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## **Greenbelt Police Team Recounts Experience in Flood Mission**

#### by James Giese

The Greenbelt Tactical Squad made a quick trip to New Orleans to help preserve order and rescue people following the disastrous flooding caused by Hurricane Katrina. Transporting the seven men, led by Master Police Officer (MPO) Barry Beyers, were two squad cars and the city's mobile evidence truck which carries a variety of emergency equipment such as generators. The city's armored personnel carrier (APC), which is amphibious - the primary reason for their being called to the devastated city was shipped separately. With Beyers were Ron Walters, Michael Dewey, Mark Sagon, Marvin Marks, Robert Dowling and Craig Kayton. All hold the MPO rank.

Beyers was originally responsible for the Greenbelt police obtaining the APC. After an incident several years ago in which officers could have benefitted from mobile protective cover to remove persons under gunfire, Beyers attended a seminar at which he learned of the possibility of the department obtaining surplus military equipment. He was specifically advised to get this particular type of vehicle, officially called a Dragoon, for the city's purpose.

Beyers then prepared the necessary application and eventually received a call that the city could pick one up at a naval installation in Crane, Ind. It cost \$6,500 for the department to fix up the vehicle for city use with officers doing much of the work themselves.

Beyers felt good that the city



Greenbelt MPO Barry Beyers in the police department's armored personnel carrier in New Orleans.

bringing this special piece of equipment to New Orleans. He also felt it was a great learning experience for the tactical squad. "If something should happen here, it will help us to do a better job," he said. Beyers and another squad member had also taken the APC to the Pentagon after the 9/11 airplane crash. Using it then was a good experience, he said. "This was much better."

#### Notice

Beyers said the APC had been listed with MEMA (Maryland Emergency Management Administration) and FEMA (Federal). On Saturday, September 3 he was nocould help other people by tified by MEMA of a federal request for tactical units and high water vehicles and he was given the name of the sheriff of Jefferson Parish to contact. (That parish [county] across the river from New Orleans is where Greenbelt nurses Rena Hull and Cass Cooney were dispatched at about the same time.)

Beyers told the sheriff what the city had. The latter said he wanted it for body recovery and would put in a request to FEMA. MEMA was to arrange for transporting it south.

Beyers, who got an official request by telephone at 11 a.m.

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## **Candidates Explain Goals** In First of 3 Questions

In last week's paper we posed three questions to the six candidates seeking election to the Greenbelt City Council on November 8. The responses were limited to 300 words. The order in which the responses are published was determined by lot. This week we publish their answers to our first question:

What are the three most important goals that you expect to accomplish as a city councilmember in the next term, if elected?

#### **Edward Putens**

First, let's not forget what we accomplished this term: agreements that will transform Greenbelt



West, by (1) redesign and reconstruction of Springhill Lake; (2) environmentally sensitive development and exciting stores in the Metro area; (3) major changes at Beltway Plaza; (4) a new middle school to replace the aging Greenbelt Middle School; and (5) a new elementary school to replace Springhill Lake Elementary.

These accomplishments are historic, are good news for everyone in Greenbelt, and have made this term the most productive in my 24 years on the Council. Therefore, my #1 goal is to keep implementation of all these breakthroughs on track.

Second, I want to see the crime rate drop substantially. Hastening redevelopment of Springhill Lake is the longerrange key, as 76 percent of the City's crime now occurs there. Meanwhile, I continue to favor using surveillance cameras in higher-crime locations. Many crimes in Springhill Lake, for example, are in predictable locations in open areas. While we don't like being on camera in our private lives, this technology is valuable in solving crimes. The experience in London after their terrorist attacks demonstrated the value of such

Third, we need a strategy for dealing with the structural deficit in the City budget. We have to pay for the bond issue improvements you have voted for, but we cannot keep borrowing from reserves to do that. This may seem like a boring management issue, but we are talking about your money.

Leta Mach

Three important goals I will work on are

Ensure quality development in Greenbelt



West. I will carefully monitor the historic agreements Council has negotiated with the developers of the Metroland Greenbelt Station project and AIMCO, owners of Springhill Lake. These agreements give us unprecedented control over the city's future and the right decisions must be made in carrying them out.

Neither project will be completed in two years. However, the Metroland agreement gives the city important site plan approval and thus longterm input on the development. At Springhill Lake, Council's negotiation has increased the number of for-sale units to at least 25 percent and provides for various housing options for different income levels. The project will address safety issues facing Springhill Lake. With its cutting-edge, New Urbanism principles, the redevelopment has already inspired proposals by Beltway Plaza to renovate that shopping center. All these projects offer an opportunity to expand the cooperative model, which can provide affordable homeownership. Insist on appropriate school facilities. Since 1988, Greenbelt Middle School has been on the

#### by Marat Moore

**Complete, Next to Secure Permits** 

**Skateboard Park Design Plan Is** 

The design phase of the city's proposed skateboard park is now complete and final construction documents are ready to submit to Prince George's County. Project manager Joe McNeal, assistant director of Greenbelt's recreation facilities, briefed the Greenbelt City Council on the progress to date at council's regular meeting on September 26.

In his report McNeal stated that final building permits for the skate park will be received by the end of the year and that construction will begin in spring 2006 and be completed about three months later.

Staff has worked with California Landscape and Design and Bradley Site Design over the past several months to develop the most effective site design for the skateboard park. The major design change was to separate the "vertical bowl" section from the area of the park closer to the street. This change will create no problems for skaters since those skating on the "vert" remain separate from those skating on the street section of the park. Making this change improves the park's aesthetics and function - allowing for elimination of unsightly retaining walls and creating more efficient drainage.

"We're very pleased with the final design. We were able to keep one of the large pine trees and added an informal observation area and some observation space in the park," McNeal said. "We believe that these changes will add to the aesthet-

ics of the area."

In addition, the street section of the park was shifted slightly to provide greater setback from the Youth Center. An attractive path will be built in front of that facility. McNeal added that because of the proximity of the park to the nursery school playground, additional screening or landscaping may be installed in the "vert" area.

The project design has been reviewed and approved by the president and director of the Greenbelt Nursery School. The park will be located in an area between the nursery school playground and the Youth Center. In addition, the Maryland Historical Trust Easement Committee has given its final approval of the project.

camera systems.

The failure of emergency procedures in the wake of the Gulf Coast hurricane reminds us to focus more on disaster planning. Once a disaster happens, it is too late to plan. If this sounds alarmist, I remind you that in the past several years Greenbelt has experienced Al-Qaeda terrorists, a hurricane, a tornado, and a plane crash.

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#### What Goes On

#### Saturday, October 15

9 a.m., Volunteers Needed for Tree Planting. Call Public Works Office, 301-474-8004

#### Monday, October 17

8 p.m., Council Worksession re: Greenbelt Access Television, **Municipal Building** 

#### Wednesday, October 19

7:30 p.m., Advisory Planning Board, Community Center Theatre Rehearsal Room, #202, Detailed Site Plan - Greenbelt Crossing

## Letters

#### Supports Referendum

Vote yes for FOP collective bargaining on November 8.

On September 12 and 21 I attended the regular city council meetings in support of the Fraternal Order of Police (FOP) regarding their request for collective bargaining rights. After listening to the discussions between council and the FOP representatives, I was pleased both parties reached an agreement and the resolution has been placed on the November ballot.

The citizens of Greenbelt are very fortunate to have such an outstanding police force. Given the criminal activity in and around the metropolitan area, particularly our county, we should be very thankful for our fine police force.

As Greenbelt continues to grow (especially with the Metro land development) council and city management need to think about how to maintain and recruit quality officers. Collective bargaining rights is the first step in this process.

