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The Year 2001 in Review - Part One - Stories from the First Six Months

by James Giese

The following is a summary of stories appearing in the Greenbelt News Review relating to the events of the first six months of the year 2001. A separate article relates to persons honored. Part Two will appear in a subsequent issue.

January

Bursting fireworks announced the opening of Greenbelt New Year 2001, the all-city New Year's Eve party continuing with more than 20 acts in five venues and ending with a jumping band and traditional countdown to midnight. A laundry room fire disrupted families in the 12-court Laurel Hill on January 3. Lawrence Goldberg endowed an award in the College of Journalism at the University of Maryland in honor of his late wife, long time activist Lillian, and Maryland professor Hodding Carter III.

Council authorized installation of red-light cameras at eight locations to catch persons driving through intersections after traffic light turns red. Facing debts of \$35-40,000 and shortage of volunteers, the New Deal Café is threatened with closure. In a talk to the Eleanor and Franklin Roosevelt Democratic Club, State Delegate James Hubbard harshly criticized the Prince George's County Board of Education and announced that he had proposed legislation to change the make-up of the board. State Senator Leo Green proposed legislation to

provide state financial assistance to the city to buy Greenbelt Theatre, the movie house located in Roosevelt Center.

City council approved a concept plan to add 4,800 square feet to the Springhill Lake Recreation Center and authorized additional design work for the exterior finishes. It also authorized the employment of Hendricks and Associates to conduct a classification and compensation study of city employees.

By a 3-2 vote, the council ordered the removal of three Bradford pear trees on Greenway Place after many discussions. At a work session, the city council and the manager of the Public Service Commission chided representatives of the Potomac Electric Power Company for the frequent disruption of service in the city. Improvements and repairs to the Springhill Lake Apartments, the largest apartment project within the city, pleased Renee Landon, the city's code enforcement inspector. A city council public hearing on a proposal of the

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Chemist Awes Students With Vials, Lights, Fans

by Mary Moien

The first week of November is National Chemistry Week. During this week chemists around the country use the opportunity to visit schools and inspire students to learn more about the physical world around them. This year, Dr. John J. Fortman, professor of Chemistry at Wright State University in Dayton, Ohio, taught and entertained about 80 fifth-grade students at Greenbelt Elementary School and 90 sixth to eighth graders at St. Hugh's School. Greenbelter Jim Cassidy, a member of the Chemical Society of Washington, organized the event.

The theme for this year's program was "The Science of the Arts." Chemical compounds, sounds, and lights were used to relate chemistry and physics to the fine arts. Fortman packed numerous



Dr. John Fortman demonstrates the mixing of colored lights.

experiments and demonstrations into a short period of time.

At Greenbelt Elementary the See CHEMISTRY, page 2

Year 2001 Honorees

The following people and organizations were recognized during the past year for their accomplishments and achievements.

The Greenbelt Advisory Committee on Education (ACE) presented awards on March 12 to seven educators in area schools for their work: Mary "Micki" Johnson, health aide at Greenbelt Elementary; Sara Rosen, teacher of English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) at Springhill Lake Elementary; Theresa Dolan an ESOL teacher at Magnolia Elementary; Tina McGranaghan, fifth-grade teacher at St. Hugh's; Barbara Clements, eighth-grade science teacher at Greenbelt Middle; Darnell Sarpy, eighth-grade language arts teacher at Robert Goddard Middle and Gary King, vice-principal who chaired the Middle States Evaluation Committee in 1990 and 2000 for Eleanor Roosevelt High.

National Aeronautics and Space Administration Space Flight Awareness awards were bestowed upon Greenbelt scientists Kevin Riley, Holly Offerman and Robert Sliko. Andy Carruthers received the first place award of \$1,000 for "Photo Contest 2000, Celebrating Maryland's Greenways and Parks" sponsored by the Maryland Greenways Commission and the state's Department of Natural Resources. The Washington Post awarded two \$500 "Grants in the Arts" awards to Greenbelt Elementary School for fifth-grade teacher Beth Novick and third-grade teacher Thomas Lenhart, each grant supplemented by donations from the Mobil "Fuel for School Program."

Jocelyn "Jackie" Curley, an administrative employee in the Greenbelt Police Department, received the Police Chief's Association of Prince George's County Civilian of the Year award for her work in the field of victim assistance.

The French Immersion Program

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What Goes On

Monday, January 7,
8 p.m., City Council
worksession on city goals,
Municipal Building.

Wednesday, January 9,
7 p.m., Advisory
Committee on Trees,
Community Center.

7:30 p.m., Advisory
Planning Board, Community
Center.

Thursday, January 10,
7:30 p.m., GHI Board
meeting, Community Center.

Saturday, January 12,
8:30 - 11 a.m., Annual
Open Door Meeting by State
Legislators representing
Greenbelt.



Bob Sonneveldt joined a team of torch bearers who carried the Olympic flame through Washington.

Bob Sonneveldt Carries Olympic Torch Flame

by Betty Sonneveldt and Joanne Tucker

On Friday, December 21, at 7 p.m., Greenbelter Bob Sonneveldt carried the Olympic flame for two-tenths of a mile along 15th Street, S.W., in Washington D.C., starting at the Holocaust Museum and ending at the bridge to the Jefferson Memorial. The flame was passed to Bob by a Holocaust survivor. The flame is being carried across the country from Atlanta, Georgia, to Salt Lake City, Utah, for the Winter 2002 Olympics.

Bob was nominated to be a Torch Bearer by his children, Steffan and Emily Sonneveldt. It was a very moving and exciting event, with friends and family coming from all over the globe to watch and run along with Bob. Bob's eldest brother Chris Sonneveldt and his wife Joanne came from Grand Rapids, Michigan, daughter Emily arrived from Rwanda, Africa, son Steffan, his wife Juliet, and grandsons

Camren and Kyle came from Nashville, Tennessee, and friends from Baltimore and Washington, D.C., were on hand to watch the event. Greenbelters Jim and Gail Drake, Joanne Tucker and Carl Kautz, Susan Belisle, Dean Feldman and his son Jake, and Pat Heaney were on hand to watch this carrying and transfer of the Olympic flame. The Holocaust Museum provided candles for the observers. Bob gets to keep his torch and his Torch Bearer's official uniform.

White House Ceremony

All of the Torch Bearers who carried the Olympic flame on December 21, were invited to the White House on Saturday, December 22, for a torch relay ceremony. Bob and his wife Betty arrived very early on Saturday morning to participate in the event on the White House lawn.

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Artful Afternoon Features Winter Wildlife Theme

by Nicole DeWald

The Greenbelt Recreation Department will host an Artful Afternoon on Sunday, January 6 from 1 to 5 p.m. The program will take place at the Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Road. Artful Afternoons are a regular series on the first Sunday of each month. Each month offers a chance for the public to visit the studios of the Community Center's Artists in Residence (1 to 5 p.m.), and to shop for ceramics created at the Center (1 to 4 p.m.). Live performances, gallery exhibits, and hands-on arts activities for all ages are also regular features. Admission is free.

