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Council Reviewing Budget Requests From Various City Organizations

by Mary Moien

On May 4 the City Council met with representatives from each of the city contribution groups, those that receive partial funding from the city. This meeting was to gain input into group activities before the city council passes the Fiscal Year 2012 budget which goes into effect on July 1. Each group had already submitted a written budget request and information regarding current and future group activities. The Park and Recreation Advisory Board (PRAB) had already reviewed the applications and provided comments to the council.

There was some general conversation that preceded the meeting including a discussion of the amount of detail that should be required before a group is allowed to purchase team uniforms or equipment. It was also mentioned that all sport team volunteers must now undergo background checks. Mayor Judith Davis stated that the groups had requested about \$1,000 more than was currently in the proposed budget and money would need to be added if all requests were to be met. Most groups asked for the same amount of funding as in the current year; one group was new.

Only information was gathered at the meeting; no council decisions were made. A dozen groups made presentations before the board, starting with the Greenbelt Golden Age Club at about 7:40 p.m. and finishing up with the Greenbelt Concert Band after 11.

Golden Age Club

Cathy Brannan represented the Golden Age Club. Brannan mentioned that the council last year had recommended that the club's annual luncheon be held at a Greenbelt location and this year it was held at the Hilton Garden Inn. The yard sale brought in \$500 and the club donated \$500 to the kids' camps.

Davis mentioned that the Golden Age budget is found under Therapeutic Activities and that local trips taken are organized by Karen Haseley. The city pays part of the bus cost but members pay for the activity itself. Most members of any groups should be Greenbelters. In the case of the Golden Age Club, all members are city residents or former residents.

Greenbelt Baseball

Emily Sullivan, treasurer of Greenbelt Baseball, stated that they are seeking the same funding as previous years. Davis commented that the group had not filled out the section of the form on benefit to the city. Sullivan replied that everyone involved grew up in the city, the kids and

See **GROUPS**, page 6

Quarterly Transit Update Reveals Some Issues Remain for City Riders

by Jonathan Taylor

Recent changes to Greenbelt bus routes moved closer to receiving the city council's unconditional support at an April 28 worksession. However, the Quarterly Transit Update - which council received at the session pointed to several continued concerns. These included the timed transfer point at Crescent Road and Gardenway, the complaint system at TheBus, reductions in the span of service on some Saturday routes and a delay in the distribution of new bus schedules.

Representatives from the county's Department of Public Works and Larry Glick of WMATA,

& Transportation (DPWT), the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA), Transit Riders United of Greenbelt (TRU-G) and the city's Department of Planning and Community Development (DPCD) discussed the route changes before a full council, which, through a November 8, 2010, letter to DPWT, is withholding unconditional support for the new routes until council's conditions are met.

"We're going to hold you to them," Mayor Judith Davis told representatives James Hamre which operates Metrobus, and Carl Schuettler from DPWT, which operates TheBus.

The city has 12 short-term and four long-term conditions of support, according to a document prepared by DPCD for the

In the short-term, the city wants WMATA and DPWT (1) to develop a list of bus performance measures to be reviewed with the city and TRU-G on a quarterly basis, (2) to maintain the existing span of service on all new routes and (3) to evaluate the impact of eliminating early morning bus service on the Route G14/16 into Beltway Plaza and restoring it if justified.

City's Requests

Other conditions on the city's list include: (4) to evaluate ridership patterns for the NASA South Gate, providing direct service if justified; (5) to work with city, county and state authorities to ensure that all new bus stops and pedestrian routes are accessible and safe. The city also urges the transit agencies (6) to develop an early notification process providing ample time for the public to receive information on bus service changes, (7) to develop a comprehensive marketing and education campaign for Greenbelt bus services and (8) to preserve the new bus routes for at least 18 months, making necessary changes

GHI Plans Annual Meeting, Elections for May 18-19

Greenbelt Homes, Inc. (GHI) has scheduled its 2011 annual meeting for Wednesday, May 18 in the gymnasium of the Greenbelt Community Center. Doors will open for registration at 7 p.m., with the meeting starting at 7:30. Immediately following the meeting's recess, voting will begin to elect members of the Board of Directors and the Audit Committee. Voting will continue in the board room at the GHI office on Thursday, May 19 from 7 to 10 a.m. and 5 to 8 p.m.

Agenda Topics

Under "Old Business" a number of amendments are proposed by the Bylaws Committee in lieu of several deferred at the 2010 meeting. The first change attempts to clarify the meaning of joint memberships and the status of joint members.

which engendered considerable discussion and disagreement last year, provides that only one member from a unit may hold an elected office at a time.

A third amendment would extend segments of the election period by a specific number of days. This amendment replaces last year's proposal of the Nominations and Elections Committee to define the election schedule on the basis of working/business days rather than calendar days.

A fourth amendment, unrelated to any changes proposed at the 2010 meeting, would change the system of voting from a plurality to a majority system. The stated goal was to prohibit election of unqualified candidates in situations where there were not more candidates than open seats.

The second proposed change, See **GHI MEETING**, page 12

How Does Your Market Grow? It's a Local Story

by Lynne Chandler

When organizers first began planning the Greenbelt Farmers Market in 2008, they felt lucky to have five solid vendors. Then, with less than two weeks to go before opening day, more vendors kept signing on.

The final tally on the big day was 17 vendors. Over the next two seasons, the vendor total has hovered around 20. As some original vendors have departed, new vendors have joined.

Both the size of the market and the quality of the vendors is testament to the hard work put in by the market's five-person board of directors and its many volunteers. Work on the market goes on year round, with the See MARKET, page 7

board and volunteers meeting throughout the winter to research new vendors and to tackle issues surrounding health department permitting, insurance costs, advertising and fundraising.

"People are always asking me, why does the market need money? They don't realize that, while the vendors do pay an annual fee, the market board is still responsible for a lot of fixed costs," says market co-founder Kim Rush Lynch.

One of the main responsibilities of the market board, and one of its largest costs, is direct advertising for its support. While

GMS Task Force Holds Hearing on Building Use

by James Giese

The Greenbelt Middle School (GMS) Task Force will hold its last public hearing on Thursday, May 19 at the Springhill Lake Elementary School from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. The task force has been charged by the Greenbelt City Council to develop ideas and concepts for the re-utilization of the present Greenbelt Middle School building.

Currently the Prince George's Board of Education is constructing a new middle school building on the same property at a location fronting on Breezewood Drive. That construction requires utilization of part of the adjacent school bus facility for new athletic fields. The plan is to extend the school bus parking area eastward up to the existing school building. The school board planned to tear down all but the historic part of the existing school building and spend \$6,000,000 on rehabilitation of what remains. If done, that would destroy the greater part of the existing building including its 1953 addition of a gymnasium. Although there have not been known official pronouncements, apparently the school board is willing to do some other alternative to teardown or no teardown.

Prior to the re-utilization of Greenbelt Center School a task

See USE OF GMS, page 12

Saturday, May 14

9 a.m. to noon, Donation Drop-off – Parking Lot, Municipal

10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Public Works Annual Plant Sale, Municipal **Building Parking Lot**

What Goes On

Monday, May 16

7:30 p.m., Council Budget Worksession with Green Ridge House at Green Ridge House

9:30 p.m., Council Worksession on Proposal to Refinance Debt, Municipal Building

Wednesday, May 18

7:30 p.m., Advisory Planning Board Meeting, Community Center 7:30 p.m., Greenbelt Homes, Inc. Annual Meeting, Community Center

Thursday, May 19

7:30 to 9:30 p.m., Public Hearing Greenbelt Middle School Task Force to Develop Ideas and Concepts for Utilitarian Uses of Middle School, SHL Elementary School

Saturday, May 21, Take the Kids to Parks Day, Buddy Attick Park or Schrom Hills Park

See TRANSIT, page 6

Letters

Thanks Jim McChesney For Green Man Festival

For seven years I have watched the Green Man Festival grow up in Greenbelt. We can all thank Jim McChesney, a Greenbelt resident (now deceased), who first shared a book about the Green Man with me. From illustrations, he designed this leafy Spirit of Nature in stained glass at the Greenbelt Community Center. And, before long, I, too, was captivated by this symbol of Man as part of Nature (not separate). Jim left us with this amazing festival which he never even had a chance to experience himself. Like so many of us, he loved those trees!

Jim knew the spirit of the Green Man shows up whenever small acts of kindness toward Mother Earth and her inhabitants happens. This ancient, green sage reminds us that what we do to Earth, we do to ourselves . . . that no one person acting alone will ever be as powerful as the many can be, to sustain life for those who are living and others yet to be born.

Besides acknowledging Jim, it's also important to thank the countless people who have contributed their time and efforts to bring the Green Man back on Mother's Day annually since 2005. The volunteers, vendors, musicians, New Deal Café staff and members, the Order of the Green Man Brothers, the News Review, Pathways Magazine, the Gazette, printers, editors, photographers, artists, potters, poets, Maypole dancers, Greenbelt Public Works, T-shirt designers, writers, environmental groups, politicians, book sellers, caterers, city employees, organic farmers, shop owners, companion animals, bountiful fields of wild flowers, blue skies, the wise, the old, the young and all other co-creators.

I am so lucky to live in such a beautiful place where we are richer in spirit because we work together to get things done . . . where the personal accomplishments of individuals aren't nearly as important as what we do together. Finally, thanks go to the Green Man for pointing out the really big important things that matter most!

Jean Newcomb

Wild Greenbelt – Sometimes an Inconvenience

by Patricia Heil

Actually, it's no surprise to any of the News Review readers that there is wildlife in Greenbelt. Our most famous squirrels get their pictures on page two almost every week with some of their funny remarks. I've seen white-tail deer in the heart of town. The surprise is when the animals do things you don't expect.

I spent a lot of time in March and early April chasing a rabbit out of my garden side so it would think twice about eating the vegetables I had just planted around the fence. I never knew rabbits were that stubborn. Squirrels, yes; rabbits, no. Then she dug a nest. I chased her off, stomped the mud down into it and put a bag of yard trash on top so she couldn't re-dig it.

Well, she stole a march on me. (March – hare – give it a minute.) Wednesday, April 27, about 7 at night I saw her in a red cedar planter where I grew beans and tomatoes last year. This year I hadn't laid down the compost in the planter yet but the fence beds were popping with stuff I wanted for myself. She not only didn't run, I got close enough to pick her up by the scruff of the neck. There were baby bunnies under her.

I put her down and kept an eye on her in case she decided to have a good meal after all. She cleaned herself up and left. I went out in the yard a few times every day after that, to plant or water or thin; I spent some time looking out the window to get a break from whatever I was doing. I didn't see hide nor hair of her after Wednesday.

Thursday I couldn't find the babies. The hole she dug to birth them was covered over with dried grass. She took them away, I thought, afraid the ugly human would bother them.

Sunday I filled the planter with compost. Sunday night the rabbit was back. She nursed, groomed herself and left. There was one baby bunny in the planter. Monday I called Animal Control and the officer came out to give me advice. We found babies hidden under the compost with fluff around them. The animal control officer says she's never known a rabbit to hide her young; the nest is usually

just a mound of dried grass.

