better place." Mark Davis, president of the Woodland Hills homeowner's association, told how Madden, along with Michael Burchick, James Bates, Charles McDonald and James Cassels, got the co-

operatively developed subdivision going and cooperatively built 22 of the homes. Then it was time for the old-timers present and the Madden children to reminisce.

### Reminisces

1993 Outstanding Citizen Mike Burchick, who emceed the ceremony, told of how he had first met Madden after he and his family had moved to 7-A Research Rd. in 1942. About two days after they moved in, Tony Madden had called upon them to welcome them to Greenbelt. He brought a bag of groceries from the co-op food store, a copy of the Greenbelt Cooperator and a list of churches.

Madden promoted the cooperative movement in Greenbelt. When Woodland Hills was developed, Burchick recalled that Madden insisted that the land along Crescent Road, which was opposite St. Hugh's Church, not be built upon. Instead the land was dedicated to the city.

Joe Loftus, who was there with his wife, Peggy, remembered that when they moved to Greenbelt in 1938 as a first family, the activities of the Catholic Church

were held in the Community Room of the Center School. He recalled that the Maddens always won the prize as best dancers at the dances.

Loftus surprised the Madden children by telling them he had known their grandfather in Cleveland when he worked at city hall. Because he had died young, the Madden children had never known their grandfather.

Loftus recalled one bad incident with Madden. Like many Greenbelters Loftus had purchased his auto insurance from Madden. When Loftus got a speeding ticket, Madden came to tell him that the insurance company did not wish to insure speeders and that his policy was cancelled. Loftus had to get other insurance.

June Rousseau and Evelyn Barcus recalled working for Madden in his insurance office. Barcus, who worked 25 years with him, recalled how he gave each employee a silver dollar when each of his children was born. Anne McDonald recalled how she and her husband, Charles, had come to Greenbelt, where he had served as City Manager for 13 years. McDonald joined Madden and the others on the Woodland Hills development and built a home there.

### Unique and Wonderful

Each of the six Madden children spoke briefly, thanking particularly the old family friends who were present on that day. "We know how unique Greenbelt is, we know what you did," Patricia Madden Molden told the group. State Delegate Martin Madden recalled that Greenbelt was a "wonderful, wonderful place to raise children" and thanked the pioneers for all the memories. Michael Madden recalled how he used to go to out-of-town conventions with his father and how his dad would boast about Greenbelt wherever he went. "Dad loved this community," he said. Mary Madden Doman thanked everyone for being a part of her life. Kathleen Madden Dunleavy and Theresa Madden Stringfellow also expressed their appreciation.

### Needed a Job

Anthony Madden moved to Washington in 1934 as a young man. See MADDEN, page 13

### News Review Deadline

Next week's issue of the News Review will be published Wednesday, Nov. 23 because of the Thanksgiving holiday. The office will be open only Mon., Nov. 21 from 2 to 4 and 8 to 10 p.m. and closed Tuesday, Nov. 22. Deadline for submission of articles and advertising is 10 p.m. Monday at the office, and 7 p.m. Monday at the box in Co-op Supermarket.

### Election Wrap-up

## Glendening Wins at Last-Bowie, Greenbelt Differ

by Elaine Skolnik

When the acrimonious six-day process of counting absentee ballots was complete, Democrat Parris Glendening had clung to his razor-edge lead, defeating Republican Ellen Sauerbrey by 3,420 votes. Although absentee ballots from abroad will not be tallied until late in the week, the results are not expected to affect the outcome in the Maryland governor's contest. While Sauerbrey continues her threat to challenge the validity of the election, it appears certain that Glendening will be certified as the winner in what will probably be the closest gubernatorial race in the state's history.

Absentee ballot results have pretty well mirrored those cast in election day in each of the state's 24 counties. On November 8, voters in 21 rural counties cast the majority of their votes for Sauerbrey. In urban Montgomery and Prince Georges counties and Baltimore city, Glendening led comfortably. Statewide, he chalked up 683,995 votes while Sauerbrey was close behind with a count of 677,808. In Greenbelt, unofficial results gave Glendening 68.7% of the vote, 3,256 to 1,482.

For Sauerbrey to overtake Glendening in the absentee ballot count, she had to improve her margin in Montgomery



It's all over but the official election results. Prince Georges County Executive Parris Glendening will become Maryland's next governor.

—photo by Lloyd's Studio

### County Council Race

In the Fourth Councilmanic District, Republican Audrey Scott bested G. Frederick Robinson. In Bowie where both candidates reside, Scott had an easy win chalking up 13,258 votes to Robinson's 11,152.

Robinson's hopes to gain enough votes in Greenbelt, where Democrats usually prevail, and in the corridor between Bowie and Greenbelt did not materialize. Scott polled 44.8% of the vote in Greenbelt and was a mere 33 votes behind Robinson in the corridor. She will be the lone Republican on the nine-member Prince Georges County Council.

On election day Bowie voters split their ballots between Democrats and Republicans, favoring GOP Ellen Sauerbrey for governor, Robert Ostrom for county executive and Scott. Greenbelters chose to buck the national trend and voted down-the-line for Democrats.

### Plogman Reelected

Incumbent Suzanne Plogman of Greenbelt was reelected to a third term on the Prince Georges Board of Education. In District 2, she garnered 7,148 votes. The District encompasses Greenbelt, College Park, Berwyn Heights, Riverdale, Edmonston and Seabrook.

Plogman was unopposed in the non-partisan contest.



Greenbelt pioneers (l to r in front) Mary Fitzmaurice, Margaret Loftus and Joseph Loftus reminisce about the early days at the tree dedication ceremony in remembrance of pioneers Catherine and Anthony Madden on October 29.

# Letters to the Editor

## Laws Apply

I have had it with the bicyclists around here! For some reason, these people feel they are entitled to all sorts of rights and privileges, i.e. a bike lane on Ivy Lane, an improved shoulder on Crescent Road, but they don't feel they have any responsibilities. Maybe they aren't aware of the fact that they are bound by Maryland Traffic Law TR21-1202, which states "Traffic laws apply to bicyclists."

Numerous times, I have encountered bicyclists running the red light at Crescent Road/Kenilworth Avenue, Greenbelt Road and Southway. These are both dangerous enough intersections without having to make special allowances for the bicyclists breaking the law. Additionally, they feel they can sail through stop signs all over town. One bicyclist, when confronted, told me he had been driving for 20 some years and never had an accident. Hopefully his first accident won't end his life.

Bicyclists want motorists to "share the road." When they start sharing the responsibilities, then maybe we will share the road.

Janice White

## Thanks

While it is always better to win an election than it is to lose one, when the process allows a candidate to meet with and be welcomed by a community as warm and gracious as Greenbelt, the experience can never be a loss. So, if you will indulge me one more comment, I would like to take the opportunity to express my sincere thanks to all the wonderful people I met in Greenbelt. I assure you that I will never forget the kindness I received as I walked through your community, meeting with and talking with very informed and very involved citizens. You have many justifiable reasons for pride. I saw it everywhere I visited.

Greenbelt is a special community. Perhaps it takes someone from outside the City to truly appreciate the proud history you have built and the outstanding future that awaits you. You have my most profound respect and my admiration. I am, and will remain proud of both my long-standing friendships with many of you as well as the new friendships formed during the recent political campaign. Hopefully, the future will give us the opportunity to work together again on areas of mutual concern.

G. Frederick Robinson

## Deeply Disturbed

I am deeply disturbed that the News Review (Nov. 3) would accept for publication a campaign ad by County Council candidate Audrey Scott accusing her opponent, Fred Robinson, of being involved in a sexual harassment suit, conveying the impression that Fred Robinson himself was the accused.

Sexual harassment has many ugly implications, which I will not delve into. The suit was not against Fred; it was against an employee in Fred's department. I did not work in Fred's campaign, in the Primary, nor the General Election, but having known Fred for some years I can vouch for his integrity and character. He is a family man devoted to his wife and four children.

The News Review and Audrey Scott owe Fred Robinson an apology, to say the least.

Elizabeth (Betty) Maffay

## Thanks

The family would like to take this opportunity to thank Father Crowley of St. Hugh's for his spiritual support, The Ladies of Charity and The Ladies of the Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad for their kindness and support and the many friends who helped make this time of sorrow bearable.

The Family of Helen Zoellner

## Reunion?

Next year will be the 50th anniversary of my graduation with the class of '45. Greenbelt High School. If a reunion is planned, I can be reached at 402 North Austin, Webster, TX 77598, or at 713-332-6236. Thank you.

Daryl Smallwood Moon

## Thanks

To All My Friends and Neighbors:

Thank you for your prayers, encouragement, support and loving care that you have given to my family and me during my hip surgeries and recovery period. The Lord has truly blessed me.

Irene Rice

## Thanks Voters

I wish to take this opportunity to thank the voters of Greenbelt for their strong support of my candidacy in both the primary and the general elections. Their mandate is both heartening and humbling. It is gratifying to know that voters across the political spectrum evaluated my performance as their representative in the Statehouse and agreed to return me to office.

It will be an awesome task to deal with not only the needs of the people of the twenty-third district but also the myriad of problems facing Maryland over the next four years. I am proud to represent a very knowledgeable, informed electorate and am pleased with what we have been able to accomplish together. But I want to return to Annapolis to build on these accomplishments and to do my best to represent my voters and their interests. I will continue to seek input from my constituents regarding their thoughts, suggestions and concerns about issues before the legislature as they evolve.

I can be reached in Annapolis at 301-858-3098 or in Bowie at 301-262-0538.

Again, thanks to all those voters who expressed their confidence and trust in me.

Joan B. Pitkin

## "Holiday Hotline"

Laurel Regional Hospital's Mental Health and Addictions Services Department is sponsoring a "Holiday Hotline" to help community members deal with emotional stress during the holiday season. This free, confidential service will be offered between 10 a.m. and noon on November 21 and 28 and December 5, 12, 19 and 26.