The citizens and visitors of Greenbelt are very fortunate to have so many community-based programs and activities (such as the Labor Day Festival). If we are unable to retain quality police officers to keep Greenbelt safe then what are we left with in the city? Programs and activities with low attendance because citizens and visitors do not feel safe?

Whether you agree or disagree with collective bargaining rights for our police officers take the time to vote on November 8.

Remember the next time you see a police officer from any jurisdiction, please take the time to say thank you for their hard work and dedication to keeping us safe.

Kathy Legendre

## Letters

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 discussion in the public forum which this newspaper provides to the community. We cannot publish such letters unless we know who wrote them. We may, if requested, withhold the name of someone who wants to preserve anonymity for a valid reason but we must know who the author is in order to consider its publication.

### <u>On Screen</u> Steps in Time

Young or old, don't miss "Mad Hot Ballroom" at Old Greenbelt Theatre. The new film features pre-teen students from several decidedly public schools in New York who learn ballroom dancing and compete in a city-wide competition. Though it merits a PG rating ("for some thematic elements"), that acronym also stands for Plenty Good. "Mad Hot" opened earlier this year to garlands of hosannas; a recent survey of more than 600 viewers found well over 500 giving it high marks for the likes of "meaning, warmth, humor, pathos" and singling out "real teachers who are not afraid to be clear, loud and firm with kids . . . with a great deal of love for them." Maybe some of these youngsters will end up in the adult ballroom shows that pop up on TV. In the meantime these junior achievers earn our attention, one step at a time. 105 minutes. - Eli Flam

## Schrom Hills Park Is Local Poet's Latest Book Topic

#### by Carol Griffith

Greenbelt poet Catherine A. Rose Klix, under the pen name C. A. Rose, has completed and made available for sale two books of original poetry and photographs. One, entitled "Schrom Hills Park," contains photographs taken by Rose on her frequent walks there at various locations and seasons within the park and poetry inspired by the scenes and experiences.

Writing has been a lifelong activity for Rose, beginning in college in South Dakota when, for a creative writing class, she was required to write 60 poems during the semester. A few were published in the college's anthology and she was inducted into the English honor society. Later, her mother encouraged Rose to record the techniques and patterns for making quilts that her mother had developed during her years of owning a quilting store. This led to the publication of three books on the subject.

Despite having earned another degree in business for career purposes, Rose has remained active in writing. She has taken several classes in poetry writing at the Writer's Center in Bethesda and is a member of Poetry Plus, a subgroup of the Greenbelt Writers' Group (GWG). A class in playwriting at the University of Maryland inspired her to expand her repertoire to include plays and she attended a Christians in Theater Arts conference this summer in South Carolina. Volunteering at the Greenbelt Arts Center allowed Rose to be instrumental in bringing Maryland's poet laureate Dr. Michael Glaser to Greenbelt for the GWG Showcase at the Arts Center in August. Photography, too, has always been an interest for Rose. The first of the recently produced books, "Faith and Spirit," contains poems of a spiritual and religious nature. A few were written when Rose was a teenager, some during her young adult life, the others more recently when Rose was dubbed the "poet-inresidence" at her church for submitting poems for the weekly bulletin. Some of the photographs were taken on her recent European trip including a striking photograph of a stained-glass window at Notre Dame Cathedral in Paris.

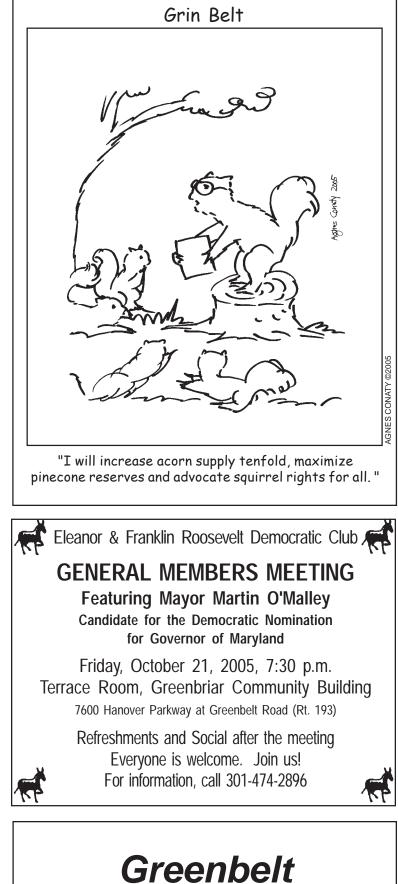
The latest of her books is "Schrom Hills Park." The poems and accompanying photographs are both serious and whimsical; has anyone else noticed a topiary "moose" made of tree branches and honeysuckle vines? All show Rose's love of Schrom Hills Park and her eye for the artistic in everyday life and places.

Both books are available for sale at the Greenbelt Consumer Cooperative. For more information about these or forthcoming books, visit Rose's website at www.seearose.homestead.com.

#### Park Seeks Help With Trail Repair

The National Park Service in cooperation with REI Outfitters will sponsor a volunteer service event to repair trails in Greenbelt Park. The event will take place Saturday, October 15 from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. in the park's Holly picnic area. The rain date is November 5.

At least 100 people are needed to resurface and redirect trails in the park. Volunteers should be at least 14 years old due to the nature of the work. Chaperones are necessary for 14to 17-year-olds. Participants should wear heavy shoes and dress for the weather. Gloves will be provided. REI will provide lunch at the end of the day. Community service hour credits can be provided. Interested persons should contact Mal Fordham at 301-982-9681.



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#### **GHI Notes**

The following are meetings for the Greenbelt Homes, Inc. for the week of October 17:

October 18 – Member & Community Relations Committee, 7 p.m., Board Room.

October 19 – Companion Animal Committee, 7:30 p.m., Board Room.

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**Community Events** 

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#### Menu for Senior Nutrition Program

The Senior Nutrition "Food and Friendship" program provides lunches for seniors Monday through Friday at the Community Center. Meals need to be reserved by 11 a.m. the day before participants are planning to eat to assure sufficient quantities of food are ordered. Call 301-397-2008, ext. 4125 for information about the program and to make reservations.

Meals are served beginning at noon. All meals include bread and margarine, coffee or tea and 1 percent milk. Menus for the week of October 17 through 21 include:

Monday – Tomato soup with crackers, ham steak with fruit sauce, broccoli, blackeyed peas, banana.

Tuesday – Cranberry juice, sliced roast beef with mushroom gravy, mashed potatoes, mixed peas and carrots, sweet cherries.

Wednesday – Grape juice, baked chicken with gravy, navy beans, chopped collards, sliced peaches.

Thursday – Orange juice, breaded haddock with tartar sauce, California blend vegetables, macaroni and cheese, cherry turnover.

Friday – Grape juice, ground turkey and macaroni casserole, diced carrots, green beans, applesauce.

#### At the Library Children

Tuesday, October 18, 10:30 a.m. – Cuddletime for newborns to 17 months with caregiver, limit 15 babies.

Wednesday, October 19, 10:30 a.m. – Toddlertime for ages 18 to 35 months with caregiver, limit 15 toddlers.

Thursday, October 20, 10:30 a.m. – Drop-in Storytime for ages 3 to 5 years, limit 20 children. Adults

Wednesday, October 19, 7 p.m. – Adult Book Discussion, Fyodor Dostoevsky's "Crime and Punishment."

#### Canadian Troubadour At New Deal Sunday

At 6 p.m. on Sunday, October 16 Canadian folk troubadour Tim Harrison will make his first appearance at the New Deal Café. Harrison is a songwriter-guitarist with themes and images revealing his storytelling capacities. His storytelling, as a traveler singing with compassion and hope, make him an audience favorite.

