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Front, left to right: Delegate Tawanna Gaines; ACE students Flavyne Tsongwain, Krish Suri, Chinedum Chike, Tayonia Marshall, Robert Viray, Edward Jahoda, Dorothy Jahoda, Michael Stevens, Skye Brett and Teresa Smith. Students not pictured: Maryann Nwude, Jack-Kevin Hudegla and Liam Tucker McConlogue. Back, left to right: Delegate Anne Healey, State Senator Paul Pinsky, County Councilmember Todd Turner, School Board Member Lupi Grady, Delegate Alonzo Washington, Councilmembers Edward Putens and Leta Mach, Mayor Emmett Jordan, and Councilmembers Konrad Herling, Silke Pope and Rodney Roberts.

Council OKs City Manager's Budget, Adds Extra \$345,000

by James Giese

The Greenbelt City Council tentatively agreed to accept without change the \$26,437,000 budget originally proposed by City Manager Michael McLaughlin for Fiscal Year 2016 and commended him and the city staff for a job well done. During the two-month budget review process, however, city staff revised some revenue and expenditure estimates, resulting in another \$345,000 in funds available to allocate.

Council also accepted these revisions but in a two-and-one-half hour final budget worksession on May 12, bargained back and forth, tentatively resolving how to divide the extra funds among the 12 budget accounts it determined were in greatest need of increased expenditures.

While others compromised their ideas for spending this added money, Councilmember Rodney Roberts steadfastly maintained that the extra monies should be used only to provide a

tax cut. The budget, as proposed and now tentatively approved, provides for no change in the real and personal property tax rates.

But the budget process is not over. On May 26, council will hold another public hearing at which any resident is welcome to express a view on the budget as now proposed. Final adoption of the budget will not take place until the June 8 regular council meeting, only two days prior to the county requirement for official adoption if the city wants its tax levy placed on the pending tax bills. While most anything is possible between now and then, usually the tentative budget decisions become the final decision of the council majority – with Roberts voting no.

Added Funds

The added funds now available resulted primarily from the Maryland General Assembly (legislature) approving an increased

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Crowd Applauds Winning Students Honored at 2015 ACE Awards Night

by Kathleen Gallagher

Parents, siblings, teachers and government officials turned out at the May 11 regular meeting of the Greenbelt City Council to support the 12 area students named by their schools to be recognized as the 2015 ACE Award winners.

ACE, the city's Advisory Committee on Education, was created in 1994 to work with council, school principals and parent-teacher organizations and the community to address education issues and policies that affect the residents of Greenbelt. This year marks the 20th year that ACE awards have been presented to students at the elementary schools, middle schools and

high school that serve most of Greenbelt's students.

Mayor Emmett Jordan introduced State Senator Paul Pinsky, State Delegates Anne Healey, Tawanna Gaines and Alonzo Washington, County Councilmember Todd Turner and School Board Member Lupi Grady, who, along with city councilmembers, were present to honor the recipients with proclamations. In addition, the state delegation remained after the awards to brief council on the recently completed session of the Maryland General Assembly. County Councilmember Turner provided updates from the current session of the county council.

Turner presented the members of the ACE with a \$2,000 county check in support of the \$2,000 scholarships the city awards to each of the ACE high school winners. Healey awards one of her allocated \$500 House of Delegate Scholarships annually at the ACE Awards ceremony as well. The ACE students also receive a \$25 gift certificate to Books-A-Million in Beltway Plaza and an ACE T-shirt and an invitation to march in the Labor Day parade with the ACE members.

Eligible Schools

The schools eligible to nominate students as designated ACE Students are Greenbelt, Springhill Lake and Magnolia Elementary Schools, Turning Point Academy, Greenbelt Middle School and Eleanor Roosevelt High School. This year a new ACE School joined the ranks, bringing the total to seven. This was Robert Goddard French Immersion, to be renamed Dora Kennedy French Immersion School this summer.

Each school may nominate two students – one boy, one girl – as ACE students for the year. To be eligible, students must be Greenbelt residents and in the highest grade offered by the school. This year Turning Point Academy had no eligible students.

ACE Member Don Rich served as master of ceremonies for the event, with assistance from ACE member Janet Mirsky.

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City Holds Annual Meeting With Contribution Groups

by Kathleen Gallagher

Every year during the time of budget discussions, the Greenbelt City Council reviews the required annual applications from those volunteer organizations that are, or seek to be, designated as city recognition or contribution groups. These are volunteer groups providing ongoing cultural, athletic, recreational and service opportunities that are open to the general public. Their programs complement and expand the offerings the city can provide.

Recognition groups are eligible to have free meeting space in city facilities on a space-available basis, as well as to receive other privileges and in-kind benefits. Contribution groups receive all the privileges of recognition groups but also may receive funding from the city. Applications for both types of designation are reviewed by either the Park and Recreation Advisory Board (PRAB) or the Arts Advisory Board (AAB), as appropriate, which make recommendations to the city council and staff.

With all members present except Councilmember Silke Pope, the city council met on May 6 with representatives of most of the contribution groups and one of the largest recognition groups. The Greenbelt Boys and Girls Club was unable to attend this meeting and instead met with council at the Recreation Department budget worksession on May 4, as reported in the May 14 is-

sue of this paper.

Labor Day Festival

The meeting opened with an update from the Greenbelt Labor Day Festival, which as a recognition group was not requesting any funding from the city but which receives a great deal of in-kind support. Much of the information discussed with Festival President Linda Ivy at this meeting had previously been covered in the festival's update worksession with the city council in late October, as reported in the December 4, 2014, issue of the paper.

News at this meeting included that the festival now has 501(c)(3) status. This means that the festival is tax-exempt and that donations are tax deductible. A new person has been appointed to handle booths. The festival has also contracted with a bus company to provide a dedicated circulator shuttle for Greenbelt West, including Franklin Park and the Metro station this year.

Ivy stressed that they need more Greenbelt organizations to operate booths and said there is a market at the festival for more lower priced food items. She asked council to encourage the contribution and recognition groups to do this or to take part in sharing a booth. She reported that the carnival was less successful than usual this year but

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What Goes On

Saturday, May 23

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

Monday, May 25 – City and Greenbelt Homes, Inc. Offices Closed in Observance of Memorial Day

Tuesday, May 26

7:30 p.m., Greenbelt Advisory Committee on Environmental Sustainability (GreenACES) and Green Team Meeting, Community Center

8 p.m., City Council Meeting and Public Hearing on Fiscal Year 2016 Budget

Wednesday, May 27

7 p.m., Senior Citizen's Advisory Committee Meeting, Community Center

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

Friday, May 29 – Grand Re-opening of Greenbelt Theater

6 p.m., Outdoor Activities

8 p.m., Little Miss Broadway

Our New Email Addresses

Let it never be said that the News Review is behind the times. In keeping with our mission to become a Center of Excellence for Customer Relationship Management – or at least to keep up with the email – we are changing our email addresses to the following:

- editor@greenbeltnewsreview.com for stories, letters and photographs;
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- office@greenbeltnewsreview.com for general inquiries about the newspaper, e.g., office hours, how to submit materials (format and editorial standards) and volunteering; and
- business@greenbeltnewsreview.com for billing and accounting questions.

Our old address, newsreview@verizon.net, will gracefully slip into history – though email sent to it will be forwarded for a while until the new address has percolated thoroughly. The new email address is admittedly longer (unfortunately newsreview.com was taken long ago) but the addresses will autocomplete once typed the first time.

As a primarily volunteer organization, making changes in how we do business requires coordinating among the dozen or more people who may correspond to a single full-time person in the normal business world. Occasionally this doesn't go as smoothly as one would wish despite our several weeks of planning for the changeover. The News Review regrets any temporary inconvenience to readers and advertisers but is confident this strategy will help provide better service and a more consistent interface in the longer term.

Although we have had the greenbeltnewsreview.com domain for many years, the News Review originally set up the email using the domain name of its ISP (at the dawn of the email revolution). Therefore, each time the paper changed its ISP, it had to change its email address. Because the paper was planning to change ISPs anyway, this seemed the opportune moment to simultaneously adopt an email address that would serve us permanently.

A second reason to change was to divide email traffic by role so staff can focus more rapidly on incoming material.

For information on other ways of communicating with the paper, deadlines and other guidelines for submission of materials, refer to our website at greenbeltnewsreview.com or email office@greenbeltnewsreview.com.

experienced young riders stumble in various ways on these convoy rides.

I have commuted alone for decades, but I also enjoy the camaraderie of riding with others, which I had thought was the purpose of a convoy.

Bill Norwood

Recycle Bins

Recently I read in the News Review that the city has not yet funded either the repaving of streets or the replacement of recycling bins for 2016. I can't pave streets, but I could buy my own recycling bin – as we all buy our own trash bins. The city could set specifications (such as covers and screening from view), or they could buy some identical bins and sell them to us.

With all our mixed recycling, I converted one of my trash bins to recyclables and one to yard waste. My former yellow recycle bin now easily holds my trash from one or two weeks! (Of course if you mix up the bins, you do need to label them.) Currently the city supplies labels for mixed recyclables and yard waste. I used a thick permanent marker to label the trash bin.

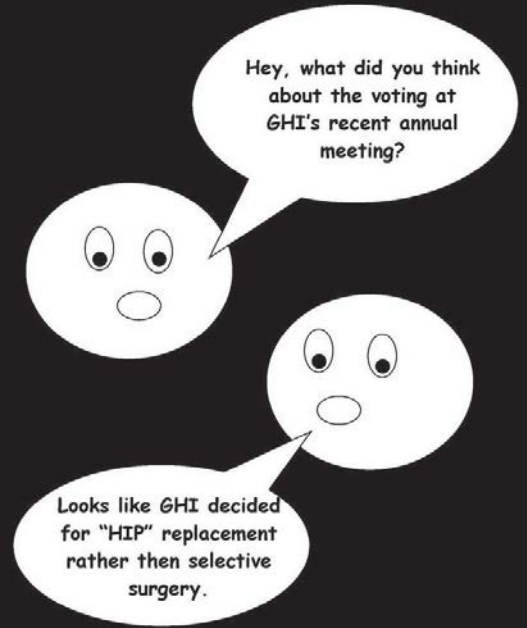
Barbara Starbird

Thanks

Thank you to all who helped make the Zero Waste Endeavor of the Green Man Festival such a huge success this year. We

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"My Two Cents" with Sense and Nonsense



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Free Book Festival

The Prince George's Book Festival will be held on Saturday, May 23 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Prince George's Sports and Learning Complex, 8001 Sheriff Road, Landover. Spring into literary excellence and a fun-filled day with reading. The free event includes an authors' expo and book signings.

For more information call 301-583-2434; TTY 301-583-2483.