First, they can't take them into care yet. Bunnies are lactose intolerant so the shelter can't feed them cow's milk. They need their mother's milk for a couple of weeks and then they're on their own.

All the babies are in one half of the planter. We discussed the option of planting the other half and letting the mother decide what to do about that. So far, of course, she has hung tough.

I was excited the day I saw the deer on Lakecrest Drive. I have fed birds for two winters now and plan to put up some nest boxes to make up for nesting sites lost when trees have come down recently. The rabbit – I'm just hoping she and the kids behave themselves so I don't start channeling Elmer Fudd. Ah, wild Greenbelt!

Late Breaking News

As of press time, the bunnies have been reported missing. The neighborhood cat is the suspected culprit. Mother bunny was seen moping around the yard and then split.

BCWWG Has Session On ICC Mitigations

On Tuesday, May 17 from 7 to 9 p.m. the Beaverdam Creek Watershed Watch Group (BC-WWG) will sponsor presentations by environmental engineers involved in Intercounty Connector (ICC) environmental mitigation projects in Prince George's County. The meeting, in the Multipurpose Room at the Greenbelt Community Center, will provide information about environmental issues in Greenbelt's back yard and feedback to project designers.

Space is limited; those wishing to attend are asked to RSVP Michel Cavigelli at michel.cavigelli@yahoo.com or 301-614-0691.

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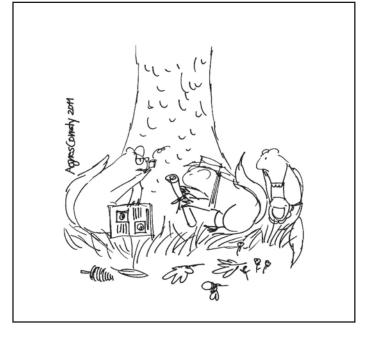
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"Hey, Dad, can I hang out here until you hire me in your acorn picking business?"

Dems Club Meets, Gets Legislative Report

The monthly meeting of the Eleanor and Franklin Roosevelt Democratic Club will be held at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, May 20 at the Greenbriar Terrace Room, 7600 Hanover Parkway. The annual Annapolis Report from District 22 representatives will be reported by speakers Senator Paul Pinsky and Delegates Tawanna Gaines, Justin Ross and Ann Healey. A question and answer session will follow their presentation.

All are welcome; light refreshments will be served.

Annual Picnic

Mark calendars: the annual picnic at Schrom Hills Park will be held on Saturday, June 11 from 4 to 7 p.m. Hot dogs and hamburgers are provided, with people asked to bring a salad or dessert to share. It is a casual, light-hearted occasion and with this being a city election year, it is probable some incumbents and hopefuls will be present for question. Tickets can be obtained at the picnic for the annual fundraiser to the Bowie Bay Sox game, which will be on Friday, June 24.

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Correction

In the ACE Educator Awards article in the April 21 issue, we misspelled the name of ACE Awardee Greenbelt Middle School Special Education Chair Alemnesh Allen. The News Review regrets the error.



Spring Migration Bird Walk

Join GHI Woodlands Committee naturalist Pete Blank on **Saturday May 14th from 8-10** a.m. for a spring migration bird walk. We'll be looking for migrants such as vireos, warblers, flycatchers, thrushes, and more. Meet at the Northway fields.

Bring binoculars if you have them. Email Pete at <u>blankpj@gmail.com</u> with questions or for more details.

Community Events

Soccer Alliance Meets May 15

The Greenbelt Soccer Alliance first annual meeting will be held on Sunday, May 15 at 2 p.m. in the Greenbelt Youth Center multipurpose room.

The organization focuses on providing purely recreational soccer opportunities for Greenbelt children. Currently, affiliated teams are playing in the county soccer league in Hyattsville on smaller fields and in the Takoma Park league.

On the meeting agenda is a review of accomplishments and goals of the Soccer Alliance and discussion of plans for an informal summer soccer league in Greenbelt.

The public is invited. More information can be found at http://greenbeltsoccer.org.

Menu for Senior **Nutrition Program**

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

All meals include bread and margarine, coffee or tea and skim milk. Menus for May 16-20:

Monday - Cranberry juice, roast beef with gravy, Brussels sprouts, baked potato with sour cream and butter, red Jello with

Tuesday – Orange juice, pork chops with gravy, mashed potatoes, green peas, stewed apples.

Wednesday – All sites closed volunteer luncheon.

Thursday - Minestrone soup, tuna pasta salad, field green salad, beets with sliced onions, Mandarin orange.

Friday – Apple juice, spaghetti with meat sauce, peas and carrots, garden salad, green Jello



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At the Library

Spring Gardening

Saturday, May 14, 11 a.m., Herbs to Grow and Cook, presented by the Master Gardeners of Prince George's County.

Lecture

Tuesday, May 17, 7 p.m., Lecture on Ancient African Empires, presented by Washington historian C. R. Gibbs, who lectures, writes and consults on subjects relating to the African Diaspora.

Adult Book Discussion

Tuesday, May 17 at 7 p.m., Discussion of the book "Say You're One of Them," by Uwem Akpan. Obtain a copy from the library information desk. Also the selection of adult book discussion titles for 2011-2012 will be made.

Storytimes

On Wednesdays and Thursdays a librarian will read age-appropriate stories to children and parents using imagination and props.

Wednesday, May 18, 10:30 a.m., Drop-in Storytime for ages 3 to 5; limit 20 children.

Thursday, May 19, 10:30 a.m., Drop-in Storytime for ages 18 to 36 months; limit 15 children.

Pick up a free ticket for the Storytime events at the Information Desk

Read to Rover

Bring a book or choose one from the library and have a 6- to 11-year-old child read to specially-trained therapy dogs on Saturday, May 21 at 2 p.m. (third Saturday). Registration is required.

For more information on any of these programs or events come to the library, call 301-345-5800 or visit the website at www.pgcmls.info.

Woodlands Comm. Spring Bird Walk

Greenbelt Homes' Woodlands Committee will hold a spring migration bird walk on Saturday, May 14 from 8 to 10 a.m. Led by naturalist Pete Blank, the group will look for spring migrants including vireos, warblers, flycatchers and thrushes.

Meet at Northway Fields; Binoculars are useful. For more details or questions email Blank at blankpj@gmail.com.

GHI Notes

Thursday, May 12, 7:30 p.m., Board of Directors - Board Room

Friday May 13, Offices closed. Maintenance emergency service available only (call 301-474-

Monday, May 16, 7 p.m., Communicator Task Force – GHI

Tuesday, May 17, 7:30 p.m., Companion Animal Committee -**GHI** Lobby

Wednesday, May18, Annual Meeting 7:30 p.m., Greenbelt Community Center Thursday, May 19, GHI Elec-

tions (7 a.m. to 10 a.m.; 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.) - Board Room

7 p.m. Finance Committee – GHI Lunch Room

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

Expo May 21 Is **Boomers and Beyond**

On Saturday, May 21 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. the Greenbelt Assistance in Living (GAIL) program and the Recreation Department will hold an expo for baby boomers and beyond on programs and services to help older adults live independently in their homes as long as possible.

There will be door prizes, give-aways, break-out sessions and vendors to provide information about available programs and services. Free samples of Rita's Italian Ice will be available for the first 250 over-50 attendees and the GAIL program table will be cutting and sharing its 10th anniversary cake.

Kids to Perform At Café Sunday

A Kids Open Microphone session at the New Deal Café on Sunday, May 15 runs from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. On the third Sunday of every month, children up to age 17 are invited to play a musical instrument, sing, dance, recite a poem or otherwise per-

For more information call Anne Gardner at 301-220-1721 or email annegrdnr@yahoo.com.

Greenspring II HOA **Meeting Rescheduled**

A quorum of homeowners was not obtained at a special meeting of the Greenspring II Homeowners Association held on April 16. Notice has previously been given that the meeting will be reconvened on Monday, May 16 at 7 p.m. at the offices of Majerle Management, 7347-D Hanover Parkway.

Members present at the reconvened meeting in person or by proxy will constitute a quorum, a majority of whom may take any action that could have been taken at the original meeting if a quorum had been obtained. Remaining meetings for 2011 are scheduled for Saturdays, September 10 and October 22 at 10 a.m. at the Greenbelt Community Center.

Golden Age Club

by Bunny Fitzgerald The first meeting of the month

is the business meeting for the Golden Age Club. On May 4 we worked on the projected budget for the next year. The Club voted to send a contribution to the News Review and to the American Legion in memory of Bill Souser and a generous donation to the camp kids, which we do every year. The president will present this report to the city council.

Greenbelt will be a busy place this spring. On May 21 the Baby Boomers and Beyond Expo will be at the Community Center from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. On May 25 the Club will play Bingo. Not for Seniors Only will be held on June 4 with important information on emergencies and where to call. Councilmember Ingrid Turner will speak on June 10.

A rather disturbing thing happened at Greenbelt East last week - three cars had windows smashed and handicapped hang tags stolen. This took place in a private parking lot with cars in handicapped spots. We were told these tags are then sold! Let's all be watchful and report any suspicious activities to the police.

May is Bring a Friend month at the Club. We always like to meet and greet new friends.

Rio Garage to Play At Beltway Plaza

On Sunday, May 15 from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. Rio Garage will play music grounded in soft subtle chords of beaches, clubs and favelas of Rio de Janeiro at Beltway Plaza's Center Court. The performance is part of the mall's Latin Sunday series.

Community Yard Sale

13+ families on Plateau Place

May 14, 9 am to 1 pm

Clothes, books, music, comics, toys, bikes, furniture, household items and much more! Info: 301-345-1927

Academy Stadium Theatres

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

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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 MAY 13

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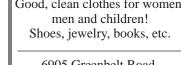
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Eleanor and Franklin Roosevelt **Democratic Club**

Invites you to its meeting Friday, May 20 at 7:30 p.m.

Greenbriar Terrace Room, 7600 Hanover Parkway Annapolis Report from State Senator Pinsky and Delegates Gaines, Ross and Healey

All are welcome, light refreshment For information please call 301-577-8907 for Karl Shipps, President or visit http://Roosevelt.pgdems.com



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Obituaries

John F. Unger

John Fontaine Unger, 74, died on May 5, 2011, at Calvert Memorial Hospital, Prince Frederick, Md., from complications of Parkinson's disease. Formerly of Greenbelt, he lived at Charlotte Hall Veterans Home in Charlotte Hall from December 2003 until his death.

Born in Portland, Oregon, on July 3, 1936, to Hilbert John Unger and Callista Fontaine Unger, he grew up in Silver Spring, Md, where he attended St. Michael's grade school. He graduated from St. Anselm's Abbey School (then Priory School) in 1954 and from Cornell University with a master's equivalent in chemical engineering in June of 1959.

In August 1959 he married Patricia Dalton. After their marriage, the Ungers lived in St. Michael's, Md, where Mr. Unger worked for Armistead Engineering until his call to service as a lieutenant in the U.S. Army at Aberdeen Proving Ground, Md, and Fort Riley, Ks. He served in the 701st Ordnance Battalion of the First Division as an explosive ordnance disposal officer until May 1962.