#### Schrom Hills Fall Fest Rescheduled

Due to the weather last weekend, the Fall Fest at Schrom Hills Park was rescheduled for Saturday, October 29 from 2 to 6 p.m. Questions can be directed to Greg Varda at 240-542-2194 or gvarda@greenbeltmd.gov.

#### "Ask the Experts" About Medicare D

The "Ask the Experts" cable program's next topic on Tuesday, October 18 will be "Assistance Is Available to Pay for Medicare Part D." The lecture will focus on financial assistance available to cover the cost of the new Medicare Part D (Pharmacy Benefit). This sliding scale benefit will help defray the cost of premiums, coinsurance and deductibles. The program will be held from 11 a.m. to noon at Green Ridge House, 22 Ridge Road in the dining room. Attendees who do not live at Green Ridge House are asked to RSVP to Community Resource Advocate Christal Batey by calling 301-474-8000 ext. 2012.

#### O'Malley, Duncan To Speak to Dems

On Friday, October 21 at 7:30 p.m., Greenbelt's Eleanor & Franklin Roosevelt Democratic Club will welcome Mayor Martin O'Malley of Baltimore City, the only announced gubernatorial candidate for Maryland's 2006 Democratic Preference Primary Election, scheduled to be held on Tuesday, September 12, 2006. (Douglas Duncan, county executive of Montgomery County has accepted the club's invitation for Friday, November 18. Duncan is expected to make a formal announcement of his candidacy this month.)

The Roosevelt meetings are held in the Terrace Room of the Greenbriar Community Building at 7600 Hanover Parkway, just off Greenbelt Road.

The schedule for both evenings will be a brief business agenda, followed by the speaker and a question-and-answer period. The executive board of the club, under the leadership of First Vice President Stuart Jordan has prepared a short set of issue questions which has been forwarded to both candidates. Questions will be entertained from the floor as time permits. The meetings end with a social hour and other local clubs' memhere have been invited to attend The public is welcome; there is no charge.

#### Credit Union Offers Document Shredder

The Greenbelt Federal Credit Union has hired a shred truck to shred personal papers for Credit Union members and other residents of Greenbelt. The shred truck will be available on Saturday, October 22 from 9 to 11 a.m. behind the Credit Union at 112 Centerway, in Roosevelt Center. There is no charge.

#### Greenbelt Co-op Annual Meeting

The Greenbelt Consumer Cooperative will hold its annual meeting on Saturday, October 29 at 10 a.m. in the Multipurpose Room of the Greenbelt Community Center.

At the annual meeting, reports on the co-op's past year will be presented by Store Manager Bob Davis and the cooperative's treasurer, Joe Timer. In addition, elections will take place for two positions on the board of directors. Incumbent board members Jill Stevenson and Tom Moran will be standing for re-election.

All members and any others interested in the workings of the Greenbelt Consumer Cooperative are encouraged to attend this meeting. Light refreshments will be served and door prizes will be awarded.

#### Greenbelt Park Will Host Fall Festival

Greenbelt Park will host a "Fall Festival" on Sunday, October 16 from noon to 5 p.m. The festival was originally scheduled for Saturday, October 8 but was rescheduled due to rain.

Activities will include music for all ages, face painting, hayrides, games, cotton candy and popcorn. Smokey Bear and Woodsy Owl will make a special appearance. The festival is free and open to the general public.

For further information contact Park Ranger Robin Martin at 301-344-3944 or visit the park's website at http://www.nps.gov/ gree.

Greenbelt News Review will hold its Annual Meeting Sunday, October 30 5:30 p.m. News Review Office

## Explore Costume Designing, Art

On Friday, October 21 Explorations Unlimited will host a presentation by Celestine Ranney-Howes, a resident artist at the Greenbelt Community Center. Ranney-Howes will talk about costume designing, fabric and color and her lifetime connection to this media. She will bring in some of her art work and will discuss the processes involved in creating them.

Ranney-Howes is a fiber artist and costume designer who holds a studio at the Greenbelt Community Center. She is the former manager of the Costume Shop at Washington D.C.'s Arena Stage and a current faculty member in theater at the University of Maryland Baltimore County (UMBC). When she is not building costumes for stage productions at UMBC, she creates personal artwork including imaginative wall hangings, fabric vessels, art quilts and figures.

Explorations Unlimited is held every Friday from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Community Center. in the Senior Classroom, Room 114. Everyone is welcome to attend and questions are encouraged. Call 301-397-2208 for more information.

#### Synagogue Concert For Katrina Relief

Mishkan Torah will sponsor a concert to benefit the American Red Cross Katrina Relief Fund.

As part of the Cafe Tsadukah social action activity, Mishkan Torah is sponsoring a concert by the a capella group, "The Chromatics," on Saturday, October 29 at 7:30 p.m. at Mishkan Torah. Admission is a non-perishable food item. Mishkan Torah is located at 10 Ridge Road in Greenbelt. Our sympathy to Constance Davis and family on the death of her husband Mark. The News Review staff will remember his valuable help in our 1985 fundraiser.

Condolences to Paul, David and Florence Abel on the death of their father Clarence.

Sympathy to Joseph Fry, Jr., and Cynthia Rodriguez on the death of their father Joseph E. Fry, Sr.

Greenbelters were saddened to hear of the death of former Greenbelter Ernest Rochefort. Our condolences to his family.

Eleanor Roosevelt history teacher Kathleen McPartland attended a seminar for history teachers and administrators from across the United States. The three-day seminar at Mt. Vernon about George Washington was led by Pulitzer Prize-winning author Joseph Ellis, professor of history at Mount Holyoke College.

Nancy and Ed Birner enjoyed a 10-day visit from Nancy's sister Jane, who was here visiting from Washington state.

#### Capitol Cadillac Hosts Car Show

Antique and classic Cadillacs will be on display at the Annual Fall Cadillac LaSalle Show to be held Sunday, October 16 at Capitol Cadillac, 6500 Capitol Drive. Come celebrate the history of V-12 and V-16 Cadillacs.

The show begins at 9 a.m. Awards will be presented at 3 p.m. The indoor show will be one of the largest gatherings of these automobiles assembled in the Mid-Atlantic. Admission is free.

For more information and details call Show Coordinators Henry or Diane Ruby at 301-894-8026.

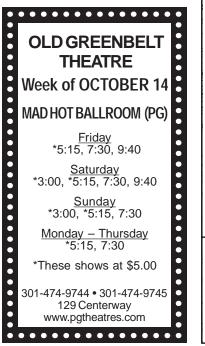


There is a fee. For information visit www.newdealcafe.com or www.timharrison.ca, email newdealcafe@greenbelt.com or call 301-474-5642.

#### Beaverdam Creek Cleanup Sunday

The Beaverdam Creek Watershed Cleanup has been re-scheduled for Sunday, October 16 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Meet at the walkway heading from Gardenway toward the Eleanor Roosevelt footbridge. Long pants, sturdy shoes and clothes that can get dirty are recommended.

The cleanup is sponsored by the Beaverdam Creek Watershed Watch Group. Call Susan Barnett at 301-474-7465 for more information.





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Tickets \$10 advance and \$12 at the Door

## **Obituaries**

Clarence Lynn Abel

#### Mark J. Davis

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Mark John Davis died on October 6, 2005, at Johns Hopkins Hospital. He was 56 years old.



Mark and his wife Constance moved to Greenbelt after their marriage in 1972 and later moved into their current residence on Northway. Mr. Davis was active in the Woodland Hills Homeowners Association, serving as its president for more than 20 years.

