

Commentary

Eleven Candidates Vie for Seats On Seven Member City Council

by James Giese

This Tuesday's city council election has engendered little controversy. All seven incumbent councilmembers have chosen to run again at a time when no readily apparent issues are creating strong differences of opinion concerning governance of the city. Nevertheless, four residents chose to challenge the incumbents this year, twice as many as two years ago. If all challengers would be elected, the majority of council would be new.

More likely, however, is that most and possibly all incumbents will be reelected. Even if that does not happen and challengers are successful, changes in council actions should be minor, with little division on issues.

Years of service on council by incumbents range from six to 34 years. All have taken their responsibilities seriously, have regularly attended meetings and have actively participated in city events. As such, they have become well known throughout the community. Without divisive issues to roil the public, challenging an incumbent becomes a daunting task.

Many think twice about seeking office because this part-time job entails a lot of time and a lot of work. There are a myriad of meetings to attend, not only council meetings, but meetings of other organizations of local officials and of city organizations. And decisions must be made, sometimes very difficult ones, where whatever way one chooses to vote, somebody will take offense.

What the city does affects the lives of its residents throughout each day. Its first-call police department and its support of the volunteer fire companies that serve the city provide safety and well-being 24 hours a day. Its recreational programs offer a variety of ways to stay physically healthy, foster artistic endeavors and provide alternate activities

for youths other than punching keyboards or watching screens.

Its Public Works Department keeps city streets in good repair, maintains parks and playgrounds and public buildings and supports numerous non-city civic events. Other city programs serve smaller groups of residents with special needs.

City services do not take place without costs. While most would prefer someone else to pick up the tab, it's council's painful duty to impose tax levies annually upon city residents and make hard choices between what residents and property owners can afford to pay and what services the city can afford to offer.

For the number of hours councilmembers expend on the job, the rate of pay is low. Anyone who serves or wants to serve does so for one reason only – to serve the residents of this city and make their lives here safer and better.

If for no other reason, residents who have not yet voted should go to their local polling place to use their ballot as a way of expressing their thanks to the seven candidates they prefer, whether incumbents or challengers, for their willingness to assume for the next two years the challenging and time-consuming job as a city councilmember.

Issues

At this time no issue stirring up the community or significantly dividing the positions of candidates. Recently there was a spate of letter writing over what kind of person or firm should be hired to assess the quality and required maintenance for the Greenbelt Forest Preserve, an aggregation of undeveloped parcels of land in the city center section that have been left wooded. All but one council member, incumbent Rodney Roberts, supported the city management recommendation and no candidate raised this as a campaign issue.

As to how the Forest Preserve should be used by residents, Roberts, Silke Pope, Konrad Herling, Kathleen Shaw and George Boyce support those uses permitted under the city code. Boyce, however, thought there should be a process for permitting use by non-profits for educational purposes and Davis advocated volunteer-led educational tours.

Davis also felt a need to deal with invasive species as recommended by the consultant and

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Polling Locations and Hours

Voting will take place from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Tuesday, November 3 at the following polling places:

Precinct 3: Center
Greenbelt Community Center,
15 Crescent Road

Precinct 6: North End
Greenbelt Police Department,
550 Crescent Road

**Precinct 8: Greenbelt West/
Franklin Park**
Springhill Lake Recreation
Center, 6101 Cherrywood Lane

**Precinct 13: Greenbelt East
– North**
Greenbriar Community Building,
7600 Hanover Parkway

**Precinct 18: Greenbelt East
– South**
Turning Point Academy, 7800
Goodluck Road

What Goes On

Friday, October 30
4 p.m., Costume Contest,
Parade in Roosevelt Center,
Register in grassy area of Municipal Building

Saturday, October 31
10 a.m. to Noon, Pumpkins
Aqualympics, Aquatic and
Fitness Center (See city ad for
details.)

1 to 3 p.m., Ghou! Skate Party,
Ages 6 to 14, Springhill Lake
Recreation Center

Sunday, November 1
1 to 3 p.m., Community Art
Drop-in, Community Center
(See city ad for details.)

Tuesday, November 3
7 p.m., Arts Advisory Board
Meeting, Community Center

Election 2015

Challenger Bill Orleans Files for Council Election

Challenger Bill Orleans is the eleventh and final candidate for city council to submit his biography to this newspaper. His nomination form has been certified by City Clerk Cindy Murray. The biographies are prepared by the candidates.

Bill Orleans is still a jerk; let incumbent council be as honest, if not as accurate, in assessing themselves; let residents of Greenbelt be as honest, if not as accurate, in assessing themselves.