Returning to Maryland, Mr. Unger took a position at Goddard Space Flight Center, beginning a 41-year stay in Greenbelt. He served on the board of the Twin Pines Savings and Loan Association and he and his wife were active members of the Eleanor and Franklin Roosevelt Democratic Club. He was a 20 gallon blood

Mr. Unger retired from NASA in January 2002 after more than 40 years of government service.

He enjoyed music and poetry and was a lifelong sports fan who played basketball and softball into his sixties.

He is survived by his wife, Patricia Dalton Unger of Greenbelt; a son, Patrick Unger (Jan) of Glen Burnie, Md; three daughters, Marie Unger of Greenbelt, Martha Grace (Russell) of Cypress, Ca, and Elizabeth Unger of Bowie; a granddaughter, Molly Grace; a sister, Lois Camacho; and a host of nieces and neph-

An open house will be held on Sunday, July 3 which was his birthday.

Jovce C. Phillips

Joyce Collins Phillips, 53, died suddenly on April 17, 2011.

Mrs. Phillips grew up on Gardenway in Greenbelt. She lived in Harrington, Del.

Mrs. Phillips attended Greenbelt Center School, Greenbelt Junior High School and Parkdale High School. She worked as a medical assistant.

She was predeceased by her mother, Carol Day Lundregan, one of the descendants of a pioneer Greenbelt family.

She is survived by her husband Jerald Phillips, her sisters Jody Bauer and Cindy Miller and four nephews.

A memorial service will be held on Wednesday, May 18 at 4 p.m. at the Greenbelt American

Virginia G. Hunt Virginia Giffon Hunt, 90, of Crescent Road, died Sunday, March 27, 2011, after complications from a fall. She was a resident of Greenbelt since 1955.

Mrs. Hunt was born and raised in Ohio. She received a B.A. from Ohio State University.

She took a job as secretary at Mowatt Memorial Methodist Church where she was a writer and editor of the church newspaper. She was a member of the choir and was an organizer and volunteer for fundraisers.

Mrs. Hunt also became a Den Mother with Cub Pack 746 which was sponsored by the church. She earned the highly coveted Silver Beaver Award and Wood

Badge from the Boy Scouts of America.

She was very close to her grandchildren and they remembered her playing board games with them.

She was predeceased by her husband, Howard Hunt and her son Howard George Hunt (Skee-

Her survivors include her sons Stephen and his wife Melinda and Christopher and his wife Rene; grandchildren Stephen Hunt, Jr. and James Coyner, III and Jesse Coyner; great-grandchildren Tyler Coyner and Kaylee

Graveside services were held in Van Wert, Ohio, where she was buried next to her husband's

Memorial contributions may be made to the Boy Scouts of America, 9190 Rockville Pike, Bethesda, MD 20814 or Meals on Wheels, 960 Rhode Island Ave., College Park, MD 20740.

A memorial service will be held in Greenbelt at a later date.

GMS Parents Tour For New Students

On Tuesday, May 17 from 9:30 to 10:45 a.m., parents of prospective new students at Greenbelt Middle School (GMS) are invited to tour the school and see it in action during the school day. Parents who will be attending are asked to RSVP to amy. hansen@nasw.org.

The next GMS get-acquainted event for parents and new students will be the final PTA meeting of the school year on Tuesday, June 14 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. followed by refreshments where they can meet other parents and GMS staff.

BCWWG Will Hold Sunday Bird Walk

The Beaverdam Creek Watershed Watch Group (BCWWG) will hold a morning bird walk starting at 7 a.m. on Sunday, May 15 to take advantage of peak migration time for neo-tropical migrants. Meet at the Research Road gate to the Beltsville Agricultural farm at the top of the hill. Binoculars are strongly recommended.

For more information email Michel Cavigelli at Michel.cavigelli@vahoo.com.

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Joseph from Slave to Deputy Pharoah, Genesis 25-34

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Sacrament of Penance: Saturday 3:45-4:45 p.m. Pastor: Rev. Walter J. Tappe Pastoral Associate: Rev. R. Scott Hurd



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Sunday

9:45 am Sunday School 11:00 am **Worship Service**

Sunday Wednesday 7:00 pm Prayer Meeting/Bible Study

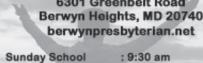
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Saturday morning services - 9:30 AM Children's Education, Adult Education, Social Action, etc.

For further information call 301 474-4223 www.mishkantorah.org Conservative and Reconstructionist



Condolences to Pat Unger and her family and friends on the death of her husband longtime Greenbelter John Unger, who died May 5, 2011. He was a retired NASA engineer and had been living at Charlotte Hall Veterans Home in southern Maryland for the past seven years.

We were sorry to hear of the death on April 17, 2011, of Joyce Collins Phillips of Harrington, Del. She was the daughter of the late pioneer Greenbelter Carol Day Lundregan.

Greenbelters were saddened to hear of the death of longtime resident Virginia Hunt of Crescent Road, who died March 27 following a fall. Our sympathy to her sons Stephen and Christopher and their families.

Congratulations to Todd Kliman on the success of his book "The Wild Vine," which has just been released in paperback. Todd, the son of Itsy and the late Ted Kliman, grew up in Greenbelt and graduated from Eleanor Roosevelt High School and the University of Maryland.

Our best wishes to Greenbelter Margaret Benjamin as she recovers from a stroke at Prince George's Hospital.

Send us your reports of new babies, awards, honors, etc. to share with our readers. We'd especially like to hear more from our neighbors in Greenbelt East and Greenbelt West (Franklin Park). To send information for "Our Neighbors" email us at newsreview@greenbelt.com or leave a message at 301-474-6892.

– Kathleen McFarland

Nursing Home Visits Program at Library

As part of its Older Americans Month outreach the county Long-Term Care Ombudsman office will offer a program at the Greenbelt Library on Tuesday, May 24 from 1 to 8 p.m. offering tips for those who visit people in nursing homes.

Included will be tips on helpful practices in visiting loved ones (both from the visitor and the nursing home's perspective), information about residents' rights, how to get help as needed and effective channels for communicating concerns.

There is no charge to attend but seating is limited so people are asked to call the Ombudsman program office at 301-265-8010 to pre-register.

Youth Music Concert In Center on May 21

On Saturday afternoon, May 21 from 4 to 6 p.m., the Greenbelt Middle School Jazz Ensemble and the Northwestern High School Jazz Ensemble will perform in a free concert in Roosevelt Center.

This is the second of two concerts this spring in the Eileen Peterson Youth Music Series, a program produced by the New Deal Café. It is sponsored by the Friends of New Deal Cafe Arts, with supporting funds from the Prince George's Arts Council and the City of Greenbelt.





Hicks - Canter

Joseph Andrew Canter and Rachel Ann Hicks are to be married May 14, 2011, at the Cathedral of St. Peter the Apostle in Jackson, Miss.

Mr. Canter, 28, grew up in Greenbelt. He graduated from DeMatha Catholic High School and the University of Maryland, received a master's degree in public policy from the Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University and a law degree from Stanford University. He is currently a law clerk to Judge

Leslie H. Southwick of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit in Jackson, Miss.

He is the son of Mary Ann and Michael Canter, who live in Greenbelt. His mother is a school psychologist for the Prince George's County Public Schools. His father is a purchasing agent for Penn Camera in Beltsville.

Ms. Hicks, also 28, is executive director of Mississippi First, a public policy nonprofit she founded and runs in Jackson, Miss. She graduated from

the University of Pennsylvania, completed Teach for America in the Mississippi Delta and received a master's degree in public policy from the Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University where she met Mr. Canter.

She is a daughter of Debra and Michael Hicks of Starkville, Miss. Her father is a manager in the Information Technology Services Department of Mississippi State University in Starkville. Her mother is an investigator contracted by the





federal Office of Personnel Management.

THE CITY OF GREENBELT

City Information

MEETINGS FOR MAY 16-20

Monday, May 16th at 7:30pm, **BUDGET WORK SESSION** with Green Ridge House at the Green Ridge House

Monday, May 16th at 9:30pm, **COUNCIL WORK SESSION ON PROPOSAL TO REFINANCE DEBT**, at the Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road.

Wednesday, May 18th at 7:30pm, **GREENBELT ADVISORY PLANNING BOARD**, at the Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Road. On the agenda: M-NCPPC update on Sector Plan and Discussion of pedestrian improvements with stakeholders from Franklin Park

Wednesday, May 18th at 8:00pm, **FINAL BUDGET REVIEW** at the Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Road.

This schedule is subject to change. For confirmation that a meeting is being held call 301-474-8000.

GREENBELT MIDDLE SCHOOL TASK FORCE PUBLIC HEARING

Help the Greenbelt Middle School Task Force develop ideas and concepts for the re-utilization of the Middle School.

Thursday, May 19th - 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

Springhill Lake Elementary School, 6060 Springhill Dr. Volunteers will also be available at this meeting to help you register to vote.

For further information contact Joe McNeal at 301-397-2200 or jmcneal@greenbeltmd.gov.



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Board, Forest Preserve Advisory Board, Greenbelt Advisory
Committee on Environmental Sustainability, Park &
Recreation Advisory Board, Senior Citizens Advisory Board
For information call 301-474-8000.

Public Works Annual Plant Sale

Saturday, May 14th from 10am-1pm Municipal Building parking lot, 25 Crescent Road



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the adults. They are like a family with the tradition passed down from parent and grandparents to kids. Most of the money raised is from their food concession at games and at the Greenbelt Labor Day Festival.

Their 60th anniversary game will be on June 5. Councilmember Konrad Herling commended the group for having a reputation for having all team members play in the games. They had requested some handicapped parking near the field and that has been handled by the city. The city is looking into drainage problems.

Labor Day Festival

Linda Ivy, president of the festival committee and Jon Gardner, treasurer, made the presentation. Although the city does not provide funds for the festival, it provides much assistance through city staff and city police.

Davis was most interested in security issues for this year's festival. Ivy and Gardner indicated that, at the recommendation of police and with the concurrence of the carnival manager, they are changing the hours of the festival. Rides and booths will be open the same number of hours but will open and close one hour earlier. Stage activities will close one hour later than the rides and booths. These changes are due to problems brought on by a small number of youths in the past few

Gardner asked the council to provide an estimate of the equivalent value of the city's contribution. He also indicated that the festival paid for one dedicated police office each night.

Information will be available soon for those groups seeking booths at this year's festival. All food booths will be asked to use recyclable containers only, no foam containers.

New Deal Café Arts

Barbara Simon, president, and Chris Logan, treasurer, represented the Friends of the New Deal Café Arts (FONDCA). Simon stated that the Washington Post found that outdoor music festivals are the most popular arts activity. They were requesting \$2,500 up from \$2,000 last year. Their goal is to make Roosevelt Center well known to residents and others outside of the center city. Some councilmembers feel that FOND-CA and the New Deal Café, itself, are too closely related. There are issues of who is choosing musical acts and who is doing the public relations. Councilmember Ed Putens wants to see a real effort made to notify residents in Greenbelt East and West of the FONDCA activities. The group received a grant from the county so that some of the school musical acts come from other parts of the county, not just Greenbelt.