Callers will be able to talk with a psychiatrist. The hotline number is 1-800-435-5550.



**Greenbelt Connection Thanksgiving Holiday Schedule**

Because of the Thanksgiving Holiday, Thursday and Friday, November 24 and 25, 1994, the city's dial-a-ride service, the Greenbelt Connection, will NOT operate those days. The service will be resumed on Sunday, November 27, 1994.

## THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY REFUSE SCHEDULE

Because of the Thanksgiving Holiday, CITY OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED THURSDAY AND FRIDAY NOVEMBER 24 AND 25, 1994, AND REFUSE WILL NOT BE COLLECTED THOSE TWO DAYS. Residents normally receiving Monday and Thursday collections will be collected on MONDAY ONLY. Residents normally receiving Tuesday and Friday collections will be collected on TUESDAY ONLY. Special Trash and Yard Waste collections which have been previously requested, will be collected on Wednesday.

The Tuesday recyclable route will be collected on Tuesday. The Thursday recyclable route will NOT be collected that week.

## Transit Schedules For Thanksgiving

Transit schedules for Thursday, November 24 (Thanksgiving Day) and Friday, November 25, are as follows. On Thursday, November 24, the Metrorail system will operate from 8 a.m.-midnight on a Sunday schedule. Metrobus will also operate on a Sunday schedule. Non-peak hour fares will be in effect all day. Parking at all transit authority-operated lots will be free. Bicyclists with bike-on-rail permits will be allowed to transport their bicycles on Metrorail.

On Friday November 25, Metrorail will operate from 5:30 a.m.-midnight on a weekday schedule. Metrobus will also operate on a weekday schedule. "The Bus" will run on Friday only. MARC will run only a modified weekday schedule on Friday.

## Volunteer Group Needs Volunteers

Volunteers are needed to keep the Voluntary Action Center operating at its usual highly efficient level. The work is easy, the company very pleasant, and the weekday hours are open. Volunteers need a pleasant telephone manner and a working knowledge of the alphabet. A telephone volunteer referral counselor can help link good people to a variety of needed volunteer opportunities. Help the Center with many projects to promote volunteerism. For more information call 699-2800.

## Two Citizens Receive Recycling Awards

The Citizens Concerned for a Cleaner County hosted their Annual Award ceremony on Sunday, November 13, at Prince Georges Community College. Two residents, Maryalice Locke and Kate Brett, were recognized for their specific leadership roles on Greenbelt's Recycling Advisory Committee. "I accepted this award on behalf of the dedicated members of the Recycling Advisory Committee", said current Chairman Kate Brett.

Last year, Jim Maher received recognition for his work on the GHI Aesthetics and Environment Committee. The City of Greenbelt was also recognized for its extensive recycling programs.

## Recycling Corner

Steel and bi-metal cans are recyclable in the curbside program. Steel cans include fruit, vegetable and soup cans, baby formula cans, tuna and pet food cans. Be sure to rinse the cans thoroughly to avoid unwanted animals. Lids can be inserted into the cans and slightly crushed or discarded. Loose lids are sharp and should be handled with care. For more information about recycling at the curb, call the County Office of Recycling at 883-5963.

## What Do You Think?

### About the Humps? For? Against?

(This is the first of what may become a series of questions posed from time to time to our readers in order to seek out their views on issues of general interest to Greenbelters. Our first issue has caused readers to take greatly divergent views based on our past newspaper stories and Letters to the Editor.) After long deliberation, three speed humps have been placed on Northway between Crescent and Hillside Roads on a one year trial basis. In other communities it has been found that if speed humps are put in on one street, residents of other streets ask for them as well. How do you feel about having speed humps on Greenbelt streets? We'd like to know and let the community know. Please fill out the following questionnaire and send your reply to the Greenbelt News Review, Box 60, Greenbelt, MD. 20768, or leave it in our drop box at the Greenbelt Consumers Co-op Supermarket.

#### QUESTIONNAIRE

(If you agree with any of the following statements, check under "Agree" and if you disagree, check under "Disagree.")

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| 1. I have driven over the Northway speed humps.                                  | ..... |
| 2. I like the Northway speed humps.  | ..... |
| 3. The speed humps are well designed.  | ..... |
| 4. Speed humps should be allowed on other city streets.                          | ..... |
| 5. Speed humps are a dangerous road hazard                                       | ..... |
| 6. Speed humps provide for safer streets.  | ..... |
| 7. There should be a referendum vote of the entire city on allowing speed humps. | ..... |

Your comments: .....

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The Greenbelt News Review is authorized to print my comments in whole or in part and to use my name. Yes  No

Signed: .....

Please print your name: .....

address: .....

telephone no.: .....

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# Community Events

## Correction

Cub Pack 202 & Boy Scout Troop 746 distributed flyers announcing their Pizza Sale. The address listed for sending orders is 1 Lakeview Circle, Greenbelt.

## Gray Panthers Meet

The prevention of violence by handgun will be the topic for discussion at an open meeting sponsored by the Gray Panthers of Prince Georges County. The featured speaker will be Nancy Gannon, Director of the Education Department of the Center to Prevent Handgun Violence, one of whose chief sponsors is Sarah Brady.

The meeting will be held on Saturday, November 19 at 1:30 p.m. at the Greenbelt Police Station on Crescent Road.

Those who have been directly or indirectly victimized by violence from the use of handguns are encouraged to come hear Gannon and contribute their experiences.

The Gray Panthers Network of Prince Georges County meets every third Saturday at the above mentioned place and time. They welcome persons of any age who are interested in Health, Jobs, Housing, Justice, and Peace for all.

For info call 864-4944 or 474-6668.

## At the Library

The P. J. Storytime for ages 4-6 will be held on Wednesday, November 23, at 7 p.m.

## City Notes

Bulbs and pansy plantings were completed at various sites within the city plus the Begonias and Caladiums that were planted at Greenbriar were removed and the Caladium bulbs stored.

Centerway was prepared for last Friday's Veterans' Day ceremonies.

Trash was collected from city parks and the athletic fields were prepared for weekend league play.

Leaves were vacuumed and collected in the Lakeside and Northway neighborhoods and the posting of neighborhood leaf collection continued.

Storm drains and underpasses were cleaned and the underpasses checked for graffiti.

Three stop signs and three street name signs were installed at new Greenspring development streets.

## ERHS Application

### Deadline is Dec. 12

The deadline for students to apply to the Science and Technology Centers at Eleanor Roosevelt high school is December 12.

Students can obtain applications and additional information from their school guidance office or from the main administrative office of any county middle or high school.

## Golden Age Club

by Dolores Capotosto

At the next Golden Age meeting, on Nov. 23, our Program chairperson, Mary Gardner, has arranged a video by Robert Berell. It is entitled "A Mule Ride Down the Grand Canyon." We've had some interesting programs, thanks to Mary's hard work all year. Don't forget to bring items for the Great Oaks Christmas collection.

We wish all our seniors a Happy Thanksgiving, and if you have a bag from the Boy Scouts, be sure to put it out (filled) on Nov. 19. Have you sold your raffle tickets for the Greenbelt afghan? The afghan will be chanced off on Dec. 14.

There is a trip to Harrisburg, PA on Dec. 1—for the crafts fair; and the Mystery Trip will be on Dec. 8. Call Jim Maher for information on the trips, at 513-5869.

Just a reminder about flu shots; the weather has been unusually mild, but there are some bad flu bugs around already.

## Fun at Goddard

There will be a model rocket launch on Sunday, November 20 at 1 p.m. at the Goddard Space Flight Center Visitor Center. Bring a rocket or just come and watch. All launches are monitored for safety and are held weather permitting. The Visitor Center is located at the Soil Conservation Road entrance.

## A Holiday Bazaar

### To Benefit the Deaf

A holiday bazaar to benefit the Metropolitan Washington Deaf Community Center will take place on Saturday, November 19, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the American Legion, 6900 Greenbelt Road. More than fifty booths are available for craftspeople, and a few still remain. To reserve one, contact Kathleen Seymour, (301) 933-6730 (TTY/Fax).

## Greenbelt CARES

Judy Margolis, Drug Assessment and Program Specialist for Prince Georges County Public Schools, spoke to the Family Clinic staff on November 9. Judy discussed the education, interventions, and counseling provided for students around substance abuse issues.

## Full Figured People:

### A New Group Forms

A new group has formed in the Greenbelt-Bowie area for single, separated, divorced and widowed full-figured people and those who share and enjoy the company of those who are full-figured. Calls are pouring in from the Greenbelt area. Odyssey will provide gatherings where participants can find friendship and companionship in a comfortable atmosphere. Everyone welcome.

Call Diane at 262-3823.

## Recreation Review

**Men's Football Turkey Bowl**  
The 18th Annual Football Tournament will be on Braden Field and at Schrom Hills Park on Saturday, November 19, and Sunday, November 20, with championship games to be held at Braden Field, Thanksgiving Day at 10 a.m. People are invited to come on down and root for their favorite team.

**Men's Winter Basketball**  
Registrations are now being taken for the 1995 Men's Winter Basketball League. Play will begin in early January at the Youth Center Gymnasium. Sign-up deadline is Wednesday, December 21.

For league and franchise fee information, call the Recreation Department Business Office Monday through Friday, 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m. at 474-6878.

## Scouting for Food

Cub Pack 202 and Boy Scout Troop 746 will be conducting a canned food drive. On Saturday, November 12, plastic "Scouting For Food" bags were passed out in Greenbelt.

Please place non-perishable food items in the bags and place on the front porch in easy sight on Saturday, November 19.

With everyone's help, the Scouts can top the 2000 pounds of food collected last year. Greenbelt's support will be appreciated.

## Toastmasters Meet

The Spring Speakers Toastmasters Club will meet on Thursday, November 17, and Thursday, December 1, at 7 p.m. at the Fountain Lodge, 6220 Springhill Drive.