Insufficiently humiliated from this exercise two years ago, Orleans is again, indeed a candidate for Greenbelt council. He is serious. He would very much like to be elected to council, where he would hope to help reclaim the practice of democracy in Greenbelt and also where he would hope to help to reclaim the practice of democracy on the transportation planning board (TPB). (If elected he would still challenge to a duel, in Roosevelt Center, any other elected member of council interested in being Greenbelt's designated member of the TPB; method of engagement of their choice.) There is some question as to the number of words in his 2011 bio, 1,300 plus or 1,400 plus, but there is no question that number exceeds the News Review's apparently adopted policy that bios this year not exceed 450. Those were good little stories and that bio was totally revelatory of the development of Orleans' character which simultaneously is serious and playful in pursuing his contribution to the commonweal.

He hasn't the inclination or the time to whack 600 or 700 words from it. Orleans has not been, is not now nor would he be a leader in pursuing the commonweal; his role is more that of laggard, yet directing our attention to both the nakedness of our emperors

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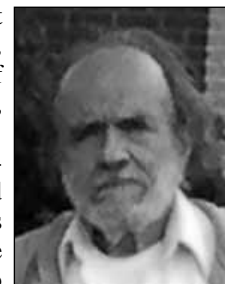


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Bill Orleans

Voter Registration Drops Slightly in City Since 2013

by Kathleen Gallagher

The numbers of Greenbelt residents registered to vote remains remarkably steady from election to election, with an ebb and flow that may be more related to the timing of the purging of the registration list than anything else. Rarely would a city election cause large numbers of people to rush to register to vote, though at less local levels a significant candidacy, such as that of Barack Obama, can certainly inspire increases in registration as well as voting.

City elections are held every two years, with the next one coming up on Tuesday, November 3. Voter registration for this election closed on October 5. Since the comparable time in 2013, overall city registration has dropped 5.7%, from 12,141 to 11,454. During the prior period, from 2011 to 2013, registration had increased citywide by 1.6%.

This election is the first one in 14 years where new residential housing at Greenbelt Station has meant new voters, which may explain why the one precinct showing an increase in registration from 2013 to 2015 was in Greenbelt West (Precinct 8), which votes at the Springhill Lake Recreation Center.

Registration there increased from 1,993 to 2,045 (2.6%), which did not offset a drop of 9% over the prior two-year period.

Since the residents of Greenbelt Station are still new to the city, and since construction continues apace, greater impact will be likely be seen between now and the 2017 city election.

The largest decline was in the southern part of Greenbelt East (Precinct 18), which votes at Turning Point Academy. The drop is surprising since that precinct had shown an increase of nearly 21% between 2011 and 2013. Despite a 6% decline in registration, Precinct 3, which votes at the Community Center, still has the largest number of registered voters at 2,656.

Reading registration figures is not unlike reading tea leaves. The proof of the pudding, to mix the metaphor, is in how many of those registered come out to vote on November 3.



PHOTO BY ERIC ZHANG

Sisters Maria (left, 9) and Joelle (7) Komaiha hold their pumpkins at the Pumpkin Festival Carving. See story on page 7.



Letters to the Editor

My Challenge To Over Taxed

In an October 22 letter to the News Review editor, Over Taxed, Zhenping Li writes that Greenbelters pay more property taxes than their neighboring municipalities. This is true, and has been during all the 38 years I have lived here. Nevertheless, I wouldn't choose to live anywhere in this area other than Greenbelt, and a big part of the reason is because of the kind of community those tax dollars have helped create.

Although I may not currently use many of the services our tax dollars provide, I love living in a community that attracts the interesting and active people who do use those services and who care enough about where they live that they want to support and nurture it even if it costs a little more. I also believe those tax dollars help protect my investment in my Greenbelt property by keeping Greenbelt as a highly desirable place to live.

I am grateful for the professionalism and efficiency of our city manager, our city council and our many city workers who support the high quality of life we Greenbelters enjoy. I challenge any one to find better value for their money.

Gail Drake

Taxes Are Not The Only Measure

Zhenping Li had a Letter to the Editor in last week's News Review. He compared various municipalities with Greenbelt by citing the relative tax rates. That is one measure.

Another measure may be our city government's value from each tax dollar it receives a measure of its efficiency and effectiveness. Our extensive use of public-private partnerships greatly enhances that value.

