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Voters to Elect 7-Member City Council on Tue., Nov. 3

by James Giese

On November 3, voters in Greenbelt will decide who will be the members of the next Greenbelt City Council. For the first time in the city's 72-year history, residents will choose members of a seven-member council, two more than in previous elections.

Nine residents have filed as candidates for the seven seats and, for the first time, more than one black candidate is seeking office. While black residents have earlier sought election, none have succeeded. If one or more is elected this time, it will be another first in Greenbelt.

Increase in size of council is one of several actions taken by the current city council (whose term ends November 3) responding to concerns raised over the city election process by the Prince George's chapters of the NAACP and the American Civil Liberties Union. Council had also been advised that the U.S. Justice Department was looking at the city's election process as a possible violation of the Civil Rights Act because of under representation of minorities on council.

Besides amending the city charter to provide for seven members, council initiated an early voting procedure, making it easier for residents to vote early or vote by absentee ballot. They also worked harder to publicize the election, encouraging residents in all parts of the city to register to vote. Council decided not to change the time of the election to coincide with county, state and federal elections or to elect some or all councilmembers from districts.

Because of these changes, many Greenbelters may have already voted. Registered voters could vote at the Schrom Hills Park Clubhouse in Greenbelt East on October 17 and 18. Early voting was also available in Greenbelt West at the Springhill Lake Recreation Center on October 24 and 25. Residents could also vote at the Municipal Building in the center of the city and can continue to do so from 9 to 5 p.m. weekdays through tomorrow, October 30.

According to Greenbelt City Clerk Cindy Murray 235 persons voted early as of 3 p.m. Monday, October 26. Of these, 70 voted at the Schrom Hills Park clubhouse, 31 voted at the Springhill Lake Recreation Center and the rest at the Municipal Building.

By precincts, 73 residents voted early from precinct 3 (Old Greenbelt), 55 from precinct 6 (North End), 18 from precinct 8 (Greenbelt West), 15 from precinct 13 (north Greenbelt East) and 74 from precinct 18 (south Greenbelt East).

Polling Places

Also for the first time, there will be five polling places for the city election. Following the example of the County Board of Elections for the general elections, the city divided Greenbelt East into two precincts using county boundary lines for precincts 13 (north) and 18 (south).

The city uses only two of the polling places used by the county

See **ELECTION**, page 11

Candidates from All Parts Of City; Take Bus to Vote

by Mary Moien

This year there are candidates for Greenbelt City Council from all segments of the city. Konrad Herling, Kelly Ivy, Leta Mach, Silke Pope and Rodney Roberts all reside in the Center City. Judith Davis, Emmett Jordan and Ed Putens live in Greenbelt East and Che Sayles lives in Greenbelt

The current councilmembers have served together for three

Davis, in office for eight terms, is currently mayor. She is the first person residing in Greenbelt East to serve as mayor. Roberts is serving his ninth term on council and is currently mayor pro tem. Putens has served the longest of the current council, now in his 14th term. Herling and Mach are both completing their third terms.

Transportation to Polls

The Greenbelt Connection will transport voters free of charge to and from the polls next Tuesday between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Call 301-474-4100 for a ride. The bus will also make pickups at Green Ridge House at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m.

Voter Eligibility

For verification of eligibility to vote or for other election information, residents may visit the city clerk's office at the Greenbelt Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road, telephone 301-474-8000 or use Maryland Relay (711).

Election Results

The results of the election will be posted on the city cable channel, Comcast Channel 71. Results may also be found on the city web site at www.greenbeltmd.gov. The results will be posted late on Election Day evening, upon receipt and verification of the precinct tallies by the Greenbelt Board of Elections. Election results will also appear in this newspaper.

More Election Information Inside

For Precinct Map, see page 18 For Candidate Bios, see pages 8-9 For Candidate Expenses, see page 15

> Your Vote <u>IS</u> Your Voice

Council Clarifies Write-in Votes

by Barbara Hopkins

At the regular meeting of the Greenbelt city council on October 26, City Solicitor Robert Manzi clarified the nature of write-in votes for the city council elec-

Bonnie Brant wanted to vote for one candidate and then enter that candidate's name six times as write-in votes, so she effectively could cast seven votes for one candidate. Cindy Murray, city clerk, provided Section 31 of the city charter that says "all members of council shall be elected at large." Manzi explained that Brant's request would amount to cumulative voting, which council had considered and rejected. He said that by specifying "at large" voting the charter did not permit cumulative voting. Write-in votes, he said, were historically for a person not listed on the ballot.

Voting as Brant had desired, Manzi said, would mean six of her votes would be invalidated and not be counted.

Absentee Voting

To vote absentee, a qualified voter must fill out an application form received from the city clerk. The application form can be requested by telephone at 301-474-8000, by letter including full name (City Clerk, 25 Crescent Road), by email at cmurray@ greenbeltmd.gov or printed from the website at http://www.greenbeltmd.gov.

Applications to obtain an absentee ballot must be received by the city clerk no later than noon Monday, November 2. The completed ballot must be received by the city clerk no later than 6 p.m. on Election Day, Tuesday, November 3, 2009. Whether mailing an executed ballot or hand delivering or placing it in the locked drop box at the east door of the Municipal Building, the ballot must arrive by 6 p.m. on Election Day.

Five-member City Council Ends with Remembrances

by Barbara Hopkins

The current Greenbelt City Council held its last regular meeting on Monday, October 26. The Greenbelt City Charter prohibits the current council from taking any action subsequent to the election. The next regularly scheduled council meeting will be the first for the new council who will be elected on Tuesday, November 3. Councilmembers closed with remarks and reminiscences on their past two years in office.

Mayor Judith Davis gave the first opportunity for comments to Councilmember Rodney Roberts. He said it had been a "fairly decent" two years, "considering what council had to work with." He wished the new council luck.

Councilmember Konrad Herling said of his six years on

"the most interesting," with many opportunities for learning. He listed efforts to develop an environmental sustainability plan for the city and acting on transportation issues among the highlights of this term.

Herling noted the importance of the visioning process in gathering citizen input for the city's goals, calling the process beneficial in building community. He said achieving the city's goals will be a challenge with reduced revenue. He thanked Greenbelt citizens present for the opportunity of serving and also thanked city staff as well as an important part of the team.

Councilmember Edward Putens noted that being on the council is

council that the last two had been See COUNCIL, page 11

Sewage Overflow Dilemma Resolved with Council Aid

by Jon Aerts

To the residents of Greenbelt: Should your tub drain become queasy and start spitting up water, don't count on the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission (WSSC) to bail you out of the fix or so says local resident Janice Chiddo of her long-running battle with both raw sewage and the Commission.

Chiddo's long-running sewage pipe dispute dilemma may not be uncommon. For her, the battle began on May 15 as she and neighbor Randolph Williams arrived home to find their finished basements plastered with smelly water and sewage. "I couldn't believe it!" says Chiddo of her Mathews Street home. "It was

And that was just the begin-

As previously reported by the See SEWAGE, page 22

News Review in July, Chiddo and Williams first requested council assistance with the mounting mess during a June 22 meeting, at which time Chiddo complained of conflicting information given by the company.

Different Answers

"The WSSC was giving neighbors different answers on exactly what would and would not be covered for damages," Chiddo later said of the dilemma. From there, things deteriorated. Days churned into weeks and then months, as the two neighbors began to voice their complaints but got nowhere with what they viewed as dithering and slippery responses from WSSC customer care agents. According to Williams, the representatives only

What Goes On

Friday, October 30

4 to 4:30 p.m., Registration for Halloween Parade, Grassy Area in Front of Curves. Parade begins at 4:30 p.m.

6:30-8:30 p.m., Hallowscream Karaoke, Springhill Lake Recreation Center

Saturday, October 31

1 to 5 p.m., Fall Fest, Schrom Hills Park

6 to 8 p.m., Trick or Treating

Monday, November 2

7:30 p.m., Greenbelt Committee on Environmental Sustainability (GreenACES) Meeting, Community Center, Room 114

Tuesday, November 3

7 a.m. to 8 p.m., Polls Open (see City ad on page 5)

Wednesday, November 4

7:30 p.m., Community Relations Advisory Board Meeting, Community Center, Room 103 (Discussion of City Wide Pedestrian and Bicycle Plan)

Thursday, November 5

7:30 p.m., GDC and GHI Board Meeting, GHI Board Room

Artful Afternoon Laughs with The Snarks

The next Artful Afternoon will be held on Sunday, November 1 from 1 to 4 p.m. at the Greenbelt Community Center and will feature a chance to laugh along with silent films from Laurel and Hardy and Charley Chase accompanied by zippy original scores by The Snark Ensemble. There will also be a hands-on craft project and free ticket drawing in addition to other activities.

From 1 to 3 p.m. join Artist-in-residence Mary Gawlik in creating a community mural. This hands-on art project is for all ages. No artistic experience is required.

semble performs, celebrating

the zany, clever and brilliant world of vintage silent comedies in its specially-crafted film scores. Built around a core of three composer-performers (Andrew Earle Simpson, keyboards; Maurice Saylor, woodwinds; and Phil Carluzzo, percussion and frets), The Snark Ensemble creates and performs scores that respond to and amplify events taking place on screen. The performance will be followed by an "instrument petting zoo" introducing the wild array of instruments the ensemble uses, with a discussion of silent films and writing for them. Clips of their work are available at www. snarkensemble.org.



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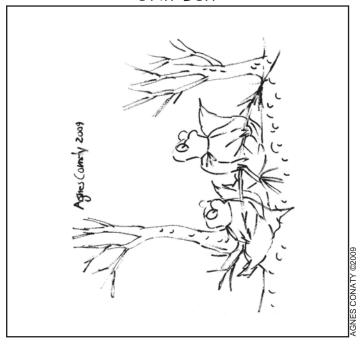
can also enter to win free tickets to performances at the Clarice Smith Center and the Greenbelt Arts Center. Prizes this month include Bang On A Can All-Stars with Trio Mediaeval in Steel Hammer (November 20), the Maryland Dance Ensemble undergraduate and graduate student works (December 4) or a performance of the winner's choice at the Greenbelt Arts Center. Details on the shows are available at www.claricesmithcenter.umd.edu and www.greenbeltartscenter.org. Enter any time prior to 2:30 p.m. at the Community Center Art Gallery. The winner is announced at 3 p.m.

Every month Greenbelt's

Artful Afternoon offers a studio open house with the Community Center artists-in-residence, Greenbelt Museum historic home tours and the current historical exhibit. These activities are open to the public and free with the exception of a nominal fee for the house tour. Artful Afternoons are a great introduction to the art classes and activities offered by the city.

For more information about City of Greenbelt art programs visit www. greenbeltmd.gov/arts or call 240-542-

Grin Belt



"We'll have to shed these Caped Crusaders costumes if we wanna get treats."

On Screen

"A Serious Man" Provides Humor

"A Serious Man" will begin Friday, October 30 at the P and G Old Greenbelt Theatre. Written and directed by the Coen brothers, this dark comedy is the story of Larry, an ordinary man whose life is in shambles. Larry's wife has left him, his unemployable brother has permanently moved in, his children have problems and his career as a university professor is in jeopardy. Through his sufferings he desires to become a righteous and serious man and consults three rabbis with unexpected results.

The film is rated R for sexual content.

And, perfect for Halloween frights, "The Grudge" will be shown on Friday and Saturday evenings October 30 and 31 at midnight. This tale of possessions, demons, monsters and assorted mayhem is sure to add terror to Halloween celebrations.

Carol Griffith

St. Gregory's Slavic Festival, Bake Sale

The St. Gregory of Nyssa Byzantine Catholic Church annual Slavic Food Festival and Bake Sale will be held on Saturday, November 7 from 10 a.m. to 3

There will be Eastern European ethnic food including holupki, pirohi, haluški, kielbasa and sauerkraut. The bake sale will offer kolachi/kolácsi (nut and poppyseed rolls) and a wide selection of cakes, pies, cookies and many other sweet treats. There will also be a raffle with a \$500 prize, a \$250 prize, eight additional prizes and door prizes every half hour.

St. Gregory is at 12420 Old Gunpowder Road Spur in Belts-

OLD GREENBELT THEATRE WEEK OF OCT. 30 **Serious Man**

(R)

<u>Friday</u> *5, 7:30, 9:35 <u>Saturday</u> *2:45, *5, 7:30, 9:35 <u>Sunday</u> *2:45, *5, 7:30 Monday - Thursday *5:15, 7:30 *These shows at \$6.00 301-474-9744 • 301-474-9745

129 Centerway

www.pandgtheatres.com

Corrections

In the October 22, 2009, issue the "Candidates Vie for Seven Slots in Coming Election" article we incorrectly attributed an increase of just over 25 percent in registered voters in Greenbelt's precinct 8 (Empirian Village) and a 14 percent increase overall to a significant voter registration effort undertaken "this summer and fall." Those percentage increases actually represent newly-registered voters in the precinct since the national election in 2007.

Long & Foster Realtor Jeannette Holman's previous week's ad announcing an Open House that was over several days before the paper came out. Our red-faced apologies, with a renewed commitment to proofread with calendar at hand next time!

the seniors' trip to Mackinaw, Michigan were incorrectly attributed. Bill Souser took the pictures.

The News Review really dropped the ball last week in running

The photos accompanying the Kathleen McFarland article on

NOTICE TO GHI MEMBERS



PRELIMINARY AGENDA

GDC & GHI BOARD OF **DIRECTORS' MEETING**

Thursday, November 5, 2009

GHI BOARD ROOM, 7:30 PM

GDC Key Agenda Items:

· Parkway Apartments Laundry Contract

GHI Key Agenda Items:

- Guest Speaker States' Attorney Office, Nuisance Abatement
- Proposed Gardenside 3-Season Porch, 6P Plateau
- Unpermitted Overlength Privacy Screen, 7 Woodland Way
- Proposed Shed, 2D Southway
- Yard Line Certification: 3, 5, & 7 Woodland Way, 2 & 4 Courts Gardenway, 26 & 28 Courts Ridge
- Proposed 2010 Operating Budget 1st Reading
- Historic Prince George's County Publication Request to Participate
- Board Retreat New Information
- Date for 2010 Annual Meeting

Regular Board meetings are open to Members For more information, visit our website - www.ghi.coop

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DEADLINES: Letters, Articles and ads—10 p.m. Tuesday. Materials for publication may be mailed to address above, deposited in our box in the Co-op grocery store (by 7 p.m. Tuesday) or brought to our office in the Community Center, 15 Crescent Road, during office hours. Mail subscriptions-\$35/year.

> Greenbelt Community Center at 15 Crescent Rd. OFFICE HOURS: Monday 2 - 4 p.m., Tuesday 2 - 4, 8 - 10 p.m.

Community Events

At the Library

Storytimes

A librarian will read age-appropriate stories.

Tuesday, November 3, 1:30 and 2 p.m., Cuddletime for newborns to 17 months old with caregiver, limit 15 babies for each group.