Mr. Davis graduated from Georgetown Law Center in 1973 and began a long, varied career with the federal government. Over the years he served as counsel at the Veterans Administration, Justice Department, Federal Election Commission and the House Ethics Committee. In 1995 he took the position of legislative director for Representative Frank Riggs and then for Rep. Lee Terry. Mr. Davis switched to the private sector in 2000.

He worked first as associate general counsel for the North American Securities Administrators Association and later as the assistant director of government relations for the Financial Planners Association of America.

Mr. Davis was a regular fixture at the Glenn Dale Golf Course. He loved the game and played as often as he could. He enjoyed the small town atmosphere and community that Greenbelt is famous for.

He is survived by his wife Constance Davis; his son Matthew of Savage, Md.; and his sister Rosalyn Davis of Damariscotta, Maine.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, October 15 at 2 p.m. at the Borgwardt Funeral Home, 4400 Powder Mill Road in Beltsville. An open house will follow at the Davis home.

#### Ernest A. Rochefort

Former Greenbelter Ernest Albert Rochefort of Fredericksburg, Va., died on October 7, 2005. Mr. Rochefort had lived in Greenbelt for over 20 years. His wife Jackie Shabe-Rochefort died in 2003.

Also preceding him in death were a sister Paulette Quick and a grandson Nathan Joyce.

He is survived by daughters Dawn Van Hoesen and Yvette Joyce; stepchildren Larry, Terry, John and Janice Shabe, Jackie Perry, Marian Keeler, Michelle Fisher, Dorothy Condero and Frances Manz; brothers Robert and Ed Rochefort; sister Tina Dalpe; grandchildren Andrew, John V., Christopher, Eric, Lee, Carrie, Joey S., Krystopher, Kiel, Nyki, Rachael, Renee, Stephanie, Jennifer K., Leah, Jason, Joey C., Antoinette, Jaclyn, Jennifer S., David. John M., Melissa and Mallory; great-grandchildren Zander, Adina, Wyatt, Parker, Dakota, Rainy, Sage and Raelynn. His former wife Yolanda McIntyre also survives. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated on Tuesday, October 11 at St. Hugh's Catholic Church. Interment was in Greenbelt Cemetery. A scholarship fund has been established. In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made to the Ernest A. Rochefort Memorial Fund, c/o Navy Federal Credit Union, P.O. Box 3001, Merrifield, VA 22119-3001.



Clarence Lynn Abel, age 85, died on September 28, 2005, of melanoma at his residence in Hyattsville. He worked in Greenbelt as an electronic technician at Eleanor Roosevelt High School and Greenbelt Elementary School.

Born in Philadelphia, Pa., on April 19, 1920, he was left by his mother on a doorstep. Fortunately his father's mother was alerted to the plight of an abandoned baby and took him into her home to raise. His father died tragically of blood poisoning in 1928 after stepping on a nail at his job with Luther Burbank in California.

Growing up in Haddon Heights, N.J., Mr. Abel played track and gymnastics in high school where he developed his strength by working parallel bars and rings. While in high school he began his love of playing the violin, a love that lasted throughout his life. It was through his skill on the violin that he was able to play with the Haddon Heights Symphony Orchestra and with the Philadelphia Philharmonic Orchestra.

It was through playing the violin that he met a young pianist, Dorothy Mae Barnett, who became his wife on August 9, 1942.

When World War II began, he joined the U.S. Navy, where he served as a radio man on an aircraft carrier. In August 1945 he was on a boat that sailed up the Nagasaki River of Japan while the city still smoldered from the second detonation of the atom bomb. He was part of the crew that checked out the city afterward.

After World War II he came to live in Prince George's County. Many school students will remember him as the friendly, congenial man who helped maintain audio-visual equipment, antennas and televisions in the public schools during the 1970s and 1980s.

More recently he was involved in the Wednesday morning music ensemble of Boxwood Village where he played violin with a saxophonist, a cellist and a pianist. He was known for his strong handshakes and generous heart.

He is survived by his sons Paul and David and daughter-inlaw Flo Abel of Boxwood Village.

The funeral was held October 1 at College Park Wesleyan Church. Interment was in Fort Lincoln Cemetery.

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9:00 am

10:15 am

7:00 pm

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Weds. Worship:

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Sundays:

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#### Joseph E. Fry, Sr.

Greenbelter Joseph E. Fry, Sr., died on Saturday, October 8, 2005.

Mr. Fry was preceded in death by beloved companion Alma J. Lersner.

He is survived by son Joseph E. Fry, Jr.; step-daughter Cynthia Rodriguez; grandson Kirk F. Adams; great-grandchildren Kyle J., Garrett C. and Amanda N. Adams; and dear friend Deborah Reed.

A funeral service was held this morning, October 13, at the Donald V. Borgwardt Funeral Home, Powder Mill Road, Beltsville with the Reverend Ronald Schneider officiating. Interment was in the Greenbelt City Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to American Cancer Society, 11331 Amherst Avenue,

#### Meals on Wheels Service Available

Meals on Wheels of College Park is now accepting new customers, Greenbelters are eligible. To enroll or to get answers to any questions, call Meals on Wheels of College Park at 301-474-1002 Monday through Friday between 9 a.m. and noon.





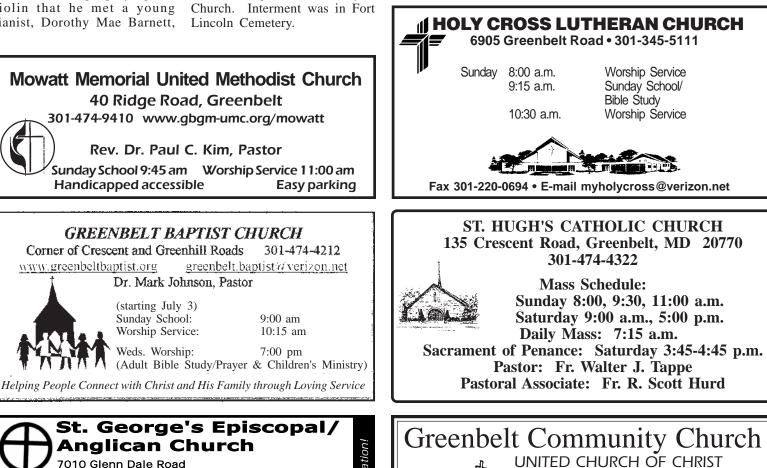
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#### Silver Spring, MD 20902. Jerusalem Women Visit Greenbelt

The Eleventh National Jerusalem Women Speak Tour will visit Greenbelt on Sunday, October 23 at 2 p.m. They will speak at Greenbelt Community Church. This will be a panel event jointly sponsored by Partners for Peace and the Prince George's County Peace & Justice Coalition.

"Jerusalem Women Speak: Three Women, Three Faiths, One Shared Vision" speakers for the 11th tour since 1998 are Sherene Abdulhadi, Muslim Palestinian; Roni Hammerman, Jewish Israeli; and Amira Hillal, Christian Palestinian. These three women will travel together on a national speaking tour for two weeks in October to address realities of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict. The three women, a Christian, a Jew and a Muslim, who are living the realities of the conflict will share their experiences and hopes for a just peace. They are mothers, daughters, wives and working professionals, all involved in their own way in resolving the conflict. Each woman lives the hardships of conflict and the tragedy of occupation in unique ways. Each has also witnessed the deterioration around them over the past five years of Israeli-Palestinian violence and the intermittent attempts to rekindle peace talks. They have made a commitment to address American audiences about their hopes for the future and what must be done to improve today's unsteady situation.

For more information contact Partners for Peace at 202-863-2951, jake@partnersforpeace.org or visit the website at www.partnersforpeace.org.