Learn and practice techniques of effective public speaking. Guests are welcome.

For more information call Dennis Griffin at 982-0598 or Cathy Yaworsky at 552-4109.

## Hike in the Wetlands At Greenbelt Park

Come on a two mile hike in Greenbelt Park on Saturday November 19 at 11 a.m. Learn about the biological role that wetlands play while discovering the plant and animal communities in the forested swamp. Meet at the campground entrance.

## Learn Orienteering

Learn now to find the way in the woods using a map and compass at a session on orienteering for beginners on Saturday November 19 in Greenbelt Park. Join a park ranger at the campground entrance at 1 p.m. Registration is required so call 344-3944 or 344-3948 to register.

## BREATHTAKING

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Friday	Nov. 18	10 a.m. - 9 p.m.
Saturday	Nov. 19	9 a.m. - 7 p.m.
Sunday	Nov. 20	9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

LIVE at the

## Greenbelt Arts Center

(123 Centerway, next to the Post Office)

November	
18, 19	An Evening of Plays and Skits - and surprises! featuring Marie Tousignant, Jeannette Connors, Lauren Zambreny, Jim Robertson, Lauren Beth Hall, ...
25, 26	dark - Happy ThanksGiving
28, 30	Auditions: A Woman in Mind, directed by Kathy Diggle, 7:30 pm
December	
2, 3, 9, 10, 11	Annual Festival of Lights - one act plays, readings, and songs of the season (free).

Unless otherwise noted, performances start at 8 PM and tickets cost \$8 general, \$6 seniors and students. For more information and reservations call (301) 441-8770.

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Saturday-Sunday 12:00 noon - 10:00 p.m.

### Helen Zoellner

A pioneer resident of Greenbelt died November 5 at the Greenbelt Nursing Center. Born in Washington D.C. in May 1897, Helen (Mae) Zoellner was the oldest of seven girls. She worked for the C & P Telephone Company during World War I, receiving a medal of distinction for War Service. Earlier she had fought with the suffragettes for women's right to vote.

She married Oscar (Dutch) Zoellner, and they had a family of five children. He was employed as Chief Heating Engineer when Greenbelt was being built. So he could be near his job site, the family moved from their home in McLean, Va. to Greenbelt in February 1938.

Mae was active in founding St. Hugh's Parish, where she worked on Committees and fund drives to build the church and school. She was active in the Greenbelt Democratic Club, Chief Judge of Elections, and a member of the Ladies of Charity and Sodality of St. Hugh's and the Greenbelt Senior Citizens Club.

Surviving children are Mildred Hull of Waynesville, N.C., Helen Geesey of Sun Lakes, AZ, June Rousseau of Greenbelt, and Margaret Stewart of Fayetteville, AK. Her son Bud Zoellner of Greenbelt preceded her in death.

### Roger J. Roberts

Roger J. Roberts, 73, of Greenbelt died November 9 at Doctors' Community Hospital in Lanham.

He was a native of Washington, D.C. and a resident of Greenbelt for 34 years. He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II and retired from the Defense Mapping Agency in 1976.

Mr. Roberts is survived by his wife Doris (nee Densham), a daughter Kay; two sons, Roger of Glenn Dale and city council member Rodney of Greenbelt; three granddaughters Carey, Katy and April; two brothers, Everett of Hyattsville and Earl of Selbyville, Delaware; and a sister Mary Kathryn Moore of Marbury, Maryland.

Funeral services were held on November 12 at the Borgwardt Funeral Home in Beltsville. Interment was in the Greenbelt Cemetery.

### Mae Zoellner

September 1982

My first experiences in Greenbelt were pretty bad, partly because I hadn't really wanted to leave our old place in Virginia. I cried all week. It was a complete change for me as I was accustomed to living in the country, and here I felt closed in with no privacy at all. The first morning I woke up here and went down to the kitchen, I looked out the window and there was someone looking in.

Then our first daughter got scarlatina, and we were quarantined. Some of our neighbors were very nice and we were able to distribute our other children around; they were well taken care of, and Greenbelt began to look a lot better to me.

When we first arrived, there was no transportation, no street lights and lots of mud. It took me quite a while to get used to the environment and the closeness of people. But after I got used to it, I wouldn't have moved for anything in this world, and at the age of 85, I still wouldn't.

From: "Looking Back," a collection of remembering gathered by Dorothy Lauber and published by the City of Greenbelt.

### Mowatt Sets New Sunday School Hours

Starting November 27 Mowatt United Methodist will hold Sunday School during the 11 a.m. Sunday Worship Service. Children will be familiarized with the Worship Service by attending both the beginning and ending portions of the Worship Service. During the sermon teachers will share the Bible truths using language easily understood by the children. Parents and children can decide whether attending the full worship service or children's Sunday School best fits their child's learning needs.

### Salvation Army Asks Furniture, Appliances

The Salvation Army Adult Rehabilitation Center is currently experiencing a shortage of furniture and appliance donations. Anyone who can spare such items should call The Salvation Army at 301-277-7878 for home pickup of donations. The donation is tax-deductible.

The center, located at 3304 Kenilworth Ave. in Bladensburg, conducts a long-term drug and alcohol rehabilitation program for men at no cost to the public and without United Way monetary support. Donated items are sold at six Washington-area Salvation Army Thrift Stores.

### Interfaith Service For Thanksgiving

The Thanksgiving Interfaith Service will be held on Wednesday, November 23 at 7:30 p.m. at Mowatt Memorial United Methodist Church, located at 40 Ridge Road. Representatives of Protestant, Catholic and Jewish faith communities will be participating. All are invited to attend.

### Volunteers Needed

The Prince Georges County Department of Social Services Office of Volunteer Services and Resource Development is seeking individuals and groups to donate new toys, food baskets, and new clothing for the needy during the upcoming Thanksgiving and Christmas Holidays. Help make these holidays happy ones for the less fortunate. Call Theresa W. Foods at 301/422-5022.

### In Memoriam

A Tribute To My Mom, Dialecti  
Leaves may wither,  
Trees may die,  
Friends may forget you,  
But never will I.  
Your son, Larry Silver

### Hadassah to Meet

The Judith Resnik Group of Greater Washington Hadassah will hold its next meeting on Tuesday, November 29, at 7:45 p.m. at Doctors Community Hospital, 4th floor annex, in Lanham. The topic of the program for the evening's meeting will be "American and Israeli Relations". Shirley Blumberg, a delegate to three World Zionist Congresses, will present the program.

For more information, to R.S. V.P., and for directions, please call group President Ina Shapiro at 301/890-4128.

Hadassah is a not-for-profit organization involved in support of Hadassah hospitals and other Hadassah projects in Israel, as well as educational, social, and youth projects in Israel and the United States.

A memorial service for Mrs. Dialecti (Dial) G. Silvers will be held on Sunday, November 27, 1994, 10 a.m. at the Saints Constantine and Helen Greek Orthodox Church, 4115 Sixteenth Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20011  
For further information, please call (202) 829-2910  
Larry H. Silvers, Esq.  
Personal Representative

### St. John's Church Episcopal

Baltimore Blvd.  
at Powder Mill Rd. 937-4292  
Sunday Services at 8:15, 9:30 and 10:45  
Sunday School at 9:30  
Nursery available during the 9:30 and 10:45 services.

### Baha'i Faith

"This earth is one home and native land. God has created mankind with equal endowment and right to live upon the earth."  
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Greenbelt Baha'i Community  
P.O. Box 245  
Greenbelt, MD 20770  
345-2918 220-3460

### UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

#### MOWATT MEMORIAL

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Worship Service, 11 a.m.  
Wednesday Prayer Service 7 p.m.  
Arthur D. Shotts, Pastor, 474-1924  
Counseling Service Available 301/681-3201



### Berwyn Presbyterian Church

6301 Greenbelt Road  
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.  
Worship Service 11:00 a.m.  
All are Welcome  
Rev. Sidney Conger 474-7573

### Thanksgiving (Just Thanks) Breakfast Service

9:00 AM  
10:00 AM  
For transportation, or questions, call 474-4212 8:30 to 12:30  
Reverend Drew Shofner - Pastor  
Bible Study for all ages (Sun.) 9:45 AM  
Worship Services (Sun.) 11:00 AM  
7:00 PM  
Midweek Prayer Service (Wed.) 7:45 PM  
Childrens Choir (Sat.) 9:30 AM  
Greenbelt Baptist Church  
Located at the corner of Crescent and Greenhill Roads



### Greenbelt Community Church



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Michael W. Hopkins, Vicar 301-262-3285

### Come & Worship With Us



### Holy Cross Lutheran Church

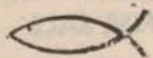
6905 Greenbelt Road  
Worship Services:  
Sunday, 8:30 & 11:15 a.m. (Infant care provided at each service)  
Sunday School and Bible Classes 9:50 a.m.  
Pre-School Department 9:50 and 11:15 a.m.  
Rev. Stephen H. Mentz, Pastor 345-5111

### Paint Branch Unitarian Church (3215 Powder Mill Road)

Sun., Nov. 20, 9:30 & 11:15 a.m. Intergenerational Thanksgiving Service  
No church school.  
Child care for the very young.  
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Rev. R.H. Thompson 937-3666

### Catholic Community of Greenbelt

MASS  
Municipal Building Sundays 10 A.M.



# Co-ops Are Important Tradition In the History of Greenbelt

by Leta Mach

Greenbelt is firmly part of a tradition that is 150 years old — the tradition of cooperation. For as long as there has been a Greenbelt, there have been cooperatives in the town. And those cooperatives have followed the principles and practices laid down by the Rochdale Equitable Pioneers Society in 1844 in Rochdale, England.

With 1994 as the 150th anniversary of modern cooperatives, co-ops across America are taking special recognition of their roots during this year's Co-op Month, which has been celebrated in October for over 60 years. Across America, cooperatives flourish in every industry and provide services their members need.