Wednesday, November 4, 10:30 and 11 a.m., Toddlertime for ages 18 to 35 months with caregiver, limit 15 children for each group.

Thursday, November 5, 10:30 a.m., Drop-in Storytime for ages three to five years, limit 20 chil-

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

GHI Notes

Friday, October 30, offices closed. (Emergency maintenance available. Call 301-474-6011.)

Monday, November 2, 7 p.m., Companion Animal Grief Support Group - GHI Library

7 p.m., Member & Community Relations Committee - GHI

Thursday, November 5, 7:30 p.m., Board of Directors meeting Board Room

Saturday, November 7, 11 a.m., Pre-purchase Orientation Board Room

9 a.m. to 1 p.m., leaf bags will be distributed at garage #21 on Parkway.

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

Explore Joining The Big Top

Wonder what it is like to be a circus performer? Come find out at the Explorations Unlimited session Friday, November 6 when former Ringling Brothers Barnum and Bailey Circus performer Gregory May will recount some of his most memorable moments while living on the road.

From tragic to heart-warming to down right ridiculous, these stories will take attendees behind the curtains and onto the train vestibules of the circus world. In the second half of the presentation participants will get to try their own hand at a few circus skills like juggling, devil sticks, diabolo and plate spinning. Grab the biggest shoes in the closet, paint that nose red and come join

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

More Community Events appear throughout the newspaper.

Holy Cross Thrift Store

Every Thursday 10 – 4 p.m.

Good, clean clothes for women, men and children! Shoes, jewelry, books, etc.

6905 Greenbelt Road Greenbelt, Md. 301-345-5111

Computer Club To Meet Nov. 12

The next meeting of the Greenbelt Computer Club will be held on Thursday, November 12 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. at the Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Road Room 103. All are welcome.

GEAC Meets

The Greenbelt East Advisory Coalition (GEAC) will meet on Thursday, November 5 at 7:30 p.m. at Windsor Green.

Rummage Sale Held At Mishkan Torah

Mishkan Torah Congregation will hold its annual two-day rummage sale on Sunday, November 8 and Monday, November 9 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

This year the sale is limited only to those items which one can carry, i.e., no automobiles or heavy furniture or refrigerators, etc. It will be a good time to find clothing, clothing accessories, linens, housewares, small appliances, toys, sports equipment, etc. for children and adults.

Winter is coming and prices will be modest.

Kids' Clothing Swap At Farmers Market

On Sunday, November 8 from 10 a.m. to noon there will be a swap for kids' clothing and other items at the Greenbelt Farmers Market. Setup will be at 9:45 a.m. The swap is for dry weather only; no rain date has been scheduled.

Bring clean, safe children's clothing (newborn to 18 years) and child-related gear (maternity, nursing; kids shoes, hats, coats, blankets; books, toys; feeding supplies; slings/infant carriers) to share with other parents and children in the community. Don't forget to bring shopping bags to carry home newly homed items gathered from others' donations.

Whatever items are left at noon will be taken to My Friend's Closet in Beltsville to benefit the ARC of Prince George's County.

For more information, email dansquaredfitness@yahoo.com.

Postal Services Available

Limited postal services are now available in the Municipal Building Tuesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

NOW PLAYING

Schrom Hills Fall Fest Rescheduled

The Fall Fest at Schrom Hills Park has been rescheduled due to rain to Saturday, October 31 and will be held from 1 to 5 p.m.



Call for Art Work

All Greenbelt artists are invited to bring in one prepared art work to put on display at the New Deal Café throughout the month of December. This is a unique opportunity for Greenbelt artists to exhibit their art work at one of the community's meeting centers. In the past years the group show has been very successful for artists promoting their work. In addition to the piece bring a short biography and a business card for the Book of New Deal Art. This will provide inquisitive customers with contact and pricing information.

Art work will be accepted on Sunday, November 23 from 7 to 8 p.m. Participants must complete a short registration form at that time. For more information contact Kristin Stenson at newdealcafeart@yahoo.com.



Reset your clocks

back one hour on Sunday,

Halloween night at 2 a.m. **Daylight Savings Time** ends this weekend.

Clothes Overflow For Fire Victims

Rosemary Pezutto with Camp Fire USA has asked that the community be informed that the Greenbelt community has once again outdone themselves with support for the fire victims at Empirian Village. Empirian Village and Camp Fire USA staff are busy organizing aid and support for those residents affected. Although the donation of clothes is greatly appreciated it is more than Empirian Village can handle and they cannot accept any more clothes at this time.

Monetary donations for new mattresses, bedding and kitchen supplies (such as pots and pans) are currently needed and requested.

Empirian Village is moving the families into new but empty apartments.



Trick or Treating in Greenbelt

6 to 8 p.m. Saturday, October 31. For a listing of area activities see page 10.

Academy Stadium Theatres

Beltway Plaza Mall Center Court 301-220-1155 ALL SHOWS BEFORE 5 p.m. Adults/Seniors: \$6.50 Children: \$6.00

ALL SHOWS BEFORE NOON ON SATURDAY \$5.00

ALL SHOWS AFTER 5 p.m. Adults: \$8.50 Students/Military: \$7.50 Children: \$6.00 Seniors: \$6.50

R = ID Required (!) = No pass, (!!) No pass weekend

Week of OCT. 29

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Rummage Sale

Housewares, Clothing, Small Appliances and Many Other Items Sunday, Nov. 8 and Monday, Nov. 9 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at Mishkan Torah Synagogue 10 Ridge Road, Greenbelt 301-474-4223



Are you ready to play some hoop? Then come out and join the Greenbelt Boys & Girls Club!

Registration for basketball will be held Friday, Oct 30, 2009 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Greenbelt Youth Center, 99 Centerway Drive

For additional info, please call 301-794-0100 (press 7) or visit our website at www.greenbeltbgc.com.

Greenbelt Arts Center

OPENING NEXT WEEK:

Little Shop of Horrors

November 6 – 28: Fridays & Saturdays at 8:00PM Sunday Matinees: November 15 & 22 at 2:00PM

> Book and Lyrics by Howard Ashman, Music by Alan Menken Directed by Jeffery Lesniak, Choreographed

by Denise A. Levien, produced by Norma R. Ozur Musicals are \$18 general admission,

and \$15 for seniors and students.

Call for reservations at 301,441,8770

123 Centerway • Greenbelt, MD 20770 • http://www.greenbeltartscenter.org Located underneath the Greenbelt CO-OP

Obituaries

Katherine Moomey

Longtime Greenbelt resident Katherine Moomey died suddenly on Sunday, October 25, 2009.



She raised three children in Bowie. After all the children were grown she moved to the Hunting Ridge Condominiums in 1986. She quickly became active in the Greenbelt community. She worked with the condo association and became condo president, an office she held for the last nine years. She was also active in the Greenbelt East Advisory Coalition (GEAC).

She started her career working for the Philadelphia Enquirer. Next she took a job as a secretary for the US Foreign Service. While abroad she met her husband Charles Richard (Dick) Moomey and was married in Beirut, Lebanon in 1956. Shortly after becoming a mother she settled in Bowie and worked as a court reporter until retirement. She and her husband were divorced

Her interests included skiing and traveling.

She was a devoted mother to Patti Harley, Jim and Karen Moomey, also a proud and loving grandmother to Billy and Scott Harley.

Family, friends and neighbors are invited to a reception at the Hunting Ridge Club House, 6914 Hanover Parkway in Greenbelt on Sunday, November 1 from 2 to 5 p.m.

Gerald W. Potts, Jr.

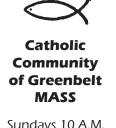
Gerald ("Jerry") Wayne Potts, Jr., 44, formerly of the Greenbelt Police Department, died Saturday, October 24, 2009, surrounded by his family and friends at his home in Centreville, Md., where he and his family had lived since 2007.

Born August 4, 1965, in East Liverpool, Ohio, he is the son of Gerald W. Potts, Sr. and the late Carlene Faye Endicott Potts.

He was a graduate of East Liverpool High School, Class of 1983. After high school he attended drafting school in Ohio. He enlisted in the Air Force and was stationed at Andrews Air Force Base, Md., where he met and married Kim Lynch in 1986.



"Jerry" Potts worked as a K9 handler for the Greenbelt Police Department.



Sundays 10 A.M. Municipal Building

After he was honorably discharged, they resided in Laurel. He went on to begin his career in law enforcement. He worked with the U.S. Capitol Police for a year. Later he was a member of the Greenbelt Police Department for 19 years, working mainly as a K9 handler. He retired as a sergeant in April 2009.

Mr. Potts was active in the Laurel community over the years as assistant coach of the Laurel High School baseball team and volunteering at the Boys and Girls Club in Laurel. He also enjoyed fishing, hunting and riding his scooter.

He is survived by his wife Kim Potts of Centreville; father Gerald W. Potts, Sr of East Liverpool, Ohio; son Gerald W. Potts, III who was recently sworn in as a member of the Greenbelt Police Force and daughter Megan Potts both of Centreville; sisters Kay Deem and Beth Watkins and brother Brian Potts all of East Liverpool, Ohio.

A funeral service was held Wednesday, October 28 at Weems Creek Baptist Church in Annapolis. Interment will be in his hometown of East Liverpool, Ohio.

Jon Peckenpaugh

Jon Martin Peckenpaugh, 61, a hydrogeologist who loved science and nature and had a deep commitment



to family, died October 9, 2009, at his home in Greenbelt. He had pancreatic cancer.

Mr. Peckenpaugh was born in Sioux City, Iowa, on February 24, 1948. As a youth, he was active in 4-H, raising jersey cows, lambs and rabbits on his family's small acreage. He received a bachelor's degree from Iowa State University in 1970, majoring in geology and a master's degree from Iowa State

in 1973, majoring in hydrogeology. He did doctoral work in hydrogeology at the University of Nebraska. In 1970, he married Cheryl Robson, whom he met in Iowa State's honors program.

Mr. Peckenpaugh spent 20 years developing groundwater and stream flow models for state and federal government agencies in Nebraska, including 15 years with the U.S. Geological Survey where he co-authored several agency reports. In 1999, he joined the Nuclear Regulatory Commission as a hydrogeologist, where he was known as an authority on groundwater and surface water issues for nuclear decommissioning sites.

Mr. Peckenpaugh was an avid gardener who kept detailed logs of precipitation and how his vegetables performed. He completed several home improvement projects with his wife. He and his wife loved to visit national parks and historical sites where his curious and polite questions won him the respect of tour guides. On nature walks he would point out rock exposures and patiently explain the natural history of the land.

Mr. Peckenpaugh belonged to St. Matthew's United Methodist Church of Bowie. He twice served on the board of the Greenspring II Homeowner's Association in Greenbelt East. He had three cats and cared for them lovingly.

Mr. Peckenpaugh's courageous 18-month fight against pancreatic cancer inspired his family, friends, neighbors and oncologists. He is survived by his wife Cheryl; his daughter, Jenny; his son, Jason; two sisters, Judy Beeman and Gloria Lanphear of Sioux City; and his aunt, Betsy Pridgeon of Marshalltown, Iowa.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that contributions be made to the Pancreatic Cancer Action Network (PanCAN), at http://www.pancan.org.

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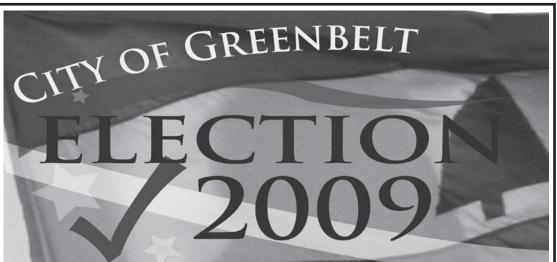
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City Information



As required by Section 14 of the City Charter, Greenbelt will hold a regular City Council election on:

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3 Polls open 7 a.m.-8 p.m.

Anyone registered to vote with Prince George's County at an address within the corporate limits of the City of Greenbelt may vote in City elections.

If you have any questions regarding the election please call 301-474-8000, use Maryland Relay (711) or send an e-mail to the city clerk at cmurray.greenbeltmd.gov

NOTICE OF CITY COUNCIL ELECTION

City of Greenbelt, Maryland- November 3, 2009

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75th ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE

The celebration of the City's 75th Anniversary will occur in 2012. Applications are being accepted from residents interested in serving on this volunteer planning committee. Applications are available on the City website, www.greenbeltmd. gov, or at the City Office Building, 25 Crescent Road. Council will begin interviewing applicants for this committee in late November.

CITY OF GREENBELT ELECTION INFORMATION TRANSPORTATION TO POLLING PLACES



On Tuesday, November 3, 2009, the Greenbelt Connection will provide free transportation to polling locations for City voters between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Citizens who wish to avail themselves of this service should call:

GREENBELT CONNECTION: 301-474-4100 to schedule their transportation. In addition, the City bus will make scheduled pick-ups at

GREEN RIDGE HOUSE at 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. and will return to Green Ridge House after the voters have cast their ballots at the Community Center.

RECYCLE RIGHT CONTEST"WIN WITH YOUR BIN"

You can win prizes by properly preparing your residential recycling bin during the next couple of weeks. Five winners will be selected: one winner from each of the four City Recycling Collection Routes and one winner from a Contractual Recycling Collection Route.

Make sure you have clean, properly prepared recyclables set out on your collection day!

Check out our website to see what goes in your bin: http://www.greenbeltmd.gov/public_works/Refuse_Recycling

Part of the AMERICA RECYCLES DAY Celebration. America Recycles Day is on November 15. This event is sponsored by the City of Greenbelt and the Metropolitan Council of Governments.

MEETINGS FOR NOVEMBER 2-6

Monday, November 2, 2009, 7:30 pm, **Greenbelt Advisory Committee on Environmental Sustainability (GreenACES)**, Greenbelt Community Center, Room 114

Wednesday, November 4 at 7:30pm, Community Relations Advisory Board Meeting, Greenbelt Community Center

Wednesday, November 5 at 7:30pm, **Advisory Planning Board Meeting**, Greenbelt Community Center, Room 103. On the Agenda: Discussion of the City-wide Pedestrian and Bicycle Plan.

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@greenbeltmd.gov.

Property Tax Credit Information

The deadline for filing for the State property tax credit program, and thus Greenbelt's, has been extended to November 2nd.

Information and an application are available from the State of Maryland Department of Assessments and Taxation and its website at

www.dat.state.md.us/sdatweb/taxcredits.html.

VACANCIES ON BOARDS & COMMITTEES

Volunteer to serve on City Council Advisory Groups.

Vacancies exist on: Youth Advisory Committee, Forest Preserve Advisory Board, Arts Advisory Board For more info call 301-474-8000.