Free Yoga Session At Montpelier

On Saturday, May 23, at 11 a.m. a free hour-long yoga class for persons ages 18 and up will be offered at Montpelier Arts Center. Wear comfortable clothing and bring a yoga mat. Following the class, explore the art exhibitions in the galleries and the grounds of Montpelier.

Letters to the Editor

Thanks

I want to give a big thank you to all who voted for me in the GHI election. I take your trust in me seriously and I will work hard to ensure you are proud of your vote.

I also want to thank everybody who came out to the annual meeting. While there are clearly differences, I believe that we can all agree that we live in a great co-op, and want to make it better.

As a final point, both the Finance and Investment committees are in need of additional good members. While a lot of work has already been done in relation to the Homes Improvement Program, there are still a lot of H.I.P. decisions ahead of us, in addition to the decisions that will be required for normal operations.

Again I want to thank everyone who helped me be reelected.

Chuck Hess

Abandoned, Again

Again this year I got abandoned riding in a bike convoy from Greenbelt to College Park on National Bike to Work Day. Last year the rain was pouring for the entire ride but the younger ones had just ridden ahead of me until they were out of sight, never once looking back.

I remember other such Bike to Work Day convoys where I was not the slowest but would stay back with the slowest, young and old, as needed, while the faster riders were careful not to ride too far ahead.

Apparently this event has become more schedule-driven in that more riders feel that they must arrive downtown on time for the speeches and celebration at Freedom Plaza.

But I think that this increased speed carries excess hazard, since I have seen relatively in-

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Sat. 1:00 PM; 5:30 PM
Sun. 3:00 PM, 7:00 PM
Mon. 5:00 PM
Tues. 7:30 PM
Weds. 5:00 PM
Thurs. 7:30 PM

TWO DAYS, ONE NIGHT
(PG-13) (95m.)
Fri. 7:15 PM
Sat. 3:30 PM, 8:00 PM
Sun. 1:00 PM, 5:00 PM
Mon. 7:15 PM
Tues. 5:30 PM
Weds. 7:15 PM
Thurs. 5:30 PM

**BEST OF NY
INTERNATIONAL
CHILDREN'S FILM
FESTIVAL:
KIDS FLIX MIX**
Sat. 11:00 AM

This week's Swifty . . .

"I don't care if there are three of us, I want half," he demanded d _ _ _ ively.

Last week's Swifty: "It's too much trouble and costs too much to sell things on eBay," Craig whined LISTLESSLY.

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

Community Events

At the Library

Every Hero Has a Story is the 2015 Summer Reading Program theme for all children. Children who read at least 20 minutes a day during the summer months perform better in school in the fall.

Sign up for Summer@Your Library from May 15 through August 15 and get a game board. The first 3,500 students to register will receive a free T-shirt. Sign up at any Prince George's County Library branch.

Complete activities to earn a prize and enter to win the grand prize drawing for electronics, event tickets and more.

Go to pgcmls.info to find out more.

Writing Contest

PGCMLS is a participating public library for the Library of Congress National Book Festival's "A Book That Shaped Me" Summer Writing Contest, which encourages rising 5th and 6th graders to reflect on a book that has made a personal impact on their lives. Top winners will be honored at the Library of Congress National Book Festival on September 5th at the Walter E. Washington Convention Center in Washington, D.C.

Participants should choose one book – fiction or nonfiction – and write a one-page essay about how it had impact on their life. Entries must be submitted in person to library branches by Friday, July 10. Additional details are available at the Greenbelt library.

Storytimes

Wednesdays, 10:15 a.m. and 11:15 a.m., Infants and Toddlers Program, Preschool Storytime, ages 3 to 5, stories, songs, fingerplays and more.

Thursdays, 10:15 a.m., Baby Storytime, ages 1 to 2.

Thursdays, 2:15 p.m., Toddler Storytime, ages 2 to 3, stories, songs, fingerplays and more.

Pick up free tickets at the information desk for these events.

Co-op's Patron Day Food, Wine Tastings

The Co-op Supermarket & Pharmacy will offer wine tastings on May 22, 4 to 7 p.m., and May 27, 5 to 7 p.m. Enjoy a sample of Co-op's selections and save 5 percent on tasting wines. Patron Appreciation Day and the Seasonal & Savory Food Demo and Wine Tasting are on May 27, 5 to 7 p.m. Staff will serve a minty green pea dip and pair it with features from Co-op's wine department.



Visit the Co-op's website greenbelt.coop for information on this month's specials and events.

Menu for Senior Nutrition Program

The Senior Nutrition Food and Friendship program provides lunches for seniors Monday through Friday at the Community Center beginning at noon. Meals 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 21 through 27 are as follows:

Thursday: cranberry juice, baked meatballs with sweet and sour sauce, fried rice, ginger carrots, fresh fruit.

Friday: pineapple juice, beef hot dog with chili, baked beans, coleslaw, wheat hot dog bun, peach crisp.

Monday: Memorial Day – Holiday – All sites closed.

Tuesday: apple juice, rotisserie chicken thigh, cut yams, broccoli, tropical fruit.

Wednesday: orange juice, sliced turkey with gravy, whipped potatoes, green beans, fresh fruit.

Boxwood Village Scholarship Open

The Boxwood Village Civic Association offers an annual \$500 scholarship to a resident of Boxwood Village. It is available to graduating high school seniors and to full-time (at least 12 credit hours per semester) undergraduate students. The scholarship has been funded through the proceeds from the Boxwood Booth at the Greenbelt Labor Day Festival.

The application form should be completed and returned by June 30. For further information and an application form, call Jean Cook at 301-345-2597 or Brenda Cooley at 301-345-1388.

GIVES Twenty Year Celebration, Election

Greenbelt Intergenerational Volunteer Exchange Service (GIVES) will have its annual meeting and election of officers on Saturday, June 13 in the Community Center, Room 14. GIVES will also be celebrating its twentieth anniversary. Current and prospective members are invited to come and celebrate this special event. It is also a good time for prospective members to join and get acquainted with GIVES mission.

At the meeting, members will vote for president and secretary for the next term. GIVES members are encouraged to nominate themselves or others for these two offices. Contact Judy Ott (jottela@yahoo.com) with nominations or for further information and call the GIVES office at 301-507-6580 with questions or suggestions for agenda topics or changes in contact information.

GHI Notes

Thursday May 21, 7:30 p.m., Board of Directors Meeting, Board Room

Friday May 22, OFFICE CLOSED (Emergency Maintenance Service at 301-474-6011)

Monday May 25, OFFICE CLOSED (Memorial Day)

Wednesday May 27, 7 p.m., Buildings Committee Meeting, Board Room

E. Roosevelt H.S. Jazz Band Concert

On Saturday, May 23, from 3:30 to 5 p.m. in Roosevelt Center, students from Eleanor Roosevelt High School will be performing in a free outdoor concert. The Jazz Band, Dixieland Combo, Flute Choir, and "Pearls", an a cappella singing group, all of whom meet after school, will take part in the performance. The Jazz Band is directed by the school band director, Sally Wagner. The Dixieland Combo and "Pearls" are entirely student-run, and the Flute Choir is directed by a local music teacher.

The concert is produced by volunteers for the New Deal Cafe in Roosevelt Center and is sponsored by the Friends of New Deal Cafe Arts (FONDCA) and the City of Greenbelt, as part of the Eileen Peterson Youth Music Series, which brings free music performances by local youth to the community.

Send us your meeting notices or special activities for the Community Events page.

Saturday Evening Offers Star Party

The public is invited to a star party on Saturday evening, May 23, hosted by the Astronomical Society of Greenbelt at the City of Greenbelt Observatory, located at Northway Fields. We will be observing Venus, Jupiter, the Moon, and some deep sky objects later in the evening, including the Whirlpool Galaxy (M51), the Pinwheel Galaxy (M101), M92 (a globular star cluster) and the Ring Nebula (M57). As always, visitors are also welcome to set up their own telescopes on the hill.

Observing will begin at around 9:30 p.m. and continue for about two hours. There is no fee for the event. Attendees are asked to park in the ballfield lot, not up on the hill, unless bringing a telescope. The star party will be canceled without notice if it is hopelessly cloudy.

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WEEK OF May 22

FRIDAY – SUNDAY

Tomorrowland, PG (!)
 11:00, 1:50, 2:25, 4:40, 7:30, 8:15
 Poltergeist, R (!)
 11:30, 12:15, 1:40, 4:00, 4:45, 6:45, 7:15, 9:00, 9:40
 Mad Max: Fury Road, in 3D**, R (!!)
 1:30, 9:50
 Mad Max: Fury Road, in 2D, R (!!)
 10:50, 4:10, 6:40, 9:15
 Pitch Perfect, PG13 (!)
 11:20, 1:55, 4:30, 7:05, 9:40
 Avengers: Age of Ultron, PG13
 11:15, 12:25, 3:30, 4:40, 5:15, 6:35, 9:30
 Paul Blart: Mall Cop 2, PG-13
 11:20, 2:00, 4:30, 7:00

MONDAY – WEDNESDAY

Tomorrowland, PG (!)
 11:00, 1:50, 2:25, 4:40, 7:30
 Poltergeist, R (!)
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THURSDAY

San Andreas, PG13 (!)
 7:00
 Tomorrowland, PG (!)
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Tues.-Thurs., May 26-28, @7:30 PM

Learn the basics of non-linear editing: Import, add to the timeline, simple graphics and exporting to media.

Book a seat at greenbeltaccess@gmail.com

See what's showing on Comcast 77 and Verizon FIOS 19 by visiting www.greenbelttv.org and click on "schedule"

Utopia Film Festival Presents
 Sunday, May 24th & Wednesday, May 27th
 Beginning at 8 PM
"Masque" and "A Tooth Tale"
 On Greenbelt Access Television, Inc. (GATe)
 Comcast 77 & Verizon Fios 19 Channels

Greenbelt Arts Center DON'T MISS!



by Lorraine Hansberry
 directed by Rikki Howie Lacewell
 May 22 – June 6
 Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m.
 Sundays, May 24 and 31 at 2 p.m.
 Ticket prices: \$20 General Admission,
 \$16 Students/Seniors/Military,
 \$12 Youth (12 and under with adult)

COMING SOON

Spider's Web - June 19-28 - Guest Production from Thunderous Productions
 The Springfield Boys - July 10-19 - Guest Production from Seventh Street Playhouse

For information & reservations, call 301-441-8770 or email: info@greenbeltartscenter.org or **BOOK TICKETS ONLINE** at www.greenbeltartscenter.org
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Obits

Jane M Wilcox

Jane M. (Whitnell) Wilcox, of Greenbelt, died peacefully at home on Wednesday, May 13, 2015. She was 72 years old.



Born in Cambridge, Mass., on January 14, 1943, she was the daughter of the late John C. and Margaret A. (Bennett) Whitnell, Sr. of Wilmington, Mass.

