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APB Considers Craftstar's Plan For Greenbelt West Town Homes

by Thomas X. White

There is nothing like a development controversy to get the juices flowing at the height of summertime in Greenbelt. On Wednesday, July 15 the city's Advisory Planning Board (APB) met in the Community Center to consider proposed revisions to approved detailed site plans (DSP) for a portion of the Greenbelt Station South Core in Greenbelt West. It has been just over three years since the original DSP for the Greenbelt Station South Core was approved.

Since that time, however, in June 2006, the only development activity contemplated for the South Core has been the planned construction of townhouses by Pulte Homes. Then, with the economic downturn, Pulte last year withdrew its plans for development.

Recently the Metroland Developers, LLC/Greenbelt Metropark LLC (MD/GM) submitted a proposed revision to the approved DSP in order to accommodate construction of 151 townhomes by Craftstar Homes of McLean, Va.

The July 15 meeting was the first opportunity for the APB to consider the proposed revision to the DSP which has been submitted to the Maryland-National

Capital Park and Planning Commission (M-NCPPC) and referred to the City of Greenbelt for its review and approval.

In addition to APB members, the meeting was attended by Amy Hofstra, Greenbelt planning coordinator; Kenneth Malm, president of Craftstar Homes and Garth Beall, an attorney with the firm of McNamee, Hosea, Jernigan, Kim, Greenan and Lynch, representing GB Development Co., Inc. for Metropark South.

Several Issues

Hofstra outlined the several issues presented by the proposed revision to the originally approved DSP. She noted that the approved DSP covered the planned construction of 151 rear-loading townhomes, 61 front garage townhomes, 130 multi-family condominiums and 4,176 square feet of live-work space.

The DSP revision describes different architectural elevations and other features only for the 151 rear-loading townhomes. Hofstra noted that the architectural elevations and specific requirements for alley widths are outlined in covenants agreed to by the developer and the city in 2006.

A complication for the developer and the new townhomes

builder is the fact that the Pulte design is proprietary and cannot be used by another builder without their permission. Such permission, however, seemed unlikely.

For the city, the issue is that the Pulte design was an upscale feature with a then-market value of about \$600,000 while the Craftstar design is more midscale in about the \$300,000 range.

In addition, the city planning staff have real issues with the different treatments of the alley way between the townhomes, much preferring the uniform and narrow alley of the Pulte design over the Craftstar design that, depending upon the townhome owners' wishes, would have uneven rear driveway lengths and possible varying widths of the alley ways.

Roundabout

Another stumbling block for the city is that the development of the South Core townhomes is tied to a separate development agreement with the MD/GM developers that required the developers of the South Core to participate in the funding for a roundabout design and construction for the intersection at Metro

See **CRAFTSTAR**, page 6

2008 Outstanding Citizen Still Stays Active at 90

by Barbara Havekost

Leonie Penney, the 2008 Greenbelt Outstanding Citizen, lives a life of alphabet soup. Not the kind one can eat but the kind that denotes the many organizations to which she has devoted much of her life. This volunteerism ranges from her early days in Greenbelt at the Cooperative Nursery School where she was a "helping mother" to a variety of senior citizen and other groups in which she remains active.

Along the way Penney has been involved in the Municipal Swim Team, Citizens for Greenbelt, the Senior Citizen Advisory Committee (SCAC), Refuse and Recycling Committee, Greenbelt Intergenerational Volunteer Exchange Service (GIVES), the Assisted Living Task Force, the News Review and Greenbelt Assistance in Living (GAIL). She joined many of these activities because of a personal interest and

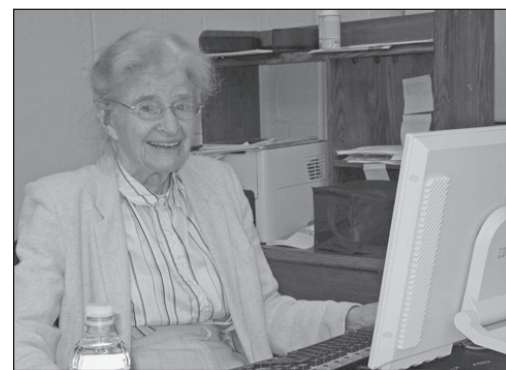


PHOTO BY HELEN SYDAVAR

Among her many volunteer activities, Leonie Penney works on the weekly accounting functions at the News Review office.

that of her family; however, they also were a great benefit to all of Greenbelt.

After her husband Walter died, Penney helped form a support group for widowed persons. Recently she has also been tutoring Greenbelt Elementary School fifth and sixth grade students in arithmetic.

Not only was Penney the Greenbelt Outstanding Citizen for 2008, she was also honored by

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Sea Chanter Bill Edwards Opens Festival with Anthem

by Linda Ivy

William ("Bill") Edwards will be opening the Greenbelt Labor Day Festival ceremonies by singing the National Anthem. Musician First Class Edwards is a baritone vocalist for the United States Navy Band's "Sea Chanters" chorus in Washington, D.C. As a member of the Sea Chanters, Edwards sang the National Anthem at President Obama's Inauguration in January. The Sea Chanters perform often on Tuesday nights at the Navy Memorial in Washington, D.C., as part of the "Summer Concerts on the Avenue" series.

The Prince George's County native earned a bachelor's degree in music from the State University of New York (SUNY)



FCPO William Edwards

College at Geneseo in 1998. He received the Judi M. Houston Memorial Scholarship in musical theater and has taken first place in the Mid-Atlantic National Association of Teachers of Singing competition. He continues to study locally with Elizabeth Daniels.

First Class Petty Officer Edwards enlisted in the Navy in 2006 and completed basic training at the Naval Recruit Training Center in Great Lakes, Ill. Since his arrival at the Navy Band, he has sung with the Cincinnati Pops, the Kansas City Symphony and as a featured soloist at the White House.

Prior to joining the Navy,

See **EDWARDS**, page 6

Middle School Construction Needs Strong Support to Stay on Track

by Amy S. Hansen

Groundbreaking for the new Greenbelt Middle School (GMS) building is now expected to occur in January 2010, the public learned at an open meeting on July 14 in the current Greenbelt Middle School. Advocacy will be needed to keep the project on schedule according to school board member Rosalind Johnson.