Because many residents are new to Greenbelt, and hence probably also new to the history and practice of forming cooperatives, the News Review presents descriptions of the many cooperatives in this city that make life here so special.

## Greenbelt Homes, Inc.

One of the best-known housing cooperatives in the world, Greenbelt Homes, Inc. was established in 1953 when the federal government sold the green towns which had originally been built during the Depression to provide work, low-cost housing and a model community. When the impending sale became known in the late 40s, Greenbelt residents responded by asking Congress that the town be sold to them to operate as a cooperative.

In the early '50s, a team of residents went door to door, signing up residents to buy homes in the proposed cooperative. It was hard work. With McCarthyism at its peak and cooperatives viewed by many as communistic, some workers found doors slammed in their faces.

Organizer Bruce Bowman remembered, "We did stick together. If it weren't for the cooperative spirit—and the fact that we truly believed in it—Greenbelt Homes would never have flown."

With down payments from residents and a loan from what is now known as Nationwide Insurance Enterprises, a cooperatively organized business, residents were able to sign a \$6.5 million mortgage with the federal government.

"Most of us didn't have two dimes to rub together when we signed that original mortgage," Bowman added. "And there were many who predicted—very seriously—that we'd never make a

go of it. They said we'd be broke in a year."

Today GHI is a well-respected housing cooperative with 1,600 homes—the original brick and block homes, the vinyl-sided homes built as war-time housing and 29 larger homes built by the cooperative in the late '60s. During the mid-'80s the cooperative undertook a major rehabilitation project on the homes.

Under cooperative ownership, members purchase a share (a/1,600) of the housing co-op and the right of perpetual use of their home and the land on which it is built. The cooperative is responsible for maintaining the structure of the home. Members pay their proportionate share of the cost of operating the co-op.

When people become members of GHI, they receive an equal voice in its operation. Members may participate in GHI affairs by voting at annual and special membership meetings, joining GHI committees and serving in elective office. The GHI board of directors, nine members elected for two-year terms, sets the policies and hires management to run the business of the co-op.

Throughout the United States, there are one million units of cooperative housing, with about half of that in New York City. Some of these are limited-equity cooperatives, which restrict the amount a co-op member can receive when a home is sold. GHI, however, is a market-rate cooperative, which permits owners to sell their units for whatever the market will bear.

## Greenbelt Consumers Cooperative

For a decade, the Greenbelt Consumer Cooperative (GCC) has been meeting the shopping needs of Greenbelters. Formed when the original Greenbelt consumer co-op, Greenbelt Cooperative, Inc., decided to sell its grocery stores and service stations, GCC is located in the same facilities as Greenbelt's original consumer co-op. With a tradition of cooperatives in the city, it was natural that the citizens of Greenbelt organized a new cooperative to provide members' shopping needs in 1984.

Today the GCC grocery store is a full-service supermarket offering customers traditional groceries, organic and natural foods, and beer and wine. The store also has a pharmacy. Nearly 6,000 members own Greenbelt Consumer Cooperative.

Membership is open to anyone 18 years of age or older. A one-time membership fee of \$10 entitles an individual to membership for life. GCC has two types of members—voting and subscribing. Voting members

have a minimum membership capital investment of \$100. Subscribers capital accounts can grow from additional deposits and patronage refunds so that they eventually become voting members.

Two benefits of membership in a consumer cooperative such as GCC stand out—control and savings. Store manager Bob Davis says, "Our prices are reasonable and competitive." He adds, "It's also a pleasant, convenient place to shop."

Members share in the profits of the cooperative by receiving patronage refunds. Patronage refunds are a portion of the co-op's earnings after expenses, which are distributed to members based on the amount of their purchases. Annually the board determines the percentage of member purchases which will be patronage refunds.

Members have a say in how their business is run by electing a seven-member board of directors. Members also attend the annual meeting, where they vote on other substantial issues facing the cooperative. The board decides on policies and hires management to carry out the day-to-day business of the cooperative.

From its opening in June 1984 to July 1993, GCC has declared patronage refunds totalling \$666,671. In the last fiscal year, the supermarket had operating income of \$80,759. However, the service station reported a loss of \$70,986. This followed several other years of operating losses for the service station. As a result and in anticipation of extensive environmental control expenses, the board has decided not to continue the service station operation at the end of this year.

In the future, GCC will focus on meeting its members' needs in the full-service facility in Roosevelt Center Mall. "We like to think of ourselves as the friendly neighborhood store," concludes Davis.

## Greenbelt Federal Credit Union

One of Greenbelt's pioneer cooperatives is the Greenbelt Federal Credit Union. Because there were no banking facilities in the town when the first families arrived in 1937, a group of residents decided to organize a credit union. The charter for the credit union was issued by W.J. Myers, governor of the Farm Credit Administration, on December 13, 1937.

At the first annual membership meeting, held on January 19, 1938, the credit union had 27 members. By the end of that year, there were 334 members, \$5,900 in member savings, loans



Congressman Steny Hoyer, right, visited the Greenbelt Federal Credit Union during National Co-op week. Standing by are Mike Burchick, one of the members, and Ben Rosenzweig, Credit Union President.

—photo by Ankers, Anderson & Cutts, Photographers

of \$5,200 and total assets of \$6,175. The organization continued to thrive and steadily increased in size.

During the early years, the credit union was considered the stork's right hand assistant. The credit committee was frequently called upon for emergency meetings to provide funds for a new arrival and, it was hoped, a new member in the future.

In the early '50s, the credit union faced its greatest challenge. That was when the federal government decided to sell Greenbelt and the Public Housing Administration announced that down payments on at least 500 (about one-third) of the homes must be made by the end of 1952 in order for the resident-formed corporation to buy the project.

Most lending agencies were reluctant to lend money for down payments on the homes. They felt it was a risky venture. Therefore, the credit union was swamped with loan applications and its funds were soon exhausted. Additional funds were raised through a campaign for savings and through borrowing from the Pentagon Federal Credit Union. The majority of the required down payments were financed through the credit union.

Through the years, the credit union has expanded and moved to several locations in the Roosevelt Center Mall. Membership is open to all residents of Greenbelt or any person employed in the city. Today the credit union has nearly 5,000 members.

A wide range of services is offered, including savings accounts, share certificates, indi-

vidual retirement accounts, checking accounts, electronic funds transfers and payroll deposits.

## Greenbelt Cooperative

### Nursery School

Cooperation begins early in Greenbelt. Not only can Greenbelters live in a cooperative, shop in a cooperative and save in a cooperative, but they can also learn in a cooperative—Greenbelt Cooperative Nursery School, Inc. Established in 1941, the Greenbelt Nursery School is one of the oldest parent-participation nursery schools in the state.

Parent-owned and parent-run, the cooperative encourages parents to take an active role in their child's education. Here pre-school children and parents can learn together. For one of the tenets of parent participation nursery schools is that they also teach parents how to be effective parents. Parents may learn at special membership meetings or as they work in the classroom.

As a non-profit entity, the cooperative concentrates on meeting the needs of its members by providing the best in educational materials and staff. All the school's teachers are approved by the Maryland State Department of Education. Parents provide support by working in the classroom, serving on the board of directors or on committees dealing with such matters as supplies, equipment, maintenance or fundraising.

As America has changed through the years, so has the nursery school. In the late 1970s, the school first offered classes for two-year-olds and an enrichment class for kindergarten students. The nursery school also realized that it had to make it easier for working parents to participate in the school by providing options for them that would reduce the amount of time these parents had to spend in the classroom.

Today, the nursery school has celebrated more than 50 years of service to Greenbelt's families. The school offers six classes for 79 students ranging from two-years-old to kindergarten age.

The school's director, Pat Schreiber, says: "Parents do a lot because they're dedicated to the co-op and the needs of their children."



# THANK YOU GREENBELT!

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## AUDREY SCOTT

By Auth M. McArdle, Treas.

# POLICE BLOTTER

## Based on Information Released by the Greenbelt Police Department

Police were called to the 7-11 Store in Roosevelt Center at around 5 a.m. on Tuesday, November 8, in response to the report of an armed robbery in progress. By the time they arrived, however, the suspect had already fled. Described as a white man, around 40 years of age, 5'7" tall and with a heavy build, he was wearing a blue bandanna over his face. He entered the store, demanded that the clerk open the cash register and appeared to hold something behind his back. After taking money, he was last seen walking toward the underpass in the 46 block of Crescent Rd.

The School Resource Officer was called to the scene of a fight between two students at Eleanor Roosevelt High School on Friday, November 4 and advised by an administrator that one of the students was carrying a gun. After breaking up the fight, the officer found a 17-year-old Glen arden youth in possession of both a pager and a loaded .25 caliber semi-automatic handgun. He was arrested and charged as an adult for possession of a handgun and a pager on school property. He appeared before a District Court Commissioner, where he was held on \$1,000 bond pending trial.

## Reward

The Greenbelt City Police Department is offering a reward of up to \$500 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of person(s) responsible for any of the unsolved crimes as reported in Criminal Investigations in the Police Blotter in the Greenbelt News Review. Contact 507-6530. All information is confidential.

Also arrested for carrying a concealed deadly weapon was the occupant of a car which had been stopped on Hanover Parkway for an equipment violation on Monday, November 7. Upon approaching the vehicle the officer saw a lead pipe sticking out from beneath the driver's seat. The driver was also found to be in possession of two knives, including a "butterfly" knife. The man, a non-resident, appeared before a District Court Commissioner, where he was released pending trial.

Similarly, on Thursday, November 3, a 35-year-old local man was arrested and charged with transporting a handgun after he was stopped shortly after noon for driving in an unsafe manner near Kenilworth Ave. and Crescent Rd. Following a computer check that revealed that the registration plate did not belong on the vehicle, the officer discovered a loaded .380 Beretta semi-automatic handgun in the car. The driver appeared before the District Court Commissioner, where he was released on citation pending trial.