"Winter wildlife" is the theme of the January program. Activities will include wildlife oriented art projects from 1 to 3 p.m., followed by a contemporary folk performance and sing-a-long with Izolda Trachtenberg at 3 p.m. A reception will be held with artist

Alice Sims from 2 to 3 p.m. in honor of her current exhibit of sculpture and photography on view at the Community Center. Three large bears and a pink rhinoceros are included from Sims' collection, along with several figurative pieces. Also on view at the Center are two playful dancing bear sculptures which the artist created with community members for this year's Greenbelt New Year celebration.

The New Year project, organized by the Greenbelt Recreation Department, was designed to provide community members with an opportunity to create artwork collaboratively and to personalize the experience of the City's annual New Year's Eve celebration. The project was offered in connection with the recreation department's year-round arts education program, which

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celebrates the arts as a means of community building and an avenue for personal enrichment. The Prince George's Arts Council provided a grant to fund this initiative.

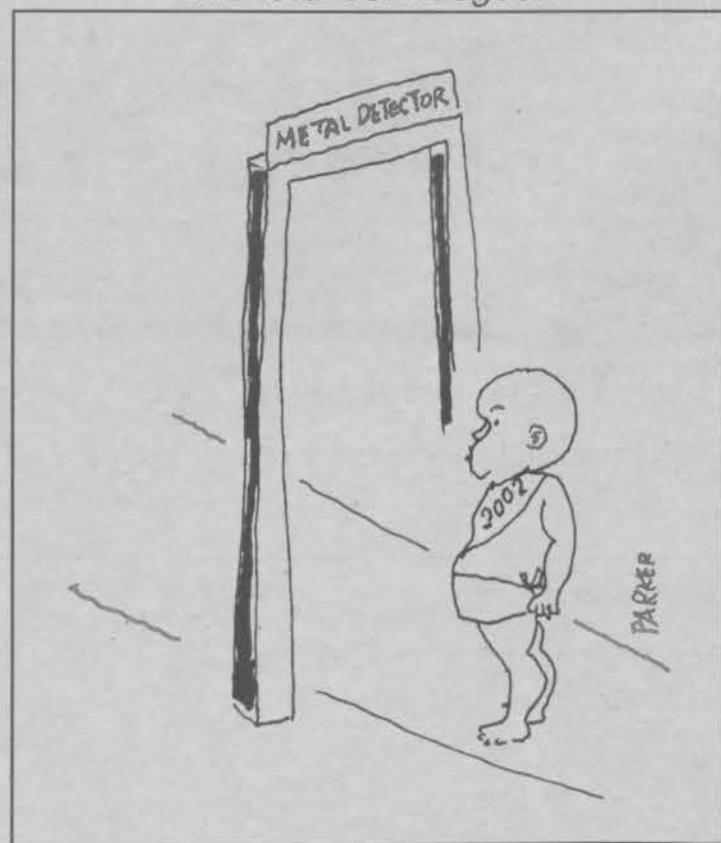
Community participants included talented students from the Greenbelt Cooperative Nursery School, the recreation department's after school art program, and Ms. Whifield's third grade class at Greenbelt Elementary School, Ms. Troschel's Girl Scout Troop and members of the general public.

Alice Sims is a resident of Takoma Park, where she is co-chair of the Takoma Artists' Guild. Her work has been featured in many exhibits in both traditional and non-traditional settings. She holds a bachelor's degree in studio art and education from Converse College, Spartanburg, South Carolina, and a master's degree in drawing and ceramic sculpture from the University of South Carolina. She has taught art to both children and adults, and has served as a mentor for children at risk through the City of Rockville's Vision Quest program.

Additional artwork currently on display at the Community Center includes "The Great Glowing Snake," an illuminated sculpture created by artist-in-residence Elizabeth Morisette and 85 community participants during Greenbelt's Festival of Lights celebration in December. Participants of all ages joined Morisette in her Community Center studio to create this fanciful creature on her large floor loom. The snake's skin is woven out of a variety of materials, including Mardi Gras beads, police tape, a holiday garland, grocery bags, and more. The snake, like Sims' dancing bears, is a gift to the community offered with warmest wishes for the new year.

For more information, call 301-397-2208.

The Old Curmudgeon



"I'm not removing my diaper pins!"

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President Bush gave a moving speech about the Olympic spirit, and tied in the events on September 11. The ceremony gave the Sonneveldts a chance to meet other people who had participated in carrying the Olympic flame. There were men and women of all ages including teenagers and people in their seventies. There were firefighters, school teachers, victims of the September 11 terrorist attacks, and community volunteers. This was a real opportunity to see that many Americans have the opportunity to participate in this very special event.

Bob Sonneveldt has been active in sports in Greenbelt for

over 30 years. He has coached soccer and basketball for the Greenbelt Boys and Girls Club, and served on their board. He was active with the Greenbelt Swim Team for 15 years, and he has been coaching Babe Ruth baseball for over 20 years. Bob is president of the Prince George's County Babe Ruth League, and coaches the Greenbelt Senior Babe Ruth team. He was nominated for this honor because of his commitment to youth sports in our community, and his continual efforts to expand and improve sports for all the youth in Greenbelt and the county.

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students sat on the floor in the auditorium facing Fortman, who was on stage with vials, lights and fans. Initially, he got their attention by starting to read a book to them. But as he opened the book, it burst into flames. When he closed it, the flames died. Fortman then showed them how the book was rigged with a battery that caused flames to erupt when it was exposed to oxygen.

Sound

Next, Fortman discussed how sound is made by shock waves or air disturbances. He warned that loud noises can damage the ear drum and showed the children how to hold their hands over their ears, using the "elephant ear approach" to protect their hearing. This approach, holding the hands at right angles against the head in front of the ears, allows the shock waves to hit the hands and be deflected away from the ears. All of the children were alert as Fortman blew up a huge balloon, using liquid nitrogen that expanded as it warmed. It exploded with a very satisfactory loud boom, startling teachers and children alike.

Next, he spun an 'air bugle,' a long flexible tube that can be found in toy stores. The faster you spin the tube, the higher the sounds. Fortman described how the air going through the tube causes wave disturbances that

make different sounds. He picked up a helium-filled balloon and stated that helium is a lighter gas than air and makes the waves move faster. He showed how breathing in a little of the helium changed the pitch of his voice.

Using a slide whistle he also demonstrated how the sounds would get higher or lower when helium was inserted. An added attraction at this point was that the helium balloon got away from Fortman and spun around the room, to the great enjoyment of the students.

The children got a real laugh when Fortman dropped dry ice into water to become "the mad scientist" of movies, with smoke pouring out of a beaker.

Color

The next topic was color and the differences between colors of light and colors of pigments. He had containers with the three primary colors and described how they look different because of the way electrons absorb light energy. Later, Fortman lit himself up.



Greenbelt Elementary fifth graders use "elephant ear" approach to protect ears from loud noises.