CITY ELECTION INFORMATION-WHERE TO VOTE

Polling Place: Greenbelt Community Center 15 Crescent Rd. Crescent Rd. #1-62

PRECINCT 3

Crescent Rd. #1-62
Damsel Ct.
Eastway #2
Gardenway
7010 Greenbelt Rd.
Lady Anne Ct
Lakecrest Circle
Lakecrest Dr.
Lakeside Dr.
Lakeview Cir.
Maplewood Ct.
Olivewood Ct.
Olivewood Ct.
Parkway
Pinecrest Ct
Ridge Rd. #1-42, 44, 46, & 48
Southway

Vanity Fair Dr.

Westway

Polling Place: Greenbelt Police Station 550 Crescent Rd Crescent Rd. #100-554 Eastway #1,3, & 5 Empire Pl. Fayette Pl. Forestway Greendale Pl. Greenhill Rd. Greenknolls Pl. Greentree Pl. Greenway Pl. Hedgewood Dr. Hillside Rd. Ivy Ln. Julian Ct. Lastner Ln. Laurel Hill Rd. Lynbrook Ct. Northway Orange Ct.

Periwinkle Ct.

Plateau Pl.

PRECINCT 6

Research Rd.
Ridge Rd.
43, 45, 47, 49-446
Rosewood Dr.
Tamarisk Ct.
White Birch Ct.
Woodland Way

PRECINCT 8
Polling Place:
Springhill Lake
Recreation Center
6101 Cherrywood Ln
Breezewood Ct.
Breezewood Dr.

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Breezewood Terr.
Cherrywood Ct.
Cherrywood Ln.
Cherrywood Terr.
Edmonston Ct.
Edmonston Rd.
Edmonston Terr.
Springhill Ct.
Springhill Dr.
Springhill Ln.
Springhill Terr.

Greenbriar
Community Center
7600 Hanover Pkwy.
Emily's Way
Frankfort Ct.
Frankfort Dr.
Frankfort Pl.
7600-7899 Hanover Pkwy.
Jacobs Dr.
Mandan Rd.
Mandan Terr.
Morrison Dr.

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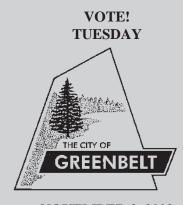
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Turning Point Academy
7800 Good Luck Rd.
Bird Ln.
Brett Pl.
Brooks Pl.
Burkart Ct.

Canning Terr. Chartwell Pl. Cloister Pl. Craddock Ct. Craddock Rd. Green Crescent Ct. Green Manor Pl. Green Walk Ct. Greenbrook Dr. Greenbury Dr. 6800-6999 Hanover kwy. Kara Ct. Lake Dr. Lake Park Dr. Landon Ct. Mandan Ct.

Mandan Ct.
Mathew St.
Megan Ln.
Ora Glen Ct.
Ora Glen Dr.
Ryan Way
Somerset Ct.
South Ora Ct.
Springcrest Dr.
Spring Manor Dr.
Springshire Way
Sunset Pl.

Village Park Dr. Winterwood Pl



NOVEMBER 3, 2009 POLLS OPEN 7AM-8PM

A Review

Utopia Film Festival 2009 Offers More Films, Film Maker Chats

by Sandra A. Lange

The Utopia Film Festival just completed its fifth year of productions at an array of venues throughout Greenbelt. Beginning with the screening of the documentary "American Colonies: Collapse of the Bee" on Monday, October 19 before a packed audience at the New Deal Café, the caliber of the festival's offerings increases each year. This year a variety of free films were shown during the week.

The majority of films were screened Saturday and Sunday, October 24-25. The highlight of the weekend was the showing of "Green Towns USA: A New Deal" which focused on the three original greentowns - Greenbelt, Md., Greenhills, Ohio and Greendale, Wisc. - built by the federal government in 1937 and 1938 as a New Deal (stimulus) project. Construction of the greentowns enabled the government to employ thousands of relief workers, demonstrate to private developers how to build livable planned communities for families and initiate various social experiments including establishing cooperatives to operate businesses and community organizations.

There were film clips from the 1939 World's Fair that feature Greenbelt families moving into the new town. Greenbelt pioneer Bob Sommers was shown as a young boy pumping up his bicycle tire. Bob took a bow at the end of the 56-minute film. There were interviews with current residents and city officials. Alan and Wendy Turnbull represented Greenbelt's young families today who enjoy the benefits of co-op living. Mayor Judith Davis spoke about the challenges of controlling future development without the benefit of zoning authority.

The thrust of the film, however, centered on Greenbelt's sister city, Greenhills, Ohio, whose officials are enacting policies that call for tearing down many historic residential buildings and constructing newer homes to compensate for a declining tax base. Opposition by a cadre of community activists is slight and seemingly ineffective.

Everyone in the audience breathed a collective sigh of gratitude that Greenbelt's pioneers had the foresight to form a cooperative housing corporation which has prevented the sale of individual homes and properties to speculative developers. While those same forefathers sold off much of the "greenbelt" because they did not want to – or felt they could not – pay the property taxes on the open land, much has been preserved for future generations.

The narrator and spark behind the film, Glory Southwind, probed for clues on how to forestall the teardowns in Greenhills, her beloved childhood hometown. With the city officials committed to enticing growth through new development, preservation of the historic town is indeed threatened.

The film left the audience pondering the differences in the three greentowns. Both Greenbelt and Greendale are protective of their environment, always vigilant to preserve a way of life and a community that is often confronted by economic crises.

Autism

Another film also provoked disturbing thoughts, but in a different way. "Autism: Made in the USA" presented a very onesided and perhaps dangerous point of view on a serious disease that is threatening tens of thousands of children.

The filmmakers focused on afflicted families, featuring heartwrenching stories from parents with children with autism. They asserted that the causes of autism were environmental and



Mark Pricskett (Kevin's Friend), Paul Award and Kathryn O'Sullivan (The Fugue) and Koli Tengella (Represent!) talk about making films in the film makers panel during the Utopia Film Festival.

vaccinations with mercury as primary culprits. They backed this up with interviews of people identified as doctors and nurses. However, they had no nationally recognized medical professional or organization which confirmed their point of view. They had no empirical scientific data to determine cause and effect. Yet, they advocated that people, especially children, should not be vaccinated against the flu virus and other childhood diseases.

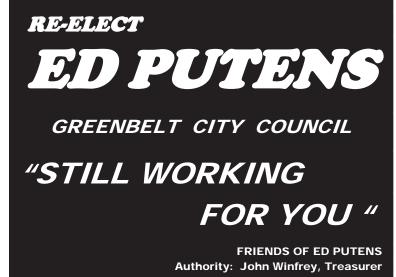
When they presented children who were described as cured of autism through changes in their diets, this too seemed alarming. Where were the scientific studies to reinforce cause and effect? Such films can be very misleading and sometimes harmful. The festival committee might want to be more careful in including films which espouse medical findings without a sound basis in fact.



June Finfer answers questions about her film "Green Towns USA: A New Deal" after its screening.



Bob Auerbach asks a question of June Finfer, director of "Green Towns USA: A New Deal."



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Greenbelters were saddened to land AFB in San Antonio. learn of the October 24 death of Sgt. Gerald (Jerry) Potts, who retired from 19 years service with the Greenbelt police in April this year.

Condolences to family, friends and those at Hunting Ridge Condominiums on the death of condo president Katherine Moomey on October 25.

Our sympathy to Cheryl Peckenpaugh and family on the death October 9 of Jon Peckenpaugh, her husband and their father.

Congratulations to:

 USAF Airman Dante A. Dozier, the son of Michelle Dozier of Jacobs Drive, who has graduated from basic training at Lack-



- Katrina Boverman, or rather to her dog LeRoy, for being selected to appear in



the new 2010 PAW calendar. LeRoy is a mixed breed (mostly schnauzer) who was rescued from an animal shelter by PAW (Partnership for Animal Welfare) 12 years ago. For information on the organization or the calendar call PAW at 301-572-4729.

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

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

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The following vehicles and equipment are being offered in a sealed bid auction in 'as is' condition:

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1993 2500 Chevrolet Truck - serial # 1GCDC14Z9PE226381 1995 Chevrolet Cargo Van – serial # 1GCEG25H8SF134394

1993 Chevrolet Caprice - serial# 1G1BL53E2PW155704

1999 Ford Crown Victoria – serial # 2FAFP71W8XX198930

1999 Ford Crown Victoria - serial # 2FAFP71WXXX198982

2000 Ford Crown Victoria – serial # 2FAFP71W5YX161352 1999 Ford Crown Victoria – serial # 2FAFP71W4XX106647

1999 Ford Crown Victoria – serial # 2FAFP71W2XX106646

1999 Ford Crown Victoria - serial # 2FAFP71W4XX106650

1999 Ford Crown Victoria – serial # 2FAFP71W6XX106651

Equipment:

1998 4045-T Wood Chuck Chipper serial # 1W9G71219WS200543

Vehicles and equipment will be available for viewing at: Greenbelt Public Works, 555 Crescent Road, Greenbelt, MD from November 2nd to November 6th.

Call 240-508-0100 for details.

Please send all sealed bid proposals to the listed address: Mail in: City of Greenbelt, Public Works, 25 Crescent Rd. Greenbelt, MD 20770 Attention: Kenny Hall

Or walk-in - Greenbelt Public Works, 555 Crescent Road, Greenbelt, MD 20770

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CITY OF GREENBELT HALLOWEEN FUN

COSTUME CONTEST & PARADE Friday, October 30 ~ FREE

Roosevelt Center - in the grassy area in front of Curves. Registration is from 4:00pm-4:30pm. Parade will start at 4:30pm

A tradition in Greenbelt! All ages are encouraged to come dressed in their Halloween finest, and prize packs will be awarded to the best

costumes for ages 18 months through 6th grade. There will also be a category for the best in family and best pet. Stay for the entertainment that follows - The Mayhem Magical Circus With Gregory May.

TRICK-OR-TREAT Saturday, October 31 ~ 6:00pm-8:00pm

Residents wishing to participate in trick-or-treat are asked to turn on their porch lights. Apartment dwellers should tie a piece of white cloth on their door.

HALLOSCREAM KARAOKE Friday, October 30, 2009 6:30pm-8:30pm, Springhill Lake Recreation Center Gym

Come dressed in your Halloween costumes and participate in Karaoke. You are encouraged to bring your choice of music, or take your chances with the music available at the Springhill Lake Recreation Center. FREE.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON ANY OF THESE EVENTS CALL 301-397-2200

Biographies of Candidates for City Council

The biographies of the city council candidates are reported below in reverse alphabetical order. Each submission was prepared by the candidate but in order to accommodate all biographies in one issue, some have been edited for length by staff.

Che Sayles



Che Sayles is currently the president of the Greenbelt West Residents Association (GWRA), a member of Transit Riders

United of Greenbelt (TRU-G), Greenbelt Neighbors Alliance (GNA) and the Greenbelt Climate Action Network (G-CAN). Sayles is also working on the Three Sisters of Greenbelt Community Garden Project with the Chesapeake Education Arts and Research Society (CHEARS), a nonprofit organization dedicated to the health of all who share the Chesapeake watershed environment.

As president of the GWRA, Sayles is committed to providing a face and voice to his community in Greenbelt West. Sayles advocates on behalf of the residents of Empirian Village and works with the City of Greenbelt, Empirian Village management, Greenbelt Police Department, Springhill Lake Elementary School, Greenbelt Middle School, Beltway Plaza and local businesses. The organization's motto is "One City, One Greenbelt."

As a member of TRU-G, Sayles has been advocating for improved, expanded and more reliable public transportation in the City of Greenbelt.

As a member of the GNA, Sayles has worked for free public meeting spaces for Greenbelt organizations, public ads in support of diversity on the Greenbelt City Council and increasing the advertising of city events in all three parts of our beloved city – East, West and Central Greenbelt.

As a member of Greenbelt Climate Action Network, Sayles is working to ensure that our local, state and federal government is working on legislation to keep our environment safe and clean.

Sayles lives in Greenbelt West, Empirian Village, with his wife Kanija Sayles. He is a graduate of Howard University with a degree in political science. Though he has been a resident of Greenbelt for a relatively short period of time, he brings with him experience, understanding and a unique perspective that will allow him to approach challenges and opportunities with a fresh outlook and common sense. He has worked for the Executive Office of the President of the United States, Department of Energy, a Maryland State Senator and currently the Prince George's County government. For more information on Sayles, he invites visits to his website at www.chesaylesforcouncil.com.

Rodney Roberts



Rodney Roberts is a life-long Greenbelt resident. First elected in 1991, he is serving his ninth term on council, the last four terms as mayor pro tem. In his first term, Roberts proposed community policing that included police bicycle patrols. Since then he has worked to increase bike patrols throughout the city and to establish police substations in Greenbelt East and Beltway Plaza. On council, Roberts advocates for the protection of city forests. In 2003 this resulted in the establishment of a Greenbelt forest preserve of 225 acres. Roberts has consistently opposed yearly city tax increases for nonessential hiring and other items. He is city council liaison to the Youth Advisory Board and Arts Activity Board and has never missed a regular council meeting during his years on council.

Roberts testifies on behalf of the city before state and county officials concerning development, transportation, recreation, environmental and fiscal issues. In 2004 he testified before the state Board of Public Works to secure \$648,000 in Open Space Funds for the purchase of 10 acres known as the "Sunrise Property" in Greenbelt East. He is a member of the Council of Governments Transportation Planning Board. He served on the Metro Area Sector Planning Group.

Roberts enjoys volunteering his professional skills to groups such as Greenbelt Intergenerational Volunteer Service (GIVES) and the New Deal Café among others. When the New Deal Café was in danger of closing, Roberts donated over 100 hours of time to install a commercial kitchen. Roberts is a member and former chair of the Committee to Save the Green Belt and a founding member of the Greenbelt Foundation for the Arts.

During the years prior to being elected to city council Roberts became known as an outspoken community activist and was a leader in the citizen movement that led to the city's acquisition of 184 acres of woodland, part of the original "Green Belt."

Roberts attended Prince George's County schools and is a 1975 graduate of the National Technical Institute in College Park. He is the sole-proprietor of a small business doing on-site repairs of equipment and vehicles.

Edward Putens

Edward
Putens is
completing
his fourteenth
term on the
Greenbelt City
Council. He
has lived in
Greenbelt for



42 years, in Springhill Lake (SHL), Charlestowne North, Windsor Green and Greenbrook Estates.

Putens has worked for the federal government for 37 years and received many awards and commendations. He has worked for the Food and Drug Administration for the past 22 years, mostly in management positions. He previously served with the Department of Labor, Office of Personnel Management and U.S. Postal Service.

Putens has taken a leading role in police protection and crime prevention. He advocated revitalization of SHL, now Empirian Village, and other property west of Kenilworth Avenue, for improved public safety. On his initiative video cameras were placed in strategic areas in the city and School Resource Officers placed for security in schools. He led successful efforts for traffic lights at Greenbelt and Mandan Roads and a guardrail at Eleanor Roosevelt High School.