## Indecent Exposure

Witnesses reported that a man had exposed himself to a group of children in the 5800 block of Cherrywood Lane on Tuesday morning November 1. Following the broadcast of his description, officers picked up the suspect in the 6100 block of Breezewood Dr. After his posi-

tive identification by a witness, a 21-year-old Greenbelt man was arrested. He appeared before a District Court Commissioner, where he was released pending trial for indecent exposure.

## Theft and Burglaries

Officers responding to a possible robbery in the parking lot of Beltway Plaza on Friday evening, November 4, discovered that a purse, which had been left in the vehicle when the owner went into the mall, had been stolen. When she returned to her car the owner saw the suspect standing beside it, but as she approached, he fled. He was described as black male in his twenties, 5'10", 150 lbs. When last seen, he was wearing a baseball cap, a blue jacket with a white stripe on the back, a white T-shirt and blue jeans.

The following morning, Saturday, November 5, officers, responding to a report of someone tampering with a car in the 9100 block of Springhill Lane, discovered that the owner had one of two suspects in custody; the other, however, had fled. The owner had observed the two suspects inside his vehicle. Arrested and charged with tampering was a non-resident man. When a computer check revealed that he had an open arrest warrant with the Prince Georges County Sheriff's Department, he was released on citation of the tampering charge and taken into custody by the Sheriff's Department for service of the warrant.

A non-resident man, stopped near Greenbelt Rd. and Kenilworth Ave for a registration violation, on Monday, November 7, was discovered by computer check to be using registration plates that had been reported stolen to Montgomery County Police Department. He was released on citation pending trial.

A burglary was reported around midnight on Friday, November 5 in the 6200 block of Springhill Court. Entry was gained by breaking out a bedroom window. Nothing, however, appeared to be missing. But burglaries were reported on Monday, November 11 by two offices in the 7300 block of Hanover Parkway. Computer equipment was taken from both premises, as well as fax machines from one of them.

Building materials were taken from a construction site in the 6500 block of Springcrest Way on Monday, November 7.

## Stolen Cars Recovered

Three cars previously reported stolen were recovered during the week by police in other jurisdictions. They were a 1986 Honda Accord LX 4-door, stolen from the 500 block of Crescent Rd. on October 10, which was located by the Montgomery County Police Department on Lockwood Dr. in Silver Spring; a 1994 Nissan Sentra XE 2-door, stolen from the 5800 block of Cherrywood Lane on September 9 and found on Sherriff Rd. in Oxon Hill by the Prince Georges County Police Department; and a 1991 Honda Accord 4-door, stolen from Hanover Parkway on October 9 and also recovered by the County Police in Oxon Hill.

Thefts from, vandalism to, and attempted thefts of vehicles occurred on Mandan Rd., Greenbelt Rd., Springhill Lane, Breezewood Terrace, Westway, Centerway and Capitol Dr.

## K-9 Patrol Officer, His Dog Win Awards

During the week of November 6, Greenbelt City Police Officer Michael Lanier and his K-9 dog Gus competed in the third annual National Detector Dog Field Trials sponsored by the United States Police Canine Association, held in Johnson City, Tennessee. The five day competition featured 65 canines from throughout the United States trained to detect narcotics and/or bombs. At the

end of the week-long event Gus and his handler were awarded first place in the outdoor/vehicle search competition and finished in fifth place overall. In winning the vehicle search competition Gus and handler received a perfect score of 100.

Officer Lanier, an eight year veteran of the department, and Gus, a three year old Labrador Retriever, have been working to-

gether for approximately one and a half years.

## Hotline on Drugs

The Greenbelt Police Department needs the help of residents. Any citizen with information about possible drug activity in the city is encouraged to call the Greenbelt Narcotics Hot Line at 507-6524. Callers may remain anonymous.

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Modern kitchen with updated cabinets. Utility room with W/D. Wooded setting & fenced yard.

### 2 BEDROOMS

#### MINT CONDITION

**\$54,900 & \$2,500 Closing Help!**

Spectacular home! Landscaped yard backs to woods. Perfect hardwood & parquet floors! WOW!

#### COVERED DECK

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#### GORGEOUS HOME

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Beautifully remodeled kitchen & bath. Sep. laundry. Backs to woods. Meticulously maintained.

#### WONDERFUL WOODED LOCATION

**\$52,900**

Terrific interior has updated kitchen and bath. Very well maintained with lots of nice extras.

#### BRICK HOME with BAY WINDOWS!

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Modern kitchen & bath, sep DR, 4 fans & open stairway. Covered patio, azaleas, flowers & trees.

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**\$49,900**

Large remodeled kitchen with new stove. Expanded living area and updated bath. Fenced yard.

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Big yard backs to woods. Updated kitchen and bath. Addition is a sep dining room and rec room.

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**\$44,900 & \$1,000 Closing Help!**

Enlarged dining area, open kitchen, great hardwd flrs, W/D, fenced yard, large patio & brick BBQ.

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**\$71,900**

Ideal location, enormous yard, perfect hardwd flrs, new carpet, modern kitchen/bath & sep. DR!

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Block home on library end of town! Spacious kitchen and updated bath. Backs to play area.

#### BRICK HOME in SOUGHT-AFTER LOCATION

**\$59,900**

Across from the library! New carpet and paint. Deck and patio. Washer & dryer and built-in A/C.

#### END UNIT IN A SUPERB LOCATION

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Gorgeous home backs to the woods with deck. Terrific floors, modern kitchen/bath. Fenced yard.

### 3 BEDROOMS

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Spacious updated kitchen w/pantry, separate dining, opened stairway wall, fenced yard & more.

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# The Steps before Recycling Can Help the Environment

by Maryalice Locke

The recent Council worksession on waste management issues, reported in the News Review October 13, highlighted concerns on the cost of waste management and the need to increase recycling. This article is intended to suggest ways to reduce waste that would otherwise go to the landfill. Reducing waste (referred to as "source reduction") and increasing recycling and composting are challenges that Greenbelt and its citizens can meet.

Source reduction is a basic solution to the garbage glut, less waste means less of a waste problem. For consumers, source reduction means the purchase and use of materials which reduce the amount or toxicity of trash generated; it also means doing it right from the start. It helps to reduce waste disposal and handling costs because it avoids the costs of recycling, municipal composting, landfilling, and incineration. After source reduction, recycling and composting are the preferred waste management options because they reduce the amount of waste going to landfills and conserve resources.

### Putting it into practice

Putting source reduction into practice is likely to require some change in daily habits, but it is not as difficult as people may think. Individuals can evaluate their daily waste-producing activities to determine those that are essential (such as choosing medicines and foods packaged for safety and health), and those that are not essential (such as throwing away glass or plastic jars that could be reused or locally recycled). It is important to remember that all actions

will have some effect on the environment. Individual consumers can substantially reduce solid waste by following these basic principles: (1) Purchase wisely to reduce the amount of trash generated; (2) Reuse containers and products; (3) Recycle, use recycled materials, and compost; and (4) Express preferences to stores for products which have less waste.

### What to do

The following are suggestions that reduce waste or help manage it more effectively: When choosing between two similar products, select the one with the least unnecessary packaging. Purchase large or economy-size items for household products that are used frequently, such as laundry soap, shampoo, baking soda, pet foods, and cat litter. These sizes usually have less packaging per unit of product. Consider purchasing reusable products that can be washed over and over again;

Borrow, rent, or share items which are used infrequently; sell or donate goods instead of throwing them out. On the second Saturday of each month, between 9 a.m. and 12 p.m., reusable household items and cloth-

ing can be donated at the drop off site between the municipal building and the new Community Center; and Maintain and repair durable products so they are less likely to wear out and will not have to be thrown out and replaced as frequently.

Also recycle and purchase products made from recycled materials. For recycling to succeed, recyclable materials must be reprocessed into new products, and those products must be purchased and used. Compost yard wastes. These wastes have historically been a large part of the waste sent to landfills. People can either compost their yard waste or separate yard waste from regular trash and call the City to pick up and send it to the County composting facility; At the grocery store, consider whether it is necessary to purchase items such as tomatoes, garlic, and mushrooms in prepackaged containers when they can be bought unpackaged; For food products, choose the largest size that can be used before spoiling. One alternative to single food servings is to choose the next largest serving and store any leftovers in a reusable container, and When using single-use items, remember to take only what is needed.

(This article is submitted by Maryalice Locke, a member of the Greenbelt Recycling Advisory Committee. Information in the article was derived, in part, from material published by the EPA, Office of Solid Waste.)

### After Hours

Residents may now call the city offices at 474-8000 after working hours to request information. Calls will be returned later.

## Vinnie Daffan Home Under Hospice Care

Friends and well-wishers have been expressing support for four-year-old Vinnie Daffan, who is now home at 11-A Hillside under hospice care. Vinnie's home is festooned with get-well cards he has received from Greenbelt neighbors, as well as church and school groups. The cards are very meaningful to the youngster and his family so Greenbelters are urged to keep them coming. Long-time Greenbelt and family friend Rick Ransom has made available a cassette *Going Alone*, a collection of 16 songs, some written by Ransom, one of which is called "To Vinnie."

Ransom is a professional songwriter and keyboardist who has co-chaired Greenbelt's Labor Day Entertainment Committee for the last two years. His tape is available for a donation to help defray the costs of Vinnie's illness. For information, call Rick at 441-1597 or Barbara Barber at 220-0448.



Four-year-old Vinnie Daffan, seen in this photo at the beach, is presently at his Greenbelt home under hospice care.

### Recycling Corr

Now that the primary elections are over, be sure to recycle all the mailings and literature at the Drop-Off Center. Magazines, catalogs and junk mail are also welcomed with the mixed paper. The Drop-Off Center is located inside Buddy Attick Park. For more information, call the City Recycling Coordinator, Tracy Vincent at 474-8308.