The January date is later than the previously scheduled May 2009 groundbreaking. The delay is due to diminished state funding, explained Lawrence Fryer, chief operating officer for the Prince George's County Public Schools.

The new 990-student school will be situated on the current school property, adjacent to the old building, using some of the current bus depot land and part of the wooded area next to the present school. Students will continue to attend the current GMS until the new building is completed, which will be about 18 months after it is started, said Fryer.

The 35-person audience included State Delegate Anne Healey, mayors from Greenbelt and Berwyn Heights, councilmembers



PHOTO BY AMY HANSEN

Veronica Frederick, left, member of Greenbelt's Advisory Committee on Education (ACE), discusses the plans for the new Greenbelt Middle School with ACE staff liaison Wendy Wexler.

from both cities, school board members and residents as well as school administrators. Among these was new county Deputy Superintendent of Schools Dr. Bonita Coleman-Potter.

Next Steps

While information about the physical building has not changed radically since the last meeting, the crowd learned more about the bureaucratic steps in getting a

new building and what steps are necessary in acquiring funding.

Healey explained that the state would not provide all of its funding in one year. So far, the state has provided \$7 million. Counting that state funding, county matching funds and money from the school system, the project has a current total of \$19 million.

See **GMS PLANS**, page 6

What Goes On

Saturday, July 25

9 a.m. to noon, Electronics Recycling, Public Works Yard, 555 Crescent Road

Wednesday, July 29

8 p.m., Council Worksession re: Ethics Briefing, Community Center

Letters to the Editor

Silent Spring?

Have any of my neighbors noticed the change in spring sounds in 2009 compared to 2008? Does anybody have a suggestion as to why?

The most prominent sounds I heard last year and this spring were the sounds of Brickman landscapers cutting up branches and cutting down trees. At the moment of writing they are cutting up the remains of a tree that was on city land and was something like 40 years old. I know that because I remember that tree being there when I moved here. I wouldn't be surprised if it was the same age as the city. It was straight and green and at no risk of falling on houses or wiring even in a storm. And we all know there have been no storms in a couple of weeks so this is not an issue of clearing a nuisance.

The sounds I have not been hearing are birds. No blue jays at all. Two song sparrows where last year I heard a dozen on my corner. While I have heard that songbirds have been impacted by salmonella this year and that blue jays get West Nile like crows, I'm not convinced this is the whole explanation. Songbirds have mostly deserted my area since Brickman began working in Greenbelt. I have to wonder if the city's habitat is being ruined.

I have worked at two widely separated locations where Brickman was employed. I have noted that they do not take proper care of trees: using wood mulch instead of composted leaves, putting too much down, too close to tree trunks. I have seen that where Brickman works, up to a third of trees had to be cut down and their places were left blank. I worked government contracts for 15 years and I know the difficulties of communicating specific needs to a company that is used to doing things one way - their way. To make it absolutely plain, I know Brickman doesn't care for trees properly and I have to wonder if they understand the greenness of Greenbelt. Or is the city changing its policy on preserving greenspace?

If my neighbors have made similar observations, it might be worthwhile bringing it up to the city in some way.

Patricia Heil

Suspicious Solicitor Goes Door to Door

I would like to bring to the attention of the GHI community that a person representing home

security systems for Vector was canvassing the north end of town last week. I did not speak with the individual but twice heard his spiel to neighbors. He went out of his way to emphasize that he was not selling anything and that the actual sales people will be in the community in several weeks. His purpose was to find homeowners willing to have a Vector sign placed in their yard and a "free" system installed - with the caveat that they not tell their neighbors about the arrangement. He asked a lot of questions, such as, how long have you lived here, how long do you plan to stay, how many doors are on the house, what phone company do you use and even what time of day are you home?

This individual had a forceful and well-rehearsed approach. He attempted to coerce my neighbors into accepting his "offer" with scare tactics about how supposedly unsafe the community is and how they shouldn't wait until there's a break-in and didn't they want to protect their valuables? . . . and so on. In one instance, when that didn't work, the Vector man resorted to contemptuous (albeit rehearsed-sounding) insults.

He also dropped names and addresses of GHI residents who he said have taken him up on the offer (true or not, indiscreet) and further claimed to have talked to the board at the GHI meeting on July 16. I have since heard from individuals who attended that, at least during the duration of the formal meeting, no one from Vector spoke nor were security systems discussed. So minimally, there is some misrepresentation, if only an implication of GHI's sanction where none exists.

If this person is an accurate barometer of Vector's practices, I'm concerned that some residents, particularly elderly or otherwise vulnerable people, will be bullied or frightened into doing business when the sales people come calling. My intent is not to deride home security companies as a group but to suggest that if someone feels a need to have a system, they might want to research companies or ask trusted family or friends before responding to somebody who merely shows up at the door. There is no obligation to answer the probing questions of an aggressive stranger. And ironically, one of the tenets of personal and home safety is not to open the door to strangers, even those with logos and clipboards.

Colette Zanin

Nature Programs At Patuxent Refuge

Patuxent Research Refuge public programs are free and held at two sites, the North Tract and the National Wildlife Visitor Center. All programs are free, although donations to the Friends of Patuxent are appreciated. Advance registration is required by calling 301-497-5887; special needs can be accommodated with advance notice. For more information visit the website at www.patuxent.fws.gov.

Visitor Center

The National Wildlife Visitor Center is located on Powder Mill Road between the Baltimore-Washington Parkway and Route 197 and is holding the following programs:

Nature Hike

Sunday, July 26 from 10 to 11:30 a.m. for ages 5-7. Participants explore the woods using their senses in this fun, hands-on program.

Little Whooper's Excellent Adventure Puppet Show

Tuesday, July 28 at 11:30 a.m. and at 1 p.m. for all ages. No registration necessary. Come on this excellent adventure and watch life unfold for Little Whooper.

Correction

Our apologies to Rotary past president Helen Svensen, whose name was misspelled in last week's caption showing her presenting a Rotary check to the Anti-Hunger Committee.

Unsigned Letters

Letters to the editor must be signed by the writer. If, on the rare occasion for safety, the writer's name is not printed, it nevertheless must be given to the News Review. Anonymous letters are never printed.

Recycling Tips - Beverage Containers

In their recycling programs the city and county now accept aseptic beverage containers such as milk and juice boxes. Plastic-coated gable-top milk and juice cartons are also accepted.



Grin Belt



"How come they brought back moon rocks but not acorns?"