He proposed the city's new Public Safety Advisory Committee, as well as the Advisory Committee on Education (ACE). Putens also initiated the Four Cities Coalition among Greenbelt, College Park, New Carrollton and Berwyn Heights. Putens has taken a leading role on senior citizen concerns.

Earlier, Putens worked actively with the Greenbelt East Advisory Committee (GEAC), of which he was co-founder. He served on the Windsor Green Board of Directors and has been president of Greenbrook Estates for nine years

Prior to council service, Putens chaired the Community Relations Advisory Board (CRAB). He has been active in the Greenbelt Consumer Co-op, Friends of the Greenbelt Museum, Greenbelt Arts Center and the Eleanor and Franklin Roosevelt Democratic Club. He was an active participant in the Greenbelt Boys and Girls Club programs when his two children were young, is past chair of the Small Cities Council of the National League of Cities and a member of the Washington Metropolitan Council of Governments (COG), Prince George's County Municipal Association and Maryland Municipal League and COG's Transportation Planning Board.

Putens graduated from the University of Maryland with a degree in microbiology and worked in research capacities for medical and research development companies, co-authoring several patents dealing with minimizing air pollutants.

Silke Pope

S i l k e Pope came to Greenbelt from Frankfurt, Germany in 1998. She lived initially in Springhill Lake (now Empirian



Village) and later moved to Belle Point where she has served as president of the Belle Point Homeowners Association since 2006.

Pope has served on the city's Public Safety Advisory Committee (PSAC) since 2000 and has chaired the group since 2003. During her tenure on PSAC, the city has upgraded security cameras at Roosevelt Center, installed others on the Spellman Overpass and added emergency call boxes on Metro Drive and in the Springhill Lake area. Pope has long supported community policing and the use of bicycle patrols. She has advocated yearly PSAC community forums on public safety throughout the city - in Greenbelt East, West and

In 1999, Pope helped to found the Springhill Lake Neighborhood Improvement Team. The group involved residents, complex management and the city to bridge gaps, share concerns and generate solutions on public safety and other quality of life issues.

Even before earning U.S. citizenship in 2006, Pope was very active in the American Legion Auxiliary where she served as

president for two years. She's helped coordinate Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department fundraising projects including restoration of the historic fire truck. She helped organize two USO fundraisers in conjunction with the American Legion. Pope serves on the fundraising committee at St. Hugh's Parish and has been involved in the Texas BBQ, shrimp feast and Oktoberfest events. She led a six week mentoring group for 14 girls, culminating in a graduation dinner in Greenbelt.

Since 2001, Pope has been employed in local schools. She worked with children learning English as a second language at Greenbelt Middle School (GMS) from 2001-2007. Currently Pope is a full-time Parent Liaison for GMS and Magnolia Elementary School providing referrals to county agencies and information on school policies, attendance/truancy issues and mentoring initiatives to approximately 1,300 families.

Previously, while still living in Germany, Pope worked in the field of international business relations where her bilingual ability and organizational skills were critical. Her professional experience includes positions of responsibility within large international institutions focused on finance and account services.

Leta Mach

Leta Mach and her husband Darrell moved to Greenbelt in 1974. She was first elected to



the Greenbelt City Council in 2003. In 2003 as a new member of Council, she enrolled in the Academy for Excellence in Local Governance. She is the council liaison to the Greenbelt Advisory Committee on Education (ACE) and the Senior Citizen Advisory Committee. As a councilmember she has advocated for a Living Wage policy and for the adoption of Greenbelt's Assistance in Living program.

She has served on numerous committees representing Greenbelt including the National League of Cities Human Development Steering Committee and the Maryland Municipal League Communications Committee. She serves on the board of Clean Air Partners and is the Maryland vice chair of the Metropolitan Washington Air Quality Committee. She is the secretary of the Prince George's Elected Municipal Women.

Mach is a board member of the Greenbelt Community Foundation. In 2000, she was honored as Greenbelt's Outstanding Citizen following years of community service as treasurer of the Greenbelt Cooperative Nurserv School; PTA president of Greenbelt Elementary School and Eleanor Roosevelt High School; News Review reporter, editor and proofreader; volunteer for the Greenbelt Labor Day Festival Committee; chair of the GHI Audit Committee, secretary of the board of the Greenbelt Consumer Cooperative, chair of the Greenbelt 50th Anniversary Oral History Committee, author of chapter two of Greenbelt: History of a New Town, museum docent and chair of ACE from its inception in 1995 until her election to the Greenbelt City Council.

Beyond Greenbelt, Mach is the past president of both the Cooperative Communicators Association and Parent Cooperative Preschools International. She was awarded the 1995 national Co-op Month Award for Communications.

She graduated from a Prince George's County school – Bladensburg. In 1969, she received a B.A. with honor with a major in history and minors in English and education from Michigan State University. She taught social studies at Suitland Senior High School (1969-73), served as GHI Information Specialist (1981-87) and was director of communications and cooperative education at National Cooperative Business Association (1987-2003).

Emmett Jordan

E m m e t t V. Jordan has lived in Greenbelt for the past 10 years, renting and then purchasing his condominium



unit at Greenbriar in 2004. He was attracted to Greenbelt because of its access to transportation, recreational amenities, shopping and its "walkability."

Jordan has extensive service in Greenbelt community affairs. He is a five-year member of the city's Advisory Planning Board and recently spearheaded then effort to update the city's bicycle and pedestrian plan. He has been on the Greenbriar Condominium Association (Phase I) Board of Directors for five years and is currently the treasurer. He is the co-chair of the Greenbelt Community Foundation. He has co-chaired the Greenbelt Tennis Association for the past four years. He is vice president of the Eleanor & Franklin Roosevelt Democratic Club. He is an active supporter of other local civic groups including the Greenbelt Neighbors Alliance and the Transit Riders United of Greenbelt.

Outside of Greenbelt, he has been a volunteer with the Greater Washington Urban League (GWUL). He co-chaired the affiliate Urban Roundtable for several years. He represented the Urban League on a voter registration task force in the District of Columbia for the 2004 election. He has been a Prince George's County Election Judge (in College Park) since 2004. He has served on the board of directors of the Metro DC Chapter of the Association of Fund-raising Professionals.

Jordan studied at Morehouse College in Atlanta and holds a Bachelor of Science degree in urban administration from the University of Cincinnati. His career has been primarily in development and fund-raising for nonprofit organizations. For the past four years, he has worked as an independent contractor providing marketing and planning services to nonprofits, associations and businesses. Prior to that, he worked at the Smithsonian Institution and the University of Maryland at College Park. He has worked with a variety of service organizations including the United Negro College Fund, the Saint Michael's Medical Center and Montclair State University.

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An avid tennis player and guitar player, Jordan enjoys long recreational bike rides, concerts and other cultural programs.

Kelly Ivy



Kelly Ivy, Sr. has been a Greenbelt resident since 1968. He has demonstrated his commitment to public

service through decades of volunteerism and by running two previous City Council campaigns.

For the past eight years, Ivy has been a member of the Park and Recreation Advisory Board (PRAB). He is entertainment chair for the Greenbelt Labor Day Festival. Ivy has served as president of Greenbelt Little League, vice president of Greenbelt Boys and Girls Club, baseball and softball commissioner for the Boys and Girls Club and vice president of the Greenbelt Babe Ruth League. He has been vice president of Lakeside Association and is a member of the Fraternal Order of Police. He is a parishioner at St. Hugh's.

Ivy was born in San Angelo, Texas in 1955. When he was five, his father passed away and his mother packed up Kelly and his six brothers and sisters and moved to be near her brother and mother, who were in the Washington area. In 1968, the family moved to Greenbelt. When he was 14, he attended a Valentine's Day dance at Greenbelt Junior High School, where he met his wife, Linda. Four years later, they were married and recently celebrated their 37th wedding anniversary.

It is said that successful people have the ability to develop relationships that last and three decades later, "I feel very successful," Ivy says. "I believe that a happy, thriving marriage of 37 years speaks volumes as to my ability to communicate, cooperate, listen and have a sense of

His life has been filled with diverse experiences and through that he has gained an extensive view of the world. He has been employed at Amtrak for 34 years where he is Supervisor of Locomotive Power at Union Station. He has been responsible for up to 500 employees and has managed a budget of \$7 million. His commendations include on-time performance and safety.

Ivy believes Greenbelt's diversity is a great resource and he believes Greenbelt citizens have the answers to some of the vitally important questions and issues.

Konrad Herling

A lifelong resident of Greenbelt, Konrad Herling, now residing in Old Greenbelt, has also lived in



Springhill Lake (now Empirian Village) from 1979 to 1984. He was first elected to the City Council in 2003 and is running for a fourth term. As a councilmember, he has steadfastly supported the arts and advocated for a more effective transportation system both for commuters and for intra-city trips. As a member of council, Herling has also been a strong supporter of a new Greenbelt middle school. He serves as chair of the Four Cities Coalition on homelessness and on COG's Washington Area Housing Partnership Board of Directors.

Herling was honored in 2001 as Greenbelt's Outstanding Citizen. He founded the Greenbelt Arts Center in 1979 bringing cultural programs to Greenbelt which offered patrons performances in theater, music and classic film. For his work on a new Arts Center, he was honored as one of Prince George's County's Outstanding Citizens in 1984 and as one of the Ten Outstanding Young Marylanders in 1985 by the Maryland State Jaycees.

During a campaign for City Council in 1989, Herling proposed that the city create a Department of Planning; his idea was successfully implemented by the council soon thereafter. Herling was the catalyst for the charrette planning process to actively involve residents in planning for our community's future. His efforts resulted in the original Roosevelt Center Charrette of 1985, a charette for Springhill Lake Apartments (when owned by AIMCO) in 2004 and the Greener Initiative, GHI's planning exercise for a more sustainable community. Herling is a founding member of the Utopia Film Festival. He was also a founding member of Transit Riders United - Greenbelt and met with officials from the County's Department of Transportation and Metro to advocate for better bus service. In 2003, as a member of the Community Relations Advisory Board, Herling helped write the "Community Pledge" to increase diversity.

Herling graduated from Towson University and has been a legal analyst for the Federal Communications Commission for over 30 years.

Judith Davis

Judith F. "J" Davis has lived in Greenbelt as a condominium owner in Greenbriar since 1975. She is in her



eighth term on the Greenbelt City Council and has served as mayor since 1997.

As mayor, Davis is the council's representative to the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG) board of directors and is its secretary-treasurer. In 2005 she was elected chair of the COG board for a one-year term. Davis is a member of COG's Greater Washington 2050 Committee, the Climate, Energy and Environment Policy Committee and the Chesapeake Bay and Water Resources Policy Committee. In the past she served on COG's Budget/Finance Committee, Ad Hoc Elected Officials' Green Building Committee and Climate Change Steering

Committee. Davis is a member of the Energy, Environment and Natural Resources Policy and Advocacy Steering Committee for the National League of Cities (NLC). She is a past president of both the Prince George's County Municipal Association (PGCMA) and the Prince George's Elected Municipal Women. Davis served nine years on PGCMA's board of directors. This past June, Davis was re-elected for a tenth term on the Maryland Municipal League's board of directors and is vice president of the Maryland Mayors Association. She is a member of Women in Government Service and Women in Municipal Government. In 2000-2001 Davis was selected Woman of the Year by the Business and Professional Women/USA.

Davis is an active member of the Eleanor and Franklin Roosevelt Democratic Club, Greenbelt Arts Center, Friends of the Greenbelt Museum, Greenbelt Golden Age Club and Greenbelt Lions. Prior to her election to the city council in 1993, she served on the Advisory Planning Board (APB) for 10 years and was chair 1988 to 1992. She served 14 years on the Greenbriar Phase I board of directors. She was carnival chair for the Labor Day Festival Committee for 18 years.

Davis retired in 1999 after 35 years as an educator. She holds bachelor's and master's degrees from West Chester State University in West Chester, Pa. In her spare time, she enjoys skiing, the Washington Opera and walking on the beach with her two nieces.

Re-Elect Judith F. 'J' Davis

26 Years of Dedicated Service!

J's Service...

16 Years on Council, the last 12 years as Mayor

10 Years on the Advisory Planning Board (APB) prior to election to Council

Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG), Secretary-Treasurer. Past Chair, Board of Directors

COG Chesapeake Bay Policy Committee, Past Vice Chair

National League of Cities, Energy, Environment and Natural Resources Steering Committee

GIVES, Vice President; Member: Greenbelt Arts Center, Greenbelt Lions; Past Carnival Chair, Greenbelt Labor Day Festival Committee

Maryland Municipal League, Board of Directors

Maryland Mayors Association, Vice President

I's Goals...

Ensure our police officers have up-to-date equipment and superior training

Balance budgetary restraint with maintaining programs and resources that are unique to Greenbelt

Build Council consensus on crucial issues facing the City, including sound Greenbelt West development

Lock in full funding for the new Greenbelt Middle School and its ball field lighting

Protect our priceless Green Belt including BARC

Restore Greenbelt Lake, employ latest stream restoration techniques in its watershed

Maintain our productive ties with County, State and Regional leaders

Advocate for enhanced senior and youth programs

"Many challenges lie ahead for our City. I believe I am well-suited to help turn them into opportunities. To keep me working for you, I need your vote!"

Photos by Barry Bordas

Greenbelt Fraternal Order of Police Lodge #32 Endorses J Davis





Halloween Happenings



Pumpkin Festival Resumes With Carving, Woods Walk

by Kyle M. Jones

When the annual Greenbelt Pumpkin Festival went missing from the fall list of community activities a few years ago, Allison Smith was bothered. "I went four years ago, and it was so cool, and so fun," said Smith.

So the local violin teacher contacted the previous organizer, enlisted the help of friends, and revived the 20-year-old Greenbelt festival, which includes a pump-kin-carving party and pumpkin walk. At one point, nearly 100 people were at Roosevelt Center Friday evening, October 23 for the free carving event.

Family and friends crowded tables with their pumpkins, taking part in one of the great traditions of fall, while Banjer Dan, The Nice Trys and others provided musical entertainment.

Fun to Do

Sharon Carroll Cordaro was looking for something fun to do in Greenbelt with her children, ages 4 and 6, when she found a listing for the Greenbelt Pumpkin Festival on About.com. She thought the event looked like fun for the kids. "It's cool that they get to carve their own pumpkins, and the pumpkins are included in a big display," said Cordaro.

As finished jack-o'-lanterns emerged throughout the evening, they were lit and put on display for passers-by in Roosevelt Center.

Pumpkin Walk

The mass of pumpkins was used the next night for the annual Pumpkin Walk on the Northway field trails. The jack-o'-lanterns are placed randomly throughout the woods on the ground, in trees and on stumps for the community to enjoy during the 15-minute walk. Afterward people are encouraged to take their pumpkins home as fall decorations.

History of Event

The Greenbelt Pumpkin Festival began in 1987 as one of several awareness events coordinated by the Committee to Save the Green Belt, said former committee member Paul Downs. For years the forest in Greenbelt was threatened by a number of proposed development plans – apartments and even a high school.