A third measure and I believe the most important is how well the city services meet the needs of its residents. While some communities provide very limited services, Greenbelt recognizes that problems faced by many of its residents may be considered as community needs. So we have community playgrounds, community counseling services, community art and recreation classes, community theaters and extraordinary community summer camps.

Perhaps our goal, in line with Mr. Li's letter, should be to optimize the balance of these three measures. Let's encourage our residents to evaluate our government and its services, and to

balance that against the tax rates. The bi-annual poll shows high marks for satisfaction with the city services, and therefore our city council and staff should be commended for their success in meeting our needs.

David Lange

Co-op Month Thanks

As the coordinator of the Greenbelt Cooperative Alliance, I would like to say thank you to our Greenbelt co-ops for an informative and delightful October Co-op Month celebration. All our co-ops participated in recognizing the contributions co-operatives have made to the nation's and especially Greenbelt's economy.

A special thank you to Rebecca Holober who wrote and performed a co-op rap at our first annual Co-op Party in the New Deal Café. In addition to the rap, everyone had a great deal of fun singing co-op songs.

A very special thank you to the Friends of the Greenbelt Theater and Caitlin McGrath for opening the Old Greenbelt Theater for a series of co-op related movies during the month. Through these movies and documentaries, people learned more about the co-op business model. The 11 films described co-op businesses that are providing jobs in many different industries. People learned about co-ops that are selling hardware or carpets, providing child care, designing publications, giving loans, baking bread and much more. Co-ops can be big or small but they all are formed to meet the needs of their members.

We hope to continue this tradition next year so that more people understand the range of activities cooperatives engage in as they support their communities.

Leta Mach

Utopian Thanks

On behalf of Greenbelt's Utopia Film Festival, I want to warmly thank the many residents of our unique community who attended this year's screenings. We also appreciate the very helpful support of the staffs of the Old Greenbelt Theatre, the City of Greenbelt and the Greenbelt Arts Center for helping us with Prince George's County's only international film festival, now in its 11th year.

It was gratifying to introduce so many filmmakers from across the nation and hundreds

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Correction:

The News Review incorrectly identified the dog in the photo essay the Blessing of the Animals. The dog's name is Tobey.

City Notes

Community Center staff reports two volleyball nets were delivered, measured and prepared for use. The old volleyball nets were donated to Sports Gift, a non-profit organization which distributes sports equipment to children's sports programs in the U.S. and internationally.

The first of three sculpture dedications hosted by CHEARS took place on October 24 in conjunction with Fall Fest at Schrom Hills Park.

Now on view at the Community Center Art Gallery – Relics: Sculpture and Costumes by Hoesy Corona, continues through November 6.

Arts Advisory Board Meets Tuesday

The Greenbelt Arts Advisory Board will meet on Tuesday, November 3 at 7 p.m. in the Community Center, 15 Crescent Road. For additional information, contact Nicole DeWald, staff liaison: ndewald@greenbeltmd.gov or 240-542-2057.



Old Greenbelt Theatre
129 Centerway
301-329-2034
www.greenbelttheatre.org

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Adults \$7, Kids \$5
OC = Open Captions
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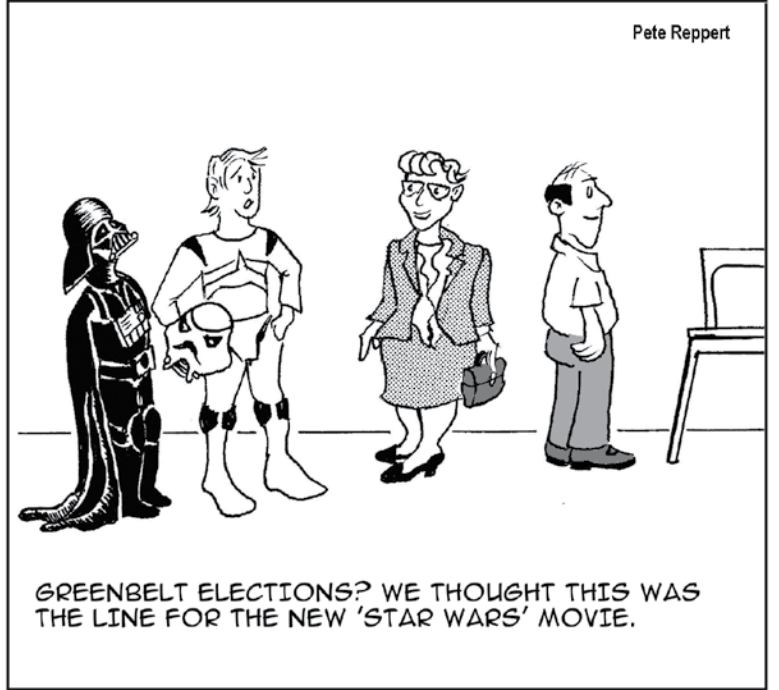
TRUTH (R) (121m.)
Fri. 3:00, 8:00 PM
Sat. & Sun. 1:00, 3:15, 5:30,
8:00 PM
Mon. – Thurs. 5:30, 8:00 PM
Weds. 3:15, 5:30, 8:00 PM

TOY STORY OF TERROR (G)
(22m.)
FREE!