Fortman saved some highlights for last. With the help of Cassidy, he used a special electric tool to pass electricity through his body and light up a fluorescent light. He used colored light sticks to show that mixing lights together creates white light. Although the room was not quite dark enough for some of the demonstrations, he attached three light sticks to fan blades and, spinning the blades, showed how the colors combined and disappeared.

The fifth grade students were amazed with some of the experiments and probably confused by others. But they certainly will listen to music and look at colored lights with a different level of understanding and curiosity in the future.

Hearing on Reopening of Berwyn School

A hearing will be held at Greenbelt Middle School on Tuesday, January 8 at 7 p.m. to discuss the reopening of Berwyn Heights Elementary School. When the school reopens some Greenbelt children are scheduled to be moved to it. Not only will students from Berwyn Heights who currently attend Springhill Lake (SHL) Elementary School

be shifted to the reopened school but some students who live in the SHL apartments are scheduled to be shifted also.

Questions and comments regarding these proposed shifts can be addressed to the Department of Pupil Accounting and School Boundaries at 301-952-6300 or faxed to 301-952-6784.

Letters to the Editor

Every now and then the News Review receives a letter to the editor which the author, for one reason or another, has neglected to sign. Some of these letters present valid points of view, worth discussing in the public forum which this newspaper provides to the community. Unfortunately, we cannot publish such letters unless we know who wrote them. We may, if circumstances warrant, withhold the name of someone who wants to preserve anonymity, but we must know the author in order to honor such a request.

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OFFICE HOURS: Monday 2 - 4 p.m., Tuesday 2 - 4, 8 - 10 p.m.

Hard of Hearing? Join the Group

Having trouble with conversation? Understand most of the conversation but find a few words just don't make sense? Or a response was met with a surprised look? Join the Prince George's County group, Self Help for Hard of Hearing People meeting January 10, 2 to 4 p.m. at the Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Road. Kathy Mellott, Audiology Unlimited, will present "More of Understanding Speech." This program is also helpful for people who do not wear hearing aids but have a mild hearing problem. Newcomers are welcome.

For further information or directions call 301-474-0345.

Legislators Hold Open Door Meeting

The Annual Greenbelt Open Door Meeting will be held on Saturday, January 12, from 8:30 to 11 a.m. at the Greenbelt Municipal Building. This is an opportunity for the citizens of the 23rd District to meet and talk to their representatives, Senator Leo Green and Delegates Mary Conroy, James Hubbard and Joan Pitkin.

Swim Team Seeks Participants

The Greenbelt Swim Team is seeking swimmers ages 5 to 18 to join the Barracudas for winter session practices. Practices are held Tuesday and Thursday afternoons and Sunday mornings at the pool. Come and experience the fun and excitement of being part of a winning team! Winter session is a great way to improve times and strokes and stay in shape for the upcoming summer swim season.

Register in person at the pool Wednesday, January 9 from 5 to 6 p.m.

GHI Notes

The next free informational seminar about GHI for prospective members is scheduled for January 7 at 7:15 p.m. To register call 301-474-4161.

The Finance committee meets at 7:30 p.m. January 8 at the GHI offices.

The Woodlands committee will meet at 7:30 p.m. on January 9 at the GHI offices.

The next Board of Directors meeting will be January 10 at 7:30 p.m. at the Greenbelt Community Center.

Community Events

At the Library

Tuesday, January 8, 7 p.m., Cliffhangers for ages 5 to 8.

Wednesday, January 9, 10:15 a.m., Cuddletime for ages 12 to 24 months with caregiver.

4 p.m. BOOKIDS Discussion Group for ages 8 to 12.

Thursday, January 10, 10:15 a.m., Drop-In Storytime for ages 3 to 5.

11:15 a.m., Toddler Time for two-year-olds with caregiver.

"Winter" Is Topic For "Poetry Plus"

Poetry Plus, a group for poets and poetry lovers to listen and talk; an appreciative audience for new poems or old; poems people love, hate or don't understand will meet on Saturday, January 12, at the Greenbelt Library, 10:30 a.m. to noon. The suggested topic is "Winter." The discussion is open to all who enjoy talking about poetry. Participants are asked to bring 5 to 10 copies of any poems to be read.

NARFE Meets

NARFE, Chapter 1122 will hold their next meeting on January 9 at Sir Walter Raleigh Restaurant, 6323 Greenbelt Road at noon. People will order from the menu this time. Depending on how successful the "turn-out" is, we will decide if meetings will continue there or elsewhere. The same rules apply: if schools are closed there will be no official meeting.

Volunteer Tutors Needed by CARES

Greenbelt CARES' tutoring program matches interested youths with community volunteers who assist with academic work and help motivate the student. Group and one-on-one sessions are available. Hours and days are flexible. Volunteers are currently needed. To learn more, call 301-345-6660.

Folk Dance Group Is a Family Affair

by Nelda Young

Aspiring folk dancers, as well as those who are simply curious, are invited to come to an open house on January 4 at 7:30 p.m. in the Youth Center. Greenbelt's International Folk Dance group meets in the Youth Center on Friday nights and is led by group instructor Roland Forbes.

The class is almost like a family, and in fact one of the students is Forbes' daughter Monica, who started dancing with her mother, Terry, when she was eight years old, and has continued off and on ever since.

Monica, who sings soprano with the Laurel Oratorio Society, encourages fellow singers to take up dancing to improve their aerobic conditioning and enhance their sense of rhythm and timing.

New folk dancers are reminded to wear comfortable shoes. An eight-week International Folk Dance winter session begins on January 11.

Used Greeting Cards Can Be Recycled

The Greenbelt Recycling and Environment Advisory Committee has again arranged for greeting card recycling. The greeting cards can be from any occasion. These cards will go to a charitable organization, which will make new cards from them to benefit and support the organization. The backs should be cut off the cards and the fronts placed in the box in front of the Co-op through January 11.

Cards can also be mailed directly to St. Jude's Ranch for Children, 100 St. Jude Street, Boulder City, NV 89005. Use the same address to write for information about the cards they make.

Art Programs Begin Winter Sessions

The Greenbelt Recreation Department will host an extensive series of visual and performing arts programs at the Greenbelt Community Center beginning the week of January 6. More than 50 classes, workshops, and drop-in programs are offered for children, homeschoolers, teens, adults, and families.

New programs offered during the winter session include a preschool Art and Community program, which will introduce youngsters to Greenbelt's history, natural resources, and contemporary city life through projects in several art media. This program is co-sponsored by the Greenbelt Museum.

Other new programs include oriental brush painting, wearable art, a teen drawing class, a weekend teapot-making workshop, and a seminar in the physics of photography. In a puppetry class for adults, participants will create a circus cabaret.

Additional areas of visual arts instruction include children's puppetry, ceramic hand-building, wheel-thrown pottery, clay jewelry and tiles, oil painting, silk painting, stained glass, sewing, basic photography, and drawing. Classes are also offered in juggling, theater arts, and several styles of dance for both children and adults.