A Summer Terrace Tour Free at USBG

On Wednesday, July 29 from 1 to 2 p.m., explore the U.S. Botanic Garden Terrace with gardener Adam Pyle, during an hour-long outside walk. Find out how the gardeners chose the plants on display with the sculptures. Hear stories about trying to meld art and the plants into a beautiful summer display. The tour will take place outside, so wear sunscreen, bring water and dress for the weather.

Call 202-225-1116 to pre-register for this free tour. The tour is canceled if it rains.

Hidden Life of Ants Revealed at Museum

Many people do not know that some ants grow their own food just like farmers or that others build highways that can be seen from the air. It may also come as a surprise to learn that some large ant colonies go to war with each other. Get a look at life from an ant's point of view with large-format photographs of ants going about their daily business, see a cast of an underground ant city and observe a live ant colony in an exhibit on the second floor of the National Museum of Natural History until October 10.

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

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Saturday

*3:15, *5:15, 7:30, 9:30

Sunday

*3:15, *5:15, 7:30

Monday - Thursday

*5:30, 7:30

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Community Events

Menu for Senior Nutrition Program

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

All meals include bread and margarine, coffee or tea and skim milk. Menus for July 27 through July 31 include:

Monday – Navy bean soup, baked pork chops and gravy, mashed potatoes, sweet peas, stewed apples.

Tuesday – Beef patty with onion mushroom gravy, candied sweet potatoes, mixed vegetables, purple plums.

Wednesday – Orange juice, oven-fried pollock fish, corn O'Brien, diced carrots, fresh banana.

Thursday – Tomato soup, turkey salad, macaroni salad, sliced beets with onions, sliced peaches.

Friday – Oven-fried chicken, mixed vegetables, potato salad, nectarine.

At the Library Storytimes

A librarian will read age-appropriate stories.

Tuesday, July 28, 10:30 a.m., Cuddletime for newborns to 17 months old with caregiver, limit 15 babies.

Wednesday, July 29, 10:30 and 11 a.m., Toddlertime for ages 18 to 35 months with caregiver, limit 15 children for each group.

Thursday, July 30, 10:30 a.m., Drop-in Storytime for ages three to five years, limit 20 children.

Caregivers are asked to pick up a free ticket at the Children's Desk.

Science Program

Tuesday, July 28, 7 p.m., "Brain Benders" for ages 6 to 12, sponsored by Maryland Science Center.

Summer Reading

It is not too late for readers of all ages to register for the library's summer reading program. For information call 301-345-5800 or drop in at the library.

GHI Notes

Friday, July 24, Offices Closed (emergency service only by calling 301-474-6011)

Sunday, July 26, 11 a.m., Pre-Purchase Orientation – Board Room

Tuesday, July 28, 8:30 a.m., Ad hoc Yard Lines Committee – GHI library

Wednesday, July 29, 7:30 p.m., Companion Animal Committee – GHI lobby

Monday, August 3, 7 p.m., Companion Animal Grief Support Group – GHI library

7:15 p.m., Pre-purchase Orientation – Board Room

Committee and board meetings are open; members are encouraged to attend.

New Deal Café Holds Cajun Jam

On Tuesday, July 28 from 7 to 9:30 p.m. the New Deal Café will hold a Cajun jam for dancers, musicians and listeners who enjoy Cajun music. This event is free and beginners are welcome. Visit www.newdealcafe.com for details.

Courthouse Planning And Design Funded

Fifth District Congressman Steny H. Hoyer announced that the U.S. House of Representatives passed the Fiscal Year 2010 Financial Services Appropriations bill, which includes \$10 million in funding Hoyer had requested for the planning and design of the expansion of the U.S. Courthouse on Cherrywood Lane in Greenbelt. The courthouse is close to exceeding the size constraints of the building and requires additional space to accommodate the expected arrival of four additional judges in 2014. The bill now awaits passage of Senate companion legislation. In the next stage of the appropriations process, a House-Senate conference will meet to reconcile the differences so one bill can be brought to both chambers for a final vote.

Golden Age Club

by Bunny Fitzgerald
The Golden Age Club birthday luncheon on July 15 was enjoyed by all. We had a surprise visit from some of the very young camp kids, who sang "Happy Birthday." Intergenerational happenings are always fun and help keep us young.

The club is pleased to announce that Paul Rall is our new treasurer; he can be assured everyone will cooperate with him.

Our condolences to the family of Alberta Tompkins. She was a long-time member and will be missed. There will be a memorial service on August 6 at 11 a.m. at the Greenbelt Community Church.

We will have games at the July 29 meeting.

Here's a good motto for all of us – "Have health to spare, love to share and keep good friends who care."

Astronomical Star Parties This Weekend

On Saturday, July 25 members of the Astronomical Society will hold a star party at Northway Field. Members of the society will begin to set up to view the moon and other celestial objects at approximately 9 p.m.

On Sunday, July 26 the Society will hold a sidewalk astronomy party at Roosevelt Center near the New Deal Café. Members will begin to set up at approximately 8:30 p.m.

In the event of rain or hopelessly cloudy skies the event will be cancelled without notice.

Visit www.greenbeltastro.org/events.shtml.

ACE Seeks Heads For Two New Clubs

Greenbelt's Advisory Committee on Education (ACE) is seeking club leaders to be responsible for two new activities this fall – a science club and a revamped reading club.

In the past, the reading club worked in and through the schools during the school day. This fall, ACE plans to host two monthly early evening clubs: one for science and one a different evening for reading.

Paid staff will be recruited for the meetings with children ages 8 to 14 who live in Greenbelt or attend Greenbelt Schools. Staff is also needed for a newsletter editor.

Persons interested in any of the positions can send a resume to: Wendy Wexler at wwexler@greenbeltmd.gov or Greenbelt CARES, 25 Crescent Road, Greenbelt, MD 20770 by July 31. Applicants will also need to complete a City of Greenbelt Application form. For information call 301-345-6660.

More information will be provided later on the free clubs and how children can participate.



Hanover Parkway Will Get Stimulus Funds

The City of Greenbelt will receive \$40,000 from Prince George's County for street resurfacing work next spring as part of the President's stimulus program. The roadway to be done is a portion of Hanover Parkway south of Greenbelt Road.