#### Sukkah Potluck Supper Oct. 17

Mishkan Torah will hold a pot luck supper in its sukkah on Monday, October 17 at 6:30 p.m., followed by services for the holiday of Sukkot, which will begin that evening and continue for the next eight days. Food brought to the synagogue should be parve or dairy and in previously unused disposable dishes or in unopened packaging with proper notation of kashrut. For further information regarding the pot luck supper guidelines, call Mishkan Torah's office at 301-474-4223. Mishkan Torah is located at 10 Ridge Road in Greenbelt. There is no charge.

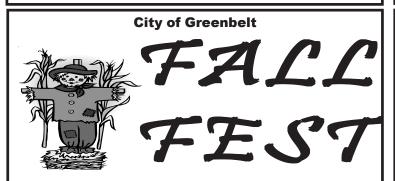
#### Help Is Needed At River Cleanup



Meetings for October 17-21 Monday, October 17th, 8:00 pm, Council Work Session, re: Greenbelt Access Television, Municipal Building. Wednesday, October 19th, 7:30 pm, Advisory Planning Board, Greenbelt Community Center, Theatre Rehearsal Room, Room 202. On the Agenda: Detailed Site Plan -Greenbelt Crossing

#### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR TREE PLANTING**

County Executive Jack Johnson has committed to planting 10,000 Trees for Peace in Prince George's County. To be part of this effort, the City of Greenbelt is seeking volunteers to plant trees at Legion Circle on Saturday, October 15, 2005 at 9:00 AM. Interested volunteers may report to Legion Circle at that time. For information, please call the Public Works Office at 301-474-8004.



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### **INVITATION TO BID**

The City of Greenbelt, Maryland, invites sealed bids for furnishing the following:

#### BID 2005-2: 1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> Ton Dump Truck BID 2005-3: 2 Ton Truck Chassis

This equipment is to be delivered to the Department of Public Works, 555 Crescent Road, Greenbelt, MD 20770. Interested bidders may pick up a bid specifications package for Bid 2005-2 & 2005-3 at:

> City of Greenbelt Finance Office 25 Crescent Road Greenbelt, MD 20770

Please call the Department of Public Works at (301) 474-8004 regarding bid submission questions. Bids must be RECEIVED no later than 11/14/05 at 10 a.m. Bids will be opened publicly at 10:10 a.m. on 11/14/05.

### **City Election Information Voting Machines**

The City will be using the same kind of electronic voting machine that we used in the 2003 municipal election: the Sequoia Advantage. This is not the same machine that is used in the state and county elections. It has been used for a number of years in Baltimore City and it is used by most of the municipalities in Prince George's County. It has what is called an "open face" ballot, similar to the old lever machines, where everything is on one page and no scrolling down is required. Beginning sometime during the week of October 17, we will have a demonstration machine available on the second floor of the Municipal Building. Please feel free to come by and take it for a test drive. For more information about the arrival date of the demo machine, please call the City Clerk at 301-474-8000 or email kgallagher@greenbeltmd.gov.

**GREENBELT MUNICIPAL/PUBLIC ACCESS CHANNEL 71** MUNICIPAL ACCESS: 301-474-8000: Tuesday & Thursday, October 11 & 13: 10am & 6:00pm "Ask the Expert-Medicare Part D," **7pm** "Greenbelt Labor Day Parade," **8:30pm** "Greenbelt East Advisory Committee presents CANDIDATES NIGHT" with candidates for City Council.

PUBLIC ACCESS (GATE): 301-507-6581:Wednesday & Friday, October 18 & 20: 7pm "Cooperatives with Leta Mach featuring Greenbelt Credit Union," 7:30pm "Cooperatives with Leta Mach featuring Greenbelt Homes, Inc.," 8:00pm GAC presents "Shylock."

#### **OPENINGS ON BOARDS & COMMITTEES** Volunteer to serve on City Council advisory groups. Vacancies exist on the:

Advisory Committee on Education **Employee Relations Board** Recycling and Environment Advisory Board For more information, please call 301-474-8000.

City of Greenbelt, Maryland Regular City Council Election – Tuesday, November 8, 2005

Put on boots and gloves and help clean up at the Anacostia River Cleanup Day at Bladensburg Waterfront Park on Saturday, October 22 from 9 a.m. to noon.

Materials such as gloves, trash bags and canoes will be provided, with light refreshments to follow the cleanup work. High school students can earn community service hours and all ages are welcome to participate. An adult must accompany children 16 and under.

Bladensburg Waterfront Park is located at 4601 Annapolis Road, Bladensburg. Call 301-779-0371, TTY 301-699-2544 for more information. Bladensburg Waterfront Park is a facility of the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission's Department of Parks and Recreation.

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For more information, call the City Clerk at 301-474-8000.

#### REFERENDUM QUESTION ON **COLLECTIVE BARGAINING**

Shall Section 3 ("General Powers") of the Charter of the City of Greenbelt be amended to add a new paragraph 22 to read as follows:

22. To recognize and engage in collective bargaining with one or more designated bargaining representatives of non-managerial, sworn police officers of the City of Greenbelt, Maryland, Police Department; to enter into a binding collective bargaining agreement with said representatives; and to enact by ordinance or amendment a system of rules and regulations to govern this process. The City Council shall approve all collective bargaining agreements entered into by the City with a collective bargaining representative prior to their becoming effective. In the event the parties negotiating a collective bargaining agreement are unable to reach agreement on one or more terms of a collective bargaining agreement, the City Council shall have the authority to set those terms and conditions of employment that remain in dispute upon a majority vote.

FOR the Charter Amendment

AGAINST the Charter Amendment

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Sunday, proceeded to seek approval from Chief James Craze and City Manager Michael McLaughlin. He promised not to stay more than the four days requested. By 11:30 that night the squad was en route.

Since all the crew had been working in one way or another that day, they decided to take a rest break when nearing Roanoke. Beyers contacted the Roanoke police for permission to lay up in some place. They brought their own tents, sleeping bags, food and water but were directed to the oldest firehouse in town. There they were welcomed by the firemen, who provided cots for them. After three hours of rest and breakfast, the squad got back on the road.

The APC left the city on Labor Day, following the parade, on a Lowboy (flatbed) trailer towed by a State Highway Administration truck driven by Paul Baschke and Craig Schaffer. Asked to go that morning, they had dropped everything and drove straight through in 23 hours. The truck was neither air conditioned nor had sleeping accommodations.

Twenty miles from their destination the city evidence truck broke down. They notified FEMA, which arranged for it to be towed and repaired.

Early Tuesday morning they arrived in Gonzales in Ascension Parish. Located about 40 miles northwest of New Orleans on the road to Baton Rouge, the civic center at Gonzales was the staging area FEMA used to assemble and dispatch relief units. The first day they set up their tents, rested and waited for the APC to arrive. It came in around 8 that night. They then loaded it up with equipment they had brought.

#### Assignment

At Gonzalez they were redirected to assist the New Orleans police in the city rather than going to Jefferson Parish. Their mission was changed from body recovery to tactical support. The two SHA drivers also stayed with them. Originally expected to go straight back to Maryland, Beyers convinced them and their Maryland supervisor it would be best for them just to stay, as they would soon be bringing back the APC. They assisted during the stay, transporting equipment for various agencies as needed.

Beyers noted that 4,000 evacuees were being housed in temporary buildings at the civic center. The Maryland team was able to meet and interact with many who had lost everything. One elderly couple had managed to park their trailer in their campsite before it ing to signal them and turned the was closed to use for other than relief workers. This couple had lost everything and the tactical squad left them all their excess food and water when the squad

returned to Greenbelt.