Most programs require registration. The Greenbelt Community Center is located at 15 Crescent Road. For information about classes and other arts programs, call 301-397-2208.



Advisory Planning Board

Wednesday, January 9, 2002

7:30 PM

Greenbelt Community Center Dining Hall Room #1

AGENDA

- I. Call to Order
- II. Approval of Agenda
- III. Local Historic District Designation
- IV. Adjourn



CITY OF GREENBELT ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON TREES

Wednesday, January 9

7:00 p.m.

Greenbelt Community Center Gallery

Interested persons are invited to attend.
For information call Public Works 301-474-8004



ATTENTION PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS

Greenbelt Homes, Inc. (GHI), one of the largest and most established housing cooperatives in the country, is offering brief and informative presentations designed to introduce cooperative life style to you. The presentation will explain what a cooperative is, how it operates, what services are provided members, and financing sources which are available. This information will be useful to you whether or not you purchase membership in the cooperative or decide to purchase a home elsewhere. This is an ideal opportunity for you to learn about GHI in a relaxed atmosphere and afford you the opportunity to make an informed decision about your future housing needs.

The next presentations are scheduled as follows:

- Monday, January 7, 2002 7:15 p.m.
- Saturday, January 19, 2002 11 a.m.

Please call the Receptionist at (301) 474-4161 for reservations and information. The sessions are free, and there is no obligation. There are lists of "Homes for Sale" at the GHI office. There is no charge.

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Public Safety Advisory Committee to adopt a youth curfew law received little support from the few citizens who attended.

February

January profits were a good start for a fund drive kickoff for the New Deal Café, which was in debt about \$50,000. Council finally met with representatives of the governor to discuss the state's purchase of 75 acres of environmentally sensitive A. H. Smith property adjacent to the Greenbelt Metro station, but not until after the purchase was concluded on January 19. Council sought the purchase of more land than the state bought.

A crowd of concerned area residents more than filled the auditorium at the Goddard Visitor Center on February 5 for a public hearing on the space center's master plan. Greatest concern was over the proposed closing of Soil Conservation Road and the location of an alternate route from Greenbelt Road to the Beltsville Agricultural Research Center. Two children were hurt when a car ran into a Metrobus on February 10 at the intersection of Mandan Rd. and Greenbelt Rd.

On February 12, council approved entering into a memorandum of understanding with the Peterson Companies in which the city will receive a five-acre parcel of land at the corner of Mandan Road and Ora Glen Drive, undertake a condemnation procedure to remove a restrictive development covenant on the property and then sell the land to the U. S. Postal Service for a new postal facility, with Peterson receiving the price paid by the Postal Service but paying the city up to \$10,000 for court costs and \$100,000 for a traffic signal. Also, Peterson was to sell to the city the 10-acre Sunrise tract for \$624,000. A city staff report found that city assessed property values for existing properties have increased 36% in the past 12 years, with the highest occurring in Greenbelt East.

An eclectic crowd of more than 100 attended a benefit concert for the New Deal Café held at the Greenbelt Community Center gym, raising \$351. Virginia Beauchamp authored an entry for the "Eleanor Roosevelt Encyclopedia" about the famous first lady's interest in Greenbelt. Nine former and two current members of the Greenbelt City Council reminisced about their life in Greenbelt and Greenbelt politics at a Chautauqua held February 24.

The city council agreed to assist the Greenbelt Astronomy Club in transporting and temporarily storing a small observatory building obtained free from Montgomery College and the club began a fund drive to install the observatory some place in Greenbelt. Greenbelt Homes, Inc. and city agreed to work jointly in seeking a \$130,000 two-year grant from the Department of Housing and Urban Development for the purpose of hiring a community resource advocate. On February 27, the gym at Greenbelt Elementary School was transformed into a live children's wax museum to honor Black History Month. A grant would enable the city to build a permanent wetland education facility on the north shore of Greenbelt Lake.

March

With city attorney Lawrence Lieberman declaring "victory," he announced that the U. S. Department of Agriculture had moved to have the suit against it by the city dismissed. It announced it no longer planned to undertake road improvements to Edmonston Road and Sunnyside Avenue that the city has opposed being done because a new traffic study found that the traffic impact from the construction of a new headquarters facility on Sunnyside Avenue is "significantly less than originally predicted." The city opposed the suit's dismissal without an adverse finding against USDA. Comcast Cable Communications had begun upgrading the city's cable system with fiber and planned to incorporate the separate Springhill Lake system, which it had recently acquired, into the city system.

A 26-year-old Greenbelt resident was punched and stabbed repeatedly on Kenilworth Avenue on March 12 as a result of a traffic altercation on the Beltway with a 27-year-old non-resident who was subsequently arrested and charged with assault with intent to commit murder.

Concerns of representatives of Greenbelt civic associations attending a meeting on March 13 with the city council were speeding, crime and police patrolling and unpaid condo fees on HUD financed units. Greenbelt Homes, Inc. representatives at a March 19 meeting with the council discussed being designated an historic district, animal control and eyesores. New census gave Greenbelt a population of 21,456, a 1.7 percent increase over 1990. On March 26 the city council rejected a proposal to impose a youth curfew in Greenbelt. Council considered electronic advancements at a work session and agreed to having computers but rejected cell phones, voice mail and beepers, with four agreeing to have email addresses. City Manager Michael McLaughlin

proposed increasing the city's property tax rate for the eighth year in a row in presenting his proposed the fiscal year 2002 city budget of \$15.86 million.

April

Acme Clown Month at the Greenbelt Arts Center, six-weeks long, kicked off on April Fools Day and featured the Bindlestiff Family Circus Buffoon Anonymous, a Monty Python film fest and the Acme Miniature (flea) Circus. At Roosevelt Center, a benefit concert was held for the New Deal Café on April 13 featuring Rachel and Jaqui and Tinsmith. The April 21 Earth Day celebration featured stream cleaning at Springhill Lake. In a second Chautauqua held on April 21 at the Springhill Lake Recreation Center, former and present Springhill Lake residents told about living in Springhill Lake apartments in the early years.

At its April 23 meeting, the city council opposed three amendments proposed to the not-yet-approved Greenbelt area Sector Plan that would enable the Beltway Plaza shopping center to undertake major redevelopment without being subject to the design requirements of the Development District Overlay Zone and to erect monument signs up to 25 feet in height and to exempt site plans approved in accord with CB-47-2000 from the requirements of the standards for development of the Sector Plan. On April 26, the Prince George's Planning Board approved a preliminary plan of subdivision for the 17.43 acre Jaeger tract after receiving a recommendation from the Greenbelt City Council to reject the plan. Greenbelt author Dorothy Sucher signed copies of her latest book, "The Invisible Garden" for the benefit of the New Deal Café.