### Come See the Birds

Patuxent Environmental Science Center will offer a guided birdwalk for ages 16 and older on Sunday, November 20, 8:15 - 11 a.m. Participants will meet at the North Tract Visitor Contact Station and should bring field guides, binoculars, and dress for the outdoors. Advance registration required.

Patuxent Environmental Science Center's North Tract will be closed to visitors Nov. 24, 26, 28 -30.

For more information or to register, call (410) 674-3304.

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## The Lion's Roar

On November 19 at 10 a.m., Greenbelt Lions Club together with the Beltway Plaza Management, Beltway Plaza Merchants Association will kickoff the annual toy drive with a parade through the Beltway Plaza parking area. The parade will include the First Army Band, High Point High School Marching Band, "Power Ranger," "Beauty and the Beast," "the Lion King," and others.

Toys can be placed in boxes at Giant, Center Mall and Caldor's at Beltway Plaza, Greenbelt Co-op, the Youth Center, Greenway Safeway and Greenbriar. New toys are requested and health laws state that stuffed animals must be new. Distribution will be through the Greenbelt American Legion, Lions Club, Prince Georges Board of Education and other groups.

The toy drive will end on December 21.

## HealthPlus Adds

### New Contract

HealthPlus, one of the region's largest managed care companies, has been selected to provide employee health care benefits to approximately 3,000 employees of DynCorp in the Washington metropolitan area.

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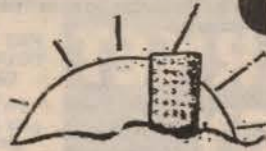
**Robbie Mamula, Jr.**

### Mamula Joins Weichert Realtors

Karon Moore, Manager of the Greenbelt office of Weichert Realtors, recently announced that Robbie Mamula, Jr. has joined the office's sales team.

A resident of Laurel for 23 years, Mamula joined Weichert Realtors as a result of the company's established reputation for quality service and sales support.

Mamula attended the University of Maryland, where he earned a bachelor's degree in business.



### Roper Receives Quality Award

W. Howard Rooks, President of Weichert Co. of Virginia, recently announced that Joyce Roper, a sales associate at the Greenbelt Office, received a Top Revenue Units Quarterly Award in recognition of her outstanding production during the third quarter of 1994.

Every quarter, the Virginia and P.G. County regions of Weichert Realtors recognizes the top three sales associates who have the largest production in seven different categories, listings obtained, total sales, listings sold, revenue units, sales volume, number of Open Houses, and first year licensees' production.

# Greenbelt's Business



### Jeff Ball G & O Design Wins Award

Greenhorne & Omara (G&O) was a winner in the recent 36th Annual Finest for Living Award held in Arlington, Virginia.

G&O won in the Site/Land Planning of an Existing Community: 25' to 125' acres division for the site plan at Westview in Bowie which they designed.

### Greenbelter Heads 84 Lumber Store

84 Lumber Company announced the appointment of Jeff Ball to manager of the new 84 Lumber Store in Upper Marlboro.

The new manager graduated from Parkdale Senior High School in 1977. He is the son of William and Patricia Ball of Greenbelt.

Ball, a native of Greenbelt, started with the 84 chain in March of 1988 at their Belle, WV store. He, his wife, Karen and children, Jennifer and Joseph are residing in Lusby, MD.

As manager of the store, Ball is responsible for store operations including sales and inventory control.

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## "FEATURING JOE'S TIP OF THE WEEK"

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PART 2

AS WE CONTINUE FROM LAST WEEK'S ARTICLE ON OXYGENATED GASOLINE, I STATED THAT THIS FORMULA IS ADDED TO OUR FUEL AT THE BEGINNING OF THE COLDER MONTHS TO HELP IN THE REDUCTION OF TAIL PIPE EMISSIONS.

ONE PART OF THIS BLENDED FUEL INCREASES COMBUSTION CHAMBER TEMPERATURES AND ACCELERATES THE BURN RATE OF THE FUEL. THIS PROCESS SEEMS TO STRESS CYLINDER HEAD GASKETS. (THIS IS MY OPINION.)

IN THE PAST COUPLE OF YEARS I HAVE SEEN A HIGH NUMBER OF GASKET RUPTURES OCCUR DURING THIS TIME OF YEAR. I THINK THE GASKET FAILURE IS NOT THE ROOT CAUSE OF THE CONDITION, JUST THE RESULT!

THERE ARE MANY FACTORS THAT GO INTO A CYLINDER HEAD GASKET FAILURE. I THINK THE MOST COMMON IS A LESS THAN FULL FUNCTIONING EXHAUST GAS RE-CIRCULATION SYSTEM. IT'S VERY IMPORTANT TO MAKE SURE THIS SYSTEM DOES OPERATE.

AS WITH ANY VEHICLE OR AT ANY TIME OF THE YEAR IT'S VERY IMPORTANT TO MAKE SURE YOUR SERVICE TECHNICIAN FULLY UNDERSTANDS EMISSION CONTROL APPLICATIONS SO MANY PROBLEMS CAN BE DETECTED.

MOTOR FUELS LIKE ANY OTHER COMPONENT ON OUR AUTOMOBILES CHANGE AT WILL BUT THESE CHANGES ARE FOR THE BETTER. AT LEAST THAT'S HOW WE'RE TRAINED! DURING DECEMBER AND JANUARY, RFG GASOLINE WILL BE INTRODUCED.. THIS STANDS FOR REFORMULATED GASOLINE. IT LOOKS AS IF THIS RFG IS GOING TO BE AN UPDATED REFORMULATED CHEMICAL MAKE UP. IT WILL STILL CONTAIN OXYGENATES TO HELP REDUCE POLLUTION AND LOWER TAIL PIPE EMISSIONS. TILL NEXT TIME THINK PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE !!

"JOE"



# "Comedy and Drama" Gives An Evening of Entertainment

by Kuei Shen

As a critic — I have never forgotten the words of my beloved teacher — Mrs. Woodward — a gentle, motherly soul who always told me, "It is always easy to find the negative in anything . . . the positive is more challenging . . ." And I would like to add that at times infinitely more difficult. Now lend me an ear to the topic at hand — the world of "Comedy and Drama" according to yours truly.

With a promise of "an evening of plays, skits, and monologues," the Greenbelt Arts Center (GAC) had a lot to deliver. (And I could not help but chuckle at Alex Barnes, Jr.'s interpretation of Launcelot Gobbo from Shakespeare's "Merchant of Venice." What is it about man's eternal fight with his conscience that always makes us revel in the struggle? Barnes' performance was as true as Launcelot's dilemma.

Marie Tousignant, no stranger to Greenbelt residents, is someone I shall always remember as the materialistic, hard-hearted matriarch of "Jigsaws." But she is positively winning as the simple-minded, earnest and shocking Mrs. Dewberry in "Papa Never Done Nothing . . . Much." There is nothing more incriminating than what others say or think about you but, my goodness . . . ! And being cherished and treasured is fine but to the extent of . . . ah, ah, ah — I can't give away the ending.

If I were handing down sentences on the basis of performance, after that scene from "Laughing Wild" — Trix Whitehall would be hauled off to the state penitentiary, given maximum security and put under very close, daily examination by the prison psychiatrist.

The finale of the evening de-

lighted me no end. "I'm Herbert" held the flavor of well-aged wine. Jim Robertson and Judy Holland set the words "grow old with me" to a new tune in their portrayal of Herbert and Muriel. I felt like laughing and crying at the same time at their interpretation of an elderly couple who are each other's best enemies. The phrase "classic comedy" comes to mind as I watched Robertson and Holland play off each other's plight against time and dim memories of well-lived lives together and apart. Neither is ever entirely right and neither is ever entirely wrong. But, ah, they both remember it well and so do I . . .

By now you are perhaps wondering if there is motive to my madness, especially after my opening line about Mrs. Woodward. Rest assured, there is. Despite my enjoyment of the aforementioned scenes, the rest of the production did not strike a melodious chord with me. I wondered, although I understand the difficulty with pleasing everyone, at the choice of the four other scenes. The Honeymooners drew a few laughs, but I must confess most of the humor was lost on me. However, I cannot discount the possibility the material was just simply written before my time. I saw the "Merry Wives of Windsor in its full dress and

enjoyed the show. But this particular scene seemed to jump out of nowhere and there was not enough characterization to paint a picture with any sort of continuity.

I must applaud Lauren Beth Hall's efforts with "Letting Go" and "A Woman Alone" but I am certainly no fan of either work. The former was entirely too melodramatic and soap-opera-ish to present two serious topics such as cancer and euthanasia. The latter had some potential entertainment value but it was not one of my favorites. And I mention the scene from "A Sea of White Horses" for no other reason than its presence in the program. It didn't do "nothing . . . much . . ." But please go judge for yourselves or if only for the sheer magic of the scenes from "The Merchant of Venice," "Papa Never Done Nothing . . . Much," "Laughing Wild," and the best of the best "I'm Herbert."

"Comedy and Drama" will run November 18 and 19 at 8 p.m. Call 441-8770 for more information.

## Turkey Program For the Family

Watkins Nature Center, located in Watkins Regional Park, 301 Watkins Park Drive, Largo is sponsoring a special holiday event in celebration of the turkey.

This free nature program for the entire family will take place on Saturday, November 19 from 1 to 2:30 p.m., and will feature the bird of the season, a live turkey "up close and personal." Activities will include turkey trivia, a turkey calling contest, crafts and more.

For further information call (301) 249-6202; TTY (301) 699-2544.

## "Groceries on Call" Helps Shut-ins Shop

by Danielle Neal

Greenbelters who have difficulty getting back and forth to the grocery store have a convenient alternative: Groceries On Call By Top Banana will do the shopping and deliver the groceries to the front door.