Aquatics Boosters

The Greenbelt Aquatics Boosters are seeking the same funding as in the past. They understand that their percentage of Greenbelters is low but they are trying to increase the numbers. Davis asked about fund raising and they indicated that they have an annual swimathon to raise funds and are "going to try some new things this year." Davis complimented them as being a wellorganized group which brings back trophies now and then.

Alight Dance Theater

The Alight Dance Theater is a new group seeking status this year as a contribution group.

Angela Foster is the enthusiastic founder and artistic director. Foster indicated the dance members are mostly from outside Greenbelt but that the board members are mainly Greenbelt residents. She explained that among the arts, Greenbelt has been missing a dance presence. Their first project was "Speechless" and they got a Kennedy Center grant and performed it at the Kennedy Center. It was a "maybe once in a lifetime" opportunity. Now the dance theater would like to produce new original dance works in and for Greenbelt. They are producing a new work "Home Town Heroes - 75 years of Greenbelt Women." They also want to perform at the Greenbelt Museum and she described how a dance could be performed inside and outside the small house museum. Putens indicated that his main concern was that the dance group work to get more Greenbelters involved.

Senior Softball Team

Eli Flam and others represented the Greenbelt Senior Softball Team. Davis congratulated them on their first place divisional finish last year. The council commented on the makeup of the team. Although 50 percent of the team's board members are Greenbelt residents, only about 13 percent of the players reside in the city. Last year it was suggested that they contact the Golden Agers to get new team members but that apparently did not happen. They said that they had advertised in the News Review and visited the open gyms and had gotten a few new players. They indicated that women can play on the team.

Councilmember Emmett Jordan asked if they had worked on getting a sponsor. Although they said they have been trying, Jordan suggested they contact the soon-to-open Joe's Crab Shack in Beltway Plaza to see about a sponsorship.

SITY Stars

Kim Bradshaw, head coach of the Greenbelt SITY Stars, represented the double-dutch jump rope team. SITY stands for Sensational Inspiring Talented Youth. The group trains in Greenbelt West and 60 percent of the jumpers are city residents. Springhill Lake Elementary School PTA obtained a grant to assist the group. Councilmember Leta Mach commented on the terrific job the jumpers are doing. They are asking for the same amount as last year (\$4,000) and they are able to raise about \$5,000 themselves for the group. There had apparently been an issue with loiterers outside of the Springhill Lake Youth Center during practice. However, the city erected cameras and the problem has been resolved.

Cultural Arts Center

Board member Sandy Irving of the arts center asked for the same money as last year, \$3,200. She described how they are running fewer shows of their own in recent years but allowing other groups to use the venue for their plays. The center got approved for state bond issue funds and are close to working on redoing the rest rooms. Charges for tickets are now accepted over the phone and that is working out well; they hope to be able to offer credit card payments at the door next fall.

Boys and Girls Club

There have been major changes to the Boys and Girls Club board and new board members Orrin Howard, president, and Karen Lee, secretary, represented the club. PRAB gave them a blanket approval but wanted the board to work with recreation staff mentors and inventory uniforms and equipment which has "tended to walk." The mentors were in the audience. Howard and Lee commented that they want to change the "culture of trophies" but help the children continue to get recognition. They want to offer more scholarships; they partnered last year with the Wizards on cheerleading; and they are adding track and field as a sport.

Putens was very negative about the past activities of the club. He questioned them at length about trash on Braden Field, to which Howard responded that the club does not use the field. Putens mentioned a number of people complaining about the club directly to him and held up a chain containing children's IDs that he said were found and turned over to him. He indicated he needs to see a lot of change over the year and is really against funding even for this coming year. Howard and Lee reiterated that the new board had only been in charge since January and that the IDs had been stolen not lost. Councilmember Rodney Roberts mentioned his philosophy that every child should be playing. Councilmember Emmett Jordan commented that the "kids are benefiting" and he hopes the group can get their administrative records together.

Babe Ruth Assn.

It was obvious that the council was well aware of the Greenbelt Babe Ruth Association and its activities. Bob Sonneveldt and Kelly Ivy represented the group. The men indicated that they were actually asking for a decrease in funding from \$7,000 to \$6,500. The council asked questions about how the city lights, nets, etc. were working out and got a positive response. The association commented that they could use more younger members to help out but have not been too successful to date in recruiting them.

Concert Band

Band leader Tom Cherrix and Dave Clark represented the Greenbelt Concert Band. Although the amount of financial assistance sought was not mentioned, the council seemed concerned about the lack of fundraising. They actually do raise some funds occasionally when playing for an outside audience. They mentioned that they played at Riderwood recently and received about \$350 in donations. They also have a wind ensemble that plays at smaller venues such as nursing homes. Thinking that most of the funds go to new sheet music, the council asked that, if funding were decreased, could they use their old music. They responded that much of the funding goes to equipment repair not music. They started reminiscing about the history of the band and discovered that this is its 70th anniversary. Davis asked them about doing another summer concert at the lake. Cherrix responded that it was not their decision; the cost to the city of setting up for concert, chairs, lights, etc. was prohibitive. Jordan asked them to consider collaborating with young music students, such as the wind ensemble at Greenbelt Middle School.

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in consultation with the city.

Further issues request the agencies (9) to provide planning support and funding for safe, handicap-accessible stops wherever new stops are being added on city and state roads and (10) to work with the city to address safety issues associated with the Roosevelt Center timed-transfer point at Crescent Road and Gardenway. Finally the city asks both agencies (11) to agree in principle that the primary goal of bus route changes is "to plan and implement a seamless transit system that coordinates implementation of route changes, scheduling, transfers, bus stops, routing, frequency of service and connectivity"; and (12) to recognize the importance of public participation in the planning process by holding public hearings on future service changes, advertising them properly and ensuring that the meeting location is accessible by public transit.

At Thursday's session, Hamre, Glick and Schuettler provided the first quarterly review of the collection of performance measures their agencies will use to assess the new route changes. Overall, these measures have highlighted a welcome 15 percent increase in Metrobus' on-time performance and a stable ridership for both newly-restructured lines when compared with the same period last year.

Areas of Criticism

DPCD Assistant Planning Director Terri Hruby noted large differences between the measures of timed transfer performance WMATA was presenting at the worksession and preliminary measures they had reported earlier this year. The latter numbers showed the Roosevelt Center timed-transfer point at Crescent Road and Gardenway - a common transfer point for all buses serving Greenbelt - was not working well. Hruby said buses were often leaving there early, before the scheduled departure times and, more importantly, before riders seeking to transfer from other buses had arrived.

Though Hamre said the methodology behind the new measure was "more defensible," he did not convince TRU-G's Melissa Ehrenreich that the timed-transfer point is now working and can now be removed from her group's list of concerns.

'Understanding if this is working or not is what we're most concerned about," Ehrenreich

Davis and others disputed Schuettler's complaint data, which showed an average of only 2.5 complaints per month from riders of TheBus. Most thought the low numbers reflected weaknesses in the TheBus' complaint system, rather than satisfaction with its service.

Councilmember Edward Putens faulted TheBus for not centrally gathering the complaints riders may register directly with bus drivers. Councilmember Rodney Roberts suggested that the agency should consider using "ghost riders." One of three Greenbelt residents in attendance echoed Roberts, telling Schuettler, "You all don't know what's going on, on the buses, because you don't ride them."

Span of Service

Hruby hit Metrobus on the issue of span of service - roughly, the time the last bus on a given

route leaves each night. "While the span of service on the county routes has remained the same or improved," she reported "there are Metrobus routes that have a shorter span of service now than before the changes were implemented."

Hamre did not dispute her criticism. He noted, however, that the span of service has increased on all Saturday routes and that on weekday routes has decreased on only three routes. On average, he said, the reduction in span of service on those particular weekday routes is 18 minutes.

Finally, the city's concerns about delayed distribution of new bus schedules were shared by both agencies. Hamre admitted his agency was "embarrassed by the issue."

Budget reality trumped simple fixes, however, he said.

Hamre explained how a distribution method favored by Councilmember Emmett Jordan - placing new schedules in the bus schedule kiosks at Metro stations and at Roosevelt Center - was too much for the single employee he could afford to assign that task last December. He hinted, however, that recent hiring will lead to noticeable improvements.

Hamre also presented the budget math that makes it difficult to post new schedules in the display boxes at bus stops, a distribution method recommended by TRU-G's Ehrenreich (who also indicated that just having new schedules in the buses themselves would be a positive step).

Schedule Costs

According to Hamre, it costs \$30 per stop to post a new schedule, apparently an unacceptably high cost over his estimate of 200 stops. "You're not going to have schedules at every bus stop," he said.

In a nod to Hamre's budget math, Davis suggested that WMATA meet with TRU-G to distribute educational materials for riders about the new routes. "Budget cuts will make it very hard to do a good job here," she warned.

Hamre agreed. He suggested that everyone "let your [WMA-TA] board members know that this information is important."

While Thursday's meeting focused on short-term issues, the city, longer-term, is looking to work with WMATA and DPWT (1) to address the transit funding disparity with Montgomery County; (2) to gather detailed geographic data on bus routes enabling their evaluation according to accessibility, safety and location; (3) to develop a comprehensive marketing campaign to support the long-term success of transit in Greenbelt; and (4) to work toward providing longer operating hours, increased frequency, Sunday service and expanded Saturday service as funding becomes available.

The next Quarterly Transit Update is scheduled for July 28.



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Greenbelt Baseball

Major League Standings as of May 9

Major League Schedule May 16 through 21

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	Games
Monday, May 16	6 p.m.	Athletics vs. Indians
Tuesday, May 17	6 p.m.	Cubs vs. Cardinals
Wednesday, May 18	6 p.m.	Orioles vs. Tigers
Thursday, May 19	6 p.m.	Giants vs. Yankees
Friday, May 20	6 p.m.	Cardinals vs. Indians
*Friday, May 20	7 p.m.	Tigers vs. Athletics
Saturday, May 21	10 a.m.	Yankees vs. Cubs
Saturday, May 21	1 p.m.	Giants vs. Orioles
Saturday, May 21	3 p.m.	Giants vs. Indians

Most games are played at McDonald Field off Southway. *Game played at Braden #2.

May Programs at Patuxent Refuge

public programs are held at two sites, the National Wildlife Visitor Center and the North Tract. 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 details visit the website at patuxent.fws. gov.

Visitor Center

The National Wildlife Visitor Center, located on Powder Mill Road between the B-W Parkway and Route 197, is offering the following programs:

Discovery Hike - Saturday, May 14, 10 to 11:30 a.m., for ages 8 to 10. Become a Nature Detective and use all the senses to find nature's clues. Try to figure out what's happening in nature during this hike in the

Natives of Patuxent - Sunday, May 15, 1:30 to 3 p.m., for ages 8 to 10. How do children help around the house? Do they grow corn and catch dinner? Travel back in time to the 1600s and learn how native children worked together in the land of the Chesapeake Bay region.