Fri. night right after the
Costume Parade
and
Magician Benjamin Corey!

HALLOWEEN (1978) (R)
(91m.)
Fri. 11:00 PM

HALLOWEEN CARTOON
SHORTS
FREE!
Sat. 11:00 AM



On Screen

To Expose the Truth

Opening on Friday, October 30 at Old Greenbelt Theatre is Truth, a sharp-edged drama delving into the 60 Minutes report 11 years ago that President George W. Bush – up for re-election – had earlier received special, favorable treatment in the Texas Air National Guard. Were key internal memos and sources used by hard-driving producer Mary Mapes (Cate Blanchett) and on air by heavyweight broadcaster Dan Rather (Robert Redford) fully on target? The principals are buttressed by a team of resolute researchers (Dennis Quaid, Topher Grace, Elizabeth Moss), but they end up gone from the network: she terminated, he resigned. Director James Vanderbilt drew on Mapes's memoir, Truth and Duty: The Press, the President and the Privilege of Power.

Rated R, with brief use of a nude photo and obscenity. Running time: 121 minutes.

– Eli Flam

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Greenbelt Community Center at 15 Crescent Rd.
OFFICE HOURS: Monday 2 - 4 p.m., Tuesday 2 - 4, 6 - 10 p.m.

This week's Swifty . . .

"It's set with nice green stones but I wanted emeralds," she complained j _ _ _ _ ly.

Answer to 10-22 Swifty: "And when we go to buffets, I don't have to tip," he said sELF-sERVingly.

Community Events

GCDC Meets Nov. 7 At Community Center

The Greenbelt Community Development Corporation (GCDC) will hold its annual membership meeting on Saturday, November 7 from 2 to 4 p.m., at the Community Center (main floor classroom). The meeting is open to the public, and all are welcome. The main speaker will be Jeff Lemieux, who served as the moderator for last month's economic forum hosted by the GCDC. Lemieux will introduce at the meeting the Greenbelt Boulevard project, a plan to redesign Greenbelt Road that could be a part of an economic development strategy for Greenbelt.

Several years ago, the State Highway Administration (SHA) sketched plans for the beautification of Greenbelt Road, with landscape features, sidewalks and separated side paths, median havens for walkers, and bus and bike lanes. However, the idea of transforming Greenbelt Road from a highway-strip design into a more people-friendly boulevard was not prioritized, and the concept never advanced beyond the preliminary design stage. Lemieux is proposing that the GCDC attempt to resurrect the Greenbelt Boulevard idea, with a new emphasis on traffic calming and dedicated bus lanes. Greenbelt Road is the community's main street, and it should reflect well on the city. Boulevard-style retrofitting can make commercial areas more desirable for both customers and businesses. This would be a long-term project, requiring cooperation from SHA and the State of Maryland for funding and design.

There will also be follow-up discussions stemming from the GCDC economic forum and concerning the revitalization of Roosevelt Center, as well as an election for new board of director members. Those who attend the meeting may sign up at the door to become a member of the GCDC or renew their current memberships.

Sculpture Dedications In November

The Chesapeake Education, Arts and Research Society (CHEARS), in partnership with the City of Greenbelt and alight dance theater, announces that there will be two sculpture dedications in November.

On Sunday, November 1 at 3 p.m., the "Sister Harmony" sculpture dedication will take place in the Community Center Garden at the Greenbelt Community Center. On Saturday, November 14 at 1 p.m. "The Wise Owl and Well-Fed Woodchuck" sculpture will be dedicated in the Springhill Lake Garden at the Springhill Lake Recreation Center.

To learn more, visit the CHEARS Facebook page or website at www.chears.org.

Computer Club Meets

The Greenbelt Computer Club will hold its monthly meeting on Thursday, November 12 at the Greenbelt Community Center, Room 112 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome to our discussions of the latest in consumer electronics, computers and tablets and basic trouble shooting of Windows computers.