BARC Public Meeting On Remediation Plan

The Beltsville Agricultural Research Center (BARC) will hold a public meeting to present a proposed remediation plan for the Beaver Dam Landfill on Wednesday, July 29 from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. in Building 003, Room 020 at 10300 Baltimore Avenue in Beltsville. BARC is seeking to resolve legacy environmental issues as well as take proposed cleanup actions that are associated with BARC's designation as a site on the National Priorities List (Superfund).

The Beaver Dam Landfill was used from 1943 through the 1980s for disposal of non-hazardous materials such as rubble consisting only of masonry construction debris, tree clippings, wood and broken asphalt originating from BARC operations. In 1990 the landfill was closed and fitted with a clay cap with a geosynthetic liner beneath the cap. Testing has identified the presence of volatile organic compounds within the shallow groundwater system at the site. City Manager Michael McLaughlin notes that this is not the BARC landfill that the city used in the 1970s.

BARC was designated a Superfund site in 1994 based on specific areas of concern within the research center's 6,700 acres. Since then BARC has held a number of meetings to inform the public, local officials and community groups about steps taken to remediate environmental contamination from BARC's 100 years as the largest agricultural research center in the world. None of the areas of concern have represented a health threat to neighboring communities.

World Heritage Needs Area Host Families

World Heritage asks potential host families to make a difference in the world by hosting a foreign exchange student. They are seeking families, couples or single parents (with or without children at home) who are adventurous, fun-loving, responsible and, most of all, caring, who are interested in hosting a high-school-aged foreign exchange student for the 2009-2010 school year. Make a difference in the world of tomorrow by sharing a home for a year.

To begin this cultural experience call World Heritage area representative Carrie Cipperly at 1-800-888-9040 or visit the website at www.world-heritage.org.

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Children: \$6.00

Seniors: \$6.50

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(!) = No pass, (!!) No pass weekend

Week of July 24

FRI. – SAT.

Harry Potter, PG (!!)

11:20, 11:45, 2:30, 3, 5:45, 6:15, 9:15, 9:45

Transformers 2, PG-13

5:45, 9:15

G-Force, PG (!)

11, 1, 3:15, 5:30, 7:45, 10

The Orphan, R (!)

11, 11:45, 1:45, 2:50, 4:30,

5:45, 7:15, 9:15, 10

The Ugly Truth, R (!)

11, 1, 3:05, 5:20, 7:45, 10:10

Ice Age: Dawn of the

Dinosaurs, PG

11, 1, 3:15, 5:30, 7:45, 10

SUN. – THUR.

Harry Potter, PG (!!)

12:30, 3, 3:40, 6:50, 7:15

Transformers 2, PG-13

11:30, 3, 7:15

G-Force, PG (!)

11:30, 1:35, 3:50, 6, 8:15

The Orphan, R (!)

11:45, 12:10, 2:30, 3, 5:10,

5:45, 7:50, 8:25

The Ugly Truth, R (!)

11:45, 2:10, 4:30, 6:50, 9

Ice Age: Dawn of the

Dinosaurs, PG

11:45, 2:10, 4:30, 6:50, 9

GHI Woodlands Trail Work Day

Location: Playground by 2 Research Rd.

Saturday, August 1, 9 a.m. to noon

Come One! Come All!

Help create a new connector trail between the Playground near 2 Research Road and the GHI homes on Laurel Hill Road.

- Help to improve access to the playground by children and members.
- Prune bushes, remove downed logs, and create stable walking path.
- Open to volunteers of all ages.
- Tools and gloves provided.
- Bring water. Wear boots, long pants and dress for the weather.

For more information, or to RSVP, contact Matt Berres, mberres@ghi.coop or 301-474-4161 ext 132.





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Sunday Matinee: July 26 at 2:00PM
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Obituaries

Alberta B. Tompkins

Alberta Tompkins, 87, longtime Greenbelt resident, died on July 9, 2009. She had lived in the same home on Hillside Road since 1947. She came to live on Parkway in Greenbelt in 1943 while a graduate student in math at the University of Maryland. After she married Theron A. ("Tommy") Tompkins in the fall of 1945, they moved into a larger apartment on Parkway. It was after their twin daughters were born that they moved to Hillside Road.



Alberta Bailey was born outside Quantico on a farm (later to be known as Rolandhurst Nurseries) on the lower Eastern Shore of Maryland. Growing up, Alberta helped with many farm chores and had fond memories of riding her own bay mare named "Queen." Her formal education started in a two-room school house. She graduated from Wicomico High School, Salisbury, Md., in 1938; from St. Mary's Seminary in 1940 (now St. Mary's College of Maryland); the Woman's College of the University of North Carolina in 1942 (now UNC at Greensboro); and received her MA from the University of Maryland in 1944.

Mrs. Tompkins taught the four academic math courses (plus chemistry or physics - whichever was being offered that year) at Mt. Rainier High School for 2 1/2 years. (The building no longer exists as a school.) After the birth of the twins, in 1947, she became a homemaker. Later on Mrs. Tompkins did a bit of substitute teaching at the local elementary schools - Center and North End - for about 15 years. She enjoyed sewing and took tailoring classes. She was a good reader and attended the monthly book discussions at Greenbelt Library.

A member of Greenbelt Community Church, Mrs. Tompkins served as its financial secretary for several years before the use of computer programs. For some years she helped at the ad desk at the Greenbelt News Review.

Mrs. Tompkins was a great walker. She liked being able to walk to church and to the Center - the store, post office, bank, theater, City Offices, Beijing, Community Center and Aquatic Center. She truly liked living in Greenbelt and all the services it offered.

She stayed an active senior in Greenbelt for many years, attending senior literature classes and taking trips with the Golden Agers. A small group from the senior exercise class took part in the Maryland Senior Olympic Games at Towson for seven years. Mrs. Tompkins' race was the Women's 1500 Meter Race

Walk, where she usually placed; and in 1993, she "brought home the gold."

All through her life, Mrs. Tompkins enjoyed flowers and gardens. In her later years she was probably best-known as a faithful participant in the senior exercise programs (which included the weight-room at the Aquatic Center) and as a church-goer.

She is survived by her elder brother, Roland J. (Helen) Bailey of Chicago; daughters: Martha T. (Lawrence) Folk of Lanham and Alice T. (Charles) McGregor of Seattle, Wash.; and two grandchildren, Erika L. Folk of Falls Church, Va., and Douglas P. McGregor of Fort Wayne, Ind. Her husband, "Tommy" Tompkins died in 1976.