Nature Tots: Leaping Lilypads - Tuesday, May 24, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. and 1 to 2 p.m., for ages 3 to 4. Peep! Croak! Ribbit! Introduce preschoolers to the watery world of frogs through stories, songs and a hike 15, 1 to 2:30 p.m., for all ages. in this fun, hands-on program.

Spring Bird Walks -Wednesday, May 25, 7:30 to 9:30 a.m., for ages 16+. Join a naturalist-guided search for spring birds. Field guides and binoculars are recommended.

Nature Tots: Egg-Stravaganza! - Friday, May 27, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. and 1 to 2 p.m., for ages 3 to 4. Introduce preschoolers to an egg and the surprises growing within through songs, crafts and activities.

Puppet Show: Little Whooper's Excellent Adventure - Saturday, May 28, 10:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m., for all ages. Follow the life of a very special endangered whooping crane as he learns to migrate with the help of his human friends. Program is approximately 20 minutes. No registration is necessary.

Get Out & Garden! - Saturday, May 28, 1 to 2:30 p.m.,

Patuxent Research Refuge for ages 8 to 12. For children interested in making a difference for the environment and wildlife and who like getting their hands dirty – join in learning about gardening, getting hands dirty and planting native wildflowers.

North Tract

The North Tract, located on Rt. 198 between the B-W Parkway and Rt. 32, is offering the following programs:

Owl Prowl - Saturday, May 14, 7:30 to 9 p.m., ages 10+. Celebrate International Migratory Bird Day and explore the refuge at night while looking and listening for owls.

Butterflies: Nature's Festival of Colors - Saturdays, May 14 and May 28, 8:30 to 11 a.m., ages 10+. Discover the role that butterflies play in the ecosystem and learn to identify several common natives to Maryland on this guided 2.5-mile walk. Field guide recommended. Bring water and dress for the outdoors.

Endangered! - Saturday, May 14, 1 to 2:30 p.m., all ages. What does it mean when a plant or animal has become endangered? Find out the answer while learning what to do to help endangered species.

Bird Walk - Sunday, May 15, 8:15 to 10:15 a.m., for all ages. Search for birds in several refuge habitats on this guided hike. Field guides and binoculars are recommended.

Herp Search - Sunday, May Join a refuge naturalist on this guided search for reptiles and amphibians. Bring walking shoes and water and dress for the weather.

Bird Tour - Wednesday, May

Reel and Meal Film Is "A Sea Change"

The next film in the Reel and Meal at the New Deal film series, "A Sea Change," will be shown on Monday, May 16 at 7 p.m. The monthly film series explores environmental and social justice issues and is sponsored by a consortium of Greenbelt community organizations. An optional vegan buffet can be purchased at 6:30; there is no charge for the film or discussion afterward.

A Sea Change is an awardwinning documentary about ocean acidification, directed by Barbara Ettinger and co-produced by Sven Huseby of Niijii Films. The film is a tribute to the ocean world and the story of a Norwegian-American family whose heritage is bound up with the sea. It follows the journey of retired history teacher Sven Huseby on a quest to discover what is happening to the world's oceans. His travels take him to Alaska, California, Washington and Norway as he uncovers a worldwide crisis. Speaking with oceanographers, marine biologists, climatologists and artists, Huseby discovers global warming is only half the story of a developing environmental catastrophe. Excess carbon dioxide is dissolving in oceans, changing sea water chemistry. The more acidic water makes it difficult for tiny creatures at the bottom of the food web to form their shells. The effects could work their way up to fish a billion people depend upon for their source of protein.

The film is also a portrait of Huseby's relationship with his grandchild Elias. As he keeps a correspondence with the little boy, he mulls over the world that he is leaving for future generations. A disturbing companion piece to An Inconvenient Truth, A Sea Change brings home that human lifestyles are changing the earth, despite rhetoric or wishful thinking.

Discussion after the film will be led by Goddard oceanographer Sergio Signorini, a veteran of sea voyages and satellite missions that monitor ocean properties.

For more information email Bob Cahalan at bob@chears.org.

18, 8:15 to 10:30 a.m., for ages 16+. Identify birds by sight and sound on this guided tour with short walks through several refuge habitats. Field guides and binoculars recommended

Weed Warriors - Wednesday, May 18, and Saturday, May 21, 1 to 3 p.m., for ages 13+. Nonnative invasive plants are threatening wildlife habitat and help is needed to stop them. Bring gloves and water (and hand tools if available) to help fight these alien invaders.

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vendors are welcome to handle their own advertising, it is more efficient to advertise for the market as a whole, in keeping with a main goal: to make Greenbelt a destination.

Founders of the market started with three specific goals in mind. They wanted to bring fresh local food to Greenbelt, to help small-scale farmers succeed and to increase outside interest in Greenbelt and Roosevelt Center.

The market board was so committed to these founding ideas they developed them into a three-prong mission statement. By all accounts, they have succeeded. "In addition to providing fresh, local produce, the Farmers Market brings more people to Old Greenbelt, which in turn supports activities taking place in Roosevelt Center. Whether you're an arts group putting on a performance or a business looking for customers, this leads to a delightful synergy," says Dorrie Bates, former chair of the Co-op board of directors.

Busy Board

Reconciling these three goals has kept the market board busy. Keeping costs low for the farmers who participate, so they will keep participating, is not always easy when the market is looking for ways to raise money. Because many farmers drive upwards of three hours each way to Greenbelt every Sunday, economics plays a big factor in whether they will continue to return. Annual vendor fees have to be balanced against significant market costs, such as annual permits required by Prince George's County and overall liability insurance for the market.

The market board also wrestles with how to grow the market, while keeping it within the physical space allotted by the city and keeping it within its economic comfort zone as well. The desire to attract more vendors must be weighed against the number of customers to support them. New customers must be recruited at the same time so that each vendor can prosper.

The market's vendor selection committee spends a good part of every year concentrating on the recruitment of vendors that can add diversity to what is of-

fered. Currently the committee concentrates on recruiting a dairy to offer milk and cream, a honey vendor and farmers dedicated to all-organic farming methods.

Fortunately this community has a great spirit of volunteerism. Volunteers take on many tasks for the market, including weekly set up and break down, staffing the market's information booth and carrying out activities away from the market itself, such as vendor site visits.

Vendor Visits

Visits to each new vendor who applies and recurring visits to existing vendors enable the market board to take very seriously its designation as a producer-only market. Vendors who apply must grow everything they sell at the market.

The policy is meant to discourage vendors from buying products on the wholesale market that are not grown in our local area and reselling them in Greenbelt. The policy also supports the market's goal of allowing customers to get to know the farmers who supply their food. This individual relationship allows each customer to understand, and to question. how the farmer grows the food, if pesticides or soil treatments are used and how to eat locally and in season.

While one goal of the market is to create a one-on-one relationship between customer and farmer, the market board is careful not to neglect educational activities and demonstrations to attract new customers and keep the old ones coming back.

The Greenbelt Farmers Market opened Sunday, May 8. It will be open each Sunday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. until November 20 (except Labor Day weekend). www.greenbeltfarmersmarket.org

The author is a founding member of the Greenbelt Farmers Market Board of Directors and a lifelong Greenbelt resident.

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NEWS IN REVIEW

Candidates for GHI Election May 18-19, 2011

The following GHI members submitted their "consent to serve" forms by the Nominations & Elections Committee's May 6 deadline for filing to run for office. It is possible that additional candidates will qualify to be on the ballot by the final May 11 deadline for filing to run by petition (after press time). No one may file to be a candidate after that time, but additional candidates for N&E may be nominated from the floor at the Annual Meeting.

Board of Directors 2-Yr. Term (Vote for no more than five)

Tokey Boswell 4 Court Laurel Hill Road

Tokey Boswell has been a member of GHI and of the Board of Directors since 2009. He has been the Board's liaison to the Buildings Committee

for the past two years and cur-

rently serves as vice president.

Tokey has been employed by the National Park Service, in their long-range planning division, since 2007. His division oversees an annual budget of about \$8 million, roughly the same as GHI's annual budget. Previously he worked as a city planner, policy guidance writer, and carpenter. Tokey previously served on the Board of Directors of Habitat for Humanity (Iowa City chapter) and of the Iowa Renewable Energy Association, both non-profits interested in housing and community.

He is a regular patron of the farmer's market, Beijing, Consumers Cooperative, and New Deal Café, where he has been spotted on stage.

Chuck Hess

42 Court Ridge Road

Chuck Hess has lived in GHI for over 25 years. He is a CPA with a master's in taxation from The American University in D.C., specializing in income tax preparation. He has been active in GHI, including serving on, among others, the Buildings, Finance, Investment. A&E and Audit Committees. He has chaired the Finance and Investment Committees.

He served on the Board of Directors for 18 years, six of them as the Treasurer, before he went to serve as the business manager of Maluti Adventist Hospital in Lesotho in Southern Africa. He is currently serving



Voting will take place upon recess of the Annual Meeting to be held at 7:30 p.m. on May 18 at the **Community Center** and will continue on Thursday, May 19 from 7 to 10 a.m. and 5 to 8 p.m. at GHI's offices on Hamilton Place.

on the Audit Committee, as he has three different times.

He believes that GHI is one of the best Co-ops in the world, and that his experience and knowledge will benefit the Coop in maintaining high standards for providing an honest, well-run, efficient and compassionate home for all its members.

Bill Jones

15 Court Ridge Road

I am a retired college math professor who has lived in GHI since 2004. I have been a member of GHI's Finance Committee and GHI's Investment Committee since 2006. This spring I served on the GHI Bylaws Task Force and the GHI Pilot Project Task Force. I would like to see overly-restrictive rules in the GHI handbook removed and the rest of the rules vigorously enforced.

I am now: treasurer of Streetlights of Bethany, helping the homeless in Greenbelt (since 2008); on the board of O2B2, a theatre group based in Greenbelt (since 2008); chair of the New Deal Café Membership Committee (since 2006); and a volunteer at Bread for the City in D.C. (since 2004). I have volunteered to fill out taxes for the poor at the MLK library in D.C. and have performed volunteer functions for the Greenbelt Arts Center, including directing, videorecording, and acting.

Laura Moore

5 Court Gardenway

I am very excited to continue my service on the GHI Board of Directors and feel that my experience and skills have been of value to GHI. Through my 2.5 years working for the County Council, I learned about the zoning and development process in detail, and I worked on legislation to make environmental improvements in the I currently serve on the Greenbelt Pride Board of Directors and on the Board of the Roosevelt Democratic Club. I served as an officer in the U.S. Navy for three years in the Philippines and in Panama. I received my undergraduate degree from MIT and I recently received my master's in entomology from the University of Maryland. I was president of the Graduate Student Government at UMD for two years and initiated the current effort to unionize graduate assistants and adjunct faculty. Please contact me at laura@lauramoore.com if you have any questions.

Patricia Novinski

8 Court Laurel Hill Road

Having served on the GHI Board these past three years, Patricia is seeking election for

Involvement in GHI following

another two-year term.

retirement from social work has refocused Patricia's professional skills. Moving to GHI in 2001, Patricia has found participation rewarding and challenging. She reports, "It has me going, growing and greening."