The civic center was also a staging area for distributing relief supplies and soon became a shelter for rescued animals. The Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals used sheds there to house the animals. By the time the officers left over 15,000 animals were housed.

#### **New Orleans**

Each morning, after getting a breakfast prepared by parish prisoners, the squad left for New Orleans. Upon reporting to the police temporary command center at Harrah's Casino in downtown (not a barge but a building) near the Riverwalk, they were issued one portable radio and assigned an area to patrol designated by street boundaries.

The problem was they didn't have a city map. They were able to find one produced by Harrah's that showed only part of the city and their patrol area north of downtown. As a tactical unit they were self sufficient, spending the first three hours exploring their patrol area to determine where it was and what streets were passable. Many streets were blocked with obstructions.

#### Damage

Beyers noted that the hurricane winds had caused little damage to the city, although many trees or branches were down and some buildings were damaged. Most damage was due to flooding. Additional damage had been caused by looting and vandalism, including arson, particularly to businesses. The crew was able to drive around downtown, see the convention center, Superdome and French Quarter as well as all the media trailer units confined to an area on Canal Street.

There was concern about snipers and the squad met relief units that had been fired upon. However the local team was involved in only one incident. They also were authorized to shoot to kill any alligators they saw in New Orleans.

In their district local officers were assigned to foot patrol drier areas. The squad provided backup to these officers. On the first day the squad met up with fire apparatus from the city of Chicago, to which they gave protection in responding to fires.

#### Rescue

On the second day they were asked to pick up a neurosurgeon at his flooded home near a levee. As they were approaching on a street a military helicopter began circling above them and then dropped down in front of the APC. Beyers figured it was try APC around, returning to dry land at St. Joseph's Hospital.

bottle, which he dropped. When they retrieved it, they found a note warning that a short distance farther down the street there was a gas main leak with gas bubbling up through the water. When he thought about it, Beyers said that it was laughable how rudimentary had been their ability to communicate.

Taking another route, the squad got to within three houses of the doctor when their passage was blocked by fallen trees. Using their public address system, they asked the doctor if he could wade out to them. When he did, they transported him to dry land where others were waiting to evacuate him.

The squad then went back to St. Joseph's for a lunch break where they met an army unit. The lieutenant in charge gave them a nice map of New Orleans. He also told them dogs had been heard barking in the hospital. Since the army was banned from searching property unless the saving of life was involved, the squad entered the hospital.

The first floor was covered with knee-deep water. They found a stairwell and went up. There they came upon two FEMA workers with a dog who were searching for bodies in hospitals and nursing homes. They had been assigned to search 12 of them with no transportation or protection. The squad assisted them for the rest of the day. In one nursing home they found three bodies. Beyers thought

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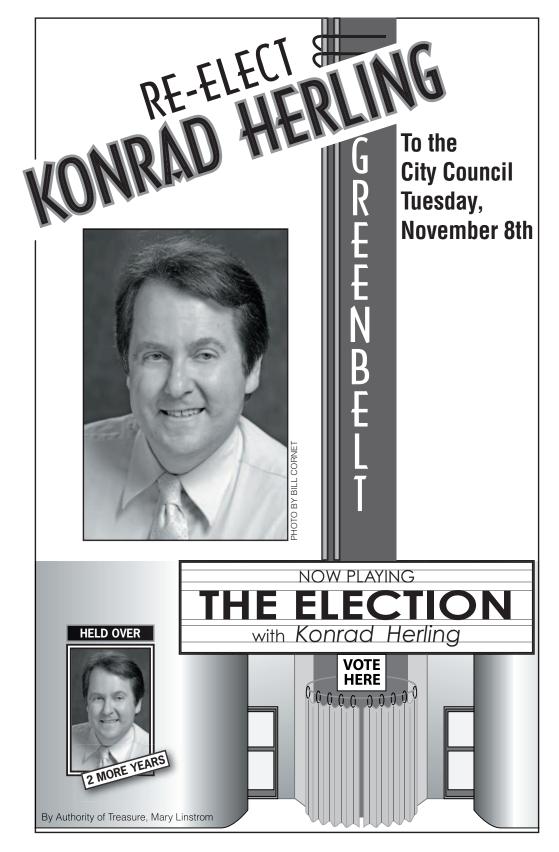


The Greenbelt APC and tactical squad in front of New Orleans police temporary command center at Harrah's Casino pose with the two Maryland State Highway Administration truck drivers who transported the APC to Louisiana. Standing from left: MPO Marvin Marks, MPO Craig Kayton, MPO Ron Walters, SHA employees Paul Baschke and Craig Schaffer, MPO Michael Dewey and MPO Robert Dowling. MPO Mark Sagan is barely visible on top of the APC.

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There a crewman in the helicopter stuck his arm out of the craft, waving a plastic water



The tactical squad removed a neurosurgeon from a flooded residential area, shown here wading toward the APC from his home.

## **POLICE BLOTTER**

Based on information released by the Greenbelt Police Department. Dates and times are those when police were first contacted about incidents.

#### **Robberies**

September 30, 2:21 p.m., 6915 Hanover Parkway, the victims reported that they were waiting at a bus stop when they were offered a ride to Beltway Plaza by an acquaintance and two other men. Both victims shopped with the three men and were driving back when the men stated that they needed to stop in the parking lot of Schrom Hills Park to meet some friends. All five got out of the vehicle and walked toward the basketball courts, at which time one of the men produced a handgun and announced a robbery. Money and a watch were taken. Then the suspects ran back to the parking lot area and fled. The suspects are described as three black males, one 18 to 19 years of age, 5'10", 180 pounds with black hair in short dreadlocks, brown eyes and a dark complexion with acne, wearing a black long-sleeve shirt with "MOB" in blue on the front, blue jeans and a black skull cap. The second was 17 to 20 years of age with a heavy build, black hair and blue eyes and the third was 18 to 20 years of age. Investigation is continuing.

September 30, 10:15 p.m., Breezewood Drive and Springhill Lane, a man reported that he was walking home when he was approached by two men who asked him if he had change for a five dollar bill. One of the men then displayed a handgun and announced a robbery. After obtaining the victim's wallet, both men fled the scene, one on foot and the other in a vehicle described as a dark colored compact car. The suspects are described as two black males, both 17 to 20 years of age, 5'9" with thin builds, black hair and dark complexions. One was wearing a white hooded sweatshirt and blue jeans and the other was wearing a blue hooded sweatshirt and blue jeans.

September 30, 11:21 p.m., 9100 block Springhill Lane, police responded to a report of a stabbing. A man reported that he was walking to a friend's house when he was approached by two men who demanded money from him, then attempted to rifle through his pockets. When the victim resisted, one of the suspects stabbed him in the abdomen with an unknown weapon. Both suspects then fled the scene on foot toward Breezewood Drive. The victim was transported to the hospital for treatment. The suspects are described as two black males with brown eyes, one was wearing a light-colored windbreaker-style jacket and blue jeans and the other was wearing a gray hooded sweatshirt and blue jeans. October 3, 6:41 p.m., 9000 block Breezewood Terrace, a woman reported that she was walking to an apartment when she was approached by a man who took her purse at gunpoint and fled in a waiting vehicle. The suspect is described as a black male 20 to 25 years of age, 6'1" to 6'3", 180 pounds with black hair, wearing black jeans, a black T-shirt with red and white sleeves and a red and black cap.

October 6, 5:18 p.m., 6100 block Breezewood Drive, a man reported that he was walking to a residence when he was approached by four men or youths who threw him to the ground, punching and kicking him. One of the suspects went through the victim's pockets, removing his wallet and cell phone. They all fled the area on foot. The suspects are described as four black males, 15 to 20 years of age; two were wearing white T-shirts and blue jeans and one had his hair in braids, wearing a ball cap.