The number of crimes against persons for the year 2000 was up from that of the previous year, but the number of total crimes committed was down. More than 3,000 Greenbelt students attend county schools. The city unsuccessfully tried a new way to con-

trol algae in Greenbelt Lake by installing approximately 60 bales of barley straw in wire enclosures in the lake. The city council approved the use of Bt to control cankerworms and tent caterpillars in some areas of the city as trees in Maryland became infested with the eastern tent caterpillar.

The Eleanor and Franklin Roosevelt Democratic Club celebrated its 25th anniversary with a year-long series of events beginning in April and including a panel discussion by a group of charter club members on its formation and early history.

May

Although city council unanimously recognized the Greenbelt Astronomy Club as a contribution group eligible to receive city funds on May 14, the questioning of club President John Settle by Councilmember Edward Putens caused Settle to publicly criticize Putens in a letter to the editor. At its annual meeting, Greenbelt Homes, Inc. membership elected Betty Deitch, Julia Eichhorst, Chuck Hess, Susan Ready and newcomer Joyce Abell. GHI Manager Gretchen Overdurff announced the award of a grant jointly to the cooperative and the city to facilitate seniors remaining in their homes through the em-

ployment of a community resource advocate. Greenbelt Theatre closed for a week for the installation of newer, extra-padded seats with cup holders, reopening on May 18. The Alexandria Klezmer present klezmer music in concert at the Greenbelt Arts Center on May 19. The city's third Chautauqua, held on May 19, involved the reminiscences of 18 early residents of the city.

Greenbelt Elementary School Comprehensive Tests of Basic Skills (CTBS) test scores rose above the 50th national percentile and increased 30 percentile points in five years. Most of the new red light cameras went live on May 23 for a trial run, although it turned out that some tickets

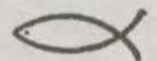
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were issued before the official enforcement start date of July 1.

After continuing controversy between supporters of Greenbelt Pottery and the Greenbelt Association for the Visual Arts (GAVA) over who should run the program, the city council determined on May 29 to have Greenbelt Pottery do the program, causing GAVA to withdraw its proposal to run that and other visual arts programs, leaving it up to the recreation department's staff to oversee all arts programs

June

Four one-act plays written by members of Greenbelt Elementary School's Drama Club were presented at the Greenbelt Arts Center as part of the Greenbelt Day weekend. Maria Barbosa's five-foot sculpture "In the Belly of the Snake" was on display in a new exhibit at the Greenbelt Community Center. "Biblio Tech: Art Books and Beyond," opening on June 3, Greenbelt Day.

The New Deal Café was criticized for displaying paintings of artist Dick Brown as being anti-Christian and then further criticized for removing the display with Brown's work being defended as "personal and deeply felt religious art."

City council adopted with very little discussion the fiscal year 2002 budget that included a 1.6-cent tax rate increase and total expenditures of \$16,065,800, more than had originally been proposed by City Manager Michael McLaughlin. The number of letters to the editor ran high in June as readers vented their views concerning the removal of Dick Brown's paintings at the New Deal Café, the dispute over the pottery and visual arts program and the criticism of Councilmember Putens by Astronomy Club President John Settle. Jean E. Newcomb initi-

ated a new issue by criticizing the way Lakeside homeowners were maintaining their property and adjacent city property and calling for the homes to be buffered from the lake park.

What the Butler Saw was the June production at the Greenbelt Arts Center. At its June 11 meeting the city council unanimously approved a Friends of Greenbelt Park agreement with the National Park Service to try to acquire the Jaeger tract for Greenbelt Park. At the same meeting, as a result of a citizens petition, city council ordered the removal of a nuisance bench at the end of the 21 and 23 courts of Ridge to which persons involved in alleged illegal activities gathered. Five hundred Greenbelt Elementary School children formed a human quilt, with each class sporting its own special color tee shirt, as a part of the school's effort to illustrate the topic "Multiculturalism in the United States: What makes a culture strong?"

The June 21 issue of the News Review presented a new look as the paper was forced to switch to a new print shop, contracting with Lynn Eppard and Associates, resulting in a better looking paper but also higher costs for producing the paper.

The Greenbelt Dog Park was reopened after repairs on June 24 with a ribbon-cutting ceremony to which permitted dogs were invited to bring their owners and refreshments were offered to the humans while the dogs were asked to bring their own.

Metroland Developers, LLC submitted three concept plans for its proposed Greenbelt Station, a massive development adjacent to the Greenbelt Metro station of stores, offices and apartments, although none of the plans were to be considered binding upon the developers, Metroland advised.

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at Greenbelt Middle School was one of eight programs nationwide selected as "Model Early Foreign Language Programs" by Douglas F. Gilzow and Lucinda E. Branaman, authors of the book "Lessons Learned." Veteran city councilmember Thomas X. White, was honored with cake and lemonade at a February 21 city council work session for his retirement after 25-years of service with the Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of America. A reception was held by the ACE on February 27 to honor elementary age readers from local schools who had been reading and writing book reviews since the school year began. The council recognized Master Patrol Officer John Michael Dewey for his efforts to save an assault victim, at its March 26 meeting. Dewey was later designated Officer of the Year 2000 at a recognition ceremony hosted by the Greenbelt American Legion.

Women Helping Women

Denise Troeschel of Windsor Green was recognized March 21 by the Soroptimist International with the Women Helping Women award for her work with scouts. Lisa Stratton was awarded the grand prize in zoology at the Prince George's Science Fair and also received a full scholarship at the University of North Carolina.

Greenbelt Elementary School Science Fair winners were Jessica Hall, sixth grade, Michael White, fifth grade, Lindsey Hood, fourth grade and T'yanah Scott, third grade. At its annual meeting on March 25, Trina Fisher received the Volunteer of the Year award from the Greenbelt Arts Center.

Professor emerita at the University of Maryland, author and boardmember of the News Review, Dr. Virginia Walcott Beauchamp was featured in The Washington Post in an article

highlighting the activities of older women. Elaine Skolnik, president emerita and news editor of the News Review was featured in a story in County Councilmember Audrey Scott's newsletter. The U. S. Small Business Administration named Greenbelt businessman the Reverend Ode H. Hines, president of Beautify Professional Service Corporation the 2001 Small Business Person of the Year for the Washington metropolitan area.

Clown Laureate

Adam Gertsacov was named Greenbelt Clown Laureate by Mayor Judith Davis on April Fool's Day beginning a six-week residency with the Greenbelt Arts Center and initiating Acme Clown Month. The National Arbor Day Foundation named Greenbelt a Tree City USA. Greenbelt city received the Silver Award for its commitment to the protection of the Chesapeake Bay and was designated a Chesapeake Bay Partner by the Chesapeake Bay Program's Local Government Advisory Committee.

Harrison Hilliard, Amy Naylor, Anisha Mehta and Graham Taylor were invited to join the People to People Student Ambassador Delegation to Australia, traveling for a two-week visit to that country in July. The Maryland Community Forest Council and the Maryland Department of Natural Resources gave its highest honor, the Green Plant Award, to the City of Greenbelt for providing dedicated funding for tree planting and care, utilizing the professional services of an horticulturist, conducting a tree inventory and establishing an advisory committee on trees.