Membership on the Yard Line and Architectural Review Committees and the Bylaws Task Force, along with monthly Board meetings and auxiliary sessions, provides Patricia opportunities to interact with members, acquire knowledge of the cooperative and to encounter challenging viewpoints. Patricia's clinical experience provides perspective and skills useful in the process of discussion and decision-making required in the three venues.

Patricia looks forward to further opportunities to contribute to the GHI community with election to the 2011 Board.

Audit Committee 1-Yr. Term

(Vote for no more than three)

Debbie Cooley

1 Court Plateau Place

I have served three terms on the Audit Committee, 1997-1998 and this past year. I have lived in Greenbelt for all of my life and in GHI for the past 18 years. I work as an accountant for the U.S. Senate Disbursing Office. I hold an MBA in accounting.

I am also on the Companion Animal Committee. I was part of the Bylaws Task Force. I am working for the Greenbelt 75th Anniversary Committee. I belong to the University of Maryland women's basketball booster club and have been the treasurer for J Davis' reelection campaign.

There are many changes coming in the near future. I want to continue doing my part to keep GHI a wonderful place by looking out for your interests as a member of the Audit Committee.

Bill Edwards

12 Court Plateau Place

Resident of GHI since 2008, lived in Greenbelt since 2006. Family members have lived and worked in Greenbelt since 1939. Achieved bachelor of arts degree in music from State University of New York at Geneseo. Currently serving as an enlisted musician in the U.S. Navy Band in Washington, D.C. Qualifications include a keen eye for detail. excellent interpersonal skills and generally being a nice guy. Thank you for your vote.

Dianne Wilkerson

60 Court Crescent Road

In 1979, my husband and I moved to GHI where we have lived for 32 years. After retiring, I began to attend board meetings just to see what was happening. I became a regular member of the audience and was often the only member present who was not on the board. In 2004, I was elected to a position on the Audit Committee. On behalf of the members, I have attended and observed many meetings and workshops and have worked to understand the financial picture of GHI. Despite the years, I still am interested in the operation of the cooperative and hope that I may continue working on the Audit Committee.

Nominations & Elections Committee

1-Yr. Term (Vote for no more than five)

Paula Clinedinst

5 Court Ridge Road

Paula Clinedinst is a fourthgeneration Greenbelter, born and raised in GHI. She is the youth leader and Board of Missions chair at the Greenbelt Community Church, a typist/writer for the Greenbelt News Review, a volunteer with GIVES, and a member of P.E.O., a philanthropic educational organization, where she currently serves as recording secretary for her local chapter. Clinedinst is a paralegal supervisor in the Department of Justice's Environment & Natural Resources Division, specializing in endangered species law.

Growing up in Greenbelt, Clinedinst played soccer, basketball, and softball and was a cheerleader for the Boys and Girls Club. She was Miss Greenbelt in 1985 and also was that year's Miss Congeniality. She enjoys running, reading, and taking dance classes at the Community Center.

Clinedinst graduated from Eleanor Roosevelt High School, received her A.A. degree from Cottey College in Nevada, MO, and received her B.A. in criminology from the University of Maryland.

Henry Haslinger

4 Court Ridge Road

I am a lifelong resident of what is now GHI and have been a GHI member since 1974. Currently, I serve as a member of GHI's newly-established Addi-

tion Maintenance Task Force and since 2004 have served on the City of Greenbelt's Senior Citizens Advisory Com-

In the relatively recent past, from 2009 to 2010, I served one term on the GHI Audit Committee. Further in the past, from 1972 to 1976, I was employed by GHI, serving on the staff of the then-General Manager, Roy Breashears.

Rick Ransom

16 Court Ridge Road

Raised in Greenbelt in a GHI block home. Lived in my own frame home from 1972 to 1978. Currently have resided in a block home on Ridge Road since July 1993. Retired from Administrative Office of U.S. Courts as management analyst and project manager.

Have served on the City of Greenbelt's Community Relations Advisory Board and the Park and Recreation Advisory Board. Was president of Greenbelt Labor Day Festival. Coached softball here and in Bladensburg and have worked with youth in my church for many years. Have served on boards and committees of the Greenbelt Community Church most of my adult life and was church moderator (highest administrative position) for three years. I know a lot of folks in Greenbelt and in GHI and hope to be able to help the N&E Committee in soliciting quality candidates for future service.

Karen Yoho

6 Court Ridge Road

At a young age, Karen Yoho realized that being a "joiner" was a lot more fun than sitting back and watching. From her days as a Girl Scout patrol leader and the school's campaign manager for George McGovern, Karen realized being enthusiastic and involved was the way to live.

In the past five years, Karen has concentrated her professional duties in the field of education. She now serves as senior director of marketing and member services at the National Association for Gifted Children. Karen is a Certified Association Executive and an alumnus of the University of Maryland.

A resident of Greenbelt since 1985, Karen has served on the **Greenbelt Advisory Committee** on Education, the Greenbelt Labor Day Festival committee, and the Greenbelt Museum. She presently serves on the Greenbelt Elementary School PTA Board and remains active in Girl Scouting as her daughter's Brownie leader.

Note: Biographies are written by the candidates and edited for length only by the Nominations & Elections Committee prior to publication.

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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.

Robberies

April 28, 5:13 p.m., Beltway Plaza, a man entered a store, implied he had a weapon and demanded money. The suspect is described as a black male, 18 to 29 years old, 6'1" tall wearing a brown shirt, black pants and a black jacket.

April 30, 5:30 a.m., 7200 block Hanover Drive, a man confronted a person in a hotel room, displayed a handgun and demanded money. The suspect is described as a black male, 20 to 25 years old, 6' to 6'2 tall, 160 to 200 pounds, wearing a black jacket, white shirt and red baseball hat.

May 1, 7:47 a.m., 9300 block Edmonston Road, the suspect, who is known to the victim, took the victim's car keys and her gray 1998 Mercury Grand Marquis with D.C. tags.

May 5, 3:54 p.m., 4 Court Gardenway, two people were approached by a man and two youths near the overpass. The people were assaulted and their property was taken. Police responded and located the suspects nearby. A nonresident man, a resident vouth and a nonresident youth were all charged with robbery, attempted robbery and second-degree assault. The adult was released to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner. The juveniles were released to their respective guardians pending action by the Department of Juvenile Services.

Suspicious Vehicle

May 2, 9:01 a.m., 9200 block Springhill Lane, a black SUV occupied by a white male, 40 to 50 years old with brown hair, wearing a light blue shirt, pulled alongside a 13 year-old girl and told her to get in the vehicle. The girl fled to a local store and called police. The vehicle could not be located by responding officers.

DWI Arrest

May 5, 12:27 a.m., 7700 block Hanover Parkway, a resident man was arrested and charged with driving under the influence of alcohol and driving while impaired by alcohol, among other charges, after a traffic accident. He was released on citations pending trial.

Drug Arrests

May 1, 12:24 p.m., 100 block Westway, a resident man was arrested, charged with possession of drug paraphernalia and released on citation pending trial.

May 3, 10:22 a.m., 6100 block Breezewood Court, a resident man was arrested, charged with possession of drug paraphernalia and released on citation pending trial.

Trespass

April 29, 11:09 a.m., 6200 block Springhill Court, a non-resident man was arrested and charged with trespassing on private property. He was released to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner.

Disorderly Conduct

April 28, 6:53 p.m., Beltway Plaza, a resident man was arrested and charged with disorderly conduct and disturbing the peace. He was released to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner.

Underage Possession

May 2, 12:53 p.m., 5800 block Cherrywood Terrace, a non-resident 18-year-old was arrested, charged with underage possession of alcohol and released on citation pending trial.

Vandalism

April 30, 9:07 p.m., 7200 block Mandan Road, a door was reported damaged.

Burglaries

April 29, 8:45 p.m., 5900 block Cherrywood Terrace, it was reported that electronics were taken

April 30, 2:47 a.m., 20 Court Hillside Road, an attempted burglary was reported.

April 30, 10:12 p.m., 7300 block Mandan Road. Electronics were reported taken.

May 1, 4:15 p.m., 9100 block Edmonston Court, nothing was reported taken.

May 2, 1:44 p.m., 9100 block Springhill Court, it was reported that electronics were taken.

May 2, 7:24 p.m., 7300 block Mandan Road, it was reported that electronics and clothing were taken.

May 3, 4:54 p.m., 9100 block Edmonston Court, electronics were reported taken.

May 3, 6:38 p.m., 9300 block Edmonston Road, a sword was reported taken.

Vehicle Crimes

A black 1996 Volkswagen Jetta with Md. tags was taken from the 9100 block Springhill Lane by a person known to the victim.

A stolen white 1994 Honda Civic was recovered at Edmonston Terrace near Edmonston Court using a License Plate Reader. No arrests were made.

Thefts from vehicles were reported in the following areas: 9100 block Edmonston Road (rear Md. tag), Lakecrest Drive at Lakeside Drive (front Md. tag) and 5600 block Greenbelt Metro Drive (wheel). Tires were cut on a vehicle in the 6600 block Lake Park Drive.

The Department is offering a reward of up to \$1,000 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of a suspect in any of the unsolved crimes reported in the blotter. Call 1-866-411-TIPS. People may anonymously report suspected drug activity by calling the Drug Tip Line at 240-542-2145.

Riversdale Holds Roman Festival

Kids, ready swords! Adults, prepare to step back in time! "Legio XX" has camped out once again for the second annual Rome at Riversdale.

Early 19th century America was greatly influenced by the classical world. Watch ancient battle re-enactments and a catapult demonstration, take part in children's activities, enjoy refreshments at the Roman "capona," chat with re-enactors and more, all on the grounds of Riversdale House Museum. Inside the historic house, neoclassical trends of the 19th century will be marked by an architecture scavenger hunt, tours of the house and more.

Rome at Riversdale runs Saturday, May 14 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sunday, May 15 from noon to 4 p.m. There is a fee.

National Gallery Shows Newly Donated Art

A new acquisition of the National Gallery of Art, Thomas Moran's panoramic "Green River Cliffs, Wyoming (1881)," will be displayed through June 26 in the West Building, main floor, Lobby C. It was completed 10 years after his first trip west and joins the Gallery's extensive collection of American landscape paintings.

2011 Summer Reading Program at Library

The 2011 Summer Reading Program of the Prince George's County Memorial Library System starts May 16 and ends August 31. There are programs for children, teens and adults.

One World, Many Stories is for children in grades pre-K to 12, who can travel to different cultures through reading, storytelling, juggling, puppets and more and also earn small rewards. Register online at www. pgcmls.info or stop in the library to pick up a game board at any branch and to inquire about special events.

You Are Here is for teens age 11 to 18, who can become global citizens through reading. Register online at www.pgcmls.info or pick up a reading log and start reading. Win small prizes and become eligible to win bigger prizes by reading and attending the events. Don't forget to review a book or two.

Escape to Reading is for adult readers over 18. Read six books by August 31 to be eligible to win prizes. To get started register online at www.pgcmls.info and pick up a personal reading log for program guidelines, reading suggestions and prize drawing form.