Mrs. Wilcox grew up in Somerville and Stoneham, Mass., and graduated from Stoneham High School, Class of 1960.

She worked for C & P Telephone Company in Baltimore and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in Boston. After returning to Maryland in 1971, she stayed home to raise her family and was later employed by the U.S. Department of Agriculture in Beltsville, from which she retired in 2011. Most recently, she was involved in the Golden Age Club and the Holy Cross exercise program in Greenbelt. She will be remembered as kind, thoughtful and generous.

Mrs. Wilcox is survived by her husband of 43 years, Warren C. Wilcox of Greenbelt, her daughters Cynthia L. Merlini of North Andover, Mass., Robin J. Wilcox and Tara C. Wilcox, both of Greenbelt; sisters, Ellen M. Tull of Glen Burnie, Md., and Maureen M. Twomey of Gardner, Mass., her brother John C. Whitnell, Jr. of Vero Beach, Fla.; grandchildren Annamarie and James Embrey, also of Greenbelt, and several nieces and nephews.

Arrangements are being handled by the Robert E. Evans Funeral Home, 16000 Annapolis Road, Bowie. A private burial will take place at Wildwood Cemetery in Wilmington, Mass.



Glenn Dale Flea Market

Glenn Dale United Methodist Church will hold a flea market on Saturday, May 30 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Call Joy Pierson at 301-390-6640 to reserve a table (there is a fee) or for information. Donuts and coffee will be served in the morning. A lunch of sloppy joes, hot dogs, etc. will be available for purchase starting at 11:30 a.m. The church is located at the intersection of Good Luck Road and Springfield Road.



Catholic Community of Greenbelt

SUNDAY MASS, 10:00 AM
MUNICIPAL BUILDING
SERVE BREAKFAST AT S.O.M.E.
Sunday, May 31
Meet at St. Hugh's School Parking Lot, 6:00 AM
All are welcome.

Artists' Studio Space Available in Center

The Greenbelt Recreation Department is now accepting applications from visual artists, artisans and designers interested in renting studio space at the Greenbelt Community Center. Participants are selected for the city's Artist-in-residence Program based on their artwork, professional qualifications and interest in community involvement.

The program is open to persons ages 18 and up, including both residents and non-residents of Greenbelt. Nine artists-in-residence are currently participating, sharing three sub-divided, light-filled former classrooms.

Current artists represent a diverse array of media including ceramic art tile, functional pottery, art quilts, costume design, assemblage, painting and cut paper illustration.

One studio space will be available in July.

Artists-in-residence enjoy 24-hour access to their studios in a historic facility that also houses a contemporary art gallery, dance studio, television production studio, arts education classrooms and many other amenities.

Applicants are invited to tour the studios and meet current participants at a studio open house on Sunday, June 7, 1 to 4 p.m., in conjunction with an Artful Afternoon event. The original application deadline of May 8 has been waived; applications will be accepted and reviewed on an ongoing basis until the upcoming vacancy is filled.

Additional information and an online application are available at greenbeltmd.gov/arts. For assistance, contact Nicole DeWald at ndewald@greenbeltmd.gov or call 301-397-2208.

Sustainability and Resilience Circle

A new "Discussion Circle" will be forming on Sunday, May 31, 7 to 9 p.m., in a private home in Greenbelt. It will be especially geared for Greenbelt newcomers, focusing on sustainability and resilience. The group will meet weekly or bi-weekly for six sessions. Topics covered will include living simply, sustainable lifestyle choices, "going green at home", climate change, sustainable foods, living in community and accessing local resources. To RSVP and receive address and directions, contact Lore Rosenthal, 301-345-2234, lore@simplicity-matters.org.

Patuxent Refuge Programs on May 30

Join a bird walk on Saturday, May 30 from 8:15 to 10:15 a.m. at the North Tract of the Patuxent Refuge. Search for birds in several habitats on this guided hike. Field guides and binoculars are recommended. This program is for all ages.

Herp Search

Saturday, May 30 from 1 to 2:30 p.m. at the Patuxent Research Refuge North Tract, join a refuge naturalist on a guided search for reptiles and amphibians. Wear good walking shoes. This program is for all ages.

Night Hike

On Saturday, May 30 from 8 to 9:30 p.m. those ages 5 and older can discover the nighttime world of the Patuxent Research Refuge while looking and listening for nocturnal animals on this guided walk.

Public programs at the refuge are free, although advance registration is required; call 301-497-5887. The North Tract is located on Route 198 between the Baltimore-Washington Parkway and Maryland Route 32. For more information visit the website at fws.gov/refuge/Patuxent.

Astronomical Society Astrolabe Lecture

The May meeting of the Astronomical Society will feature a presentation on astrolabes by Professor Harold Williams, of Montgomery College at Takoma Park. Dr. Williams, the director of the planetarium at the college, has degrees from Florida State University (B.S.), State University of New York at Stony Brook (M.S.) and Louisiana State University (Ph.D.). He has long been interested in astrolabes and is a recognized authority on the subject.



Astrolabes have been used for millennia by astronomers, astrologers and navigators to determine time and position and to predict the positions of the sun, moon, planets and stars.

The meeting will be held Thursday, May 28 at 7:30 p.m. in Room 114 of the Community Center. Admission is free and all are welcome.



We were saddened to hear of the death of Jane Wilcox, 72, of Mandan Terrace on May 13, 2015. Condolences to Warren, her husband of 43 years, and other family and friends.

Congratulations to winners of the 2015 ACE Student Awards.

Congratulations to all the talented people who made Greenbelt such a bustling and entertaining place the past several weeks. There was so much going on! – the Green Man festival, the Crazy Quilt festival, the Theater, the Farmer's Market, the farewell for ERHS bandmaster Sally Wagner and other concerts and activities. I especially enjoyed the 60's program at the Community Church last Saturday night. It was fun to see folks "twistin' the night away" in the church aisles as the evening ended.

Send us your announcement To send information for Our Neighbors, email us at newsreview@verizon.net or leave a message at 301-474-6892.

– Kathleen McFarland

Mowatt Memorial United Methodist Church



40 Ridge Road, Greenbelt
Open hearts, Open minds, Open doors
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Rev. Fay Lundin, Pastor

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Join us for Sunday breakfast 8:30 a.m.

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Phone: 301-937-3666 www.pbuuc.org



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May 24, 10 a.m.
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Rabbi Jonathan Cohen Cantor Phil Greenfield

Friday evening services 8:00 PM except first Friday of the month, when children's service begins at 7:30 PM

Saturday morning services - 9:30 AM
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1 Hillside (at Crescent Road)
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www.greenbeltcommunitychurch.org

Sunday Worship
10:15 a.m.
Rev. Glennyce Grindstaff, Pastor

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135 Crescent Road, Greenbelt, MD 20770
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Mass Schedule:
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Saturday 9:00 a.m., 5:00 p.m.
Daily Mass: 7:15 a.m.
Sacrament of Penance: Saturday 3:30-4:30 p.m.

Pastor: Rev. Walter J. Tappe

Vacation Bible School
Ages 3 - Adult, June 22 - 26, 6-8:30pm

5 Day Bible Camp
Ages 5 - 12 years old,
July 6-10, 10a.m.-1p.m.

High Power Soccer Camp
Ages 5 - 10 years old,
July 20 - 24, 6-8:40pm

Summer events T-shirt available for \$5 each

Berwyn Baptist Church
4720 Cherokee Street, College Park, MD 20740
301.474.7117 | <http://berwynbaptist.org>

Micro-House Tour Starts Here May 30

Residents who are perplexed with how to live within their home's small footprint and need more inspiration than a visit to the local IKEA, can expect to have their mind blown through a tour of micro houses that inspire thinking small in order to live large.

This free tour organized by Greenbelt Homes, Inc.'s (GHI) Membership Committee will explore several spaces, including an in-progress student 140 sq. ft. house, a 288 sq. ft. workspace/shed, a 210 sq. ft. home and outdoor landscaping designed for micro life-styles.

The tour will be led by Brian Levy, a leader at Micro Showcase (www.MicroShowcase.com). Carpools will leave from GHI Headquarters on 1 Hamilton Place at 9:30 a.m. sharp on May 30 to journey down to the showcase with the tour to end by noon. Space is limited to the first 30 registered individuals. Interested participants must respond by May 23 to thinksmallGHI@gmail.com.

This event is the kick-off of a larger campaign, Live Large/Think Small, to celebrate the creativity and freedom of small space living in a GHI home through tours, sharing of space-saving ideas, organizational tips and other resources.

Board of Education Awards On May 21

The Prince George's County Board of Education will celebrate the achievements of PGCPs students, staff, and community partners in a newly organized Board Awards Night on Thursday, May 21 at 6 p.m. at Martin's Crosswinds, 7400 Greenway Center Drive.

The board will present more than a dozen awards recognizing scholarship, athletics achievement, service, leadership and improvement. In addition, the Excellence in Education Foundation will give out scholarships to several deserving students.

Eleanor Roosevelt High School's jazz band will provide the evening's entertainment, and its AFJROTC will present colors.

Nature Tots: Silly Goose

Introduce preschoolers ages 3 and 4 to the world of geese through games, stories and crafts in this interactive program on Friday, May 29 from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. and 1 to 2 p.m. at the National Wildlife Visitor Center.

Public programs at the Patuxent Research Refuge are free although advance registration is required by calling 301-497-5887. For details visit fws.gov/refuge/Patuxent. The Visitor Center is on Powder Mill Road between the Baltimore-Washington Parkway and Maryland Route 197.



City Information

GREENBELT CITY COUNCIL- REGULAR MEETING
Municipal Building, May 26, 2015 – 8:00 p.m.

ORGANIZATION

Call to Order
Roll Call
Meditation and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag
Consent Agenda – Approval of Staff Recommendations (Items on the Consent Agenda [marked by *] will be approved as recommended by staff, subject to removal from the Consent Agenda by Council.)
Approval of Agenda and Additions

COMMUNICATIONS

- Presentations
Eleanor Roosevelt High School Debate Team
Eleanor Roosevelt High School Girls Basketball Team
Eleanor Roosevelt High School Boys Basketball Team
MML "If I Were Mayor" Contest Semi-Finalist
Peace Month Proclamation
Small Cities Month Proclamation
- Petitions and Requests
(Petitions received at the meeting will not be acted upon by the City Council at this meeting unless Council waives its Standing Rules.)