Her memorial service will be held at Greenbelt Community Church, UCC, 1 Hillside Road, Greenbelt, MD 20770, on Thursday, August 6 at 11 a.m. Memorial contributions may be made to Greenbelt Community Church.



Our sympathy to Marat Moore, whose mother Geraldine A. Moore, 88, died on July 18, 2009, in Johnson City, Tenn.

We were sorry to hear of the death on July 8, 2009, of pioneer Greenbelter Dorma Ashley Dealing of Middletown, Md. The Ashley's were the first family to move into the new town of Greenbelt, moving to 1-G Gardenway in September 1937. Dorma was one of the five members of Greenbelt High School's first graduating class in 1938. Their classes were held in Center School (now the Community Center) since the high school building was not yet completed.

Congratulations to Adrianna Terrell, a Japanese major at the University of Findlay in Ohio, who was named to the Dean's list for the spring semester.

Send us your reports of new babies, awards, honors, etc. to share with our readers. To send information for "Our Neighbors" email us at newsreview@greenbelt.com or leave a message at 301-474-6892.

- Kathleen McFarland

County School System Seeks Interpreters

The Prince George's County Public Schools is seeking people who are fluent in English and a second language to interpret for school meetings. Interpreters are on call and paid by the hour and are most needed during the school day.

Interested persons can attend an information meeting on Thursday, August 6 at 10 a.m. or Wednesday, September 9 at 4 p.m. at the Judy Hoyer Family Learning Center in Adelphi. Call 301-408-5511 for details.

Enjoy Free Jazz At Riversdale

A free summer jazz program will take place Wednesday, July 29 at 7 p.m. at Riversdale House Museum, a National Historic Landmark at 4811 Riversdale Road in Riversdale Park. The group Apothecary will play. Their instrumentals feature an electric violin with inspiration from folk, jazz, classical jam-rock and Celtic music.

For more information call 301-864-0420; TTY 301-699-2544 or email at riversdale@pgparks.com.

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BARC and UMD Sign Formal Agreement

On July 2 representatives from the Beltsville Agricultural Research Center (BARC) and the University of Maryland (UMD) signed a five-year Non-funded Cooperative Agreement formalizing the long-time relationship between the two institutions that share an interest in research and education in agriculture and related fields.

The agreement takes advantage of the geographic proximity of the two institutions, enabling BARC scientists to participate in UMD graduate and undergraduate programs and UMD students enrolled in those programs to conduct research and receive training in BARC labs.

"This cooperative agreement formalizes an already fruitful partnership that goes back 50 years and leverages the talents and expertise of some of our nation's leading scientists and researchers so that we may continue to break through scientific barriers while also preparing the next generation of experts," said Congressman Steny Hoyer (D-Md.), who attended the signing ceremony held at the BARC campus.

The agreement builds upon complementary programs already underway at BARC and UMD in a range of critical research areas focused on improving the quality of the nation's food supply, animal health, the efficiency of agricultural production and the protection of the environment.

Over its 100 year history, BARC's scientists and staff have been world leaders in numerous fields including development of transgenic technologies, nutrition and health, parasitic diseases and treatments, crops and genetics, optimizing beneficial insects and control of invasive insects and environment and production agriculture. The agreement opens the doors for increased research and training in those areas.

"This agreement will present opportunities for collaboration in emerging areas that will be critical to how we live our daily lives, including food safety, genomics and climate change. I want to congratulate the university and BARC for entering into this agreement and I look forward to the continued success of both institutions as they keep Maryland at the forefront of research and discovery," concluded Hoyer.

Children's Advocates Needed by CASA

The Prince George's Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) organization is recruiting volunteers to advocate for the needs of abused and neglected children living in foster care. CASA provides training and supervision to volunteers who spend about 10 hours per month getting to know a child and what is in that child's best interest. Volunteers submit reports to help the courts better understand each individual child and collaborate with family members, teachers, social workers and others to ensure that the child's needs are met.

Applications for day and evening training sessions are now being accepted.

For more information visit the CASA website at www.pgcasa.org or call 301-209-0491.

Visit the Insect Zoo at the Smithsonian



The O. Orkin Insect Zoo is a special exhibit hall on the second floor of the Smithsonian Institution's National Museum of Natural History where visitors can observe live insects. Volunteers conduct tarantula feeding demonstrations Tuesday through Friday

at 10:30 and 11:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. Volunteers also work with live insects that visitors may touch and hold and answer questions about the many-legged creatures that live in the Insect Zoo.

Entry to the museum and the exhibit is free. The museum is located on the National Mall in Washington, D.C.



Recycling Tips – Plastic Film

In their recycling programs the city and county now accept plastic film such as dry cleaning bags, plastic grocery bags, plastic stretch film, and shrink wrap.

Take all of these materials and place them inside one of the plastic bags. Do not put them in the bin loose.



City Information

MEETINGS FOR JULY 27-31

Wednesday, July 29 at 8:00pm, **CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION re: Ethics Briefing**, at Community Center.

This schedule is subject to change. For confirmation that a meeting is being held call 301-474-8000 or contact the City Clerk at cmurray@greenbeltnmd.gov.

VACANCIES ON BOARDS & COMMITTEES

Volunteer to serve on City Council Advisory Groups.

Vacancies exist on the:

Green Advisory Committee on Environmental Sustainability, Youth Advisory Committee, Senior Citizens Advisory Committee, Forest Preserve Advisory Board, Arts Advisory Board, Community Relations Advisory Board, Public Safety Advisory Committee

For more info call 301-474-8000.

Members of City Advisory Boards and Committees are eligible for half-price annual individual or family memberships at the Greenbelt Aquatic and Fitness Ctr.

ELECTRONICS RECYCLING

Saturday, July 25th

9:00am-12noon

Public Works Yard, 555 Crescent Road
City residents can recycle old and/or unwanted computers and other electronic items.

Accepted items include: central processing units, monitors, keyboards, printers, laptop computers, speakers, scanners, surge protectors, wires and power cords, computer mice, fax machines, recording equipment, cameras, telephones, radios, DVD players, VCRs, CFLs and fluorescent tubes 4' and under (residential only).

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NEW! Now being collected during this event: Expanded Polystyrene (Block "Styrofoam" #6). No peanuts, trays, clamshells, etc.