"We wanted to get the public to develop a relationship with the woods," said Downs. "We figured we would put jack-o'-lanterns in the woods and hand out free cider and hot cocoa."

The forest was turned into a

Creepy Critter Chat At Patuxent Refuge

There will be a Creepy Critter Chat for all ages on Saturday, October 31 from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Patuxent Refuge National Wildlife Visitor Center.

Slithery, slimy, furry or webby – join in to discover why those "creepy" critters are actually COOL critters.

The Visitor Center is on Powder Mill Road between the Baltimore-Washington Parkway and Route 197.

For more information visit www.patuxent.fws.gov.

preserve in October 2003. After this act's passage by the Greenbelt City Council, the committee disbanded and the Greenbelt Pumpkin Festival disappeared. Because it had been organized by citizens of the committee, it would be up to citizens to continue the event.

"It stopped and I was a little freaked out," said Smith. "The festival allows the community to experience something unique together." Smith believes this type of event, which brings together local residents who may not have known each other, is a true benefit to the Greenbelt community. "Allison took the torch and said, 'I want to do this,'" said Downs. "I love it; it's a great festival."

Pumpkin Bus

Cynthia Newcomer of Transit Riders United of Greenbelt followed the event on Facebook. She and Anna Socrates selected a pumpkin that wouldn't stand up, so they decided it was perfect to be carved in the shape of a bus. "See, there are the windows, with people inside," Newcomer points out. "And there are the wheels."

Smith is hopeful that the event will raise the same awareness of the woods among the Greenbelt community that it had done over the last 20 years during efforts to save them.

"People don't go into the woods anymore," said Smith. "There are beautiful trails there. You have this festival in there and people are so amazed" at the beauty of the woods.

Costume Contest At Beltway Plaza

A Halloween costume contest will take place at the Center Court of Beltway Plaza at 7 p.m. on Saturday, October 31. Children 2 to 12 years old are invited to compete.

There will be prizes for scariest and most creative costumes. Prizes have been determined by management.

Trick or Treating At Beltway Plaza

Trick or Treating will be held at Beltway Plaza on Saturday, October 31 from 6 to 7 p.m. Halloween bags will be available at the Mall office while supplies last.

Join Hallowscream Karaoke at SHL

Friday, October 30 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. is the Hallowscream Karaoke at the Springhill Lake Recreation Center, 6101 Cherrywood Lane. Come dressed in a Halloween costume and participate in karaoke.

Aviation Museum Flight Night

On Saturday, October 31 from 7 to 9 p.m., the College Park Aviation Museum will celebrate Flight Night. Wear a costume and join in the Halloween fun at Flight Night. Hayrides, storytellers, arts, crafts and even more spooky fun are waiting for kids and families. There is a fee. The College Park Aviation Museum is located at 1985 Cpl. Frank Scott Drive.

For details call 301-864-6029 or check the website at www.collegeparkaviationmuseum.com.

Halloween Event Includes Crafts



On Saturday, October 31 from 10 a.m. to noon the College Park Arts Exchange will sponsor a

crafts table at this fun event, held at the Youth and Family Services Center, 4912 Nantucket (near the corner of Edgewood and Rhode Island Avenue).

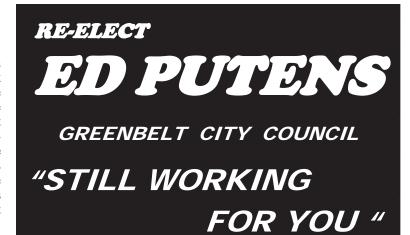
This free activity is ideal for children of all ages.

Botanic Garden Holds Halloween Festival

On Saturday, October 31 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. the U.S. Botanic Garden will present "HallowFest." Decorate a pumpkin, attend a Monster Meal cooking demonstration or create a Creepy Craft. Young and young-at-heart are invited to come dressed up to participate in the costume parade at noon. Prizes will be given for best plant outfit, best costume-adult and best costume-child. The free festival will take place in the Conservatory East Gallery.

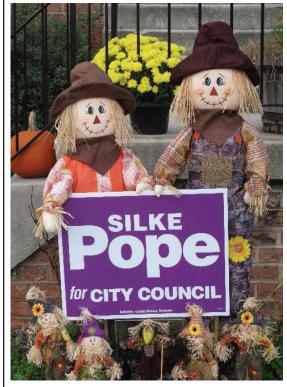
Trick or Treating in Greenbelt will take place from 6 to 8 p.m. on Saturday, October 31.

Those wishing to take part in treating are asked to put something white on their door or turn on porch lights.



FRIENDS OF ED PUTENS Authority: John Winfrey, Treasurer

Join Us - Support Silke Pope for City Council!



Elect Silke Pope who is committed to serving and

and unified services

working to address your needs: community, education,

-Theresa Bugg

I've lived in Greenbelt for over 20 years and truly love the community. Therefore, I am happy to endorse Silke Pope for City council because of her fine work and dedication to the people in our family oriented community. Silke has always been a shining example of both community spirit and community service. Her years of community service clearly illustrates that she truly cares for the health and well being of her neighbors, which makes me proud to endorse her for city council. Silke, you have my vote!!

-Darrin Washington

Geneva Bonney
Barry Bordas
Tommy Bryant
Theresa Bugg
Paul Butterworth
Mary Crawford
Linda Dorsey
Frank Dorsey
Enid Dueno
Monica Fair
Kitty Geiger
Mike Geiger
Annie Haber

Chuck Hatcher
Mary Hatcher
Edward Hickey
Bill Holland
Ed James
Laura Kressler
Nancy Kressler
Phil Larkin
William Larkin
Niecie Lowndes
Mike McAndrew
Patrick J McAndrew
Walter Moody

Laurie Njoku
Karen Pedersoli
John Pedersoli
Tom Renahan
Ronnie Scotkin
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Charlene Deaver-Vazquez
John Winfrey
Gloria Winfrey

VOTE SILKE POPE NOVEMBER 3rd

Authority: Geneva Bonney, Treasurer

COUNCIL

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hard work, "not as easy as it looks," though he said he hopes to be back after the election. He acknowledged and also thanked city staff for their hard work and commented on the historical nature of this final meeting of Greenbelt's five-member council

Mach's Comments

Quoting the city charter at length, Councilmember Leta Mach summarized ways the sitting council had pursued fulfilling the city's mission to its citizens. She mentioned several health programs, grants to help seniors modify their homes to age in place, recreation programs including Get Active Greenbelt and the KaBOOM! Playful City USA playground improvements. She said geocaching brings people from across the state to Greenbelt, thereby introducing them to the city.

Mach pointed out several safety improvements over the past two years, including those to overpasses and upgrades to communications achieved through public safety grants.

With the new Public Works building and restrooms open in Buddy Attick Park, she concluded it had been a satisfying two years.

But she also cited disappointments, including the failed opportunity to redevelop the Springhill Lake apartments into an owner-occupied cooperative and the downturn in the economy. She thanked citizens and staff of Greenbelt, adding she hoped the new council could achieve its dreams.

In addition to thanking the city staff, Mayor Judith Davis thanked the city manager, his assistant and the current and former city clerks for their help as she did her job. Davis also thanked citizens for having put their trust in her and the rest of council for doing what is best for Greenbelt.

She said each councilmember has an area of expertise and that they had "melded, merged and worked together very well." She noted they had agreed around 90 percent of the time.

Achievements

Davis highlighted this council's accomplishments, listing, as had Mach, the restrooms in the lake park, the green Public Works building and playground renovations. She also noted that a new middle school for Greenbelt is in design awaiting funding and that restoration on the lake watershed has begun.

She said that more people had become involved in the election process through the election reform procedure that had absorbed much of this council's time, adding she hoped it would result in a better view of what council needs to do.

In closing, Davis acknowledged the next council will have more challenges, but said Greenbelt was created during hard times, had endured hard times periodically and had overcome them and become stronger through such challenges over the years.

She wished everyone luck and with that the meeting and the traditional five-member Greenbelt City Council came to a close.

Trash to Treasure Green Craft Fair

There will be a chance to support the green movement at the first annual Trash to Treasure Green Craft Fair on Saturday, November 14 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Watkins Nature Center. The event will feature local artists creating arts and crafts from reused, recycled, responsibly harvested/natural or sustainable products.

Items include but are not limited to jewelry, sculptures, woven baskets, soy candles, wood carvings, clothing and other accessories. There will also be local nonprofit groups with display tables, "green" Watkins Nature Center merchandise for sale, a book exchange, a Planet Aid clothing donation station and an art raffle to benefit the animals at the center.

Watkins Nature Center is located at 301 Watkins Park Drive, Upper Marlboro. There is a nominal admission fee; children ages 6 and under are free. For information call 301-218-6702, TTY 301-699-2544.

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for general elections. In Old Greenbelt, precinct 3, the polling place is the Community Center, which is also used by the county. In Greenbelt North End, precinct 6, the city uses the Greenbelt Police Station, not Greenbelt Elementary School.

In Greenbelt West, precinct 8, Springhill Lake Recreation Center is used, not the elementary school. For north Greenbelt East, precinct 13, the polling place is the Greenbriar Community Center, not the Eleanor Roosevelt High School.

For the new precinct 18, south Greenbelt East, the Turning Point Academy will be used, the same polling place used by the county.

Campaign

The campaign has been relatively quiet and orderly. While individual candidates may differ in minor ways on issues, there seems to be no significant disagreement on major concerns. All wish to maintain the high levels of city service, particularly relating to public safety, avoiding layoffs of

city employees and not raising

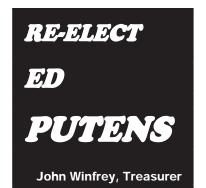
If loss of state and federal assistance or reduction of property assessments result in a shortfall of city funds, the candidates will look for other ways, if possible, to balance the city budget. All candidates support actions taken by the past council to change election procedures and none support changing the election date to coincide with state and federal elections.

No one, incumbents or newcomers, has attacked the record of the present city council in any significant way.

This year four candidate forums were held – one in Greenbelt East sponsored by the Greenbelt East Advisory Committee, another at Green Ridge House, a third sponsored by Greenbelt Homes. Inc. (GHI) held at the Municipal Building and the fourth, in Greenbelt West, sponsored by the League of Women Voters.

The Greenbelt News Review

asked the candidates four questions, with their answers published in the four past issues. The News Review also published personal profiles of each candidate as furnished by the candidate. Shorter, edited versions appear in this issue. The Berwyn Heights-Greenbelt Gazette also published candidate profiles and responses to questions. The Greenbelt City-Link at greenbeltmd.gov also provides candidate biographies.



Vote for Kelly Ivy

Greenbelt City Council

November 3, 2009

Kelly's Got My Vote by Rick Ransom

I have known Kelly Ivy for a few years now since he started attending girls' softball games and helping with batting instruction.

That's how Kelly is – he helps where he sees a need. He is honest and direct to a fault and will often confront others where he senses insincerity or untruths.

Like me, a key word for Kelly is FAIR and he likes to level the playing field.

He has done much for the city because he will relentlessly pursue action where it is needed.

Kelly is a person who will fight for what he believes in and has a good vision for Greenbelt at its best.

He's got my vote.

Why I'm Voting For Kelly by Ruth Kastner

Kelly is a longtime Greenbelt resident who has already demonstrated his commitment to public service by running two energetic City Council campaigns.

Kelly genuinely cares about his fellow Greenbelt residents, is a good listener, and while he keeps an open mind about issues, when he makes up his mind he will let you know very clearly where he stands.

I have the utmost respect for Kelly's integrity. In conversations with him I have always felt that he is genuinely interested in my point of view even if he may not necessarily agree with it.

He believes strongly in open government that communicates straightforwardly with citizens about its decision-making processes.

I believe that he will provide an independent view and an informed, yet common sense, approach to city governance that focuses on the long-term wellbeing of all residents.

Vote Kelly Ivy!

by John Henry & Elaine Jones

Kelly Ivy could wear a chest full of campaign buttons – "salt of the earth," "common horse sense," "grassroots," "I love Greenbelt," "heart of gold," – but he will not, because he believes actions speak louder than words. His hard work is never about Kelly, but helping others while serving our community.

Kelly's answers to questions at forums and in the News Review have been succinct, refreshing, and to the point. Totally unpretentious, he is truly his own person – an independent thinker who learns by listening, treating everyone he encounters with respect.

This man deserves to reap what he has sown, to keep Greenbelt growing greater. Vote for the POSITIVE DIFFERENCE unselfish commitment will make for years to come –

Vote Kelly Ivy

By authority of the candidate



Greenbelt Community Questionnaire 2009

At election time, residents are asked to take a few minutes to complete the following questionnaire. The information obtained will be useful to the newly elected City Council and City staff. Your confidential responses will be consolidated in a report for general distribution. If a question is not applicable, please leave it blank. Please place completed questionnaires in the box provided at the polling location or send it to the City Office at 25 Crescent Road, Greenbelt, Maryland 20770. OR...YOU MAY GO TO WWW.GREENBELTMD.GOV AND FILL IT OUT ON LINE...NO MAILING REQUIRED