- Public Hearing

- Proposed FY 2016 Budget
- Constant Yield Tax Rate
- Minutes of Council Meetings
- Administrative Reports
- *Committee Reports
- Arts Advisory Board, Report #15-3 (Evaluation of FY 2016 Recognition Group and Contribution Group Applications)
- Park and Recreation Advisory Board, Report #15-1 (FY 2016 Contribution and Recognition Groups Budget Review)

LEGISLATION

- A Resolution to Negotiate the Purchase of Recodification of the City Code from Municipal Code Corporation at a Cost Not to Exceed \$13,530
- 2nd Reading, Adoption

- A Resolution to Amend Resolution 2024, A Resolution to Purchase Certain Goods and Services from Various Vendors as Enumerated Herein When Total Fiscal Year Purchases from Each Vendor Exceed Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) - 1st Reading

OTHER BUSINESS

- Selection of Audit Services
- Grand Re-Opening – Greenbelt Theatre
- Council Reports

MEETINGS

NOTE: This is a preliminary agenda, subject to change. Regular Council meetings are open to the public, and all interested citizens are invited to attend. If special accommodations are required for any disabled person, please call 301-474-8000 no later than 10am on the meeting day. Deaf individuals are advised to use MD RELAY at 711 or e-mail cmurray@greenbeltmd.gov to reach the City Clerk.

OLD GREENBELT THEATRE

GRAND RE-OPENING

Friday, May 29

Outdoor activities begin at 6

Ceremony and showing of

"Little Miss Broadway" following at 8pm.

Featuring a weekend of 1938 films"

Greenbelt Museum presents:

ROOSEVELT RIDE

JUNE 7 AT 11am

Front Lawn of Greenbelt Community Center
Celebrate the New Deal-era legacy of this historic community by donning your sporty vintage best, hopping on your decorated bicycle, and joining us for a leisurely cycle through the town. This event is free and open to all!
Organized by the Friends of the Greenbelt Museum.
In the event of rain the Ride will be cancelled.

COMMUNITY WOODS CLEAN UP

June 6 at 10am

Sponsored by FPAB, CHEARS and Celebrate the Forest Preserve

Volunteer at 1 of 2 clean up sites

1. Meet at Northway Ball Fields and clean in Area A.
2. Meet at the Spellman Pass bridge and clean up Area D and E
Gloves and bags will be provided. Valerie Elliott 240-604-7604 or valandmabel@gmail.com.

MEETINGS FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 25-29

Tuesday, May 26 at 7:30pm, **GREENBELT ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY (GreenACES) and GREEN TEAM** at Community Center, 15 Crescent Road.

Tuesday, May 26 at 8:00pm, **REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING AND PUBLIC HEARING ON THE FY16 BUDGET**, Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road. Live on Verizon 21, Comcast 71 and streaming at www.greenbeltmd.gov/municipaltv

Wednesday, May 27 at 7pm, **SENIOR CITIZEN'S ADVISORY COMMITTEE** at Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Road, Room 111.

Wednesday, May 27 at 7:30pm, **ADVISORY PLANNING BOARD**, Community Center, 15 Crescent Road, Room 114. On the agenda: Greenbelt Station Mixed Use Development – Presenter Garth Beall and Update on Various Planning Projects

Wednesday, May 27 at 8pm, **COUNCIL WORK SESSION re: Transit**, Community Center, 15 Crescent Road.

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

HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

City Offices will be closed Monday, May 25, in observance of Memorial Day. The Greenbelt Connection will not be operating.

REFUSE/RECYCLING SCHEDULE

Week of May 25

Monday Route – Collected Tuesday
Tuesday Route – Collected Wednesday
Wednesday Route – Collected Thursday
Thursday Route – Collected Friday

There will be no appliance or yard waste collections on Friday, May 29.

VACANCIES ON BOARDS & COMMITTEES

Volunteer to serve on City Council Advisory Groups. There are currently vacancies on: Arts Advisory Board, Park and Recreation Advisory Board, and Youth Advisory Committee
For information call 301-474-8000.

DONATION DROP-OFF

American Rescue Workers

Every second and fourth Saturday of the month
Saturday, May 23, from 9:00 a.m.-12:00 noon
Parking lot between City Office and Community Center
Info: 301-474-8308

Not for Seniors Only presents
HOW TO MINIMIZE YOUR RISK OF IDENTITY THEFT

Saturday June 6 from 1-3pm
Greenbelt Community Center
15 Crescent Road, Room 201

This free workshop will feature Patricia Maynard, Finance Educator and George Mathews, Greenbelt Police, Media Liaison
Sponsored by the City of Greenbelt Senior Citizen Advisory Committee

Artist's Studio Space Available

Greenbelt Recreation Department
Artist in Residence Program
Greenbelt Community Center

Studio available in July. Applications accepted until program is full. 24-hour access. 10' X 17' plus common areas. \$179.45/month plus deposit.
Details and application at www.greenbeltmd.gov/arts or 301-397-2208

Volunteer Opportunity/Naturalist and Notetakers May 22 from 11 am - 3 pm in Buddy Attick Park

For an informal rapid biological survey of all of the plants, animals, and fungi that are present in a natural area. A bioblitz can be conducted by field biologists, naturalists, botanists, or anyone who has good general knowledge of local flora and fauna. The data derived from a bioblitz can be used as preliminary baseline data to document a "snapshot in time" of an area's biological diversity. RSVP in advance to Volunteer@CHEARS.org.

Holy Cross Thrift Store

Every Thursday
10am – 4pm

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

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Rich introduced the members of the Advisory Committee on Education and recognized the families and the school faculty and staff who contributed to the success of these students, both academically and as community members who exemplify the values of Greenbelt. Mirsky then announced the winners and read the nomination letters provided by the schools, parts of which are included below:

Greenbelt Elementary

Krish Suri is known for accepting people for who they are, with a genuine understanding of other children's backgrounds and cultural differences. He is a creative thinker, an avid reader and a member of the safety patrol. He consistently makes the honor roll.

Chinedum Chike is a member of the safety patrol who always makes honor roll. She has a positive attitude, quick smile and a good sense of humor. She is an outstanding student and a class leader who helps others fulfill their own potential.

Springhill Lake Elementary

Jack Kevin Hudegla is an outstanding scholar who enjoys sports, the arts and giving back to his community. A singer, he participates in his church choir and plays the trombone in the school orchestra. He is a member of the safety patrol who shares responsibility for raising and lowering the flag daily in front of the school. Recently he was admitted to the Talented and Gifted (TAG) program. Jack's mother received his award on his behalf.

A member of the Springhill Lake SWAT (School Wellness Action Team), Maryann Nwude works with fellow team members to promote good health and wellness for the school community. As a member of the Helping Hands Club, she helps with the Spring Stream Clean-Up and is actively engaged in recycling efforts. She is an outstanding student, an avid reader, makes straight A's and is in the TAG program. Springhill Lake took a group of its top students on a camping trip this year, so neither ACE award winner could be present. Maryann's younger sister accepted her award.

Magnolia Elementary

Known for her impressive speaking voice, Flavyne Tsongwain appears on the school news show, WMES, as the singing weather girl. She is conscientious and helpful toward everyone, and her peers gravitate toward her because of her kindness to others. Flavyne was an alternate and the only girl on the school's Science Bowl team. She is a member of the Robotics team, a TAG student, a swimmer and a safety patrol captain and mentor to two new fourth-grade patrols.

Robert Viray is captain of the Robotics Team and the cameraman for the WMES news show. He is a TAG student and consistently on the honor roll. He is kind and sensitive, as well as intelligent, and is always willing to help others. Robert plays the trumpet in the school band.

Goddard French Immersion

Tayonia Marshall gives tirelessly to her studies, her extracurricular activities and her family. She has participated in the County Spelling Bee for two years, played on the middle school softball team, is a member of the Chess Club and has participated in the Model United Nations

competition.

Liam Tucker McConlogue is a nine-year French immersion student who plays the French horn, is a top-notch soccer player and an excellent scholar. He has been selected as a member of the county schools Honors Band and the 2015 Maryland All State Band.

Liam could not attend the ceremony because of a state band competition, but Principal Nasser Abi accepted the award on his behalf.

Greenbelt Middle

Edward Jahoda is an excellent student who manages to balance his school and outside community activities. He maintains honor roll status while already having accumulated many of the service hours he will need for high school graduation. He worked with the city's recycling and sustainability committee during the Labor Day Festival and as a volunteer promotes safety for children through the Goodnight Children's Network.

Dorothy Jahoda is also an outstanding honor roll student. She volunteers as a National Junior Honor Society tutor, tutoring middle school students in reading and mathematics. She has undertaken volunteer work at the Labor Day Festival with the city's recycling and sustainability committee. She also volunteers with the Figure Skating Club of Maryland.

ERHS

A student in the Science and Technology Program, Michael Stevens is interning at the University of Maryland in the area of intelligent robots. He is active in the school Robotics Club and enjoys programming, including creation of Android applications, web sites and robotic simulations. Other interests include playing the guitar, cooking and baking. Michael is also an accomplished swimmer who, as a lifeguard, has been able to make two in-water saves.

Teresa Smith is a student in Science and Technology who is serving her internship at the University of Maryland Medical Center and is interested in a career in biomedical research or possibly veterinary medicine. Also an athlete, she plays both varsity and club soccer. Teresa has many volunteer commitments. She is multilingual, and her participation in the Model United Nations has allowed her to discover her passion for foreign affairs and human rights.

The mayor presented Teresa Smith and Michael Stevens with their \$2,000 scholarship awards on behalf of the Advisory Committee on Education.

State Delegate Award

The presentations concluded with Delegate Healey's award of a Maryland State Delegate Scholarships to Skye Brett, a senior at Eleanor Roosevelt High School (ERHS) who will attend the University of Maryland, Baltimore County next year. She plans to major in English and minor in Japanese Language and Culture.

Of Skye's many interests, the one that stands out is her strong interest in Japan and Japanese culture. She is an active member of ERHS's Sister School program and hosts one or more exchange students each year. She visited Japan last year as part of the exchange and will return this year as an ambassador for the high school and for the State of Maryland.



PHOTOS BY Yael Pachino

County Councilmember Todd Turner presents a \$2,000 check to members of the Advisory Committee on Education in support of the city's scholarships for ACE students graduating from Eleanor Roosevelt High School. Row 1, l. to r.: ACE Members Don Rich, Melinda Brady, Jon Gardner, Veronica Martin-Frederick and Susan Breon; Councilmember Turner. Row 2, l. to r.: Councilmembers Konrad Herling, Edward Putens and Leta Mach; Mayor Emmett Jordan; Councilmembers Silke Pope and Rodney Roberts.



At left, Mayor Emmett Jordan presents \$2,000 scholarship to Eleanor Roosevelt High School ACE student Teresa Smith, with Councilmembers Leta Mach (l.) and Silke Pope.

Below, Mayor Emmett Jordan presents \$2,000 scholarship to Eleanor Roosevelt High School ACE student Michael Stevens, with Councilmembers Leta Mach (l.) and Silke Pope.





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she thought that was likely because it was the first year for a new vendor.