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On August 8th the Greenbelt Connection will begin running on Saturdays!

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Visit pets at the Greenbelt Animal Shelter on Wednesdays, from 4-7pm and on Saturdays from 9am-12pm.

For more information on any of these pets, call 301.474.6124.



This Year's Scholarship Show is a Monster Hit!

Perseus And The Gorgon

Friday, July 24, and Saturday, July 25

7:00 pm in the Community Center gymnasium

The staffers of Creative Kids Camp and Camp Encore are proud to present Perseus And The Gorgon, a full-length musical, as this year's scholarship show. The entire production is rehearsed on the actors' own time, as a gift to the community. The suggested minimum donation per ticket is \$5, with all proceeds going to the Mary Purcell Geiger Scholarship Fund, which provides scholarships for Recreation Department classes and camps throughout the year.

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Access Drive and Cherrywood Lane. The road construction was to precede construction of any homes in the South Core.

Actually, because the development agreement required construction of the roundabout to begin in April 2009, the MD/GM developers are currently in violation of that agreement. The APB and the city planning staff will have to assess all the issues arising from the proposed change from the Pulte design to the Craftstar design that could impact the approved covenants from 2005 and the development agreement and annexation agreement of 2006.

At the July 15 meeting Hofstra advised the APB that the city staff recommends that the APB deny the proposed revision to the DSP submitted by MD/GM and Craftstar Homes. She cited the following:

The Craftstar plan would require adding new pavement between the rears of the townhomes and would increase the width of the alley.

The elevations submitted by Craftstar are not superior to the approved Pulte plans in the original DSP. The Pulte plans are more varied and interesting (from an urban design perspective) with more ornamentation and detail, particularly around the windows and the roof.

Regardless of the disposition of the revised DSP, construction cannot begin until construction of the roundabout at Metro Access Drive and Cherrywood Lane has begun.

Home Designs

The APB next heard from Craftstar President Malm on the proposed designs for their town-

homes. He focused mainly on his experience and record with several successful townhome developments in the Washington area. He also noted that the Pulte design had been premised on a viable market for townhomes in the Greenbelt area of about \$600,000 and that such a market is no longer realistic in today's economic climate.

Malm said he feels his design is equal to or superior to the Pulte design but would be targeted to purchasers in the \$300,000 range, which he cited as the most active market for new home purchases in the area at the present time. He indicated that his firm has been entering the Energy Star program during the past year and incorporating energy efficiency into the new construction. He also expressed pride in his use of both stone and brick in his townhome designs.

Attorney Beall described frustration with the departure of Pulte from the project and the developer partners' efforts to find other builders to complete the townhome portion of the project. He said the current real estate market for townhomes at the \$300,000 range is the only viable proposal at this time.

Nothing is happening in the multifamily or office development areas, he said, and will likely not happen in the immediate future. He described the developers as glad that Craftstar had come forward to take up the project and felt they will build a quality project at the site.

Financing

Beall also discussed the critical issues of financing for the long-delayed project and expects that SunTrust will be in a position to extend needed financing for the project once approvals are granted for the revised DSP. Based upon his discussions with the bank, Beall said he is working on a communication to the city to outline what might be done to address issues raised by the city in terms of the various agreements and covenants associated with the property.

APB members used the opportunity to ask questions and get additional information relating to the Craftstar proposal and the issues identified by city staff regarding the different designs, the apparently poor outlook for any development beyond the 151 townhomes being discussed and adherence to the previous agreements.

APB members agreed they should not make any decisions based upon this meeting but said they would meet again in about two weeks after having a chance to review the materials they had just received. They also sought an opportunity to visit several Craftstar projects in the immediate area to get an idea of how those communities were faring and how designs of these projects compared with the original design for Greenbelt Metro South Core plans.

In a follow-up email, Hofstra announced that the APB would resume the discussion at a meeting scheduled for August 5.

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The expected overall cost is \$54 million, said Frye.

Even though the money has started coming in, getting the next set of funds is not a given, Johnson said.

She and school administrators explained the budget process. The school board and school administrators create and prioritize a list of building projects. At the end of September, the list is sent to the county council. The county council can remove or reprioritize the list before it is sent to the state at the beginning of November. The state budget is then determined by early December and finalized by December 31.

This process has several places where the new GMS building could lose steam, explained Johnson. "We need a strong advocacy from the parents, the citizens and the city councils to keep this project moving. It has to be first

The Scientist Is In Every Wednesday

Every Wednesday from 1 to 3 p.m. at the National Museum of Natural History, a museum expert stationed within an exhibit shows collection specimens or artifacts and talks with visitors about travels, field studies, collection of specimens and more. Ask at the Information Desk for location. This is a free event.

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Edwards was featured in regional productions of "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat," "Evita," "Grease" and "Big River." From 2001 to 2006, he was a singer at the Tokyo Disney Resort and also provided vocals for the soundtracks of park shows and parades within the resort. As a child he performed the title role in Gian-Carlo Menotti's "Amahl and the Night Visitors" with the Washington Opera under the direction of the composer himself.

The Labor Day Festival Committee feels very privileged to have such a wonderful talent as Edwards starting off the weekend.

Edwards is a third generation Greenbelter, now living in the North End. While he grew up in Bowie, he and his sister spent their summers in camp programs in Greenbelt, where their grandparents Vivian and Stanley Edwards lived and where their father William F. Edwards had his law office. Both graduated from Eleanor Roosevelt High School.

The senior Edwards moved to Greenbelt in 1939. Their older son Stanley and his wife Linda are also longtime Greenbelters.

Linda Ivy is president of the Labor Day Festival.

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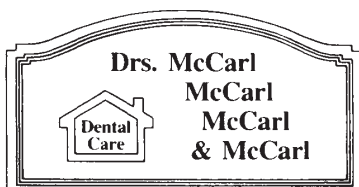


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Police Blotter

Based on information released by the Greenbelt Police Department, <http://www.greenbeltd.gov/police/index.htm>, link in left frame to "Weekly Report" or http://www.greenbeltd.gov/police/weekly_report.pdf.
Dates and times are those when police were first contacted about incidents.

Robberies

July 9, 9:48 p.m., Ora Glen Drive and Ora Court, a woman was walking home when she was approached by a man who demanded money from her and took her purse. The man then fled the scene on foot. The suspect is described as a neatly dressed black male, 25 to 30 years of age, 5'9" to 6', 150 to 170 pounds.