GENERAL INFORMATION	Snow Removal	Using the same scale, please rate the	PUBLIC INFORMATION
1. Residency:	Park Maintenance	Prince George's School System overall.	1. Please rate your satisfaction with
Apartment Townhouse	Horticulture/Planting Trash/Recycle Pick-up		Greenbelt's efforts to publicize and
GHI Condominium	Fireworks Display	2. What do you think are the important	broadcast official information and City
Detached Single Family Home	Drop-off Recycling	issues facing our schools? (Please rank	events? (5=Excellent, 4=Good,
2. Do you? Own Rent	Building Maintenance	in priority order 1-7; 1=top preference) Moving towards Pre-K-8 rather	3=Average, 2=Fair, 1=Poor)
	Greenbelt Connection	than separate Elementary &	2. Have you visited the City's website at
3. Age: 18-29 61-74	Crosswalks	Middle Schools	www.greenbeltmd.gov?
30-4475+	2. If you have contacted Public Works	Transportation to School	Yes No
45-60	in the last 2 years, was the employee	Funding No Child Left Behind Act	3. Is the information on the website use-
4. How many years have you lived in	polite and courteous? YesNo	No Child Left Behind Act Teacher Certification	ful? Yes No
Greenbelt?	RECYCLING	School Choice (magnet & charter	4. Have you used the video streaming/
Less than 1 year	1120102110	schools) vs. neighborhood	on-demand section of the City website_
1-5 yrs6-10 yrs	1. Do you routinely recycle?	schools	Yes No
11-20 yrs 21-30 yrs.	YesNo	Other (Please specify)	5. Are you able to tune in to Greenbelt
More than 30 yrs.	If no, why?	RECREATION	Municipal Access Comcast Channel 71
5. Employment Status (Please check all	2. If you had a larger recycling bin,	1. Please rate your satisfaction with any	or Verizon Channel 21?
that apply.)	would you recycle more?Yes	facilities which you or your family have	Yes No
Full-Time Part-Time Unemployed Retired	NoNot Sure	attended: (5=Excellent, 4=Good, 3=Av-	6. Have you watched any of the pro-
Stay at home parent	GREENBELT CARES	erage, 2=Fair, 1=Poor)	gramming, including Council meetings
Work from home	/SOCIAL SERVICES	Aquatic & Fitness Center	offered on this channel over the past 2 years? Yes No
(Whose do see such 9		Athletic Fields	•
6. Where do you work? Greenbelt	1. Have you or any of your family uti-	Community Center Dog Park	7. How would you prefer to receive
Prince George's County	lized any of the	Springhill Lake Rec. Center	information about City programs and services? (Please rank in priority order
Baltimore	following services in the last 2 years?	Skate Park	1-8; 1=top preference)
Washington, D.C.	Yes No	Youth Center	Cable TV
Montgomery County	2. If so, please rate your satisfaction	Parks/trails	Direct mail
Other	with them. (5=Excellent, 4=Good,	2. Please rate your satisfaction with any	City Newsletter
7. How do you typically get to and from	3=Average, 2=Fair, 1=Poor)	activities which you or your family have	City Website Greenbelt News Review
work?	Counseling (individual, family or group)	attended: (5=Excellent, 4=Good, 3=Average, 2=Fair, 1=Poor)	Posters & fliers
Personal Automobile MetroBus	Crisis Intervention Counseling	Fitness classes	E-mail notifications
Metrobus Carpool/Vanpool	Tutoring	Pre-School classes	Facebook
TheBus	Discussion Groups in School	Youth/Adult classes	Other
Metrorail	Job Bank	Camp programs	CITY SERVICES & TAXES
MARC	Babysitting Workshop GED Program	Visual Art programs	
Bicycling/Walking	Assistance in Living (GAIL)	Senior programs Performing Art programs	1. How do you rate the value of City
Telecommute	Program	Aquatics programs	services and programs for your tax
PUBLIC SAFETY	3. If you plan to remain in your home as	Special Events (Fall Fest, Festival	dollars? (5=Excellent, 4=Good,
	you age, which of the following would	of Lights, Celebration of Spring, etc.)	3=Average, 2=Fair, 1=Poor)
1. Please rate your satisfaction over the	you require:	Other (Please Specify):	
last 2 years with the following services. (5=Excellent, 4=Good, 3=Average,	Online Advice & Support		2. The City has limited ability to raise
2=Fair, 1=Poor)	Home Modifications	3. Please check any programs which	revenues other than through property
Police Presence	Activities for Homebound1st Floor Bathroom	you or a member of your household are	taxes or fees. In light of this fact, would you support a tax rate increase in order
Police Responsiveness	Other:	likely to attend within the next 2 years. (Check all that apply)	to:
Dispatcher Responsiveness		Pre-school activities	Maintain current City services/programs
Overall Police Performance Overall Police Employee	4. How soon would you need these services?	Children's afterschool activities	YesNo
Competence	Now 1-3 Years 4-7 Years	Children's weekend activities	Increase City services/programs
Police Attitude & Behavior	8+ Years	Children's drop-in activities	YesNo provide fair compensation to employees
Towards Citizens		Home school/school enrichment activities	Yes No
Traffic Control	COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT/	Family recreation activities	
Animal Control Fire & Rescue	CODE ENFORCEMENT	– weekends	3. In general, should City services be
Parking Enforcement	Have you had personal contact with	Drop-in activities	(choose one):
	CommunityDevelopment/Code	Adult classes or leagues	Kept at the same level Reduced Increased
2. Do you have any concern about safety and security within Greenbelt? If so,	Enforcement Dept. in the last 2 years?	Senior activities	
please list:	YesNo	Special events (Artful Afternoons, Greenbelt New Year, etc.)	4. If the City had to reduce services/programs, which ones would you suggest
	2. Was the Community Development/		grams, which ones would you suggest and why?
	Code Enforcement employee polite and	GREENBELT MUSEUM	GENERAL COMMENTS
2 If you have any avacation - fi	courteous?YesNo	1. Have you or a member of your house-	— GENERAL COMMENTS
3. If you have any suggestions for improving police services, please list them		hold attended a museum activity in the past 2 years?	4.5
under General Comments #3.	3. Did the Community Development/	Yes No	1. Describe what you like most about the
4. If you have contacted Police Dept. in	Code Enforcement employee assist you satisfactorily? YesNo	ELECTION OUTREACH	Greenbelt Community.
the last 2 years, was the employee polite	105	- ELECTION OUTREACH	
and courteous?YesNo	EDUCATION	Which of the following methods pro-	
5. Did the police employee assist you		vided useful information about the City	
satisfactorily?	1. If you have school age children, please	Election? (Please check all that apply) City Newsletter	
YesNo	rate the schools currently attended. (5=Excellent, 4=Good, 3=Average,	City Newsletter Sample Ballots	2. Describe what you like least about th
Don't Know	2=Fair, 1=Poor)	Candidate Forums	Greenbelt Community.
PUBLIC WORKS	Greenbelt Elementary	City Website	
	Springhill Lake Elementary	News Review Ads	
1. Please rate your satisfaction over the	Magnolia Elementary	Posters & fliers	
last 2 years with the following services. (5=Excellent, 4=Good, 3=Average,	St. Hugh School	Cable TV Channel Signs	
2=Fair, 1=Poor)	Turning Point Academy Greenbelt Middle School	Signs Other	3. Are there any improvements you
Streets/Sidewalks	Eleanor Roosevelt High School		would suggest for the City's services?
Street Cleaning	Home Schooling		
Street Lighting	Other		



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Crowley Cottage \$200	Shurfine Fresh \$ 125 Grade A	Deli Gourmet \$699 Roast Ib. Beef	Green's \$250	Swanson \$ 150	
Cheese Assorted 16 oz.	Eggs dozen	Cooper C.V. \$599 lb.	Cream Assorted 1.5-1.75 qt.	Dinners Assorted 6-9 oz.	
Health & Beauty	Seafood	Cheese	Natural & Gourmet	Bakery	
Advil Pain Reliever Assorted 24 pk.	Fresh Catch \$799 lb. Fillet	You're Invited Don't Miss Co-op's Annual Meeting	Kristian Regale \$ 329 Sparkling Fruit Juice Assorted 25.4 oz.	Fresh Store Baked Italian Bread loaf	
Old Spice \$250 Deodorant Antiperspirant Assorted 3-3.25 oz.	Baltimore Seafood Cakes 2.5 oz.	Saturday, November 7 10 am Multi-purpose Room Greenbelt Community Center	Hero Gourmet \$229 Fruit Preserves Assorted 12 oz.	Fresh Store Baked Large Farm Fresh Apple Pies 10 inch	
San Giorgio \$ 100	Chicken of the Sea 70¢	Grocery Bargains	Tide \$ 1 \cdot 099	Kellogg's \$ ¶ 99	

San Giorgio \$ 100 Spaghetti	Chicken of the Sea Chunk Light Tuna 5 oz.	Shurfine \$ 150 Apple Juice 64 oz.	Tide Value Size Liquid Laundry Detergent 100 oz.	Kellogg's Original Rice Krispies 9 oz.
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Police Blotter

Based on information released by the Greenbelt Police Department, http://www.greenbeltmd.gov/police/index.htm, link in left frame to "Weekly Report" or http://www.greenbeltmd.gov/police/weekly_report.pdf.

Dates and times are those when police were first contacted about incidents.

Carjack Attempt

October 18, 12:24 a.m., 6400 block Ivy Lane, a 19-year-old nonresident male was arrested and charged with attempted carjacking, attempted robbery and attempted armed robbery. A man sitting in his vehicle was approached and told to get out by another man holding an object that appeared to be a handgun. As the man exited his vehicle the suspect looked away and the victim then struck the suspect with his fist. With the assistance of a security officer the suspect was subdued, placed under arrest and released to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner.

Unattended Child

October 18, 2:55 p.m., Greenway Center. A 31-year-old non-resident female was arrested and charged on a criminal citation for leaving a child unattended. She was released pending trial.

Robbery

October 22, 9:17 p.m., 7500 block Ora Glen Drive. A man

using the ATM was approached from behind by another man displaying a dark-barreled gun, possibly a shotgun, demanding money. He took cash the man had on the counter, cash from his wallet and his iPhone. The robber then ran from the lobby, up Ora Glen Drive and across the street toward Greenbelt Road. He was described as a black, thin male, age unknown, 6'0", wearing a black hoodie, jeans and dark shoes.

Handgun

October 21, 7:33 p.m., 5800 block Cherrywood Terrace. A resident 16-year-old youth was arrested and charged on a juvenile petition for handgun on person and a concealed dangerous weapon. He was released to a parent pending action by the Department of Juvenile Services.

Concealed Knife

October 20, 6:09 p.m., Breezewood Court at Cherrywood Terrace. A 17-year-old resident youth was arrested for concealing a knife. He was investigated and released. The knife was placed into Greenbelt to 18, wearing rolled-up ski evidence. to 18 wearing rolled-up ski masks. One had shoulder-length

Burglaries

October 15, 10:28 a.m., 7700 block Ora Court. Miscellaneous jewelry was taken. It is unknown how the burglar(s) entered the residence.

October 16, 1:25 p.m., 7500 block Mandan Road. A Samsung television and Dell laptop were taken by unknown burglar(s) who used unknown means to damage the deadbolt lock on the front door and gain entry.

October 16, 5:40 p.m., 7800 block Hanover Parkway. Unknown person(s) used unknown means in an attempt to gain entry. The front door was bowed at the top and bottom and the deadbolt bent but entry was not gained.

October 17, 11:55 a.m., 5800 block Cherrywood Terrace. Two unknown males entered an apartment through a bedroom window and left through the front door. Cigarettes were taken. Witnesses described the burglars as two black males, ages 16

to 18, wearing rolled-up ski masks. One had shoulder-length dreadlocks, a dark complexion and was wearing a gray/black jacket and dark pants. The second male had a short, clean-cut haircut, medium complexion and was wearing a black jacket and dark pants.

October 17, 2:12 p.m., 5900 block Cherrywood Lane. An unknown male entered an apartment through a bedroom window and left through the front door, awakening the resident. Nothing appeared to have been taken. The burglar was described as a black male, age 18, 5'6", thin, with shoulder-length dreadlocks, wearing dark clothing.

October 18, 3:44 p.m., 6100 block Breezewood Drive. The doorknob to residence was damaged but entry was not gained.

October 22, 6:59 p.m., 9100 block Springhill Lane. Unknown person(s) attempted to break the bottom and top door locks to a residence but entry was not gained.

Theft

October 14, 9:30 a.m., Eleanor Roosevelt High School. A 14-year-old youth was arrested and charged with theft under \$100 after he was found to be in possession of a stolen credit card. He was charged on a juvenile petition and released to his grandfather pending action

by the Department of Juvenile Services.

Automotive Crime

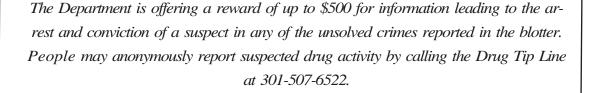
One automobile was stolen from the 7700 block Ora Court, a 1995 GMC Suburban, Maryland tags 02400M9.

There were nine thefts from autos: 9100 block Edmonston (GPS), Schrom Hills Park (GPS), 6900 block Hanover Parkway (HP laptop computer), 6600 block Lake Park Drive (emergency preparedness kit), 5900 block Cherrywood Lane (briefcase), 6200 block Springhill Lane (CD player), 6300 block Ivy Lane (catalytic converter), an area of Hillside Road (black wallet) and 6700 block Lake Park Drive (Kenmore car stereo).

License plates were stolen from Beltway Plaza (Maryland ARD474), 9100 block Edmonston Road (Maryland tags 2EYJ83) and 9100 block Edmonston Court (Maryland temporary tag 88385J).

Two incidents of vandalism occurred in the 8200 block Canning Terrace and 6200 block Springhill Court.

Three stolen automobiles were recovered with no arrests. In one of these cases a vehicle stolen on October 17 was located later the same day by the owner in Greenbelt near the Shell Food Mart on Cherrywood Lane. The vehicle was not damaged.





Expenses, Contributions Reported

by James Giese

All nine candidates seeking office on the Greenbelt City Council filed their second financial reports of campaign expenses on or before the October 23 deadline. This time the reports showed less divergence among the expenses rendered by the various candidates.

Rodney Roberts spent the most (\$1,414) and Silke Pope the least (\$75). Once again Emmett Jordan was the leading fund raiser with \$3,000 plus \$500 in inkind services. Three candidates – Kelly Ivy, Edward Putens and Che Sayles – reported receiving no additional contributions.

Although Che Sayles reported only \$745 in campaign expenses for the second report period covering September 20 to October 18, the total expenses he has reported for both periods – \$12,300 – continues to exceed the combined expenses of all other candidates. Included in that amount was \$5,200 for office rental, \$753 for office supplies, \$3,000 for printing flyers, \$752 for key chains, \$598 for automatic dialed messaging and \$500 for food and water for volunteers.

Of the other candidates, Edward Putens spent the most, at \$2,348, and Silke Pope the least at \$200.

Fund Raising

Jordan has been the most successful fund raiser with 21 Greenbelters and one resident of College Park plus six unidenti-

Vote Kelly Ivy!

Kelly Ivy could wear a chest full of campaign buttons – "salt of the earth," "common horse sense," "grassroots," "I love Greenbelt," "heart of gold," – but he will not, because he believes actions speak louder than words. His hard work is never about Kelly, but helping others while serving our community.

Kelly's answers to questions at forums and in the News Review have been succinct, refreshing, and to the point. Totally unpretentious, he is truly his own person – an independent thinker who learns by listening, treating everyone he encounters with respect.

This man deserves to reap what he has sown, to keep Greenbelt growing greater. Vote for the POSITIVE DIFFERENCE unselfish commitment will make for years to come – Vote Kelly Ivy

John Henry & Elaine Jones

By authority of the candidate

fied contributors of less than \$25 listed in the latest report. They join nine Greenbelters and one campaign fund of a local delegate previously reported. In the current report Jordan lists three \$200 contributions, one \$150 contribution and four \$100 contributions. He began the final weeks of the campaign with an unexpended balance of \$1,557.

Judith Davis reported more individual campaign contributors than Jordan and raised nearly as much money. She reported that 40 Greenbelters and eight nonresidents had given to her campaign during this reporting period. Adding the three contributors she had reported in the previous period brings the total number of individual contributions to 51.

One of these contributions was for \$400, one for \$200, four for \$100 each and the rest for lesser amounts. The total amount contributed by others to the Davis campaign was \$2,445. With a \$149 balance from previous campaigns and \$1,500 of her own money, her total campaign fund amounted to \$4,490, of which she has spent \$1,964, leaving a balance for the final period before election of \$2,515, more than any other candidate.