October 6, 10:48 p.m., 7600 block Mandan Road, a man reported that he was walking to an apartment when he was approached from behind by a man who produced a handgun and ordered him to the ground. Another man exited a nearby vehicle and went through the victim's pockets, taking his wallet, cell phone and wristwatch. Both suspects then fled the scene in the vehicle, described as a red, older model Volvo 4-door. The suspects are described as two black males, one 5'8", 200 pounds with black hair, a heavy build and light skin, wearing a black coat and jeans. The other was 6', 150 pounds with black hair and a thin build, wearing a black shirt and jeans.

#### Indecent Exposure

October 5, 5:29 p.m., 6100 block Breezewood Drive, two children, ages seven and nine, reported that they were walking home from school when a man appeared from behind a tree and exposed himself to them. The children then fled the scene on foot. The suspect is described as a Latino male, 35 years of age with black hair wearing a red shirt and blue jeans.

#### **Firearm Arrest**

September 20, 7500 block Kenilworth Avenue, a nonresident man was arrested and charged with possession of a firearm in the commission of drug trafficking, transporting a handgun in a vehicle, theft, possession of marijuana with intent to distribute, illegal possession of a regulated firearm by a convicted felon, possession of a stolen firearm, driving while suspended and other charges after he was stopped at a sobriety checkpoint. Police detected the odor of what was believed to be marijuana and a computer check revealed that the driver has a suspended license. A quantity of suspected marijuana and a loaded .9 mm semiautomatic handgun, which had been reported stolen, were located in the vehicle. The man also had an open warrant with the Prince George's County Sheriff's Department. He was transported to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner and for service of the warrant.

#### Police to Conduct Training Exercise

On Sunday, October 16 beginning at approximately 2 p.m., the Greenbelt Police Department will conduct a training exercise in the area of Roosevelt Center/ City Offices/Community Center/ Library. The exercise will last anywhere from two to four hours and should have little, if any, impact on the businesses, activities and parking in the area.

Signs will be posted in the area advising that a training exercise is in progress and there will be no restrictions on parking and pedestrians being able to walk, other than in one specific location within the exercise area. People should expect to see numerous police vehicles and police officers, some with weapons displayed, in the area. However, rigorous safety protocols will be in place to protect the officers and residents.

while impaired, driving under the influence, driving while impaired by drugs or alcohol, driving while impaired by a controlled dangerous substance and other violations after he was stopped for a traffic violation. He was released on citations pending trial.

September 24, 10:00 p.m., Greenbelt Road and Kenilworth Avenue, a nonresident man was arrested and charged with driving while impaired, driving under the influence, driving while suspended, reckless driving and negligent driving after he was found slumped over the steering wheel of a vehicle in the travel section of the roadway. He was released on citations pending trial.

#### **Disorderly Conduct**

October 3, 11:43 p.m., Beltway Plaza, a nonresident woman was arrested and charged with disorderly conduct when police responded to a report of a woman lying in the parking lot of Bennigan's Restaurant. She was located and as an officer attempted to help her to her feet, she became disorderly, shouting obscenities and refusing to get out of the parking lot. She was arrested and released on citation pending trial.

#### **Burglaries**

October 3, 5:10 p.m., 6100 block Springhill Terrace, it was reported that unknown person(s) entered the residence by breaking

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Anyone with information is asked to contact the Prince George's County Police Sexual Assaults Unit at (301) 772-4908 or Crime Solvers at (301) 735-1111 or 1-866-411-8477. Refer to Case Number #05-268-0194.

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#### **DWI** Arrests

September 24, 1:06 a.m., Greenbelt Road and Kenilworth Avenue, a nonresident men was arrested and charged with driving out a bedroom window. Two knives and DVDs were taken.

October 3, 5:15 p.m., 9300 block Edmonston Road, it was reported that unknown person(s) entered the residence by removing a window screen and climbing through the open window. A laptop computer, camcorder and portable CD player were taken.

#### **Vehicle Crimes**

Four vehicles were stolen, three stolen vehicles were recovered and three vehicles were vandalized. There were four thefts from vehicles and one attempted vehicle theft. OPEN HOUSE SATURDAY OCTOBER 15 12:30 – 4:00 PM 5-H Eastway 2 Bedroom Block Large Deck

The Department is offering a reward of up to \$500 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of a suspect in any of the unsolved crimes reported in the blotter. Citizens may anonymously report suspected drug activity by calling the Drug Tip Line at 301-507-6522.

## Lake Park Cleanup

On Saturday, October 1 the Greenbelt Recycling and Environment Advisory Committee held a Lake Park Cleanup. Ten volunteers participated in the event and cleaned along the lake shoreline. With the help of volunteers in a canoe and a kayak, approximately 220 lbs. of trash and 28 lbs. of recyclables were collected. The trash and recyclables consisted of a variety of items such as plastic bags, cans, bottles, food/candy wrappers, fishing equipment, pieces of lumber, one milk crate, one basketball, two softballs and approximately 75 tennis balls.

Cindy Murray (below) of the **City's Public Works Depart**ment organized the Lake Park **Cleanup.** Approximately 220 lbs. of trash and 28 lbs. of recyclables were collected.

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that one dead woman in a chair might have been forgotten in the evacuation.

Their work days ended around 8 p.m. when the military took over patrol responsibilities in the city. By the time they returned to Gonzales, it was too late to get the meal that had been prepared for workers each night by volunteers. The squad thus subsisted on MREs (meals ready to eat) and the food they had brought.

#### Barricade

On the last day, they were involved in a police barricade. A police officer ran up to them and said a guy was shooting at police on Bourbon Street and they went to assist. It turned out to be an 84year-old man firing birdshot at officers trying to assist him. The man, who hadn't eaten for eight days, was demented. The squad took cover in the APC. Finally the man ran out of ammunition and the New Orleans police took him into custody.

Beyers noted another communication problem during that incident. Overhead a helicopter from a rescue unit was hovering. It made so much noise that officers on the ground could not communicate. They tried to wave it off but without success.

The squad was asked to stay longer, Beyers said, but he would not break his four-day commitment to the city. They returned with their vehicles covered with the splattered remains of love bugs, which were swarming. (Black flying insects, larger than ants, that couple while flying.)

While later relief workers underwent decontamination procedures, the Greenbelt squad did not. Beyers had all their clothing

Trash and debris along the street in front of the New Orleans Convention Center.

confiscated and destroyed, as well as their boots, which have been bagged but still held. He expects FEMA to reimburse the city for its expenses and their salaries for going to New Orleans and hopes it will pay as well for new boots.