This Week's Events At MakerSpace

Stop by the Greenbelt MakerSpace this week to start November off right!

Saturday, October 31, from 10 a.m. to noon is Coder Dojo for kids, and from 12:30 p.m. to 2 p.m. is First Lego League.

Sunday, November 1, from 2 to 4 p.m. is Drawing Circle with model Astrid. Hone your drawing skills by sketching a live (clothed) model. No experience necessary. Bring \$5 for the model's fee.

Tuesday, November 3, Coder Dojo for kids will meet from 7 to 8 p.m. and for adults will meet from 8 to 9:30 p.m. Learn the JavaScript programming language while building in Minecraft. No experience necessary.

Wednesday, November 4, from 5:30 to 7 p.m. is First Lego League. Knitting (and Other Fibery Pursuits) will meet from 7 to 9 p.m. Bring your knitting, crocheting or weaving project and enjoy the company of other stitchery witches. Beginners are welcome along with more experienced fiber-fiends.

Thursday, November 5, from 3 to 5:30 p.m. is open essay tutoring. Students from elementary school through college are welcome to bring their writing assignments at any stage for help from an experienced writing tutor. From 5:30 to 7 p.m. is First Lego League. MakeWrite, the MakerSpace writers group, is from 7 to 9 p.m. Anyone is welcome to MakeWrite, and folks participating in NaNoWriMo are especially encouraged to come by.

Toastmasters Meet

The Greenbelt Toastmasters Club will meet on Wednesday, November 4 at 7:30 p.m. in the Social Hall of Greenbelt Community Church at Hillside and Crescent Roads.

The group offers professionals, students, stay-at-home parents and retirees a supportive environment to improve skills in communication and leadership.

GHI Notes

Monday, November 2, 7 p.m., Pre Purchase Orientation, Board Room

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

Friday, November 6, OFFICE CLOSED. For emergency maintenance service call 301-474-6011.

Monday, November 9, 7 p.m., Member Outreach Committee Meeting, Board Room;

7:30 p.m., Marketing Committee Meeting, GHI Lobby

Spaghetti Dinner at Mowatt November 7

The secret is in the sauce at the Mowatt Memorial UMC Spaghetti Dinner on Saturday, November 7 from 5 until 7 p.m. For a fee (see ad on page 4 for details) you are rewarded with a drink, salad, spaghetti with meat or vegetarian sauce (Maxine's secret sauce), fresh baked garlic bread and dessert. Baked goods will be for sale. Proceeds will go toward payment on the heating system. Mowatt Memorial UMC is located at 40 Ridge Road. Call for information at 301-474-9410.

Co-op Board Elections

Greenbelt Consumer Cooperative (Co-op) has scheduled its annual meeting for Saturday, November 7 at 11 a.m. in the Multipurpose room of the Community Center.

During the annual meeting, two board members will be elected to serve three-year terms. Both incumbents — Bill Jones and Joe Timer — are running for re-election. Members interested in serving as directors are asked to contact the Nominations and Elections committee (membership@greenbelt.coop). Nomination forms are available at the Co-op's service office.

Local Author Gives Talk and Reading

On Sunday, November 1, the New Deal Café will host a reading of Greenbelt author H.L. Brooks' new novel Red August from 1 to 3 p.m. Excerpts of Red August, a modern adult romance fantasy adaptation of Red Riding Hood, will be read by area playwright and actor Erica Smith. Following the reading, the author will give a short talk and answer questions from the audience. Door prizes will be awarded and refreshments will be served.

Greenbelt Arts Center Any Given Monday

Presented by the Greenbelt Art Center, Any Other Monday will play November 6 through 22 on Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m. and Sundays at 2 p.m. This dark comedy shows Lenny, a good teacher, excellent father and loving husband whose life is shattered when his wife leaves him and he must make difficult choices. Starring Bob Kleinberg, Mike Larson, Sarah Scott and Jill Vanderweit, the show is directed by Ann Lowe-Barrett and produced by William Powell.

Power Through Paris GCAN Workshop

On Wednesday, November 4, from 7 to 9:15 p.m. at the Greenbelt Community Center, Room 114, the Greenbelt Climate Action Network (GCAN) will be holding a workshop.

In a few weeks (Nov 30-Dec 11), France will be hosting and presiding over the 21st Session of the Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (COP21/CMP11), otherwise known as "Paris 2015". COP21 will be a crucial conference, as it needs to achieve a new international agreement on the climate, applicable to all countries, with the aim of keeping global warming below 2°C.