Ethan Cowan was one of seven Glenarden Woods Elementary school students on a Destination Imagination Team which won the State of Maryland com-

petition in April, thereby becoming eligible to compete in May in the Global Finals in Knoxville, Tenn. where it placed sixth worldwide. The late Greenbelt Concert Band Concertmaster John Del Homme was recognized with a Millenium tree dedication and a concert dedicated to him at Roosevelt Center as part of the city's Greenbelt Day weekend celebration.

25th Anniversary

Father Thomas Crowley's 25th year in the priesthood was recognized by the celebration of a Silver Jubilee mass at St. Hugh's Catholic Church on May 6. ACE Award student recipients recognized by the city council on May 14 were Daniel Rehner and Phoenix Smith of Greenbelt Elementary; Geraldo Escobar and Urja Shah of Springhill Lake; Ricky Zein and Connie Lee of Magnolia; Gregory Bistany and Abigail Bates of St. Hugh's; Olafemi Akinwande and Rosianna Sankar of Greenbelt Middle; Danny Fendlay and Folasayo Adunola of Goddard and Julius Austin and Tarjani Shah of Eleanor Roosevelt schools.

The Eleanor Roosevelt High School team won both the Washington metropolitan championship and the regional championship for the "It's Academic" quiz show. Altoria Bell Ross was the recipient of a 2001 fellowship from the Cooperative Communicators Association. Eleanor Roosevelt High School student Matt Gregory was senior class valedictorian and recipient of numerous awards and student John Pak was the recipient of the Principal's Award and other recognitions.

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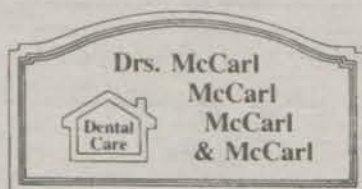
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Best Yet Non-Dairy Creamer	\$1⁷⁹ 35 oz.	

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POLICE BLOTTER

Based on information released by the Greenbelt Police Department.
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Assault

Greenbelt Metro Drive, December 24, 12:30 a.m., a 27-year-old man with no fixed address was arrested when he bit two officers on their hands after they responded to assist Metro Transit Police in subduing him. One of the officers was taken to Prince George's General Hospital where he underwent surgery for a partially severed index finger; the other officer received minor injuries. The man was released to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a District Court Commissioner.

Robbery

Area of Mandan Road and Bird Lane, December 24, 5:30 p.m., a man walking down the street was approached by two other men, one of whom pointed a black semiautomatic handgun at him and demanded money, while the other placed what the victim believed was a gun against the back of the victim. After obtaining money, the two suspects ran to a vehicle described as a beige older-model van and fled the scene. One of the suspects is described as a black male about 25, 6'1", medium build, wearing black jacket, pants and stocking cap.

Beltway Plaza, December 27, 3:24 p.m., a man in the parking lot was approached by two young men who asked him for change. One of them grabbed what money the victim had in his hands and both suspects then fled, running toward the mall. They are described as black, 18 to 20, 5'8", 120 lbs., with one wearing a black ski mask, puffy jacket, shoes and jeans, and the

other with hair in corn rows, wearing a black puffy jacket, dark gray jeans and dark blue shoes.

Burglary

6100 block Springhill Terrace, December 27, 1:30 p.m., a joy stick from a Play Station II game was taken from a woman's residence. Entry did not appear to be forced.

Beltway Plaza, December 26, 10:09 a.m., someone broke into a kiosk at the mall and took candy and soda.

7800 block Hanover Parkway, December 21, 9:33 p.m., someone forced open the front door of a residence and took a television and VCR.

7700 block Hanover Parkway, December 26, 2:08 p.m., unknown means were used to force open the front door of a residence, but entry was not gained.

Theft

Springhill Lake Elementary School December 21, 11 a.m., an unattended purse was taken from a classroom.

Disorderly/Intoxicated

A resident of Breezewood Court, 20, was arrested on December 24 and charged with disorderly conduct/public intoxication after he ran from officers responding to a report of vandalism in a parking lot in Cherrywood Terrace. He was released on citation pending trial.

Greenbelt Center

There were no major incidents reported this week by the police in the patrol district involving the central section of the city.

Vehicle Crimes

The following vehicles were

reported stolen: 1997 Ford Taurus four-door, stolen December 21 from the 9100 block Springhill Court and recovered by D.C. Metropolitan Police on December 23 on Naylor Road, S.E.; a 1992 Chevrolet van stolen December 20 from the 8100 block Burkhardt Court and recovered by county police in Springdale; a blue 1999 Yamaha Y2FR6 motorcycle, Md. tag 683D76, December 21 from the 7200 block Morrison Drive; a 1995 Chevrolet Caprice four-door stolen December 21 from Beltway Plaza and recovered the same day by county police near East-West Highway and West Beale Circle; a 1991 Dodge Caravan stolen December 19 from Beltway Plaza and recovered December 23 by county police on Arbor Street, Cheverly; a black 1996 Jeep Grand Cherokee, Md. tags M534553, December 24, from the 7900 block Mandan Road; a 1987 Toyota Camry four-door stolen December 24 from Beltway Plaza and recovered December 25 by county police in Lewisdale.

Thefts from vandalism to, and attempted thefts of vehicles occurred in the following areas: 53 Court Ridge Road; Beltway Plaza (two incidents); 8100 block Lakecrest Drive; Lakeside Drive; 5800 block Cherrywood Lane; 9100 block Edmonston Court; 7300 block Frankfort Court; 6900 block Hanover Parkway (four incidents); 7800 block Hanover Parkway (five incidents); 7700 block Hanover Parkway (two incidents).

Skippy's Adventures Have Happy Ending

by Eileen Farnham

Everyone who has seen the "Wanted" posters around town with Skippy's black and white tuxedoed personage, with "Found" now written across them, will want to hear the rest of Skippy's adventures.

Skippy, though very debonair in appearance, is really a timid indoor cat who disappeared through misadventure when he got out and fell down a storm drain near his owner's University Square home on December 7. He could not make his way back out of the drain and vanished, to the dismay of his doting family. They quickly put together a poster with a good picture of Skippy, offering a \$100 reward. Skippy spent the next weeks wandering the Greenbelt storm drain system, occasionally emerging someplace far from home then going back in to search for home and family. From time to time people saw him but could never get close. He was left food at various drain openings. There were reports of sightings from University Square Apartments through the center of town, across Braden Field behind St. Hugh's and down toward the lake.

In response to the poster, several cats were presented to the family. One handsome black cat, who might have been Skippy but wasn't, was



brought by three different people hoping to reunite owner and cat and earn the reward. In disappointment, the third presenter said there was no choice but to send this homeless stray to the pound. Skippy's owner, sure this house trained, well-mannered not-Skippy had a home of his own, would not allow that and took him in until his owner could be found.