Concert Band

The Greenbelt Concert Band, represented by Conductor Thomas Cherrix and General Manager Sean Davis, \$4,600. The band performs concerts in Greenbelt and surrounding areas for city, charitable and civic events, as well as retirement and nursing facilities. Mayor Emmett Jordan complimented them on their web site. Several councilmembers commented on the successful March performance held at the American Legion in memory of Keith Marshall, a Greenbelt resident and the band's long-time tuba player, who died in December.

The band would welcome having more musicians from Greenbelt and would be especially pleased to identify a Greenbelt tubist qualified to fill that vacant position. Information on applying can be found on the band's website at greenbeltconcertband.org.

Aquatic Boosters

Greenbelt Aquatic Boosters, represented by Treasurer Khanh Pham, President Randy Ontiveros and Secretary Heather Jackson, \$8,500. The Boosters sponsor the Greenbelt Municipal Swim Team, which promotes fitness for youth and swimming as a life-long activity. Jordan noted that the organization is mostly made up of Greenbelters and that they have a good track record on fundraising. Councilmember Judith Davis added that participation by Greenbelt youth is higher than last year.

GAC

The Greenbelt Arts Center, represented by Treasurer Sandy Irving, President Don Cook and Board Member Win Britt, \$34,300. Irving commented that as a theater and center for performing arts, "everything we do is fundraising." He pointed out that their operating budget does not reflect their capital fundraising, which has exceeded \$125,000 over the last decade. Councilmember Konrad Herling commented that in the not too distant future, GAC will need to have a full-time manager. Councilmembers also encouraged collaborative activities and shared promotion among GAC, the newly reopened Old Greenbelt Theatre and the New Deal Café.

Babe Ruth

The Greenbelt Babe Ruth Association, represented by President Robert Sonneveldt and Vice President Kelly Ivy, \$5,500. Babe Ruth offers a spring/summer and a fall baseball and softball program for youth ages 13 to 19. It participates in the County Babe Ruth League. Sonneveldt and Ivy raised issues related to the condition of Braden Field, which recreation staff members Greg Varda and Andrew Phelan explained were in the process of being addressed.

For fundraising Babe Ruth runs concessions at the 4th of July celebration, the Fall Fest and at home games at Braden Field, as well as soliciting donations from local businesses. Overall, they said recruitment is becoming a problem, both of volunteers to help run the program and also of players, because the County Boys and Girls Clubs have moved more in the direction of special

and select teams than broader support for countywide programs and a larger number of participants.

Greenbelt Baseball

Greenbelt Baseball, represented by Treasurer Greg Fisanich, \$10,000. The organization offers the opportunity to play baseball to children ages 12 and under. More than two-thirds of their 150 participants are Greenbelt residents. Field condition is a problem; without proper drainage the fields continue to deteriorate.

Senior Softball

Greenbelt Senior Softball, represented by Manager George Harrison, \$1,000. The group provides opportunities for fun and exercise for all interested Greenbelt seniors. A charter member of the Baltimore Beltway Senior Softball League, the team finished second last year, but Harrison reported that due to health problems among members their bench may be shallow this year.

FONDCA

Friends of New Deal Café Arts, represented by President Barbara Simon and Treasurer Chris Logan, \$2,500. The mission of FONDCA is to bring the performing, visual and literary arts to Roosevelt Center and the New Deal Café. Simon gave an overview of the major concerts and events that are fostered by the group. There was strong encouragement from councilmembers for FONDCA to be more active in Greenbelt West and Greenbelt East but Simon said the organization was founded and established as a 501 (c) 3 specifically to be a support group for the Café and that their bylaws reflect that.

Councilmember Konrad Herling, as well as Davis, encouraged more activities like those FONDCA is already undertaking to increase attendance at Roosevelt Center by residents of Greenbelt East and Greenbelt West, noting a blues concert held at Beltway Plaza in September to promote the upcoming Blues Festival at the Center. They suggested doing something similar in Greenbelt East. Councilmember Edward Putens suggested getting in touch with the Greenbelt East Advisory Coalition.

CHEARS

Chesapeake Education Arts Research Society (CHEARS), represented by Executive Director Jeannie Bellina and Richard McMullin, producer of the Green Man Festival, \$1,000. CHEARS designs and implements volunteer projects with broad environmental and educational goals for the purpose of increasing engagements with earth stewardship. The funding requested this year will be targeted at their involvement with the Green Man Festival in FY 2016.

Upcoming Events At the New Deal

Thursday, May 21, Mid-Day Melodies with Amy C Kraft from 12 to 2 p.m. Open Mic hosted by Joe Harris from 7 to 10 p.m.

Friday, May 22, John Guernsey plays American standards from 7 to 8 p.m. on the piano followed by Topsy Oxcart, an electric Balkan band, playing originals and fresh upbeat arrangements of urban dance tunes from 8:30 to 11:30 p.m.

Saturday, May 23, the Jazz Jam with Greg Meyer from 1 to 5 p.m. Bring an instrument and join in this community jam session. Guernsey plays jazz piano from 7 to 8 p.m. Vintage #18 performs high energy blues and soul music from 8:30 to 11:30 p.m.

Sunday, May 24, join the Deaf Brunch from 10:30 a.m. until noon. In the evening, Kiss and Ride bring their blues ensemble led by the amazing Carley Harvey to the Cafe from 5 to 8 p.m.

Monday, May 25, the New Deal board of directors meeting will be held from 6:30 to 9 p.m. Members and visitors are welcome to attend.

Tuesday, May 26, The New Deal Laugh-In hosted by CLaw Comedy Productions features some of the areas funniest stand-up comedians from 7 to 9 p.m. This show is recommended for adults only.

Wednesday, May 27, the monthly Cajun Music Jam from 7 to 9 p.m. Please bring an instrument and join in or just enjoy the music.

Thursday, May 28, Mid-Day Melodies with Amy C Kraft from noon to 2 p.m. SAW Open Mic hosted by Lynn Hollyfield from 7 to 10 p.m.

The Bus

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We Celebrate Elaine Skolnik

The following is part of a series of vignettes about Elaine Skolnik written by her friends and colleagues over the years. They celebrate the 60-plus years Elaine has been on the staff as president of the board of directors, reporter and news editor of the Greenbelt News Review. The News Review will honor Elaine at a luncheon at the Greenbelt Marriott on Saturday, May 30. See ad below for information on how to attend the luncheon.

The Other Elaine Skolnik

Others have told about Elaine's involvement in the causes that have agitated the Greenbelt community. These things we are familiar with. But there is the other Elaine Skolnik. Her personality is not split. We know the public Elaine, the public citizen, the news editor, the reporter. But, another aspect of this well-integrated personality is what I call the "other Elaine Skolnik." As a reporter she could not be seen playing too prominent a part in some of the important activities. The private citizen could not endanger the objectivity of the reporter and editor. So - Elaine convinced others to play a more active role - or to start acting on an issue. ...

This is how she operated: ...the phone rings and it is Elaine. She gets right down to business. "Al, how about you doing something about this latest brouhaha." Then there is discussion. Then, some arm-twisting, persuasion, convincing argument and finally submission by Al. "OK Elaine, I'll do it." Or, take another example. Al calls Elaine. "Hi! Look Elaine, how come you haven't carried an editorial or this or that?" Says Elaine "Good idea, you write it."

Elaine is working on things that others get credit for, but believe me she is there! I'm just one of many who have joined a campaign as a result of Elaine.

Hail to the public Elaine Skolnik! Hail to the the other Elaine!

Written by the late Albert Herling, a friend of Al and Elaine Skolnik

Greenbelt News Review

Is Hosting a Luncheon Honoring

Elaine Skolnik

Saturday, May 30 at 12:30 p.m.

Greenbelt Marriott

6400 Ivy Lane, Greenbelt, MD

All reservations must be received no later than May 25.

No refunds after that date.



Cost \$36 per person

Amount Enclosed _____ for _____ persons.

Note: To reserve a table for 10 persons, please provide the names of attendees or the business/company name on a separate sheet of paper.

Name(s) _____

Address _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

email Address _____

Menu Selection

(Choose one entree per person)

Chicken Grilled Salmon

Vegetarian

Mail check payable to **Greenbelt News Review** and mail to:

Greenbelt News Review, Attn: Elaine Skolnik Luncheon,

15 Crescent Rd., Greenbelt, MD 20770



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allocation of Highway User Taxes (gasoline tax, etc.) to municipalities, which for Greenbelt amounted to \$262,500. When the recession significantly reduced state revenue, the legislature reduced the amount of highway revenues allocated to local jurisdictions. This increase is a one-year partial return to the original allocation formula for municipalities.

While Highway User Taxes are designated only for the purpose of maintaining city streets, the required city matching funds needed to obtain these funds is well exceeded by normal city street maintenance expenditures. Thus, council is free to use the added funds as it pleases.

Council decided to allocate only \$75,000 of the Highway User Taxes to road projects: \$45,000 to complete financing improvements to Springhill Drive, otherwise funded by a Community Development Block Grant; and \$30,000 for additional repairs to road bases throughout the city. Council quickly agreed to add funds for these two projects with little discussion.

Council Proposals

Because she could not attend this meeting, Councilmember Judith Davis, at a previous work-session, had provided other councilmembers with a printed listing of how she would spend the extra monies now estimated by city staff. This resulted in three other councilmembers – Mayor Emmett Jordan, Leta Mach and Konrad Herling – preparing written proposals for consideration at the meeting. Roberts said he did not have a list because he didn't want to spend the added funds, advocating a tax cut instead. Nobody got exactly what they wanted and Roberts got nothing at all.

Before the bargaining began, McLaughlin and City Treasurer Jeff Williams had provided council with an update on city finances. The expectation is that city revenues will exceed budget estimates and that city expenses will fall short of budget authorizations for FY 2015.

The result is that the city could anticipate a surplus for the current year of \$900,000 or possibly more. When McLaughlin had discussed this possibility at an earlier budget work-session, councilmembers had quickly agreed they would wait until September, after the fiscal year had closed and final figures were available, to decide what to do with any surplus that might occur.

Developers of Greenbelt Station South Core were required to provide the city with funds to undertake needed public improvements in Greenbelt West and a portion of these funds were previously set aside to pay the cost of refurbishing a portion of the old Greenbelt Middle School building for city use, an event now unlikely to take place. Because these funds can also be used for other public improvements in Greenbelt West, Jordan and Herling proposed using them to pay the cost of installing gateway signage there.

Mach opposed spending the school allocation until the matter of city use is finally resolved. Roberts said there needed to be a lot more public discussion before the Greenbelt West funds are spent.

McLaughlin ended the discussion by advising council that the purpose of that night's meeting was to review the General Fund budget in preparation for adoption, noting that the developer funds are in a capital fund which are re-allocable whenever council wishes.