For more information on any of these programs inquire at the Greenbelt library information desk or call the library at 301-345-3800

Expert Talk on BeesIn Greenbelt Home

On Sunday, May 15 at 1 p.m., Dr. Suzanne Batra, a world expert on bees, will present an informal talk about the non-stinging bees she has attracted to her yard using simple nesting structures. The program is sponsored by the Beaverdam Creek Watershed Watch Group.

Most plant pollination in the U.S. is done by over 3,000 species of solitary non-stinging bees. Join Dr. Batra at her Greenbelt home, 45-M Ridge Road as she presents many interesting facts about these bees, including how to get one's own non-stinging bee colony. In case of rain, the talk will be rescheduled to Sunday, May 22.

For more details email Harriette Phelps at hphelps@his.com.

Mail Carriers Collect Food this Saturday

Saturday, May 14 is the annual Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive, in which postal carriers will pick up donated food for local food banks.

To participate, put non-perishable items like canned meats, fish, soup, vegetables, plastic-bottled juice, pasta, cereal or rice that do not require refrigeration in a bag at the mailbox. Glass containers and items past the expiration date cannot be accepted.

Visit www.helpstampouthunger. com for more details.



BANK ROBBERY

(240) 542-2133

The Greenbelt Police Department is investigating a bank robbery that occurred on April 28, 2011, at the PNC Bank located inside the Giant at Beltway Plaza Mall, 6000 Greenbelt Road, Greenbelt, Prince George's County, Maryland.



Anyone with information on the identity of the above suspect or any information that could assist investigators in this case is asked to call the Greenbelt Police Department's Criminal Investigations Unit at 240-542-2133. Callers wishing to remain anonymous may call Prince George's County Crime Solvers tip line at 1-866-411-TIPS (8477) OR text "PGPD plus your tip" to CRIMES (274637) from your cell phone. Anonymous tips may also be submitted online at www.crimesolverspg.com.

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Students Perform Concert to Enthusiastic Crowd

by Jim Link

The threatening weather could not dampen the enthusiasm of 175 parents and family friends who cheered the superb student musicians at the Third Annual Greenbelt Schools Music Festival at Greenbelt Middle School (GMS) on May 1. Dressed in crisp white shirts and black pants, with an occasional white hijab matched with a black jacket in view, the spiffy youngsters offered the crowd a smorgasbord of song, jazz, gospel, all sweet cacophonous euphony - or was it exquisite euphonious cacoph-

The Advisory Committee for Education (ACE) sponsored the event. ACE members Jon Gardner, David Whiteman, Don Rich and Sudanhu Sinha snapped photos, directed the crowd and rightly basked in their organizational success. Mayor Judith Davis and city Councilmembers Leta Mach, Konrad Herling and Emmett Jordan schmoozed the crowd and sharpened their music appreciation. Acting Vice Principal Tony Jews rhetorically asked, "What's not to like?"

The GMS Jazz Ensemble was directed by Lawrence Farmer; the GMS choir was directed by Winthrop Cameron. The Combined Orchestra featuring GMS, Berwyn Heights, Greenbelt, Magnolia and Springhill Lake Elementary Schools was directed by Joe Calianno, Anna Davy, Darelynn Fung and Sarah Hughes. The Combined Band, featuring all the same schools, was directed by Joe Calianno, Lawrence Farmer, Darelynn Fung and Sarah Hughes.

Director Lawrence Farmer nudged the audience to support the goals of ACE, which would help the school music departments bring future audiences more sweet sounds.

Violin player Emmanuel Esapa of Greenbelt Elementary School said, "It was good I was nervous; I made some mistakes but I'm happy." Violin player Jonathan Bertie, also of Greenbelt, said, "I was kinda nervous; the second song was harder than the first. I was good but I could have done better." Greenbelt Elementary French horn player Mira Willson said, "It went pretty well, but it's energy-consuming. I'll do it again next year if they have it."

Scott Candey of GMS played two instruments, the bass guitar and bassoon. "It's one of the nicer concerts; we didn't have to move around too much and it was over fast," opined Candey. Zachary Hoard of GMS, who

Gauguin Exhibit Closing Soon

The National Gallery of Art is displaying "Gauguin: Maker of Myth" through June 5 in the East Building, upper level. Paul Gauguin's sumptuous, colorful images of Brittany and the islands of the South Seas are among more than 100 works in the first major exhibition of his work in the United States in 20 years. It examines Gauguin's use of religious and mythological motifs to tell stories, as well as his reinvention and appropriation of myths drawn from his European cultural heritage and Polynesian legend.

sang in the chorus, said, "I love it. I was just a little nervous, but I really enjoyed it." Taja Roache of GMS also sang in the chorus. "It was really fun, but I was a little nervous. It was really worth it; we entertain people."

Director Darelynn Fung of GMS said that this was her third ACE Music Festival. "We are really having a good time." Director Sarah Hughes of GMS thought the concert "was great. It shows real community spirit. I'm glad so many people showed up." Chorus director Winthrop Cameron of GMS said this is my first concert. The kids are great! As we practiced in the band room we could see the new school going up; we even made up a new song celebrating the new day comin'.

ACE member David Whiteman optimistically predicted that "the 5th Annual ACE Greenbelt Schools Music Festival will be held in the new school in 2012."



Winthrop Cameron directs the Greenbelt Middle School Choir.

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force was formed to advise as to the use of space by various organizations. By the time that task force was created, a city referendum had determined that voters approved the sale of bonds to restore a school as a community center and had declared a preference of making Greenbelt Center School the community center instead of the abandoned North End School building. Such decisions have not been made vet for the middle school. The Board of Education has not indicated its intent to declare the old school building surplus or to turn the property over to the city. There has been no determination made as to what it will cost to restore the building, in part or as a whole, for other uses or how funding will be obtained to do so. Nor have Greenbelters been asked if they support the city operating another school building.

Bottom Line

The task force, however, appears to be proceeding as if the old building should be acquired by the city for its use to serve unmet needs of the community. Material prepared by the task force handed out at the public hearings states as the "bottom line," "How can the old middle school building serve the Greenbelt community, while minimizing costs to the taxpayers?"

Under Key Points, the task force handout notes that the city has a long history of providing excellent community facilities and services. Further it states that the residents of Greenbelt West/Franklin Park need more community facilities and services. Various letters are attached identifying such needs.

Needs

Warren Tweedy, acting principal of Greenbelt Middle School provided a list of non-academic services needed by the school and families served by the school. They are school tutoring and enrichment programs, programs to support the arts, programs to support healthy bodies and individual and family counseling.

Natasha Jenkins, principal of Springhill Lake Elementary School also recommended a list of additional services in the following areas: creative arts enrichment programs, English classes for parents, academic support/ enrichment programs, technology, parenting classes and homework assistance programs.

Reverend Walter J. Tappe, pastor of St. Hugh's, notes that most parishioners from Greenbelt provide new arrivals with a basic orientation in the community. Immigrants have need of access to affordable legal counsel, social services and assistance with legal issues," he wrote.

Rosemary Pezzuto, CEO, Campfire USA, Patuxent Area Council, provided the task force with a letter listing numerous present and future needs for the area. She also provided some interesting statistical information. The approximate population of Franklin Park is 42 percent African-American, 10 percent non-African-American black, 8 percent Hispanic, 28 percent white and 4 percent Asian, she reported. Of the residents, 44 percent are foreign born and 28 percent speak English less than well. She reported that 11 percent are below the poverty level and 9 percent are veterans. She described the community as fragmented with few residents having strong ties to their neighbors.

Some of the needs Pezutto listed are out-of-school-time programs, tutoring, access to technology and lab classes, transportation resources, quality schools, health services, adult education, English language classes, child care, pre-school programs, financial education and planning, senior services, veteran services, job employment services, rental assistance, mental health services and recreational services.

Of the services listed in these letters, many are provided elsewhere. Others are unavailable because of lack of funds to provide the services. No determination has been made if any proposed services could be provided in existing facilities. Only a few of the services proposed would generate any income.

Also provided in the task force packet is a "letter of interest" from Paul Schackelford, chair of Turning Point Academy. After touring the building, he states that "The existing structure of Greenbelt Middle School is perfect for what we need asis without demolition of any wings." Turning Point Academy, a charter school, is now located in the Trinity Assembly of God church on Good Luck Road within the city where it currently rents space.

Other Information

Based on 50 percent of the operating and program costs being covered by fees and rentals, as is the case with the Greenbelt Community Center according to the task force packet, the annual West are immigrants. "It would operating cost for the renovated for Board of Education and Joe be wonderful if the city could building (entire) would be \$1.25 McNeal for city staff.

million. A 2008 estimate to renovate the entire school building would be \$15 million of which \$6 million has been budgeted by the school system. A partial review of other sources indicated to the committee that a charter school may be the most feasible, stable and comprehensive source of revenues.

Historic preservation costs, as determined by the state, may include elevator installation, widening of doorways and several other factors.

School Board member Peggy Higgins, who serves as school board liaison to the task force, has told the committee that according to Superintendent of Schools Dr. William Hite the building will continue to be owned by the Board of Education without any action. All revenue received from the building would go to the board of education. While not automatic, there could be a process for the building to be declared surplus by the school board and then by the county government and then made available to the city for a minimal fee.

Options The committee lists only two options to consider. Option A would renovate the 1957 classrooms, the 1969 art room, the 1945 lounges and administrative area, the 1937 original Greenbelt High School, the 1953 gym and the 1969 administrative wing, keep the current Edmonston Road and north parking lot and demolish the remainder of the building. In that case the entire remaining building would be used for providing community services.

Option B would retain and renovate the entire building. Building space would be divided between community service facilities and a school. The gym and loading dock would be shared.

However, at its May 9 public hearing Task Force chair David Lange announced that due to the high cost of rehabilitating the entire building, the Task Force was now considering scaled back

Members of the task force are David Lange, chair, Beatrice Rodgers, vice-chair, Sharee Koenig, Rosemary Pezzutto, Barbara Simon and David Whaples. Representing various city advisory boards and committees are Ken Blue, Keith Chernikoff, Brenda Cooley, Rev. Daniel R. Hamlin, Elizabeth Hammett, Janet Mirsky and Shane Wisdom. Liaisons to the committee are Leta Mach for city council, Peggy Higgins

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For example, if four candidates ran for four positions on the board and one of them received votes from only 20 percent of the voters voting, under the proposed rule that candidate would not be elected. In that instance and without further amendment, the vacancy would be filled by appointment by the other members of the board.

Two items of new business will be brought up. The Buildings Committee will provide an update on the pilot program for the Communitywide Upgrade, which is now underway.

The other is a petition from members to establish a procedure for automatically increasing compensation for the Board of Directors and the Audit Committee by \$20 and \$10 per month respectively every five years.

Rather than specifying the amount of compensation, the bylaws provide only that these elected officials will receive compensation as directed by the membership. Since there is no existing mechanism for regular review of the issue, however, it has been many years since the membership has directed an

Candidates

Candidates for five two-year openings on the Board of Directors and for the three places on the annually-elected Audit Committee will make brief presentations at the meeting. Candidates running for the Board of Directors include current members Tokey Boswell, Laura Moore and Patricia Novinski, newcomer Bill Jones and former director and current Audit Committee member Chuck Hess.