This workshop, designed by 350.org and being presented around the country, explores ways we can effectively build momentum locally, regionally, nationally and globally. 350.org and its partners and allies will be at the conference, leading protests and other gatherings to build momentum. But momentum isn't created when we "stop" at Paris. So 350.org is calling this "Power Through Paris" with exciting plans for after Paris, too.

Workshop topics will include:

- How do citizens create momentum?
- Timeline of previous GCAN activities that have begun our momentum
- What is planned for the next few months as we continue "The Power Through Paris"?

As always, we will use the last portion of the evening for local announcements and updates on Greenbelt sustainability projects.

For more info, contact Lore Rosenthal, Greenbelt Climate Action Network, lore@simplicity-matters.org, 301-345-2234.

More Community Events are located throughout the paper.

Greenbelt Arts Center

COMING SOON



GREENBELT ARTS CENTER

November 6, 7, 13 14, 20, 21 at 8pm
 Sunday Matinees November 8, 15 & 22 at 2pm
 Ticket prices: \$20 General Admission,
 \$16 Students/Seniors/Military,
 \$12 Youth (12 and under with adult)

COMING SOON

Winnie-the-Pooh - December 5 - 20 - Directed by Jon Gardner

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

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 (!) = No passes, (!!) = No passes weekend
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Week of October 30 FRIDAY – SATURDAY

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 Burnt, R (!)
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 The Last Witch Hunter, PG13 (!)
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 JEM and the Holograms, PG (!) 1:40
 Goosebumps, PG (!)
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 Sicario, R 9:40
 Hotel Transylvania 2, PG
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Obituaries

Jackie Hause Scott

Jackie Scott died unexpectedly in San Antonio, Texas, on October 4, 2015, at the age of 86. She was born in Hopewell, Va., on May 9, 1929, to John and Katherine (Powers) Hause and grew up in Berwyn and Greenbelt. She graduated from Greenbelt High School in 1947 and married her high school sweetheart, Robert L. Scott, Jr., in 1949. He had been class president and she was the head cheerleader. Mrs. Scott loved to dance. She took modeling lessons and had occasional modeling jobs after high school. The young couple set up housekeeping in an apartment in Greenbelt, and Mrs. Scott did clerical work while her husband attended college and joined the National Guard. He entered the Army in 1951; their first son was born in 1952 while Mr. Scott was still living in Greenbelt and he was away at Officers Candidate School.



PHOTO COURTESY OF KYLE SCOTT

Jackie Hause Scott

Mrs. Scott then began her role of Army wife, moving with their growing family to various posts in the U.S. and overseas. Mrs. Scott served twice in Germany, in Karlsruhe and Bamberg, and their two younger sons were born in Germany. When he retired after a 20-year career, with the rank of Lieutenant Colonel, they were living in Arizona, where he began a second career in labor relations. The three boys grew up in Arizona and graduated from Arizona State University. For several years, Mrs. Scott managed a travel agency in Phoenix which the couple had bought.

In 2006 they moved to a military retirement community in San Antonio, where Mr. Scott died in 2008. Mrs. Scott stayed there until her death, which occurred a few weeks after a fall. Funeral services were held there on October 17, and her ashes were interred with her husband's at Fort Sam Houston cemetery.

She is survived by her three sons, Bob (LeAnn) of the Dallas/Fort Worth area, Ted (Joan) of San Diego and Kyle (Nena) of Vienna, Va.; and six grandchildren. In addition to her parents and husband, she was predeceased by her brother Richard (Bobo) Hause.

Medicare Part D Help for Seniors

The Greenbelt Assistance in Living (GAIL) Program is accepting appointments for Medicare Part D plan review through December 7. Each year Part D plans have the opportunity to change their formulary list in addition to increasing their premium. Unfortunately, the insurance companies do not inform their participants that they may be directly affected by the formulary changes. They only send out form letters that notify members of a potential premium increase. If you would like to schedule an appointment to have your Medicare Part D plan reviewed or if you are new to Medicare Part D and have some questions, please contact the GAIL Program office at 301-345-6660 ext. 2012.

Slavic Food Festival At St. Gregory Nov. 7

St. Gregory of Nyssa Byzantine Catholic Church in Beltsville will hold its annual Slavic Food Festival on Saturday, November 7 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Eastern European foods including holupki, pirohi, halushki and kolbassi with sauerkraut will be available for eat-in, hot carry-out or frozen carry-out. The bake sale includes kolacsi (walnut, poppyseed apricot, raspberry and prune/lekvar).