Added Employees

On the council list of possible additions to expenditures developed at previous work-sessions were five added employee positions: economic development director, computer assisted dispatch data administrator in the police department, additional police officers, a half-time animal control position and a half-time caseworker for the Greenbelt Assistance in Living (GAIL) program offered by Greenbelt CARES to assist seniors and disabled persons to continue to live in place. Only the caseworker was approved, with funding (\$25,000) provided for only three-quarters of the next fiscal year on the basis that it would take staff time to recruit and select a person for the job. All council members but Roberts supported this additional employee.

For the other positions, Councilmember Edward Putens set the tone by declaring that council should not add positions which would commit them to providing continuing funding in future years when there was still uncertainty about what that future might be. "I do not want to put a definite 'it's going to be' in future years," Putens said.

Jordan asked how council felt about the 2.9 positions proposed to be added by the city manager and none objected. The GAIL position was also an exception.

Economic Development

In not funding the position of economic development director, Mach noted that the SAGE economic development consultants had not recommended adding such a position. Putens said it wasn't so much that the city shouldn't have one but that it was not far enough along in establishing an economic development program to make a hiring decision.

But Herling pushed strongly for this addition. "I'm committed to this; have been for some time," he said. He noted that other cities of similar size employed such a staff person. "We need someone to supervise the program," he said. He sought an additional \$60,000 for economic development, including the employment of a director for the latter half of the year.

In the end, council added another \$20,000 to the \$30,000 already budgeted for economic development. Some pointed out that these funds could be used to fund the director position for part of the new fiscal year, should the city become ready to do so. Herling was only partially appeased.

CAD Data Administrator

Police Captain Tom Kemp and IT Director Glenn Worley explained the justification for adding the position of data administrator for the Computer Assisted Dispatch system. With the addition of this new system, one officer has had to be assigned full-time to process the data, Kemp said. That officer is not well-trained for doing that work and the department has lost the services of an active duty

police officer. Worley agreed for the need to have someone doing the task who had the appropriate skill set. He suggested the possibility of the work being done by contract rather than by an employee, an idea in which Putens expressed interest.

Jordan asked McLaughlin why he had not included it in the budget. The latter responded by saying he saw greater city needs elsewhere, noting that the work is being done. But he was supportive of making the change if funding was available.

Council decided to hold off making a decision on this issue.

Council tentatively approved funding for police body cameras and a lap top. Putens asked Kemp how the Fraternal Order of Police (FOP) felt about having body cameras. He said that Police Chief James Craze had put together a group with FOP representation to set policy on utilizing the cameras.

McLaughlin said he had hoped to receive grant funding for the cameras, but that the Maryland legislature had not done so and President Obama's proposal for grants has not yet been realized.

Mach felt that if it was to be done, it needed to be done for all officers and Kemp said that would require 50 cameras at a cost of \$47,000.

A proposal to purchase five Toughbooks for the Criminal Investigation Unit could have cost as much as \$20,000. McLaughlin told council he felt that the unit could manage with laptops (costing \$6,500), which councilmembers agreed to fund.

Not so lucky was the proposal for a shelter for the Emergency Response Unit (the armored vehicle known to some as "The Tank") at a cost of \$8,500. Council quickly agreed to defer funding, with Roberts declaring that a suitable shelter could be built for much less.

Animal Shelter

Councilmembers agreed to fund K9 Turf (\$15,000) for the animal run area at the city's Animal Shelter. The area is essentially bare dirt, becoming muddy when wet, and making it difficult to clean up after animal use. The K9 Turf is specifically suited for animal runs and makes cleanup much easier.

A proposal for a half-time position (\$27,000) to perform cleanup at the shelter was considered. Planning and Community Development Director Celia Craze, whose department is responsible for Animal Control, said that adding such a position would increase the amount of time the animal wardens would have for patrolling, providing increased service to the community. McLaughlin noted the new turf would make the cleaning job easier.

Roberts said council was told there were 200 volunteers at the shelter. "Why can't they clean the shelter even if the number is only 40?" he asked. "I think the shelter should be run by a non-profit group. We need animal control people, but not a shelter."

Council decided to hold off a decision on this proposal, which resulted in its not being funded.

Another proposal for landscaping at the shelter (\$5,000) was also considered but not supported. Acting Public Works Director James Sterling noted that there

ADDED FUNDS TO FY2016 BUDGET

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|---|---------------|
| PROPOSED FY 2016 REVENUES | \$26,171,600 |
| <u>ITEM</u> | <u>AMOUNT</u> |
| Additional Highway User Revenues | 262,500 |
| TOTAL REVENUES | \$26,434,100 |
| PROPOSED FY 2016 EXPENDITURES | \$26,437,000 |
| <u>ITEM</u> | <u>AMOUNT</u> |
| Savings (Electric, Health Ins. & Tip Fee) | -83,000 |
| Additional Capital Funding | 211,000 |
| Finish Springhill Drive | (45,000) |
| Street Base Repair | (30,000) |
| Lake Dam Repair | (40,000) |
| Second Dog Park | (5,000) |
| Animal Control Shelter Yard - K9 Turf | (15,000) |
| Playground surfacing or other use TBD | (76,000) |
| Economic Development Initiatives | 20,000 |
| Police Body Cameras | 47,000 |
| 5 laptops for Police Detectives | 6,500 |
| GAIL Case Manager - 1/2 FTE | 25,000 |
| Additional Grants - | 5,000 |
| Meals on Wheels (500) & CHEARS (1,000) | |
| Additional Recycling Rolling Carts | 6,800 |
| Transfer to Replacement Fund | 24,200 |
| TOTAL EXPENDITURES | \$26,699,500 |

was little to landscape because of parking, the animal run and woods. "If we can find a suitable area, we can add some flowers," he suggested.

Also proposed was \$15,000 to establish a second dog park. Councilmembers, except Roberts, were supportive of the idea of establishing one but did not know where it would be sited. Further study is needed. Putens suggested that \$5,000 be approved "as a place holder" and that the matter be given further study. This was agreed to by most of the others.

Grants

In the list of possible items to be funded were three items: \$500 additional funds for the Meals on Wheels program, additional funding for CHEARS (amount unspecified) and \$5,000 for making other possible grants to organizations. Councilmembers agreed to add the \$5,000 to be used in part for Meals on Wheels and for CHEARS (\$1,000).

Carts

The city has slowly been providing its refuse collection customers roll-away carts for placement of recyclables. Up to \$35,100 added expense was proposed to accelerate this program. Councilmembers decided upon adding \$6,800, enough funds to finish providing carts to the Greenspring section of the city.

Playgrounds

Another proposal was to fund resurfacing of the shredded-rubber surface playground at 1 Court Southway at a \$12,000 cost if engineered wood chips were used and a \$76,000 cost for a paved-in-place rubberized surface. Mach felt the area was too shady for the wood, which would become moldy and that council should go for either all or nothing. But Putens contended that even the poured-in-place surface would have mold underneath, would not last very long and would cost \$76,000.

Assistant Manager David Moran noted that this was a playground located on Greenbelt Homes, Inc. (GHI) property. Under the city's agreement with GHI, the housing cooperative would be expected to pay some

of the cost. This was brought to the co-op's attention, but the city has not yet received a response, he said.

Council agreed to add \$76,000 to the Capital Projects Fund for an undetermined project, with council deciding later how the funds should be spent.

Dam

Council earlier had agreed to add to the Capital Projects Fund \$40,000 towards the cost of making state-required repairs to the dam at Greenbelt Lake. McLaughlin noted that many years ago the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission (WSSC) had installed a large water main below the dam and that this had caused some of the damage now requiring repair. It was uncertain, however, if WSSC would contribute toward the cost of repair.

The added money is needed to complete the first phase (design phase) of the project due to changed requirements of the Maryland Department of Environmental Services. The added work has increased total costs from \$650,000 to possibly \$950,000. The city is seeking financial support in the form of a State bond issue for this project.

The extra funding for playgrounds, dam repair, second dog park, K9 Turf, street base repair and resurfacing of Springhill Drive are all to be made as transfers from the city's General Fund to the Capital Projects Fund, making the total added appropriation to that fund \$211,000.

With the list of possible expense increases completed, the total was \$42,000 shy of the total added funds available. At McLaughlin's suggestion, council quickly agreed to transfer \$42,000 to the city's Replacement Fund, where there is a significant future shortfall of funds needed to replace city equipment.

With six of the seven members expressing general satisfaction with the work done to complete the budget review and amendment, council adjourned to enjoy pizza, soft drinks and cookies in celebration of the end of its most difficult annual task.

Letters to the Editor

were able to divert a significant amount of waste away from the landfill and toward recycling and compost options. In fact, a total of 92.7 pounds of compostable materials was diverted to MOM's of College Park Bio-BiN. Additionally, members of the Greenbelt Compost Co-op collected 91 pounds of food scraps to be composted locally. This is an important step toward reducing the loss of resources and moving toward a healthier and more sustainable management of waste. We especially want to thank the following for their support.

– Greenbelt Compost Co-op for collecting food scraps from vendors and the New Deal Café for local composting.

– My Organic Market in College Park for accepting our collected compostable serving ware to go to the Western Branch Composting Facility.

– The City of Greenbelt Office of Sustainability and especially the coordinator of that office, Luisa Robles for providing assistance.

– Maryland Volunteer Coordinator, Erin Josephitis, for her help in creating a volunteer base and data collection system to monitor the Zero Waste process.

– Greenbelt Public Works which loaned a truck to transport compostable materials to MOM's as part of the process.

– Greenbelt Food Co-op for use of one of its bays.

– Lore Rosenthal for organizing volunteers to assist with composting locally and for transporting compostable materials to MOM's.

– The City's Green Team for helping educate the public about the value and importance of reducing waste and the ease with which we can begin to divert our waste from the landfill to recycling and composting.

– Melissa Sites for leading the Green Man Festival in singing Pete Seeger's "If it Can't Be Reduced" song – wonderfully adapted to let us all sing "Hooray for the City of Greenbelt."

– Christina Owens and Charis Smith of MOM's – for facilitating our use of their composting system.

– The New Deal Café which purchased compostable serving ware for use at the festival.

– Robin Walker and Sweet!, festival vegan baked goods vendor, for making a special effort to use only compostable materials for serving delicious cookies and cupcakes.

– Eleanor Roosevelt High School National Honor Society for volunteering to sort through trash and place waste in the appropriate bins.

– Richard McMullin, coordinator of the Green Man Festival, for his engagement, support and helpful direction in our Zero Waste Endeavor.

– Maggie Cahalan for providing reusable plates and uten-

sils for participants to use.

– Jeannie Bellina for providing administrative support and acting as a liaison between the festival and Zero Waste Endeavor.

Finally we thank the participants of the Green Man Festival itself for working to use the correct bin, Landfill, Recycle, or Compost this past weekend.