July 10, 11:43 p.m., 7800 block Hanover Parkway, a food delivery person was robbed as he was attempting to make a delivery. One of the robbers sprayed him in the face with pepper spray and punched him. The suspects then took money and food from him and fled the scene on foot. The suspects are described as a black male in his twenties, 5'10" with a thin build and black hair in long braids, wearing a white T-shirt, blue jeans and a yellow belt; and a black female in her twenties with light brown hair in a ponytail.

July 11, 9:42 p.m., 9100 block Edmonston Terrace, two people were approached by two men, who punched and kicked them, taking a cell phone and money. Both men then fled the scene on foot. One of the victims suffered a laceration to his ear and was transported by ambulance to a hospital for treatment. The suspects are described as two Latino males with black hair and brown eyes, wearing black jackets.

July 15, 10:20 a.m., 6100 block Breezewood Court, a cab driver reported that he drove a man to the 6100 block of Breezewood Court. The man pulled the driver's seatbelt from behind, holding the victim in his seat and demanded money. The driver said that he had no money, at which time the suspect struck him in the head with his hand and fled the area on foot. The suspect is described as a black male in his twenties, 5'6", with a medium build, black hair and a goatee, wearing a blue and white striped shirt and blue jeans.

Assault

July 13, 4:16 p.m., Greenway Center, police responded to a report of a shoplifting that had just occurred at the shopping center; the man had gotten into a vehicle. The officer approached the vehicle on foot and ordered the man to get out. He refused and attempted to flee the scene. The officer entered the vehicle through the driver's window in an attempt to keep him from put-

ting the vehicle into gear. The man was able to start the car and flee the area, pushing the officer out of the vehicle and almost striking her with the vehicle in the process; she received minor injuries. The suspect is described as a black male, 45 to 50 years of age, 5'10" to 6', 250 pounds, balding with gray hair, wearing a yellow polo-type shirt with horizontal stripes. The vehicle is described as a light blue Chevrolet Corsica, bearing D.C. tags.

Indecent Exposure

July 14, 10:20 a.m., Schrom Hills Park, a woman reported that she was walking on a park trail when a man exposed himself to her several times. She walked over to a group of people at a nearby picnic table, at which time the man fled the scene toward Megan Lane. The suspect is described as a Latino male, 28 to 35 years of age, 5'8" to 5'10", 180 pounds with black hair and brown eyes, wearing black pants, a blue soccer-type jersey and a brown baseball cap.

Theft

July 10, 6:16 p.m., Beltway Plaza, a person's unattended wallet was taken from McDonald's Restaurant. The suspect is described as a black female, 5'5" to 5'6", 140 to 150 pounds with brown hair and brown eyes, wearing a blue shirt and blue jeans.

Rogue and Vagabond

July 15, 10:59 p.m., 7500 block Mandan Road, a nonresident man and resident youth were arrested for rogue and vagabond after they were located by police, who were responding to a report of people attempting to open car doors. The suspects were found to be in possession of tools commonly used to break into and steal vehicles. The man was released on citation pending trial and the youth was released to a parent pending action by the juvenile justice system.

Vandalism

July 9, 11:01 p.m., 5900 block Cherrywood Lane, unknown person(s) used unknown means to break out a window of an apartment.

July 12, 6:51 p.m., 7700 block Hanover Parkway, three young men were observed using a stick to break out the window of a condominium residence and then fleeing the scene on foot. The suspects are described as a black male, 16 to 18 years of age, 5'10", 170 pounds, heavyset, wearing a blue shirt and shorts;

Police Arrest Man For Vehicle Thefts

On Saturday, July 18 Omar Mostafa Hassen, 18, of 8134 Mandan Terrace was arrested by Greenbelt police on a criminal warrant, stemming from multiple thefts from vehicles that occurred in Old Greenbelt during the past month. The warrant, for several counts of theft, was obtained after patrol officers identified him in an amateur video. The video of Hassen had been captured on surveillance cameras near where some of the thefts occurred. At last report, Hassen was still being held on \$25,000 bond.

a black male, 16 to 18 years of age, 5'6" to 5'7", 120 to 130 pounds, wearing a red shirt and shorts; and a black male, 16 to 18 years of age, 5'6" to 5'7", 120 to 130 pounds, wearing a white shirt and shorts.

July 15, 9:50 p.m., 7700 block Cloister Place, unknown person(s) used unknown means to break out the sliding glass door of a residence.

Public Drinking

July 8, 11:14 p.m., 6400 block Capitol Drive, two nonresident men were arrested and charged with drinking in public. Two nonresident youths were arrested for underage possession of alcohol. The men were released on citations pending trial and the youths were released to guardians pending action by the juvenile justice system.

Vehicle Crimes

The following vehicles were reported stolen: a silver 2009 Kia Spectra 4-door, Delaware temporary tag XB923125 from the 100 block Westway; a gold 1994 Buick Century 4-door, Maryland tags 7FDH89 from the 6200 block Springhill Court; a 1996 Chevrolet Tahoe from the 6100 block Springhill Terrace; and a 1999 Chevrolet Suburban from the 9100 block Springhill Lane.

Three vehicles were recovered by Greenbelt police; no arrests were made.

Vandalism occurred at the 8000 block Mandan Road (broken windshield, slashed tires) and 7400 block Frankfort Drive (broken windshield).

Two incidents of theft were reported in the 100 block Westway (CD player and hood ornament).

CVS Is Robbed Sunday Morning

The Greenbelt Police Department is investigating a robbery that occurred on Sunday, July 12 at approximately 7:17 a.m. at the CVS, 5910 Greenbelt Road (near Beltway Plaza). Two suspects entered the store, displayed a black revolver and announced a robbery. They then forced the store employees into an office and tied them up before removing an undisclosed amount of cash from the store safe and fleeing the scene. There were no customers in the store at the time of the robbery.

The suspects are described as a black male, 25 to 30 years of age, 6', 180 pounds with black hair, wearing a tan or brown dress shirt, a green tie and black pants; and a black male, 25 to 30 years of age, 5'9", 180 pounds with black hair, wearing a dark plaid shirt and black jeans.

Anyone with information or who can identify either of the suspects from the robbery pictures is asked to call the Criminal Investigations Unit at 240-542-2133.