Common expenses for the candidates during the second reporting period were for the city's placement of campaign signs in various locations throughout Greenbelt (\$75), the purchase of signs, printing of brochures and advertising in the Greenbelt News Review.

Girl Scout Badge Workshop Offered

Earn the Girl Scouts Juniors Wildlife Badge through a workshop on Sunday, November 1 from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Get up close and personal with wildlife and their habitat while learning ways to protect and conserve them in this all-day workshop, which covers all requirements for this badge. This workshop is free; however, donations are greatly appreciated and can be donated through the Friends of Patuxent.

The workshop is held at the National Wildlife Visitor Center located off Powder Mill Road between the Baltimore/ Washington Parkway (Md. Rt. 295) and Md. Rt. 197.

For more information and registration details, call 301-497-5887.

Fall Bird Walk Saturday, Nov. 7

Take a free bird walk with the Prince Ge or ge's Audubon Society at the Fran Uhler Natural Area the first Saturday of every month.

Meet at 7:30 a.m. at the end of Lemon Bridge Road just north of Bowie State University for migrating and resident woodland and field birds, waterfowl and good chances to see raptor flyovers at this forested floodplain of the Patuxent River

This walk includes an option to also bird the nearby WB&A trail. The walk is for beginners and experts. Waterproof footwear and binoculars are suggested.

Call 410-765-6482 for more information.

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FRIENDS OF ED PUTENS Authority: John Winfrey, Treasurer



Drew McCarl and his mother Lisa.

Drew McCarl Is Named Maryland's "Hottest"

by Sue Krofchik

What a difference a day makes. Or in this case, three years. On December 2, 2006, lifeless and basically DOA following an accident that severed his left femoral artery, then rising like a phoenix. Now, October 12, 2009, being selected "The Hottest Bachelor for the State of Maryland" by Cosmopolitan magazine, featured in the November 2009 issue.

Drew McCarl, 24 years old, is one of 51 men representing each state and Washington, D.C., selected as the "hottest" bachelor for their respective state. When notified in April by the magazine that he had been selected to represent Maryland, "he didn't believe it. He thought it was a prank," said his father, Dr. Clayton S. McCarl, Jr., a third generation dentist of the McCarl Dental Group whose family has practiced dentistry in Greenbelt continuously since

All 51 winners were flown to New York City and featured live in a group appearance on the television show Today with Matt Lauer and Meredith Viera on October 12 in an outdoor segment that took place on the NBC plaza at One Rockefeller Center.

Winners were selected by Editor-in-Chief Kate White of Cosmopolitan. This past spring the winners met in New York and were taken to The Hamptons for a day of professional photo shoots and meetings with modeling agencies. "He didn't really like the modeling aspect of the competition and he held himself back somewhat," said his father. "His story is bigger than that."

Drew was nominated by his sister, Ashley, a senior at Vanderbilt University. She recounted how their family was devastated three years ago when the 2 a.m. call came alerting them that Drew was lifeless and basically DOA at Albert Einstein Trauma Center in Philadelphia following an accident that severed his left femoral artery. He received 15 units of blood to restore vital signs. Following emergency surgery to stabilize him, he was med-evac air-lifted to the Maryland Shock Trauma Center in Baltimore where he underwent eight more surgeries over a 34-day period and survived a 105.7 degree fever, numerous infections and other life-threatening complications.

After a strenuous rehabilitation program Drew returned to school at Mt. Saint Mary's University in Emmittsburg and graduated in 2008. He is now living in Annapolis, working as a technical recruiter.

Surviving his accident is only one part of the story Ashley included in her nomination. The other half is his role as spokesperson for the American Red Cross blood donation program. As a volunteer he helps with blood drives, gives in-person talks to groups and organizations, makes radio ads and gives interviews to the print media – all stressing the importance of blood donations. It was 15 pints donated by persons unknown to him that restored his vital signs that fateful day. Standing 6'5" he commands attention as a speaker and what he has to say is no tall tale.

Drew's mother Lisa McCarl "still gives thanks every day for the miracle we were given that our son is alive and living his life to the fullest."

Health Care Reform Panel Next Thursday

On Thursday, November 5 from 7 to 9 p.m. there will be a health care reform panel discussion at First United Methodist Church in Hyattsville, led by Pastor Michael Howes.

The other three panelists include Dr. Donald Shell, a physician in private practice before his recent appointment as director of the Prince George's County Health Department, who brings the perspective of a physician as well as knowledge of the state of health care in the county and recent budget cuts; Robert Francis, director for Domestic Policy in the Washington office of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, with a Christian perspective about health care reform; and Terry Gardiner, National Policy Director of the Small Business Majority who will talk about the impact of health care reform and health care costs on small businesses.

The panel discussion will be held in the chapel. First United Methodist Church is at 6201 Belcrest Road in Hyattsville. For more information call Howes at 301-927-6133 or Sara Henry at 301-249-8092.

Fall Blues Festival At Ritchie Coliseum

On Saturday, November 7 from 7 to 11:30 p.m. a fall blues festival will be held at Ritchie Coliseum, off Route 1. It is sponsored by the City of College Park Recreation Board. The College Park Arts Exchange will sponsor a button-making table where one can make an artsy



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Doctors Hospital Has New Visitor Rules

Doctors Community Hospital (DCH) has announced the following changes to its visitor policy to help protect patients and visitors during the flu season.

Visitors displaying flu-like symptoms will not be allowed to enter patient care units. Symptoms include: runny nose, cough and/or a fever higher than 100 degrees. Visiting hours are now restricted to noon to 8 p.m. Visitors under the age of 18 will not be permitted in patient care units except for visiting a family member in an end-of-life situation. These policies are subject to change as DCH continues to monitor the severity of the flu during the next several months.

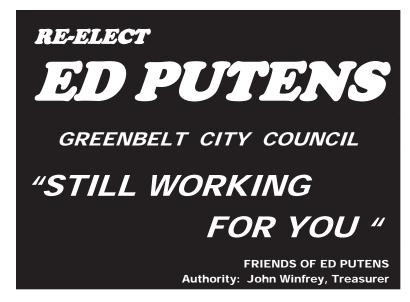
DCH encourages all visitors to cover their nose or mouth with a tissue or the inside of their elbow when sneezing or coughing and to wash their hands often, especially when entering and leaving a patient's room.

College Park Arts Hosts Lantern Fest

The College Park Arts Exchange will offer a Lantern Festival with Birgit Meade on Sunday, November 8 at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church at 3:30 p.m. A local volunteer will lead a traditional German celebration which involves making beautiful paper lanterns and culminates in an outdoor walk at twilight. Families will love this annual tradition. The free event is ideal for ages 3 and up. All children must be accompanied by

Registration is suggested for this event as space is limited. Email info@cpae.org or call 301-927-3013 for information.

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- Protecting Greenbelt's environment and the green belt
- Providing services while reducing the impact on those in
- Using partnerships to expand our resources
- Working with and keeping our county, state, and federal partners aware of Greenbelt's needs

... and Expanding the Possibilities I will

- Work to bring all areas of the city into one community.
- Carefully monitor development so it is good for Greenbelt.
- Open a new Greenbelt Middle School and use the historic portion of the school to provide social services.
- Work with citizens to improve access to public transportation, encourage bicycle use, and pedestrians.
- Begin cleaning Greenbelt Lake by addressing one of the sources of the problem at the Hillside/Greenhill stream.
- Renovate the movie theater to enhance the vitality of Roosevelt Center.
- Continue to ensure public safety through community policing, prevention programs, and partnerships.
- Respond to budget challenges by carefully evaluating services and using partnerships and grants to expand our resources while reducing the impact on those in need.

Contact me at 301-345-8105 or leta.council@verizon.net View my web site, http://web.me.com/letamach

By authority of Alla Lake, Treasurer

I Support SILKE POPE for Greenbelt City Council

A few years ago, I served on Greenbelt's Public Safety Advisory Committee with Silke Pope. I was greatly impressed, and very pleased, with her community outreach skills and volunteer spirit. At community meetings in Springhill Lake, Greenbelt East and Greenbelt Center, Silke listened to the concerns and complaints from the residents. She relayed those concerns and complaints to the City Council in person via the safety committee and through reports. Many of the safety improvements (cameras, bike patrols, etc) throughout the city are a direct result of her outreach to the residents and the committee's recommendations to the council. I believe that we, the residents of the city, need Silke to serve on the Council. Silke's spirit, compassion, concern, experience and skills are needed today. I ask that the voters please vote for Silke. I feel so strongly about this that I paid for this ad.

- James Thompson

Authority: Geneva Bonney, Treasurer

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Edward Putens
Rodney Roberts

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.

North Tract

The North Tract, located on Route 198 between the Baltimore-Washington Parkway and Route 32, is holding the following programs for all ages:

Fall Foliage, Tremendous Trees on Sunday, November 1 from 8:30 to 11 a.m. Join this guided walk and discover the colors of fall and identify trees. Camera, water and hat are recommended.

Bird Walk – Sunday, November 15 from 8:30 to 10 a.m.. Look and listen for fall migrants on this guided hike. Field guides and binoculars are recommended.

Night Hike – Sunday, November 15 from 4:30 to 6 p.m. Explore the refuge during twilight hours to look and listen for animals.

Visitor Center

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

Bird Walk – Wednesday, November 4 from 8 to 10:30 a.m. for ages 12+. Look and listen for fall migrants on this leisurely guided walk. Field guides and binoculars are recommended.

Nature Hike – Saturday, November 14 from 1 to 2:30 p.m. for ages 8 to 11. On this guided hike learn about the animals that live in this area and how they are preparing for the winter ahead.

Nature Tots: Furry Friends – Friday, November 6 from 10 to 11a.m. and 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. for ages 3 and 4. Why are some animals furry? How do these animals prepare for winter? Join in for a time of stories, songs and crafts and learn about furry friends.



Exhibit Fetes Fall In Asian Style

Through November 29 the National Bonsai & Penjing Museum Special Exhibits Wing of the U.S. National Arboretum will present an exhibit entitled "Autumn Arts of Nature" daily from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

This exhibit of traditional Asian arts of nature will show-case fall's vibrant colors and forms. Bonsai and Penjing in brilliant reds, oranges and yellows will be displayed along with chrysanthemum stones – stones in which minerals have formed chrysanthemum-like patterns. The free exhibit also includes unique potted arrangements of wild grasses and flowers called Kusamono and mums grown for their single, extraordinarily large blooms.

The Arboretum is at 3501 New York Avenue, NE, Washington, D.C. For more information call 201-245-2726 or visit www.usna.usda.gov.

2009 Greenbelt Precincts and Polling Places Northway by Lane Fields Precinct 6 Park **Police Station** recinct 8 **Springhill Lake** Recreation Center Buddy Precinct 3 Attick Community Park Center Greenbelt Road Precinct 13 Community Center Greenbelt 201 (National) Schrom Park Hills Park Precinct 18 For clarity, some parks and office **Turning Point** parks with no registered voters are not included in their respective Academy precincts. Not all roads are shown. by Tom Jones, tomgb@spril.com

AG Releases 10 Tips to Safeguard Identity

The Maryland Attorney General's Office has released the following 10 tips to help prevent identity theft:

- 1. Shred all documents containing personal information, such as bank account numbers or Social Security Numbers, instead of throwing them in the garbage or recycling bin.
- 2. Check your credit report. Under federal law Maryland residents are able to obtain a free copy of their credit reports twice a year, once from each of the three major credit bureaus by visiting www.annualcreditreport. com and once from each credit bureau under state law by contacting the bureaus at their toll-free numbers.
- 3. Never give out personal information to people, companies or organizations you don't know.
- 4. Look out for skimming devices attached to ATM machines that can be used to capture debit or credit card information.
- 5. Use a credit card instead of a debit card. While both types of cards offer protection against fraud, with a debit card, fraudulent charges will continue to be deducted from the account until the matter has been resolved.
- 6. Get a locking mailbox to prevent mail theft.
- 7. Opt out of junk mail and pre-screened credit card offers.

- 8. Place a credit freeze on your credit report. The "freeze" completely blocks the information on your credit report from new creditors. Most businesses won't open credit accounts without first checking credit history.
- 9. If you use the Internet, make sure virus protection is upto-date and use a secure wireless network.

10. Be wary of scams – they are sent by email, phone, text message or letters. If a deal sounds too good to be true, it probably is. Banks will not contact customers by email to alert them to a security problem with their account or ask account holders to provide personal information.

The Attorney General's Identity Theft Unit may be able to help Marylanders address some of the problems that identity theft causes, such as dealing with credit card companies or collection agencies. Victims can request an Identity Theft Passport, a tool that may help resolve financial issues caused by identity theft and may also help prevent a wrongful arrest if a thief uses personal identifying information during the commission of a crime.

For more information on identity theft call 410-576-6574 or visit the Attorney General's Identity Theft Unit online at www.oag.state.md.us/idtheft.

CPAE Presents Reading Series

The College Park Arts Exchange (CPAE) will present a diving board reading series with Active Cultures Theatre Readings of three new plays by local writers. It will be held on November 6 and 7 at the Old Parish House, 4711 Knox Road, College Park.

The Sisters of Ellery Hollow, a tall tale by Stephen Spotswood will be read on Friday, November 6 at 7:30 p.m. In a cabin in Ellery Hollow, Abby and Elsie, sisters, orphans and outcasts, weave the events of their colorful past into a fantastical tapestry of stories

Whitehill by Ben Kingsland will be read on Saturday, November 7 at 5 p.m. Everything was going fine until the cavemen showed up. Whitehill is an offbeat comedy set in suburban Maryland about overprotective fathers, suburban hunter-gatherers, philosophy and geese.

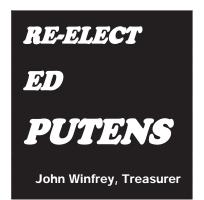
Foolish Fire by Kristin de Wolf is also to be read on Saturday, November 7 at 7:30 p.m. In suburban America (Northern Virginia), a realtor peddles an abandoned house and the American dream.

The readings are free and open to the public. For more about the authors visit the CPAE website at www.cpae.org. For more information email info@cpae.org or call 301-927-3013 to leave a message.

M-NCPPC Earns Re-Accreditation

The Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission (M-NCPPC) has again earned national accreditation for its parks and recreation programs and strong management. First accredited in 2004, M-NCPPC must be thoroughly reviewed every five years to ensure its continued compliance with national standards. The Commission for Accreditation of Park and Recreation Agencies announced that M-NCPPC is one of only 88 park and recreation organizations in the U.S. to reach this standard.

M-NCPPC operates local parks and recreation programs in Prince George's County, including Greenbelt. It also runs Montgomery County's park system and manages planning functions for both counties.





Nucleo Vega (left), April Stace and Posido Vega are the World Fusion group Harp 46.