On December 23, 17 days after he disappeared, when the family was putting out trash, they spied Skippy at a distance, across a busy road by a drain outlet. He was startled and leapt or fell back into the drain. His owner called to him; Skippy heard her and meowed but could not get back out. She called the Greenbelt Fire Department, which tried to rescue Skippy, following him some distance in the large drain system but only frightening

him more. Efforts to herd him in the right direction with water failed and the rescue attempt was abandoned with Skippy in the storm sewer system, headed for Westway.

Skippy's owner now knew for sure where he was. When the firefighters departed and it got quiet again, treats and a soft voice lured Skippy to where he could be extricated. Wet, down to skin and bones, but back home. Skippy, sadder but probably not wiser, is now back in the family fold, with everyone vowing he won't get another chance at life on the lam.

The fire department got the reward, "for coming and trying, for good spirit, and for being genuine all-around nice guys," Skippy's owner said.

The family is now seeking the owner of the cat left with them while Skippy was away. They hope a family who cherishes him as much as they do Skippy shows up to claim their wanderer.

Now that Skippy is home, his owner, already feeling exposed from her efforts to do whatever it took to get Skippy back, does not want her name used for this story. Many Greenbelters, of course, met her during the weeks Skippy was on Greenbelt's "Most Wanted" list.

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James Retires to Delaware, Plans Travel, Irish Activities

by Barbara Hopkins

"The people," responds Harry James when asked what he will miss most when he retires from the Greenbelt Recreation Department at the end of December. And "the people" will apparently miss him as well, judging from the crowd of about 200 colleagues, city officials, and friends that gathered to bid farewell to this assistant director of Greenbelt's Recreation Department at a farewell celebration, November 29. The crowd included old friends from high school, college, and James' Navy days, and they came from as far away as Florida.

One friend from Philadelphia, Rich Morawski, couldn't make the party, but in order to share in the celebration, he later in the week sent a lunch of Philadelphia cheese steaks and hoagies for James and 15 or 20 of his working associates. As Recreation Director Hank Irving said to James in his opening remarks, "The turnout today is a testimony to you as a person of distinction -- a person who has many admirers and much to be admired for."

The festivities had an Irish theme, in keeping with James' proud heritage. Irving added that "It's most appropriate we celebrate in the Irish style you are accustomed to...a standing room crowd, joyous laughter and good humor in great supply." Upon learning that a party was being planned, Harry requested it be an informal one, where people could freely mingle. For him, the focus was not so much that he be rec-



Mayor Judith Davis presents Harry James opens with a replica of the mother and child statue.

ognized upon his retirement, but that people have a good time. And he says he was happy that the event turned out that way. It was "a fun party had by all," which was just what he wanted.

Mayor Judith Davis presented James with a replica of the Mother and Child statue and a check in recognition of each year of service to the city. Presentations were also made by the Director of Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission (M-NCPPC) Mary Walls-Hartley; and Chris Brett, president, Maryland Recreation and Parks Association (MRPA). Alice Conkey, immediate past president of National Recreation and Parks Association, gave James a certificate acknowledging his distinguished service to that organization. He had already received a number of awards over the years for his distinguished service, including the prestigious Citation Award from MRPA. This award is given only when the organiza-

tion determines that a member's contribution merits it.

On a light note, Rich Mest and Jane Martin of the Sports Office of M-NCPPC presented James with their "Golden Jock" award, giving the crowd a good-natured laugh. They also had a chance to shed a few tears when Chris Cherry, from the Recreation Department, sang a moving rendition of "Danny Boy," but substituted "Harry" in place of "Danny."

Legacy

James served the department for just two months short of 29 years with a dedication to doing whatever needed to be done. He was known for exhibiting an exemplary work ethic benefitting the department. On behalf of James Giese, former city manager, who was traveling abroad, City Manager Michael McLaughlin read parts of a letter in which Giese said the Greenbelt Recreation Department "has become an outstanding department respected throughout the area and state. The quality and dedication of the many employees...is the major reason for that success. As the leaders, Harry and Hank can be very proud of what they have achieved...". McLaughlin concurred with Giese's assessment.

James and his wife, Kathy, will live in retirement in Bethany Beach, Delaware, where they are already spending some time. James said he recently attended the community's Christmas pa-

rade, which included a contingent from the Delmarva Irish-American Club. He literally entered the parade, he said, to find out how to contact members and arranged to meet them later at an Irish pub. Not only did he join the organization but he recruited another member on the spot. The Jameses plan to travel to visit friends for a while, after which he thinks he will probably do some volunteer work involving kids. He and Kathy plan to continue their involvement in Project Children, hosting both Catholic and Protestant children from Northern Ireland for extended summer stays in this country.

James hopes to retain enough flexibility to be able to travel, including visiting his grandson and family in Laurel. All those who

will miss him in the Greenbelt area can take heart, for he will surely visit here too and keep in touch in other ways. Instead of "goodbye," Greenbelt's message to Harry James is, "Feicfidh muid arís hu," (phonetically pronounced "fecka mwidge areesh hoo"), which means "We'll see you again" in Gaelic.






Harry James shows the watch he received from the city.

Editor's Note: Readers with a sense of deja vu are remembering accurately that this story appeared Dec. 20. There was an error that had parts of the story interposed in ways that made it quite inaccurate. The News Review regrets the error, wishes James well in his retirement and wants this corrected version available for his memories.

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 Thursday, January 10, 2002
 7:30 p.m.
 Community Center



GDC Key Agenda Items:

- Tree Maintenance Contract 2002 - Second Reading

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 Research & Hillside Rds. - corner
 Eastway & Crescent Rd. - corner
 21 Court Ridge Rd. - across from Green Ridge House
 Crescent and Ridge Rds. - playground at junction
 Parkway - corner across from Community Church & corner
 across from 58 Court Crescent Rd.
 7 Court Southway - playground at Little League field
 11 & 13 Courts Ridge Rd. - park area between courts

Boxwood - playground at Ivy & Lastner Lanes
Lakewood - Greenhill & Crescent Rds. by Baptist Church
Charlestown Village & No. - adjacent to Attick Park
University Square - in front of swimming pool
Lakeside North - near swimming pool
Springhill Lake - Community Building

Greenbriar - Between Buildings
 7708 & 7710 Hanover Parkway
 7728 & 7730 Hanover Parkway
 7826 & 7828 Hanover Parkway
 8003 & 8009 Mandan Rd.

Glen Oaks - Between Buildings
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Greenwood Village
 Opposite 8175 Mandan Terrace
 Opposite 7646 Mandan Rd.
 Opposite 7648 Mandan Rd.

Greenspring & Greenspring II
 Megan Lane & Craddock Rd. - southwest corner
 7926 & 8006 Greenbury Drive - park area between
 Spring Manor Dr. & Springshire Way - corner
 6519 & 6515 Springcrest Dr. - open area between

Belle Point
 Vanity Fair Dr. & Prince James Way - corner
 7800 & 7801 Vanity Fair Dr. - open area between
 7962 Vanity Fair Dr. - open area beside

Greenbelt Village
 6729 & 6715 Village Park Dr. - open area between
 6632 Lake Park Dr. - open area across from
 6510 & 6512 Lake Park Dr. - open area across from



Greenbelters were saddened to hear of the death by heart attack of Donald (Don) Lewis. Don worked in the Greenbelt library when he was a student at ERHS in the '70s and had many friends in Greenbelt.