Top Banana Home Delivered Groceries Inc. a non-profit organization that specializes in delivering food and other staples to those in Prince Georges, Montgomery and Charles counties who are unable to shop for themselves, was started by Jean Guiffre in 1982 when she began to shop for her elderly mother. With \$2,000 and a lot of initiative, the organization was born. As a result, many elderly residents are able to remain independent and avoid nursing home care. "My entire purpose is to help them maintain independence," says Guiffre.

The typical Groceries On Call client is female, in her mid-80's, and lives alone. Most are middle income (although the need exists on all socio-economic levels, and all have physical limitations that make grocery shopping difficult or impossible.

Clients are given a detailed warehouse shopping guide to choose their groceries from and low cholesterol foods are included. The average order is around \$72.00, and clients place their orders weekly, bi-weekly, or monthly. A delivery charge covers the cost of a van, insurance, and warehousing.

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## Greenbelt Dynasty

by Jeff Keir

The Greenbelt 85 lb. football team has won the National League Division Title. They went undefeated in the 1994 season and are off to the Superbowl.

At the beginning of the season, if someone had said that Coach Bob Green & the 85 lb. team would go undefeated (or even win a game), they would have been told, "You're nuts!" At that time, Bob had more coaches than players. There must be something to the names "Green" and "Belt", however, because Coach Kenny Belt won the 85 lb. Division Title in 1991, and now Coach Bob Green has accomplished the same feat.

Green comments, "I am very proud of this team. I'm probably the only coach that constantly hugs his players. These kids played very hard for me. My assistant coaches, Judy Harris and Bridget Osborne, were also outstanding. Before I go on about my players, I would like to thank John Price Sr., Dennis and Marthea Lewis, Jeff Keir, Barbara and Sonny Osborne, Dianna Lynn Webb, David Coley, Norman Weston, Joanne and Dick Gehring, Anthony Mickey, Darrel Dixon, Mitch Williams, Mel Scites and my wife Leta. Without their support and confidence this season would have been tough. In addition, I would like to thank all the parents: Connie and Michael Reynolds, Karen Hillyard, Fran Raynor, Claudia Weston, Scott and Kathy Gregory, Sabrina and family, Sherrie Hyde and family, Paul and Linda Hobson, Natalie Brown, Lucy Carey, Mr. & Mrs. Akinyanju, the Paxton family, the Proctors, the Sikes and the Tate Family. Thank you for allowing your children to participate in sports in the community. A special thanks is extended to former players, Chris Vicks, Angelo Robinson, Corey Bernard (and families)."

The team finished the regular season with a 7-0-1 record; seven wins, no losses and one tie. The Winning record reads as follows:

Greenbelt 18, College Park 0; Greenbelt 33, Bladensburg 0; Greenbelt 13 Laurel 6; Greenbelt 15, Beltsville 12; Greenbelt 18, Kettering 0; Greenbelt 0, College Park 0; Greenbelt 22, Bladensburg 0; Greenbelt 24, Laurel 6.

The Superbowl is Sunday, November 20 at noon. Greenbelt vs. District Heights at Prince Georges County Sports Park in Mitchellville (off Woodmore

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## A Matter of Opinion

# Greenbelt Historic District Right Idea, Wrong Reasons

by James Giese

GHI residents and the city will have to decide if original Greenbelt should be designated a historic district by Prince Georges County. Currently, a report is under consideration which has been prepared by the staff of the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission (MNCPPC) together with an ad hoc local Greenbelt Historic District Study Committee.

The report recommends that all of the original buildings constructed in Greenbelt by the federal government and others, all the defense homes added in 1941, Buddy Attick Park and parcels 1 and 2 be included in the historic district, along with any newer construction built within that area. The designation as a county historic district means that an additional regulatory layer will be added to the building permit process in the review of construction proposals according to design review guidelines of the county code and the U.S. Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation. A Local Advisory Committee (LAC) would also review plan proposals.

### Not a Problem?

Those advocating the historic district at the local level play down these added regulations. They believe that homeowners wanting to build additions or do remodeling to their homes can get around the county and federal requirements. The county will look the other way, they claim and the Local Advisory Committee will be as lenient as GHI Boards have been; thus GHI residents will continue to do almost whatever they please with their homes.

What the historic district will protect, the advocates claim, is undesirable development taking place and roads being changed in ways not wanted. Also, this designation will assure that the green space is left untouched.

If GHI residents and the city, however, buy the idea of the historic district on these premises, they will have been badly misled.

### Restrictions Needed

I myself would like to see a historic district created: I think the procedure is desirable in better preserving the architectural and aesthetic characteristics of the original community. I would hope that having a historic district would prevent the kinds of Williamsburg colonial, redwood siding and other architecturally incompatible additions that have been built in the past. I would hope that the historic district would eliminate the Georgetowning of our row houses and the tacking of vinyl siding on our concrete block homes. I would hope the historic district would reverse the trend toward multiple colors in a row and reunify the community's color scheme as it originally existed.

If citizens agree with these objectives, then the historic district is a good idea. But if GHI homeowners want the freedom to do with their homes as they please, if they resent the current GHI architectural regulations that are mild in degree and frequently waived, then adding a new layer of regulations at the county level which are based upon federal guidelines that may get more restrictive as time goes by may not be their cup of tea. Make no mistake about it, if a historic district is created, GHI homeowners and other prop-

erty owners within the district will lose some of their rights to do as they wish with their property.

### Stop Development?

Now let's look critically at the other reasons. One given is to prevent undesirable development. The historic district will do nothing to prevent undesirable development from taking place outside the district. That is where development is most likely to occur. Inside the district, the only vacant land is owned by the city or GHI. I cannot imagine any of this land being developed in any way without majority support of the GHI residents or the city. Do we need to protect us from ourselves?

For the "Save Our Trees" advocates, there may be a belief that creating a historic district will prevent ballfields or other recreation facilities from being built on Parcels 1 and 2. If so, they are under the false presumption that "green belt" means undisturbed forest land. If "green belt" means anything, it means farmland, as that was the original concept for the green belt set forth by Ebenezer Howard. For our city, it would be historically correct for the green belt to be used for any low density use including farm land, park and recreation land and woodland.

There is a possibility that existing structures will be torn down and new ones built in their place, although not likely at present. As relates to GHI and public facilities, this is not possible without the support of the community. However, if the owners of commercial buildings in Roosevelt Center or the apartments on Crescent and Parkway decide to do so, then having building demolition or new construction subject to historic preservation guidelines would be a good idea.

### Stop the Roads

The other justification for the historic district that I have heard, which I believe to be not relevant, is that a district would prevent undesirable road construction. The three road proposals that I am aware of that affect original Greenbelt in any way are outside the district proposed. I doubt that having a district will affect in any way decisions made on these proposals.

Kenilworth Avenue is proposed to be made a divided highway north to the Laurel area, with the intent of providing an alternative truck route to U.S. 1. Since that part of the highway that would be next to the historic district is already a divided highway, I see no benefit from having a historic district. If extending Kenilworth is prevented, it will be for reasons other than a Greenbelt Historic District.

If Kenilworth is extended, it is proposed that Crescent Road be curved up Ridge Road in front of the Greenbelt Police Facility to intersect with Kenil-

worth opposite Ivy Lane at Capitol Office Park. We are told that this design will need to be done for safety reasons. With increased traffic flow on Kenilworth and from the Beltway, having the Crescent Road intersection so close to the Beltway ramp will be hazardous.

Those who drive Kenilworth know that it already is a tricky business to bear right when traveling north in order to turn onto Crescent Rd. Thus, if Kenilworth is extended, even over Greenbelt's opposition, the city may have no choice but to agree to relocation of Crescent for the safety of its residents.

In any event, since the relocated road will be outside the historic district, having such a district will have little bearing on the issue. Because it is a city road, the actions of the City Council will have much greater bearing on how the issue is decided.

### Ridge Relocation

The City Council and the citizens of Greenbelt will also be the sole determining factor in undertaking the third road proposal. That proposal is to extend Ridge Road from Lastner Lane to Kenilworth along the north side of the Lakeside North apartments. Because that road proposal also is outside the proposed historic district, it would not be affected by the district's being created.

While I think extending Ridge would benefit Boxwood Village, Lakewood and the GHI North-end and reduce traffic on Crescent, the fact is that this project will not be done unless the city wants to do it. Right-of-way is needed, and the city will have to buy it. So far, City Councils have shown no interest whatever in undertaking this project and I doubt that future councils will think differently.

### Tax Breaks

There is another reason for having a historic district—tax breaks. Such breaks occur, however, only when one undertakes rehabilitation work in keeping with historic preservation guidelines. I suspect that as often as not, the extra cost of doing work conforming to the guidelines will offset any tax breaks. And besides, the best tax break is already available to the proposed historic district properties/since they already exist in the area designated a historic district by the National Register of Historic Places. That designation entitles property owners to a Maryland income tax deduction for restoration or rehabilitation work.

The celebration of Greenbelt's fiftieth anniversary gave many of us a greater appreciation for the historic importance of our original model planned community and a greater desire to see it preserved for the future. I know that I have come to regret my part in some of the decisions that made changes to the community that adversely affected the character of the original planned concepts.

I would like to see greater restrictions imposed on what happens to the original buildings and that I hope would prevent some of the travesties to original design that have occurred in the past. But then, I am not a property owner in the historic district. I am not being asked to give up some of the rights to the use of my property.

GHI residents should remember that at GHI's instigation, the city obtained National Register status for original Greenbelt in 1980. Advocates thought

by Linda Savaryn  
474-5285

Our sympathy to Doris Roberts and family on the death of her husband Roger.

Condolences to June Rousseau on the death of her mother, "Mae" Zoellner.

Marcus House has been selected as a national outstanding campus leader and will be listed in the 1995 edition of *Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges*. Marcus is a junior with a double major, pursuing degrees in electrical engineering and electronics engineering technology at Capitol College in Laurel.

Parrish James Morgan, a freshman industrial engineering major will appear in the upcoming *Bradley University, Peoria, Ill., production of Shakespeare's Richard III*.