Suspect 1 caught on surveillance camera during the July 12 robbery.



Suspect 2 from the surveillance camera at CVS.

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. People may anonymously report suspected drug activity by calling the Drug Tip Line at 301-507-6522.

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City Notes

Animal Control staff took one python into custody.

Planning staff reviewed and approved a permit for a GHI shed to be located in the city right of way and conducted research for the St. Hugh's crosswalk project.

Street maintenance crews dug a swale at the stream valley where there was a pipe back-up and cleaned out the pipe.

Facilities maintenance removed old lamps and ballasts from all city buildings and took them to the recycling center in Beltsville.

Refuse and recycling arranged for expanded polystyrene (EPS) collection at the upcoming electronics recycling - block packaging Styrofoam #6 will be collected and delivered to the Alliance of Foam Packing Recyclers in Crofton.

Recreation staff reports that M-NCPPC playground numbers have increased this summer: Schrom Hills Park has 50 children registered, Greenbelt Elementary School 65 and Springhill Lake Elementary School 105. The Springhill Lake site has two staff members who speak fluent Spanish.

Springhill Lake Recreation Center staff report that despite the Biddy Basketball League flier being posted at centers and delivered to all the M-NCPPC playground locations, the league was cancelled due to lack of registration.

Staff is looking at the possibility of incorporating an after-school opportunity with Springhill Lake Elementary School in the fall to make use of the purchase of the equipment, which was funded with grant money.

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GAIL as the first recipient of the Volunteer Award for Excellence. Christal Parker Batey, Greenbelt community resource advocate, said that Penney's contribution to GAIL is difficult to calculate.

"Her wisdom has enabled the GAIL Program to touch so many lives," Batey said, "and she'll never know how important her contributions have been to her friends and neighbors in the city she holds so dear."

Asked if being named Greenbelt's Outstanding Citizen was a surprise, Penney said she had no idea before the actual award ceremony. She was at the Festival with her children, Bernard and his family from Pittsboro, N.C., and Olga and her family from Virginia. She had told them she was tired and going to the Community Center to rest.

However, they managed to "sneakily" get her to the ceremony in time for the presentation. Penney said the award is an honor because Greenbelt is such a unique community - a wonderful place to live.

Penney said the award has brought some very positive changes to her life. She said people seem to take her more seriously now and look at her with different eyes. While she herself feels the same, people's perception of her seems to have changed.

All of 2008 was an exciting and busy time for Penney. In addition to the honors she received, she also celebrated her 90th birthday and the 60th anniversary of her arrival in the United States.

An Immigrant

Penney came to the United States from Holland in 1948, working at the World Bank as an economist and later at the Beltsville Agricultural Research Center. Along the way she married, began her family and for several years was a stay-at-home mom.

After short stays in Washington, D.C., and Takoma Park, she and her family moved to Greenbelt in 1957 to a home on Northway where she still lives. In 1975 Penney earned a master's degree in computer science.

Who's Next?

While Leonie Penney's edu-

cation, career and life of volunteerism may seem impossible to match, there are many Greenbelters who have selflessly given their time and energy to contribute to the quality of life in our community. One of those people will be Greenbelt's Outstanding Citizen of 2009.

Identifying that special person is a difficult task, requiring input from people throughout Greenbelt. It might be someone like Leonie Penney with a variety of volunteer activities or it might be a person who has worked long and quietly for just one organization. Dozens of Greenbelters in their own special way have contributed to making our community a better place.

There is still time to nominate a favorite volunteer. Nominations may be made by an individual or by a group and will be accepted until Monday, August 3 by Robert Zugby, chair, Outstanding Citizen Committee, 94 Crescent Road. Submit a letter listing a nominee's accomplishments or use the nomination form found elsewhere in this paper.

Remember, in order to decide who the Outstanding Citizen of 2009 will be, the Committee has to be informed about that wonderful person. The Outstanding Citizen award will be announced at the Labor Day Festival opening ceremony, Friday, September 4.

Forensic Lab Open At Smithsonian

Located in the Written in Bone exhibit is the Forensic Anthropology Lab, second floor of the National Museum of Natural History, where visitors learn that forensic science is far more mysterious and engaging than forensic fiction. Learn to identify and describe the gender and status of people from the past and draw conclusions about their lives through investigation of real human bones. Explore the ways insects and other critters are used in forensic science to solve forensic cases.

Forensic programs for school groups resume in September and require reservations and special logistical considerations.

Visit www.mnh.si.edu/education and click on "New! Forensic Lab" for reservations and more information.

Public summer hours through Labor Day in the Forensic Anthropology Lab are 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday; 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday (closed Wednesday).

On Friday, July 31, from 1 to 3 p.m., find out how breaks, blows and other serious injuries affect human bones. See how modern cases of trauma are used to reinterpret the past. This free program takes place at the Forensic Anthropology Lab. Other free Forensic Friday programs will take place August 28 and September 25.

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Coleman-Potter served as the deputy superintendent for the Jackson Public School District, where she provided leadership for all schools and instructional divisions in the state's only urban school district. With demographics similar to Prince George's County, the Jackson school district served a student population made up of 98 percent African-American students.

Md. Shakespeare Summer Festival

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Bring a lawn chair on Wednesday, July 29 at 7 p.m. to Magruder Park, at 40th Avenue and Hamilton Street in Hyattsville (rain location: DeMatha Catholic High School, 4313 Madison Street, Hyattsville)

On Friday, July 31 at 7 p.m. to Montpelier Mansion grounds at 9652 Muirkirk Road in Laurel (rain location: Deerfield Run Community Center, 139000 Laurel Bowie Road, Laurel). At 6 p.m. the opening act will be the Prince George's Children's Theatre, Teen Superhero Squad.



Montpelier Summer Concert on Friday

On Friday, July 24 at 7:30 p.m. there will be a free concert on the grounds of the Montpelier Mansion at 9652 Muirkirk Road (Muirkirk at Rt. 197) in South Laurel. Part of the 31st anniversary of the Montpelier Summer Concert series, this week's program features "Sam'O and the JFC Band" playing Caribbean music including reggae, soca and calypso.

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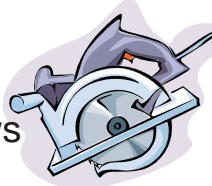
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