Incumbents Debbie Cooley and Dianne Wilkerson are running as candidates for the Audit Committee, as is Bill Edwards, who is seeking his first term.

Up to five members of the Nominations and Elections Committee will be elected to oneyear terms during the meeting. Four candidates have filed to run: Paula Clinedinst, Henry Haslinger, Rick Ransom and Karen Yoho.

Awards, Prizes

Following any awards that may be given, drawings for a number of door prizes will also be held, including three \$100 gift certificates toward the win-

ners' monthly GHI co-op fee, four \$25 gift certificates to the Co-op Supermarket and five \$20 gift certificates to the New Deal

Several committees will have display tables. Among these are the Woodlands Committee, which will hold its annual giveaway of free native plants, and the Communicator Taskforce, which is encouraging all members to fill out or take away a survey at its table. It will cover members' opinions on the Communicator newsletter and the new GHI News in Review monthly page in the Greenbelt News Review.

To encourage prompt response, a drawing for a \$50 gift certificate for the Co-op Supermarket will be held of all surveys returned by May 20.

Voting Absentee, Proxy

Members who cannot be at the polls to vote in the election because of their religious beliefs, physical condition or absence from Greenbelt on election days may request an absentee ballot from Joan Krob, director of GHI Member Services, on business days from noon on Thursday, May 12 until noon on Tuesday, May 17, with the exception of Friday, May 13 when GHI offices will be closed. The voted ballot must be returned to the GHI office no later than 5 p.m. on May 17.

Members who cannot attend the meeting may obtain proxies and designate a member to vote on their behalf both at the meeting and in the election. This year the deadline for submitting a proxy form is either 5 p.m. on Thursday, May 12 at the GHI office or on Friday, May 13 with Board Secretary Ed James at 56-D Crescent Road. James can also provide a form.

Members with questions about election rules may refer to the bylaws, call the Member Services Office at 301-474-4161 or go the GHI website at www. ghi.coop and click on "Elec-

Biographical information on the candidates appears on page 8 in the GHI News in Review. A video of the May 10 Candidate Forum is available for viewing on the City of Greenbelt website and will be replayed periodically on the city cable stations up to the time of the election.

May Day Celebrations **History Lecture Topic**

Wednesday, May 18 at 7:30 p.m. is the next in the Montpelier Mansion free history lecture series, with a presentation by historian, re-enactor and longtime Montpelier docent Katy Hayes on May Day celebrations with emphasis on African American aspects. All are invited; refreshments will be served.

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Roots-Rock U-Liners Play at Café Saturday



The U-Liners will be performing on Saturday, May 14. Pictured above are, back row, Joe Uehlein, Barry Warsaw and Larry Ferguson; front row Mindy McWilliams and Avril Smith.

The U-Liners are returning to the New Deal Café to perform on Saturday, May 14 at 8 p.m. Sometimes described as Woody Guthrie meets Merle Haggard meets Jerry Garcia, the band plays a wide variety of music in the roots-rock and Americana genres, mixing the flavors of swing, country, bluegrass, folk, blues, rock and roll, and the mu-

sic of social change.

The U-Liners feature a number of D.C. musicians, including Wammie-winning multi-instrumentalist Avril Smith on guitar and mandolin, drummer/percussionist Larry Ferguson, Mindy McWilliams on violin and vocals, Barry Warsaw on bass, Eli Gonzalez on sax and Joe Uehlein on guitar and vocals.

Late Egg Hunt Draws Undampened Crowd

Greenbelt's annual Egg Hunt, originally scheduled for Saturday, had to be rescheduled to Monday, April 25, drawing a crowd of about 220 children of all ages who participated in finding hidden eggs, including the Golden Egg.

Present at the city Recreation Department traditional event were children, parents, Mayor Judith Davis, Councilmembers Silke Pope and Edward Putens, Miss Greenbelt Debbie Fishbeck, Junior Miss Greenbelt Tory Kerdock and Little Miss Greenbelt Juliana Clarkson. The children and Misses Greenbelt helped Mr. Bunny find all the hidden eggs.

Golden Egg winners included Madeline Juarez (18-month-to-3-year category); Sophie Kafka (4- to 5-year age group); Allison Keen (first and second grade); Matthew Edwards (third and fourth grade) and Adilene Marquez (fifth and sixth grade).

After the Egg Hunt families were invited to join Greg May in his "Mayhem Magical Circus" performance. The performance included original guitar music, juggling, rolling globe, magic, ukulele, rope spinning, slapstick, chin-balancing, wire walking, fire juggling, whip cracking and plate spinning, all incorporated into a comic circus theme. Children including former and current circus campers and their parents were invited to join May in some of the acts.

The next Recreation Department special event is Greenbelt Day Weekend on June 4 and 5. For more information visit www. greenbeltmd.gov/recreation.



The annual Greenbelt Egg Hunt brought a crowd of children, beaming parents and city officials. Shown, back row, are Councilmember Silke Pope, Mayor Judith Davis and Councilmember Ed Putens. In the front are Golden Eggwinning children Madeline Juarez (18 month- to 3-year-old category) with dad Lorenzo Juarez, Matthew Edwards (3rd-4th grade), Adilene Marquez (5th-6th grade), Allison Keen (1st-2nd grade) and Sophie Kafka (4 to 5 year category). All received prizes.

GVFD Rewards Outstanding Service At Annual Recognition Banquet

by Carol Griffith

Standing ovations and enthusiastic applause showed the camaraderie among members of the Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department as awards and honors were celebrated at the annual banquet on April 16 in the hall of the department. In attendance were Mayor Judith Davis and all city councilmembers, the Fire Commissioner of Prince George's County and representatives from other local fire departments.

Mayor Davis administered the oath of office to new officers, while thanking all for "putting their lives on the line to protect us."

The 2011-2012 officers include Kenneth Stair as president and John Wynkoop, vice president, and seven trustees. Line officers include Fire Chief Thomas L. Ray, Assistant Fire Chief Brian T. Rudy, Deputy Fire Chief Christopher Ransom, three captains, three lieutenants and two EMS sergeants.

Ladies Auxiliary

Officers for 2011-2012 for the Ladies Auxiliary were also sworn in. Teresa Ann Crisman is president, Kathy Legendre is vice president and Margaret McKenney is secretary. The Auxiliary also received a certificate of special tribute from the Maryland State Fire Association, thanking the group for its "extraordinary accomplishments."

Chief Ray then gave out service awards, first thanking the 2010 line officers who "gave their all," and noting that all members were "highly qualified and highly educated." Kelly Lawson and Augustine Garcia received special thanks for their work on the website. The 15 members who ran the most calls in 2010, in the categories of livein, live-out and married, were recognized. They are: Robert Tripe, Adam Anthony-Pyndell, Andrew Moffit, Eric Martinez, Jeremiah Voigt, Nick Lasick, Jennifer Benton, Emily Wasil, Doug Hess, Kelly Lawson, Augustine Garcia, Luis Arias, John Voigt,

Matt Kulle, and Greg Gigliotti.
For a "daunting" amount of work, the Chief's Award went to Christopher Ransom and Andrew Moffit

Successfully resuscitating a man who had collapsed in an elevator in a building on Ivy Lane illustrated some of the skills that with a city proclamation thanking him for his years of service in multiple positions within the department, including Deputy Chief.



Mayor Judith Davis presented city proclamations honoring the 57 years of service of both Pauline Bordas and Cleo Dutton. Accepting for Dutton was her grandson, John Dutton

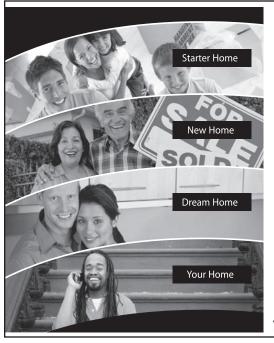


Fire Chief Thomas L. Ray awards Adam Anthony-Pyndell the Firefighter of the Year award at the GVFD awards ceremony.

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Maurice J. Palmerton, absent from the ceremony but represented by his son Matthew, was honored for his 50 years of service with a city proclamation thanking him for his years of service in multiple positions within the department, including Deputy Chief.

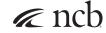
City proclamations were also given by Mayor Davis to honor the extraordinary service of two Auxiliary members. Charter members Pauline Bordas and Ethel (Cleo) Dutton were honored for the 57 years of service each has given. Dutton's proclamation was accepted by her grandson John Dutton.



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Player-manager George Harrison and Jasper Pendergrass had three hits each in the second game while White, John Benish, Robert Colbert and David Kerr had two apiece. In the first game, Pendergrass, Rich Bennoff, Fred Bohle, Jim Dugan and Al Nelson each had two hits while opening pitcher John Streckel had two no-hit innings before being replaced by Clyde Moody.

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Green Man Fest Prompts Call for Personal Action

by Shane Doyle

The Green Man has appeared in numerous places throughout history and over the weekend he made a stop in Greenbelt. The 7th annual Green Man Festival filled Roosevelt Center with attractions designed for the environmentally conscious.

Some walked to the festival from their homes nearby and others, like Beverly MacWilliams, came from as far away as Annapolis.

"We drove 30 minutes to be here," MacWilliams said referring to her two companions. "We love it," she said.

According to the festival website, the goal of the event is to bring "the Green Man into the present where he returns to remind us that while concern for our environment is important, it's only a beginning until followed with personal action."

The Green Man is a depiction of a man's face that is made up of leaves, a symbol that has appeared in numerous cultures throughout time.

Richard McMullin, one of the festival coordinators, says the event's vendors are designed to be a mixture of environmentally-conscious craftsman and nonprofit advocacy groups.

One stand offered hummingbird feeders and serving trays made from recycled glass bottles.

A table in the New Deal Café run by GreenACES, one of the city's advisory committees, encouraged people to sign up for wind energy and learn how to reduce their energy consumption.

Setting the mood for it all was almost nonstop live music. From a volunteer drum circle in the morning to professional musicians later in the day, festivalgoers enjoyed a variety of sounds, from African drums to guitars with a violin accompaniment.

The Chesapeake Education, Arts and Research Society (CHEARS), which helped organize the event, presented its Green Man Award to Lesley Riddle, the assistant director of Parks and Grounds for Greenbelt's Public Works Department.

"Lesley has been instrumental in reducing [the city's] dependence on pesticides," said Jean Newcomb of CHEARS.

Riddle said she was thrilled when she learned that she would receive the award.

"We will continue working to keep Greenbelt environmentally sustainable," said Riddle.

In addition to a certificate and Green Man mask, Riddle, who is not a city resident, was deemed an honorary Greenbelter.

For those who weren't ready to go home when the festival closed in the early evening, there was live music at night in the New Deal Café.

While the outdoor festival may be over, the New Deal Café continues its Green Man Festival art exhibit which showcases both visual and written works of art through June.



Above, Sarah O'Brien plays the flute with Dorian Winterfeld on drum. Below, Michael Sieger dons a wild hat; Soren Powell and daughter Willow Wilkin, age 2, joins in. Both men are playing a drum called a Djembe.





Some of the crowd at the Green Man Festival.



Artists and vendors Shane and Leah Odom stand beside their unique hand-made masks.

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