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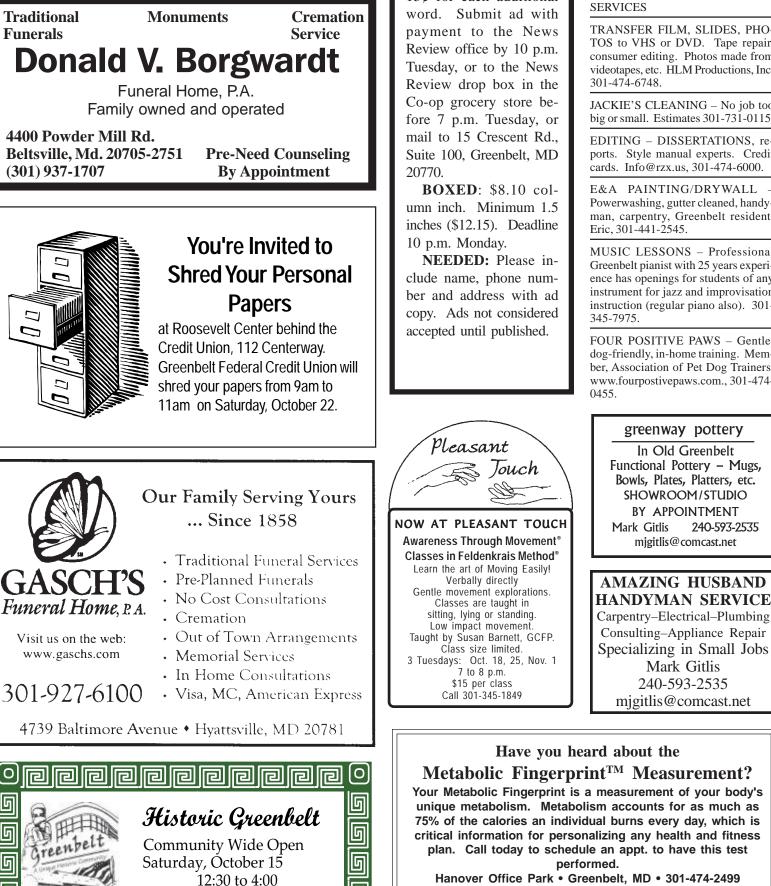
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### **News Review to Hold** Annual Meeting on Oct. 30

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The Greenbelt News Review will hold its annual meeting on Sunday, October 30 at 5:30 p.m. in the News Review Office. An election of officers and a brief business meeting will follow dinner.



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## GOALS continued from page 1

list for renovation but postponed. Now the renovation has become part of the Springhill Lake redevelopment discussions. The redevelopment envisions moving and replacing the elementary school. One possibility the developers and the school board are discussing is a combined elementary and middle school. Another school to watch is Eleanor Roosevelt. Redevelopment could overcrowd it.

The city's agreement with the county provides that Greenbelt's students will attend that high school and that overcrowding will be addressed with an addition if necessary. I plan to watch these developments closely to see that they are made in the best interests of the students.

Complete several important projects that have begun -Skateboard Park, Theater Renovation, Traffic Calming, Crosswalk Upgrades. And, make substantial progress on playground improvements as specified in our playground agreements.

#### Kelly Ivy

My first goal would be safety. Who is in charge of our city in case of a disaster? Whom do our citizens contact? I would like to form a command center with a proper chain of command. I would like to make sure these individuals are trained in disasters and terrorism. I believe it is important, in a moment's notice, to have trained individuals to guide us through any disaster, natural or man made. We need to make sure we have the best trained personnel with the best communications program in place, making the correct decisions with the best knowledge at any given time.

My next goal would be the city budget. Each year the budget seems to grow, as do taxes. We need to look where we can trim corners, perhaps multi-tasking instead of hiring. Make sure every dollar is spent smartly without waste. There has to be another answer other than increase taxes. As a community, we have to make sure we can afford to spend the money, check our priorities and spend more wisely.

Our seniors are leaving Greenbelt! We need to have a Green Ridge East and West somewhere our senior citizens can retire without leaving Greenbelt, taking a very important part of Greenbelt history with them. They are the true fibers of community that built Greenbelt. To lose our seniors simply because we did not care enough to try to keep them is unacceptable. The developers, without any question, should include senior citizens housing in their plan in Greenbelt West. Low income housing, single family homes, apartments, and condominiums, shopping malls and recreation centers but I have not heard one word mentioned about our most important citizens, our seniors. Judith F. Davis Should I be re-elected, I many goals that I intend to accomplish in the next term, but several stand out as most

relevant to all city neighborhoods. Every resident should benefit from the high quality of life that we taxpayers expect and enjoy.

However, Council must find ways to correct long-term weaknesses in the budget that are presently causing more money to be expended than incoming revenue. Well thought out and balanced decisions are required, with citizen input a must.

Another goal that needs to be addressed now and for many years to come is the monitoring of development in Greenbelt West and other parts of the city to make sure it does not negatively impact the rest of the city. Future development and redevelopment projects must be scrutinized aggressively to ensure that adequate recreation areas and greenspace are included, sensitive environmental areas are protected, and our traffic situation is not worsened. High quality, multi-income housing with more than 25% owner-occupied units must be demanded. The proposed new elementary and middle schools must meet student population numbers and needs. A discussion must be held on whether or not to move our Springhill Lake Recreation Center and how to expand its size and functions.

My third goal is to continue to work for fair and equitable benefits for all our city employees, especially if the referendum on collective bargaining is approved. All our employees are to be valued and respected for the work they perform for our residents. City departments and their employees working together, without divisiveness, provide the services and quality of life that make Greenbelt a great community in which to live and work.

**Konrad Herling** 

My first priority is to develop, and implement a coordinated transportation plan to significantly ease access throughout

town, without using a personal vehicle, every day of the week. The increased price of gasoline, and the prospective development of Greenbelt West require that we move now on this front. This plan would be developed in concert with Metro, our County Councilmember Doug Peters, developers who benefit from operating in Greenbelt, our City's Planning Department and an ex

Greenbelt East. Greater access to the open space and playing areas, as well as dedicated organized competitive sites means our youth is more likely to see being fit and active as a way of life. This becomes even more important in a Springhill Lake with significantly higher density level.

My third priority is to seek additional sources of revenue to supplement the taxes we Greenbelters pay to maintain and improve City services. A task force should be created which, working with appropriate city staff, would explore approaches such as more aggressively pursuing grants from our local business community, and implementing intelligent marketing to attract more paying customers to our recreational and cultural amenities.

> **Rodney M. Roberts** three

goals if elected are: 1. To ensure adequate public facilities (public safety, recreation, schools, etc.)

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for approved high density development in Greenbelt West. I was told by a new urbanist planner for AIMCO, the Springhill Lake developers, "Children don't need ball fields; they can play in the streets and alleys." That kind of planning is not acceptable for Greenbelt. We clearly have a long way to go in Greenbelt West to ensure a complete community. One that will be a benefit to Greenbelt and not a drain on existing services.

2. Complete ongoing projects: Public Works facility upgrade; Attick Park restrooms; Skateboard Park; Greenbelt East traffic calming; Northway field improvements; and the playground agreement.

3. To have at least one year without a city tax increase. At least, limit any increase to cover inflation for goods and services, salaries, and employee benefits.

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ICE is an acronym for "In Case of Emergency." If emergency personnel see the word ICE in the contacts list, they will place a call to that number on the person's behalf.

This safety tip from the Public Safety Advisory Committee is a simple way to provide needed emergency contact information



## **Re-elect Judith "J" Davis Greenbelt City Council**

- Efficient city services to all city neighborhoods
- Vigilant monitoring of proposed new development
- Protection and preservation of greenspace
- Improvement of pedestrian and traffic safety
- Resolution of structural issues with regard to the city budget
- Fair and equitable benefits for all city employees

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## **RE-ELECT RODNEY ROBERTS TO GREENBELT CITY COUNCIL Vote November 8**



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critical. Efforts must continue to resolve structural issues with regard to the city budget, while maintaining efficient city services

isting Senior Citizens Advisory Committee task force.

My second priority would be focused on Greenbelt West. Our educational and recreational facilities need to adequately accommodate an increased population resulting from the redevelopment of Springhill Lake and development of the Metro site.

We must demand that SHL's developer, AIMCO, and our school board, working with Greenbelt's Planning Department, use a realistic projection of the number of school-aged children in a vastly, more densely populated Greenbelt West. We do not want another overcrowded school.

Additionally, we will continue to work with Greenbelt West's developers but must fight for the same planning principles exercised in original Greenbelt and

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