*Susan Barnett
for Greenbelt's Zero Waste
Circle Partners*

Battle of Bladensburg Focus of Free Program

The Prince George's County Department of Parks and Recreation will sponsor a free program on the history of the Battle of Bladensburg – a recounting of events leading up to the battle, its participants and its outcome – on Saturday, May 23 from 1 to 2 p.m. at the Bladensburg Waterfront Park, 4601 Annapolis Road. For more information call 301-779-0371; TTY 301-699-2544.

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This is the second of two Public Hearings on the budget. Public attendance and participation are encouraged. All citizens of Greenbelt will have a reasonable opportunity to provide written and oral comments and to ask questions concerning the entire budget.

Copies of the proposed budget may be examined at the City Offices, 25 Crescent Rd., during normal operating hours. The budget is also posted on the City Web site at <http://www.greenbeltmd.gov>. For more information, please call 301-474-8000.

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Police Blotter

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Arrest

May 11, 4:55 p.m., 6100 block Springhill Terrace. A 25-year-old Greenbelt man was arrested and charged with transporting/carrying a handgun, fugitive in possession of a handgun, possession of a stolen firearm and other charges after he was found to be in possession of a stolen handgun. He was transported to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner.

Assault

May 8, 11 p.m., 6000 block Springhill Drive. A man and his friend walking down the street were approached by two men, one of whom punched him several times without warning. They then fled on foot. He refused treatment for minor injuries.

May 12, 4:15 p.m., 7800 block Mandan Road. A man approached another man and his girlfriend waiting in line at an ice cream truck, began talking inappropriately to the woman and touched her inappropriately. When the woman's boyfriend intervened, the man punched him. The girlfriend pulled her boyfriend away and contacted police. The man is described as black, 5'10" tall, 170 pounds with black hair, wearing a black polo shirt, black hat and dark grey jeans.

May 13, 5:50 p.m., 7900 block Mandan Road. A man reported that his daughter had been involved in a verbal alter-

cation earlier in the day with another girl at school and after school they were involved in a brief physical altercation. A short time later the girl and her older brother went to the daughter's residence to fight her. Her father refused to allow this, at which time the girl's brother punched the parent. The girl and her brother left. The parent was transported to Doctor's Community Hospital for treatment of a minor injury. The girl and her brother are known to the parent and his daughter. The investigation is continuing.

Theft

May 6, 4:30 p.m., 7300 block Hanover Parkway. A wallet was taken from an unattended purse in an office suite.

May 6, 9 p.m., 6000 block Greenbelt Road. A cell phone was taken from an unattended purse at TJ Maxx.

May 9, 20 Southway. A woman reported that she was at the BP gas station putting air in her tires when a vehicle described as a silver Honda Civic with dark window tint and temporary tags pulled next to her vehicle. A man rolled down the window, reached into her car and removed her purse. He then drove away.

Vandalism

May 8, 5 p.m., 7100 block Ora Glen Court. The sliding glass door of a residence was broken out.

May 9, 7:04 p.m., 9100 block

Springhill Court. Graffiti was scratched on the front door of a residence.

Vehicle Crime

Two stolen vehicles were recovered. A 2006 Honda Accord stolen from the 6000 block Cherrywood Court on May 11 was recovered the same day by Prince George's County Police in the 7100 block 21st Street, Hyattsville. One juvenile was arrested. A 1997 Nissan Pathfinder reported stolen May 5 from the 6200 block Breezewood Court was recovered May 13 by Prince George's County Police in Beltsville near Maryland Avenue East and Sycamore Street. No arrests were made.

The following thefts from vehicles were reported. Those from possibly unsecured vehicles occurred in the 7200 block Hanover Parkway (cell phone, media player and sunglasses) and in the 6300 block Golden Triangle Drive (folding knife and money).

Two thefts occurred after windows were broken out in the 9000 block Breezewood Terrace (car jack and air pump) and in the 9100 block Springhill Lane (in-dash radio).

Four tires and rims were stolen on May 13 from two vehicles, each in the 7800 block Hanover Parkway. An attempt was made to steal tires and rims from two vehicles in the 6500 block Capitol Drive, also on May 13; two windows were also broken in one of the vehicles.

Headlights were taken in the 7800 block Hanover Parkway and a rear Maryland tag 3BY0393 in the 7800 block Somerset Court.

Vandalism was reported in the 5900 block Cherrywood Terrace where three tires on one vehicle were punctured.

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.

Lawn Care Session Offered at Arboretum

Come to the U.S. National Arboretum on Saturday, May 30 from 10 a.m. to noon for a free lawn care workshop. Learn how to keep a lawn healthy through the most difficult season – summer. This workshop also covers using irrigation systems wisely and how new technology can help save water. Registration is encouraged. Call 202-245-5965 to register. See usna.usda.gov for more information.

Audubon Society Delaware Field Trip

On Sunday, May 31 the Audubon Society will offer an all-day field trip to the Delaware beaches to search for a shorebird feeding frenzy on horseshoe crab eggs. Meet at 7 a.m. at Bowie Park-and-Ride off Route 197 just south of Route 50. Bring water, lunch and a scope if possible. Reservations are required; contact Fred Fallon 410-286-8152 or fw-fallon@ymail.com.

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A Review

Compelling Raisin at the Greenbelt Arts Center

by Jim Link

The wonderful new production of *A Raisin in the Sun* at the Greenbelt Arts Center is edgy, discomfiting and revelatory, even after more than 50 years. Lorraine Hansberry's groundbreaking drama, whose title she lifted from Langston Hughes's poem "A Dream Deferred," debuted on Broadway in 1959. It hit the screen in 1961 with the identical cast.

The play lays bare the stresses afflicting the Younger family and its competing dreams for a better life as it prepares to move from an all-black subdivision in Chicago's Woodlawn neighborhood to all-white Clybourne Park.

Those of us of a certain age remember being seared and dazzled by Sidney Poitier's intensity and vulnerability. Claudia McNeil played the staunch matriarch Lena, Ruby Dee was Walter's (Poitier) long suffering wife Ruth and Diana Sands was cast as Beneatha, Walter's ambitious sister, whose head is filled with dreams of becoming a doctor and returning to her "home" in Nigeria.

And, here in Greenbelt, the superbly talented cast assembled by director Rikki Howie Lacewell and producer Malca Giblin again dazzled me with its great chemistry and completely convincing portrayals of the tortured, noble and flawed Youngers.

Shanice Jones (Mama Lena) impresses as the dominant, conservative, religious matriarch who never wavers in her love for her son Walter even when – especially when – he squanders the insurance money meant to be daughter Beneatha's medical school tuition.

Janelle Davis (Beneatha) excels as the attractive, brainy idealist who rejects shallow but rich suitor George Murchison (Jason Thomas - excellent) in favor of Joseph Asagai, (Denzell Massenburg – also excellent) exotic, Nigerian, intellectual – deep but poor.

Kandace Foreman (Walter's wife Ruth) can act up a storm without saying a word. A sideways glance, hand on hip or an eyeball roll while ironing a shirt speak volumes.

But Ryan Willis as Walter has the most challenging role, and he really nails it. Restless, angry, discontented with working for "the man" as a chauffeur, Walter rashly loses the money meant to open up Beneatha's future.

Walter's Growth

Willis plays Walter with drunken swagger, an insecure bravado that can't hide his fundamental fragility. After being conned out of "Beneatha's" money, Walter, devastated, still musters the courage to turn down the president of the Clybourne Park Improvement Association Karl Lindner's bribe to keep the Youngers out of Clybourne Park. It's a real pleasure to watch Willis show us Walter growing from a hesitant cynic into a righteous family man.

Other excellent cast members include Jim Adams as the smug and detestable master of euphemism, Karl Lindner; Perry Foreman III as Walter's 10-year-old son (Perry is the real-life son of Kandace Foreman) and Adrian Johnson as the muscular Moving



A Raisin in the Sun at GAC. The photo depicts the cast of the show. For the caption: Seated in front are Shemika Berry, Shanice Jones, Janelle Daniels and Kandace Foreman. Standing in the rear are Jim Adams, William Powell, Jason Thomas, Denzell Massenburg, Perry L. Foreman III and Ryan Willis. Not shown is Adrian Johnson.



PHOTOS BY MALEA BIGLIN

Beneatha, played by Janelle Daniels (center), is wooed by both George Murchison, played by Jason Thomas (shown, right) and Joseph Asagai, played by Denzell Massenburg (shown left).

Man.

Shemika Berry deserves kudos as Mrs. Johnson, the oily, purring "friend" of the Youngers who dismisses their aspirations and courage as mere pretentious uppityness.

The set design features the Younger bedroom, living room and kitchen together on stage so a switch in lighting and sound signals a change of scene. (Thank Rikki Howie Lacewell, Den Giblin and Malca Giblin for

its simplicity and effectiveness.)

This worthy successor to the iconic originals is three hours long including a 15 minute intermission. As Rikki Howie Lacewell promised the enthusiastic audience, "The time just flies;

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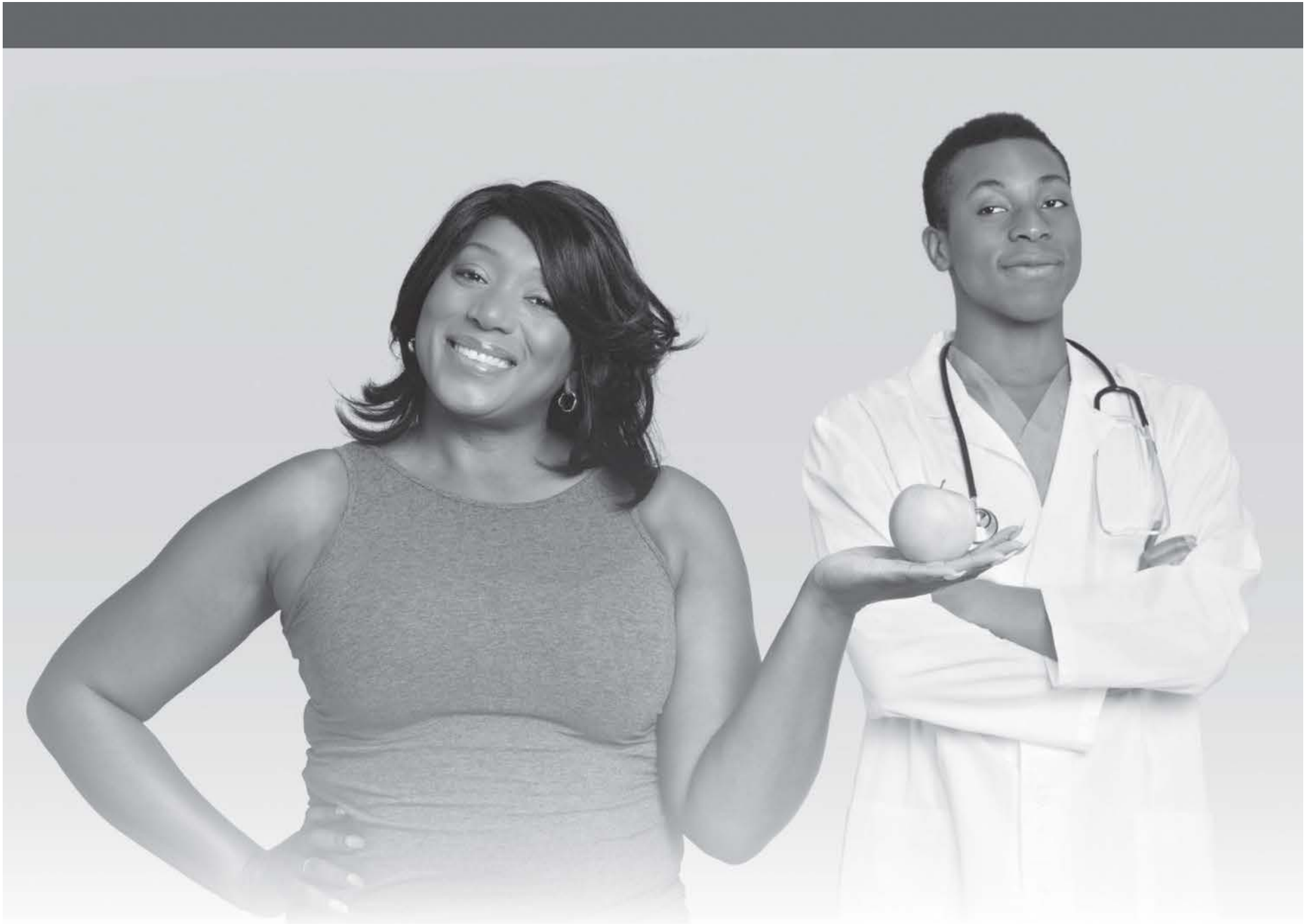
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A Greenbelt Animal Shelter Workshop