The address is 12420 Old Gunpowder Road Spur. Contact the rectory at 301-953-9323, social hall at 301-776-7929 or stgregoryofnyssa.net or Sue 301-474-2219.



We were sorry to learn of the death on Sunday, October 25, 2015, of former longtime Greenbelter Ruth Morris, at age 93. She died at Malta House in Hyattsville, where she had been living the past several years. Her funeral Mass will take place at St. Hugh of Grenoble Church this Saturday, October 31, at 11 a.m.

Condolences to the family and friends of Gudrun H. Mills, former Greenbelt City Clerk, who died Saturday, October 24, 2015, after a long illness. A memorial service is being planned.

Sympathy to the family and old friends of this reporter's sister-in-law, Jackie Hause Scott, who died October 4, 2015, in San Antonio, Texas, at the age of 86. She was a 1947 graduate of Greenbelt High School. Funeral services took place October 17 in San Antonio.

To send information for Our Neighbors, email us at editor@greenbeltnewsreview.com or leave at 301-474-6892.

Kathleen McFarland.

Spaghetti Dinner

November 7, 5-7 p.m.
Mowatt United Methodist Church
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\$10 Adults
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Violence Symposium Offered at UM

The Baha'i Chair for World Peace presents a free Symposium on Structural Violence in Philadelphia and Baltimore on Wednesday, November 4 at 4 p.m. in Ulrich Recital Hall of The Clarice.

Dr. Jooyoung Lee, assistant professor in the Department of Sociology at the University of Toronto, will discuss Beyond the White Tunnel: The Social Construction of Near Death in Black Philadelphia. Dr. Joseph B. Richardson, Jr., associate professor in the African-American Studies Department and director of the Violence Intervention Research Project at the University of Maryland, will examine #FredieGray: The Anatomy of Structural and Interpersonal Violence in Black Baltimore.

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Saturday 11/7 Spaghetti Dinner
Sunday 11/8 Friendship Dinner Sunday
Sunday 11/22 Breakfast with Pastor Fay
Thanksgiving Celebrations - Check the web site

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City Information

MEETINGS FOR WEEK OF NOVEMBER 2-6

Tuesday, at 7:00pm, **ARTS ADVISORY BOARD**, Greenbelt Community Center, 25 Crescent Road.

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

DON'T FORGET TO VOTE! CITY ELECTION

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3 from 7AM-8PM

POLLING LOCATIONS

PRECINCT 3-Center: Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Road

Crescent Rd. #1-155, Damsel Ct., Eastway #2, Gardenway, Lady Anne Ct., Lakecrest Circle, Lakecrest Dr., Lakeside Dr., Lakeview Circle, Maplewood Ct., Olivewood Ct., Parkway, Pinecrest Ct., Ridge Rd., #1-42; 44; 46; 48, Southway, Vanity Fair Dr., Westway

PRECINCT 6-North End: Greenbelt Police Station, 550 Crescent Road

Eastway #1; 3; & 5, Empire Pl., Fayette Pl., Forestway, Greendale Pl., Greenhill Rd., Greenknolls Pl., Greentree Pl., Greenway Pl., Hedgewood Dr., Hillside Rd., Ivy Lane, Julian Ct., Lastner Lane, Laurel Hill Rd., Lynbrook Ct., Northway Orange Ct., Periwinkle Ct., Plateau Pl., Research Rd., Ridge Rd. #43; 45; 47; 49-446, Rosewood Dr., Tamarisk Ct., White Birch Ct., Woodland Way

PRECINCT 8-Franklin Park/Greenbelt Station: Springhill Lake Recreation Center, 6101 Cherrywood Lane

Breezewood Ct., Breezewood Dr., Breezewood Terr., Cherrywood Ct., Cherrywood Ln., Cherrywood Terr., Davis Point Ln., Edmonston Ct., Edmonston Rd., Edmonston Terr., Greenbelt Station Parkway, North Center Dr., North Channel Dr., Sable Ct., Settling Pond Ln., Smiths Cove Ln., South Center Dr., South Channel Dr., Stream Bank Ln., Springhill Ct., Springhill Dr., Springhill Ln., Springhill Terr.

PRECINCT 13-Greenbelt East: Greenbriar Community Center, 7600 Hanover Pkwy.

Emily's Way, Frankfort Ct., Frankfort Dr., Frankfort Pl., 7600-7899 Hanover Parkway, Jacobs Dr., Mandan Rd., Mandan Terr., Morrison Drive, Ora Ct., Sunrise Court, and Wintergreen Ct.