Navy Seaman Roberto Fernandez, son of Kathleen M. Fernandez of Hillside Road, recently returned from a six-month deployment to the Mediterranean while assigned to the combat support ship USS Arctic, home ported in Earle, N.J. Fernandez' ship was one of the first to respond to the nation's call, participating in Operation Enduring Freedom. His ship is the Navy's largest combat logistics ship. It carries oil, ammunition, dry stores and refrigerated stores to replenish carrier battle groups. Fernandez is a 1996 graduate of Eleanor Roosevelt High School.

Congratulations to Nancy and Rob Wilmot on the December 27 birth of a son, Fox Scott Wilmot. Nancy is on the staff of the Recreation Department.

Greenbriar resident Milton Mortman was again invited to demonstrate Jewish cooking at the Smithsonian's National Museum of American History, as part of their annual "Holiday Celebration." Each year the museum offers a sampling of the many ways that Americans preserve their traditions and share their heritage.

Mortman prepared a Fruit and Honey Tzimmes, a sweet side dish served as an accompaniment to the main course. It is associated with Rosh Hashanah which marks the Jewish New Year. This past calendar year, Rosh Hashanah occurred during the third week of September. Tzimmes conveys the thought that a sweet year will follow. A tzimmes such as this one, or one prepared with any other sweet ingredients, can be served at any time of the year to celebrate any occasion.

Bill to Sell BARC Gives City a Scare

After learning from former mayor Toni Bram and her husband Ralph that the U. S. Senate was considering authorizing the sale of the Beltsville Agricultural Research Center, city staff quickly contacted Congressman Steny Hoyer's office. In a December 19 conversation, Hoyer aide Andy Quinn, who had been in touch with the offices of Senators Paul Sarbanes and Barbara Mikulski, confidently predicted that the language authorizing the sale would be stricken from the bill in question (S. 1731).

Sarbanes and Mikulski were reported to be very upset about the provision. Both had declared that the bill would not pass with this language. According to Quinn, the language will be removed through a "manager's amendment," a routine amendment that cleans up certain aspects of legislation.

The bill would permit the Secretary of Agriculture to "by sale dispose of all or any part of any right or title in land . . . facilities, or equipment in the full control of the Department (including land and facilities at the Beltsville Agricultural Research Center [BARC] . . .)." A similar effort was made during the Reagan administration. That move was blocked by Hoyer.

Wide Variety at New Deal Café in Jan.

The New Deal Café hosts several concert sessions in the month of January that are likely to draw special interest:

Saturday, January 5, Rhianon, Celtic singer.

Thursday, January 10, Steve Haug, street minstrel.

Friday, January 11, Cletus Kenedly and Lori Kelley.

Saturday, January 12, Big Blow and the Bushwackers.

Sunday, January 13, GAC Reflex improv.

Call 301-474-5643 for more details.

Magnolia Students Guests of Wizards

by Mary Moien

Fifty students and staff from Magnolia Elementary School will be guests of the Washington Wizards at their January 4 game. The Wizards sponsored a contest last fall in conjunction with their Non-Violence program. The Wizards invited those who had a special group or organization to submit a 100-word essay on how their group promotes peace and non-violence. In response, school counselor Wendy Deemer submitted an essay in the contest about the Magnolia Peer Mediators. Magnolia won! The winners will be sitting in a special "peace section" of the MCI Center with a banner. They will be introduced during the game.

Magnolia has a group of 24 peer mediators, 5th and 6th grade boys and girls who were nominated by their teachers. They were trained in October by the Safe and Drug Free school office and by four Eleanor Roosevelt High School students who are or have been peer mediators. The training session lasted more than three hours and the new mediators learned active listening, summarizing a problem, and taking a non-biased approach. They did role-playing and perfected how to resolve conflicts in a peaceful way.

According to Deemer, it is a successful program. "I don't think I have ever had the same two kids come to peer mediation with the same problem," she reported. "The disputants and mediators come up with a solution to the problem in 15 minutes, a contract is signed and it is very official. We take it very seriously," Deemer concluded.

Look for photos from the event in a future issue.

Arts in Communities Grant Deadline Near

Senior art exhibits, afternoon concerts, special after-school programs, theater projects and poetry readings are just some of the activities that could be funded through the Maryland State Arts Council (MSAC) fiscal year 2002 Arts in Communities Program. The Arts in Communities Program is open to not-for-profit organizations such as civic groups, libraries, museums, religious organizations, schools, social clubs or other community-based groups that present arts programs which are open to the public and accessible to persons with disabilities.

Arts in Communities grants are awarded four times a year. The deadline for fourth quarter applications is January 16, 2002 for activities taking place between April 1 and June 30. Completed applications must be postmarked on or before January 16, 2002 or hand-delivered by 5 p.m. that day to the MSAC office at 175 W. Ostend Street, Suite E, Baltimore, MD 21230.

Grant applications may be obtained by calling Shirley Howard or Angela Lohr at the Maryland State Arts Council at 410-767-6555 or TDD/TTY 410-333-4519 or by connecting to the MSAC web site at <http://www.msac.org>.

Marine Band Opens 2002 Season

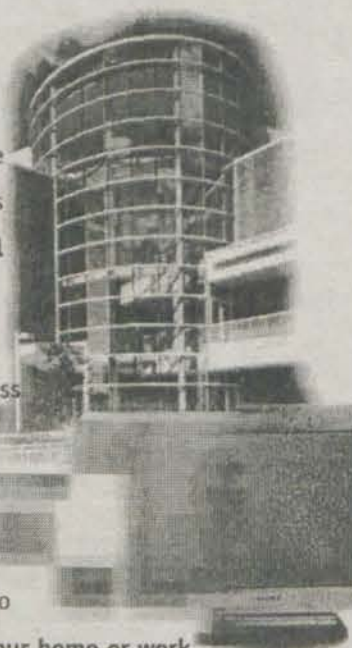
"The President's Own" U.S. Marine Band will begin its 2002 concert season with a performance at the University of Maryland's Clarice Smith Performing Arts Center on Sunday, January 6 at 2 p.m. Themed "Mystic Chords of Memory," the program will pay tribute to the nation and its leaders with a collection of American musical memorials. In a salute to the Marine Band's longstanding, unique relationship with the American presidency, Director Colonel Timothy W. Foley has chosen several selections which honor former chief executives, including Aaron Copland's "Lincoln Portrait." This performance is free and open to the public, and no reservations or tickets are required. For more information, visit www.marineband.usmc.mil or call the Marine Band 24-hour concert information line at 202-433-4011 or all the Smith Center on 301-405-2787.



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