by Leslie Kash

A protest arose Saturday in the sedate conference room of the Greenbelt Police Station. A cranky coal-black baby kitten, tiny claws at the ready, was ready to show what happens to stingy humans. But he was no match for Animal Control Officer Lauren Crossed. She reached for a towel, folded him into a “kitten burrito,” and produced a tiny bottle. The little swaddled orphan started yowling. He was still hungry. Then in an “aha moment,” his complaining gave way to smacking and slurping that was audible across the conference room.

During the Greenbelt Animal Shelter’s “Kitten Fostering” workshop Saturday May 16, the little black kitten and his two feisty orange fluffball sisters charmed and educated an audience of six potential volunteers. Crossed demonstrated kitten nurturing skills, and the audience of cat lovers brought knowledge, experience and eye-opening stories. While watching the kittens romp and slide around the spacious tabletop, everyone learned how to help kittens survive a harsh, homeless beginning.

Caring for New Born

A mother cat not only feeds her kittens, but regulates their delicate body temperature and digestion and keeps them calm, clean and secure, Crossed explained. As one participant added, a mother cat will seek a sheltered spot to nurture kittens, and will move them quickly if bothered. She will protect them as long as she is able, but if her kittens are orphaned, they are helpless. If they are to survive, Crossed says, “Someone has to take on the difficult task of being a mommy cat.”

To help that kindly someone, Crossed wrote a manual called, “Caring for New Born Kittens,” which structured the workshop. Topics included bottle feeding and bathing kittens, building



Lauren Crossed and Judy Briskman consult on kitten care.

At right, Lauren Crossed prepares a “kitten burrito.”



PHOTOS BY LESLIE KASH

warm nests and protecting against illness. Training of this quality prevents tragic mistakes. For example, giving cow milk to kittens is dangerous, as is exposing them to clumping cat litter or flea treatment, or bottle-feeding kittens lying on their backs.

Volunteers

Crossed and her colleagues run the adoption program from the Shelter, which is behind the Police Station. She invites volunteers to come “walk a dog, socialize the cats, as well as play with some of the small animals like rabbits, guinea pigs and birds.” Potential foster volunteers must attend a fostering workshop. Those who missed this one may drop by the Shelter and inquire about possible future trainings. Volunteer hours are Monday through Saturday 4 to 7 p.m.

Crossed can be contacted at 240-508-7657. The number for the Greenbelt Animal Shelter is 301-474-6124.

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Leslie Oppenheimer, Nicholas Martin and Liz Lilly coax a feisty kitten.



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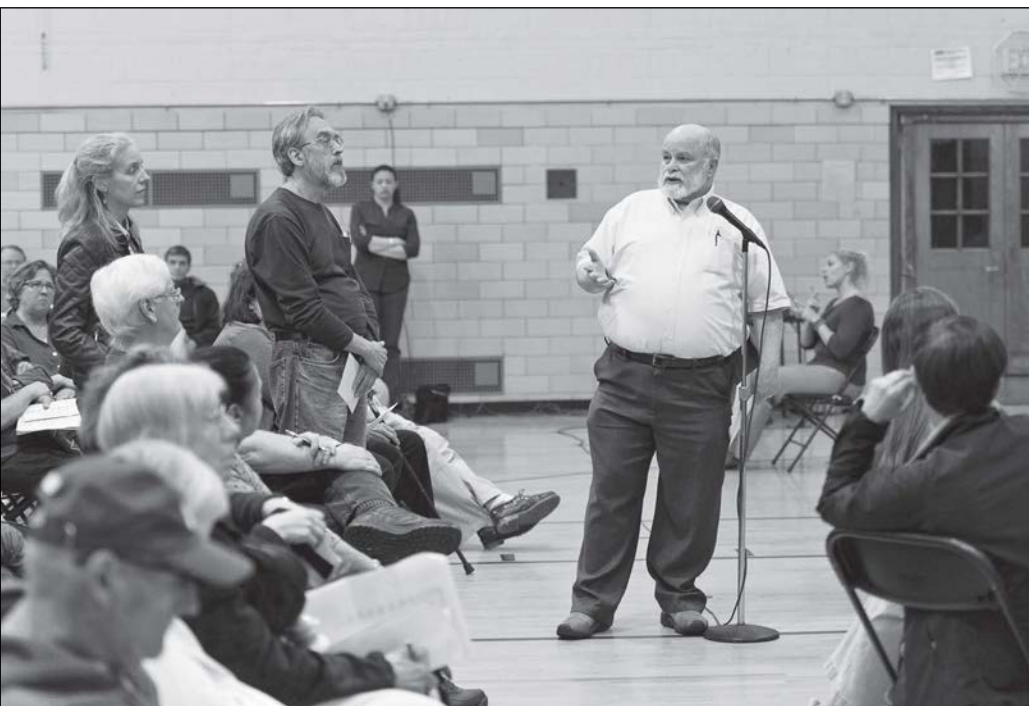
Board of Directors candidate Steve Skolnik speaks about his candidacy.



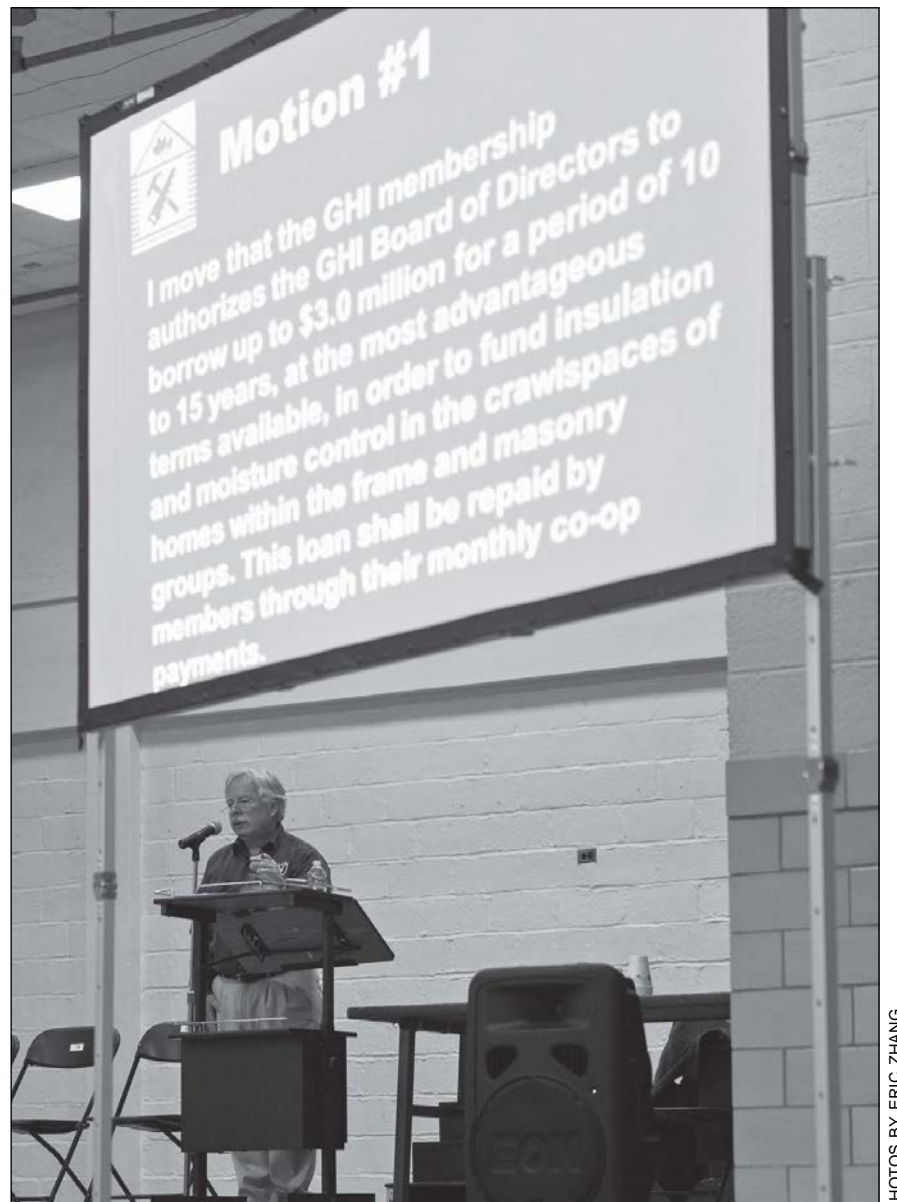
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GHI members vote on an issue.



GHI member Bill Jones speaks about an issue.



GHI Board of Directors president Steve Skolnik presents motions to members. The two motions authorize the Board to borrow up to \$3 million to fund insulation and moisture control in the crawlspaces of frame and masonry homes and up to \$7 million to fund board-approved member options during the 2016 to 2020 Homes Improvement Program, respectively. Both motions will eventually pass.

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| Donna Peterson | 138 |

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