Cool Teacher, Drummer Nucleo Releases Album

by Barbara Dickey Davis

46 celebrating the release of

"Entanglement" live at the New

Deal Café free in Greenbelt on

Saturday, November 7 from 8 to

about the group at www.harp46.

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More information is available

Barbara Dickey Davis is a city

As a kid you probably did not think about your teachers having a life outside of school. Except, perhaps, if you had a very cool music teacher. Nucleo Vega's students might not be surprised to learn that he is releasing his fourth album with the world fusion band Harp 46.

Vega, who lives in Greenbelt, began playing cello at the age of 8 and first picked up drums at 10. In high school he and his brother, bassist Posido Vega, played in numerous bands. Nucleo has released two books with music publisher Mel Bay, "Understanding Groove for Drum Set" (nominated for Best Drum Book of the Year 2006 by Modern Drumer Magazine) and "Paradiddles Redefined" (2009).

Shortly after graduating from the University of Maryland, Nucleo received the First Year Secondary School Educator Award for Howard County. He currently directs a concert band at William Wirt Middle School. "I teach the students but they also teach me," he says. "Especially because my school is so diverse, I'm always hearing different approaches to music from different cultures and my students inspire me to integrate it into my own playing."

Experimental Jazz Trio

Nucleo met April Stace, a jazz harpist studying harp performance at UMD, in 1997. Her practice studio was just across the hall from his. The two became friends and this led to the beginning of the experimental jazz trio, Harp 46, along with Posido. The group is an unconventional trio of harp, African drums and electric bass.

Their World Fusion style combines Celtic, African and jazz traditions, with nods to classical and rock. Their sound both respects and transcends their complex roots.

"Entanglement," Harp 46's fourth album, adds Middle Eastern flavors, violin and Appalachian influences including Nucleo on dulcimer. The result is music that rewards attention, a Zen of calm overlaying a full range of emotion and a complexity of sources. It is perfect for relaxing and may well revive the tradition of simply sitting and listening to music.

New Deal Café

People can sit and relax with their friends, listening to cool teacher Nucleo Vega and Harp PGCPS Recognized For Digital Videos

The Prince George's Count

The Prince George's County Public Schools (PGCPS) have been recognized by Discover Education for an important technological milestone – a million digital educational videos viewed.

PGCPS is one of only a handful of school systems in the nation and the first school system in Maryland to reach this milestone. This week a certificate was presented by Silver Springbased Discovery Education, an affiliate of the Discovery Channel, to Superintendent William R. Hite, Jr. and Verjeana McCotter-Jacobs, chair of the Board of Education to commemorate the accomplishment.

Hite responded to the award by reiterating PGCPS' strong commitment to engaging today's tech-savvy students by integrating digital content and educational technologies into the existing curriculum. At the award presentation teachers also presented lessons demonstrating best practices and the latest techniques in applying educational technologies and digital content to classroom lessons. **Creating Jobs In the County**

Senators Barbara Mikulski and Benjamin L. Cardin and Representatives Steny H. Hoyer, Chris Van Hollen and Donna Edwards held a recent conference in Prince George's County to talk about how the federal Recovery Act is working to create jobs and invest in critical priorities. Preliminary reporting information shows that, to date, county jurisdictions, businesses and federal facilities have been awarded at least \$400 million in Recovery funds, which have gone to projects investing in transportation, clean water, education, workforce development, public safety and housing.

"The Recovery Act is helping to create jobs, provide relief to families, and invest in key priorities in Prince George's County and our state," said Hoyer. "While there is still more progress to be made, particularly in terms of hiring, the Recovery Act has succeeded in staving off a sustained recession and is working to rebuild our economy and put people back to work," he said.

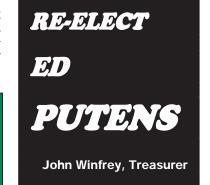
Gizmos and Gadgets Exhibit at Montpelier

Sunday, November 1 through Monday, November 30 see Montpelier Mansion filled with all sorts of gizmos, gadgets, thingamajigs and whatchamacallits and figure out "what is it?"

Parents and grandparents may see things they've long since forgotten or scratch heads in puzzlement at something kids know all about. Kids gain a whole new appreciation for iPods and Facebook after seeing 8-track cassette players and typewriters. This promises to be a fun journey of discovery for the whole family.

Montpelier Mansion is located at 9650 Muirkirk Road (Muirkirk Road at Route 197) in Laurel.

For more information call 301-377-7817, TTY 301-699-2544 or visit the website at www.pgparks.com.



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For example, crime and public safety are issues that are on many peoples minds. Last week, my candidacy was endorsed by the **Greenbelt Fraternal Order of Police.**

"I will support efforts undertaken by the Police to prevent crime through better communication and increased visability. I am committed to making our city safe for people to walk and bicycle in Greenbelt".

My Background

I have worked to build a stronger Greenbelt through various organizations, including the City's Advisory Planning Board, the Roosevelt Democratic Club, Greenbriar Condominiums Association, and the Greenbelt Community Foundation. I have been a leader in recreation programs through the Greenbelt Tennis Association. I have lived in Greenbelt for the past 10 years.

My 25 years of experience in fund raising and marketing with non-profit organizations should be helpful to the city during these tough economic times.

I am listed # 8 on the ballot. Please consider casting one of your votes for me.



County Councilmember Ingrid Turner presents a Prince George's County check for \$2,000 to Greenbelt Community Foundation Cochairs Sylvia Lewis and Emmett Jordan.

Tea Brings Crowd, \$2K Gift

by Mary Lou Williamson

Close to 100 Greenbelters attended the Greenbelt Foundation's Afternoon Tea Sunday, October 18 at the Greenbelt Marriott. The tea was billed as a "bridge between the needs of the community and caring

After opening remarks by the foundation's Co-chair Sylvia Lewis and some "reflections on community" by Rev. Dan Hamlin, Rosemary Pezzuto was recognized by the Foundation for "making a difference." Twice awarded a foundation grant, Pezzuto, CEO of CampFire USA, spoke of the opportunity she has found at Empirian Village. She explained her organization's mission is to

build strong families. "We are looking at the needs in their community that are not being met," she said. Her desire is to work with Empirian Village representatives.

County Councilmember Ingrid Turner presented a check to the Foundation from the Prince George's County Council for \$2,000.

Eleanor Roosevelt High School music students performed at the event. Nirvan Sengupta on vibraphone and Nneka Lyn, vocalist, provided entertainment as guests helped themselves to tea, sandwiches and desserts.

The food and banquet room were largely underwritten by the Marriott Hotel.

Community Events

November Is Recycling Month

By proclamation on October 26, Greenbelt Mayor Judith Davis has declared November 2009 to be America Recycles Month in Greenbelt. The theme of the national America Recycles Day on November 15 is "It All Comes Back to You." Greenbelt will celebrate all month with many events.

The proclamation notes that Americans generate more than 4.5 pounds per person per day of municipal solid waste. The national overall recycling rate is 33 percent; in Greenbelt the rate is 53 percent and the proclamation expresses hope to improve these figures. It also hopes to focus attention on the importance of building consumer demand for recycled products and encourages people to renew their pledge to reuse and recycle more and to support recycled products.

At the city council's last meeting Davis presented the proclamation to Greenbelt Recycling Coordinator Luisa Robles who accepted it on behalf of the Greenbelt Advisory Committee on Environmental Sustainability.

New Deal Café Upcoming Events

Open microphone night will be held at the New Deal Café as usual on Thursday night, October 29 from 7 to 9 p.m., with music, poetry and prose.

Friends of Alan Turnbull and fans of good rockin' mostly acoustic music are invited to hear his band Long Time Coming on Friday, October 30 from 8 to 11 p.m. As a regular Friday and Saturday appetizer, Piano Man John Guernsey plays jazz and blues from 6:30 to 8 p.m.

Café Halloween

The Galt Line duo will play from 8 to 11 p.m. on Halloween, Saturday, October 31 with a chance for everyone to dance their socks off.

On Sunday, November 1 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Jim Stimson brings back the 1500s with his replica lutes (first and fourth Sundays monthly). The Lonesome Pine Bluegrass Band takes over with bluegrass and country tunes from 5 to 8 p.m.

Cypress Trio will use Cajun spice to launch their music from 7 to 9 p.m. on Tuesday, November 3.

Wednesday, November 4 Blue Dog's Bluesy Rock will be featured from 7 to 9 p.m.

Next Weekend

Friday evening, November 6 from 8 to 11 p.m. the Café swings to Washington's hottest gypsy jazz group, the Hot Club

On Saturday, November 7 from 1 to 2:45 p.m., Steve Pollack will play the guitar; Bruce Kritt, the "Wunderboy" of classical guitar follows from 4 to 6 p.m. (every Saturday). The CD release party for Harpist April Vega ("Harp 46") from 8 to 11 p.m. will be fusing harp and

Sunday, November 8 brings a change of pace with Americana Folk music by Jack Couldn't Make It from 5 to 8 p.m.

All events are free. For more information visit the Café website at www.newdealcafe.com or call Chef Karim Kmaiha at 301-474-

Eleanor Roosevelt Holds Fall Concert

The Fall Concert at Eleanor Roosevelt High School is scheduled for Friday, November 13 at 7:30 p.m. The Concert will feature the Chamber Orchestra, High School are free and open to the Wind Ensemble, the Concert Band I, and the Concert and Men's Choirs. Students in

the ERHS band, orchestra and choir programs are from all over northern Prince George's County. Concerts at Eleanor Roosevelt the public. The school is located at 7601 Hanover Parkway in Greenbelt.

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Hallway in Janice Chiddo's basement showing how soggy her pink carpets got.

added to the stress and confusion. "They were tearing us neighbors apart!" he shouted during a candid follow-up meeting on October 7 at the Greenbelt Community Center.

Williams presented a number of 8 x 11 photographs as evidence of the water damage and subsequent ooze. "My basement was completely under water," he said of the controversy. "And they said they weren't responsible." As the photos circulated around the makeshift conference table, the reality hit home as councilmembers, public works experts and a cast of WSSC representatives reviewed the inescapable mess.

"I'm not exactly sure what the WSSC inspectors were looking at," said Chiddo in explaining the lack of concern or care for the neighbors involved. Like Williams, Chiddo was armed with her own set of photos of water-logged carpets and soiled property. "And I'm not going away until we have some kind of restitution for all of this mess," she added.

Confusion

In response, Customer Care Chief Rudy Chow apologized for the subsequent confusion over the matter, along with his own fractured defense for the response of his WSSC staff. "We can't really explain what happened here," said Chow, pointing to a color-coded graphic and depictions of the pipes in question. In short, according to Chow, the Mathew Street inspectors couldn't conclude the exact source of the problem – despite ongoing tests and system evaluations.

While the October 7 resolution was slow in coming - 145 days after the initial May complaints the WSSC had policies to follow which included offering Williams \$10,300 in damages (only hours prior to the October 7 meeting) and nothing for Chiddo.

According to WSSC policy, the firm cannot compensate customers who have previously "engaged" with their own homeowners insurance. In other words, 'zippo' for Chiddo. In fact, Chiddo was the big loser – paying a \$1,000 deductible for contacting her insurance company, while Williams was offered compensation for all damages. To this, Councilmember Edward Putens posed the question to Chow of the WSSC: "Would you want your family to be put through all of this?" he asked.

Still Not Sure

Another WSSC representative, who up until that point hadn't uttered a word, responded: "Yes, but we're still not sure of what exactly caused the-

"There's something wrong with your system!" Putens shot back. Apparently this wasn't the first time Mathew Street homes smelled

A fuming Putens put Chow on the spot. "Everything here happened at the same time - the exact same time," he said of the May 15 incident. "So don't get me into court, because I can prove it." With that, Chow and the WSSC blinked, offering Chiddo a \$1,000 reimbursement for the deductible she paid to Liberty Mutual.

Following the heated exchange and settlement, WSSC director of community relations Jim Neustadt again emphasized the commission's commitment to quality customer care service and recent additions made to their own customer care team. Meanwhile, last Thursday 159 days following Chiddo's initial complaint - she received that \$1,000 check courtesy of the WSSC.

"Were it not for the councilman, I'm almost certain there would have been no compensation," concluded Chiddo in a follow up interview. "I just wanted someone to communicate with me, to not leave me hanging . . . was that too much to ask?"

Gingerbread House **Contest for Bakers**

Get ready to pre-heat the oven, pull out the cookie sheet and pastry bag and enter the 10th Annual Gingerbread House Contest and Show sponsored by Darnall's Chance House Museum. The contest is divided into two categories, adult and child (ages 8 to 16). Judges will award ribbons for first, second and third place and honorable mention in each category. Ribbons for the most creative will also be presented. The Viewer's Choice Awards, which are given to one adult and one child entry, will be selected by viewer voting and each winning entry will receive a \$250 gift card.

Entry forms and a registration fee are due by Friday, November 6. Gingerbread houses must be delivered to Darnall's Chance House Museum, 14800 Governor Oden Bowie Drive, Upper Marlboro on Sunday, November 22 between noon and 4 p.m. Houses will remain on display until December 13. To receive an entry form, call 301-952-8010, TTY 301-3402 or go to www.pgparks.com.



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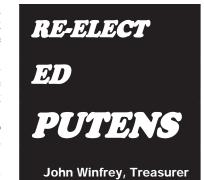
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✓ We rise to a challenge through joint efforts of citizens motivated by a common concern for the well being of the community.

✓ We do this even when the odds are against us.

✓ We are a community where every person can propose ideas, volunteer and enjoy community support.

✓ Greenbelt, at its best, is a community which calls on community spirit to take steps to bring us closer together. That connection enriches us as individual citizens, and makes us a stronger community.

We are enriched by our diversity, but even more by our efforts to be a more inclusive community as part of an ongoing commitment. We stay connected, as one community, regardless of age, race or financial status.



Konrad and Donald Martin discuss Schrom Hills Park events and activities. Photo by Bill Cornett.



Konrad and Anna Socrates use busses and encourage transportation planning. Photo by Marjorie Martin

Greenbelt, at its best, works together to connect our people with where we need to go, without having to rely on a personal vehicle.

✓ Greenbelters, always strive to improve the quality of our environment, where we have faith in the future and see that bold steps are what links our proud heritage to an exciting future. Whether discussing advanced

housing concepts at the Solar Homes Exhibits on the Mall with Judy and Paul Cocchairo and Paul Smith or inspecting solar panels in Lakeside, Konrad believes Greenbelt should explore new opportunities by creating an environmental research zone.



Konrad supports Green jobs for Greenbelt. Photo- by Tyler Siegel



Konrad believes in sustainable, responsible growth for Greenbelt. Photo- by Beau Finley

We are connected by rich, and unique personal Greenbelt histories, and as a community by an extraordinary American history. We are connected also by a vision of a functioning community strengthened by the participation, cooperation, and inclusion of all our citizens.

√ Vote # 9 on the ballot, November 3rd.

Thanks very much for the chance to serve you. I hope to have your continued support.