Morgan will portray Sir Richard Ratchiff, advisor to Richard III. He is a 1993 graduate of Eleanor Roosevelt High School and had the leading role in *Pinocchio* and appeared in *Who's Got My Golden Arm?* He is a member of National Society of Black Engineers and the Molarmy II athletic pep club.

Morgan is the son of Elaine Morgan of Mandan Road.

Dr. Craig Mark Person was recently initiated as a Fellow in the American College of Surgeons. Dr. Person has an office on Greenway Center Drive.

Army Spec. Jams D. Fielder has completed basic training at Fort Jackson, S.C.

During the training, he reported that this status would enable GHI to get federal grants for rehabilitation. It did help, but it also placed restrictions on what rehabilitation could be done. Principal points of contention were over window replacement and siding for the block homes. In the end, GHI chose other financing means not tied to historic preservation restrictions for the bulk of its rehabilitation work.

ceived instruction in drill and ceremonies, weapons, map reading, tactics, military courtesy, military justice, first aid, and Army history and traditions.

Fielder is the son of George M. and Linda G. Beach of Morrison Drive, and is a 1990 graduate of ERHS.

Air Force Senior Airman Roberto S. Kruckow has arrived for duty at Yokota Air Base, Tokyo.

Kruckow, a medical specialist, is the son of Harry G. and Saralyn D. Krackow of Mandan Road. He graduated from ERHS in 1989.

Glad to see Sharon Blake back leading her afterschool class at Greenbelt Elementary School. Sharon was burned on her right arm when she tackled a friend who was on fire from an accident and managed to put out the flames.

Get well wishes to News Review staffers Mary Sandilands, Susan Whimore and Pat McCoy, who were recently hospitalized.

## Medieval Group At Marietta

Wolf's Company, a 14th-century medieval reenactment group, will hold a two-day encampment at Marietta Manor, 5626 Bell Station Road, Glenn Dale, on Saturday and Sunday, November 19 and 20 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Activities to educate, amuse and entertain are planned for the day and will include: archery, hand cannon demonstrations, camp ball—an early free-for-all version of rugby—military camp life, fighting practice as well as reenactments of the medieval justice system and payment of soldiers.

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**Tree Ceremony**

(Continued from page one)

man to get a job, jobs being scarce in Cleveland. He went to work for the Department of Agriculture. In Washington he met Catherine Tracy, the daughter of the Mayor of Kinderhook, New York. She worked for the White House in the mail room. They were married and moved to the third floor of a tenement, where their first child, Mary, was born. There they had to share a bathroom with four other families.

When the Maddens heard about Greenbelt out in the country, they applied. They were accepted and became the first family at 17-E Ridge Rd.

During the war, Madden rose in the ranks at the Dept. of Agriculture, becoming the Regional Director for the Federal Crop Insurance Corporation. With a growing family, however, he needed more income and began to sell insurance on the side. An enthusiastic supporter of cooperatives, Madden became an agent for the Farm Bureau Insurance, a cooperative in Columbus, Ohio,

Mayor Antoinette Bram (center) reads a Mayoral Proclamation honoring Anthony and Catherine Madden, Greenbelt and Woodland Hills pioneers, as members of the Madden family look on. From left to right, Patricia Madden Molden, Kathleen Dunleavy Madden, Martin Madden, Michael Madden, Mary Madden Doman, Frank Stringfellow, City Councilmember Edward Putens and Theresa Madden Stringfellow. Also in back on left side are Councilmembers Rodney Roberts, Judith Davis and Thomas White.

which later became Nationwide Insurance. Eventually, Madden left the government to spend full time as an insurance agent—the premier agent in Greenbelt.

The Maddens became active members of the St. Hugh's Catholic Church, Greenbelt Consumer Services, the co-op, and other town organizations. When the federal government decided to sell Greenbelt in the early 50s, Madden became chair of the membership committee for the cooperative formed by residents to buy the government homes. However, enough of the residents refused to join that the new co-op did not have funds necessary to meet the government requirement. After contacts with the local banks proved unsuccessful, Madden contacted the President of Farm Bureau Insurance, and

—photos by J. Henson a subsidiary of that company agreed to make the loan.

**Buying the Greenbelt**

The company also lent the money needed as a down payment to buy 700 acres of vacant land surrounding the Greenbelt homes, because it felt that land would become some of the most valuable around Metropolitan Washington.

Madden envisioned that the co-op would pull out pieces of the 700 acres and build private homes to get the land in individual ownership. However, the co-op Board of Directors soon agreed to sell nearly all of the land at \$150,000 profit in order to avoid paying taxes and the mortgage on it. Madden brought in a real estate expert to talk to the board before the sale, who advised them not to sell because in a few years the land would be worth five times as much. (This land included property later developed as Lakewood, Boxwood Village and University Square Apartments, Charlestowne Village, and the Golden Triangle, as well as Parcels 1 and 2 near the Baltimore-Washington Parkway and land next to Greenbelt Lake later purchased by the city for parkland.)

**Woodland Hills**

Madden also became active in the Woodway Community Development Association Cooperative, which sought a parcel of land from the federal government, and later from the Greenbelt Veteran's Housing Corporation (the cooperative that purchased the original homes from the government and which later became Greenbelt Homes, Inc.). Their purpose was to build a group of larger, privately owned homes to take care of some of the larger Greenbelt families, Farm Bureau Insurance, according to Madden, also helped finance that project, which became Woodland Hills.

In Woodland Hills, the Maddens moved to 111 Northway. As their neighbors across the street were the Rexford Guy Tugwell family, Madden got to know well the New Deal "braintruster" during the brief time he resided in Greenbelt. Tugwell is credited with building the three green towns, including Greenbelt.



**The View from Ridge Road**

by Christina O'Boyle

**Proximity**

The thing about living in a row of townhouses is that we are connected no matter what we think. This seems obvious, but usually we remain unaware of it until something happens which sharpens our consciousness, like working beside a neighbor while raking leaves. Then instead of rushing into the house, we slow down and talk to each other.

But the way we connect is sometimes peculiar. It can take years of "How are you?'s" before a real conversation develops between neighbors. There are times when we introduce ourselves formally with a handshake and polite comments, but just as often it's a matter of listening to pieces of a neighbor's life pass through thin walls and open windows. Without meaning to intrude, we gather a sense of each other just being nearby.

The way I got to know Ralph was by stringing together the bits of his life I saw over the fifteen years he lived down the street from me. He was eight townhouses away, but I still knew that he and his wife raised their granddaughter, that his wife died about eight years ago, and that he has lived only with his two little dogs since. We talked mostly about weather, with his forecasts becoming about as predictable as the season we were in. Every autumn he would say "Better throw on an extra blanket tonight, it's gonna be chilly!" Even after I knew Ralph no longer could hear my words (although he smiled and pretended to) he would repeat his blanket suggestion to me, hugging himself to mime the words so that I would understand. Ralph's presence has been a part of the neighborhood, so long that it was presumed, until a neighbor noticed something was wrong.

This happened last month as I was herding my children home from the playground. We bumped into Francis, a man who religiously walks his dogs past our house a couple times a day. He stopped and asked me if I had seen Ralph recently. He was worried because the last few days he had noticed Ralph's dogs were never outside when he walked by; they were inside barking. He said, "Something must be wrong. Ralph's routine

Later on the Maddens built a larger home on Lakecrest Circle. After the children left home, the Maddens relocated to apartments in the city. Anthony Madden died June 7, 1987 and Catherine Madden died February 16, 1991.

(Note: This story was based in part on the recollections of Anthony Madden taken by Steve Schlegel, student in an Oral History Course of Dr. Martha Ross, Department of History, University of Maryland, which took place on November 12, 1980 and of Martin "Marty" Madden made in August, 1987. Both were published in "Looking Back," a collection of remembering gathered by Dorothy Lauber and published by the City of Greenbelt.)

is different." Once he pointed it out, I realized that I hadn't seen Ralph or his dogs for a while. I decided to go right over.

The children waited at Ralph's gate while I knocked and yelled at his door. Then, getting no answer, I went next door and knocked at Joan's. She was home and knew what to do. She told me that she had been through this a couple times in the past weeks because Ralph has grown so old. Joan knew Ralph's patterns; they had been next door neighbors for over a decade. Through their common walls his thumps in the kitchen and the thud of his shoes on the stairs were as familiar as the motor in her refrigerator. She told me Ralph's TV hadn't been on much and he used to have it on all the time—voices for companionship, like the warm bodies of his dogs. Joan had his daughter's phone number and said she would call her to make sure he was okay.

A week later, while I was supervising the children's bike riding antics, Francis stopped by to tell me that Ralph had gone to live with a niece and the house would be sold soon. We exchanged a glance that meant we'd had a feeling events were leading this way. We talked about how we felt it was probably good that Ralph was no longer alone. And as we stood there sharing these feelings, our relationship changed. We were becoming friends.

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He was just a figure with an unusual gait. But once we started talking, another connection fell into place. "You know the old man up the street, Ralph? Well, I haven't seen him or his dogs for weeks. And his door is always closed. Do you know if he's okay?" he asked. "I figured you would know, that's why I knocked." I stepped outside and told him all that had happened, repeating the story of how the neighborhood alarm system started with Francis, who came to me, then Joan. And now to him. While talking about Ralph we allowed pieces of our own lives to surface and be shared. Eventually we introduced ourselves as Michael and Christina, shaking hands and saying, "It's nice to finally meet you."

Who can say the effect we have on others is little when faced with the possibilities of townhouse living? In the years when Ralph was out there with his dogs, leaning over the fence and chatting about the weather, Francis, Joan, Michael and me, the four of us were hurrying past each other. His absence has drawn us together. Now when I see the others we seem to have this common point of reference we relate from. It's inside our greetings and conversations: It's Ralph. It's the thing about living in a row of townhouses. We get connected.



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