PRECINCT 18: Turning Point Academy, 7800 Good Luck Rd.

Bird Lane, Brett Pl., Brooks Pl., Burkart Ct., Candlewood Pl., Canning Terr., Chartwell Pl., Cloister Pl., Craddock Ct., Craddock Rd., Green Crescent Ct., Green Manor Pl., Green Walk Ct., Greenbrook Dr., Greenbury Dr., 6800-6999 Hanover Parkway, Kara Ct., Lake Dr., Lake Park Dr., Landon Ct., Mandan Ct., Mathew St., Megan Lane, Ora Glen Ct., Ora Glen Dr., Ryan Way, Somerset Ct., South Ora Ct., Springcrest Dr., Spring Manor Dr., Springshire Way, Sunset Pl., Village Park Dr., and Winterwood Pl.

CITY OF GREENBELT ELECTION INFORMATION TRANSPORTATION TO POLLING PLACES

On Tuesday, November 3, 2015, the Greenbelt Connection will provide free transportation to polling locations for City voters between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Citizens who wish to avail themselves of this service should call:

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

GREEN RIDGE HOUSE at 10:30 am and 2:30 pm, and will return to Green Ridge House after the voters have cast their ballots at the Community Center.

COMMUNITY ART DROP-IN Sunday, November 1 from 1-3pm

Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Rd.
1-3pm: **CREATE YOUR OWN COLLAGE** with Artist in Residence, Sherill Anne Gross.

3pm: **SCULPTURE DEDICATION:** Following the workshop, come outside for the dedication of a new sculpture by Zarela Yaluc Mosquera at the CHEARS 3 Sisters Garden.

Also view our exhibits on your own. *Relics: Sculpture and Costumes by Hoesy Corona in Art Gallery* and *The Knowing Hands that Carve This Stone: The New Deal Art of Lenore Thomas Straus.* ALSO Tour the Greenbelt Museum for a nominal fee.

City of Greenbelt City Council Election November 3, 2015 SAMPLE BALLOT *

MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL (VOTE FOR NO MORE THAN SEVEN)

Silke I. Pope	<input type="checkbox"/>
Susan H. Stewart	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Leta M. Mach	<input type="checkbox"/>
Konrad E. Herling	<input type="checkbox"/>
Rodney M. Roberts	<input type="checkbox"/>
Edward V.J. Putens	<input type="checkbox"/>
Judith F. Davis	<input type="checkbox"/>
Kathleen Marie Shaw	<input type="checkbox"/>
Bill Orleans	<input type="checkbox"/>
George R. Boyce	<input type="checkbox"/>
WRITE-IN (7 provided)	

* This is a Sample Ballot, not an actual one.

Costume Contest & Parade

Friday, October 30 at 4pm
Roosevelt Center,
Registration in the grassy area
east of Municipal Building



Come dressed in your finest Halloween costume and Trick-or-Treat around Roosevelt Center! Prizes will be awarded

to contestants with the most innovative costume in their age group. There will also be a category for the best in family and best pet. Refreshments and entertainment with Magician Benjamin Corey will follow in the Old Greenbelt Theatre. A short, spooky film will wrap up the evening after the performance! Weather hotline: 301-474-0646

GHOUL SKATE PARTY

Saturday, October 31, 1:00pm-3:00pm, Ages: 6-14
Springhill Lake Recreation Ctr.,
6101 Cherrywood Lane



Don your best costume and roll into fall. Trick or treat bags will be distributed. Roller Skates are available free of charge...or bring your own! Pick and decorate a pumpkin from the Springhill Lake Recreation Center's Pumpkin Patch. Pumpkins are FREE and available while supplies last. The Ghoul Skate Party is co-sponsored by the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission. Ages 11 and under require adult supervision. Information: Frank Jones and/or Brian Butler at 301-397-2212.

Greenbelt Aquatic and Fitness Center
PUMPKIN AQUALYMPICS
Saturday, October 31, 2015
10:00am-noon

Join us on Halloween at the GAFC indoor pool for some pumpkin-themed games and activities for the entire family!

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Greenbelt MD 20770
301-397-2204

Space is limited
Register in advance

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Adult: \$2, Activity# 481101-A

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For information call 301-474-8000.

ATTENTION LOCAL BUSINESSES AND ORGANIZATIONS

The tenth annual **Gobble Wobble 5K Family Fun Run & Walk** is rapidly approaching. The Gobble Wobble has become a Thanksgiving morning tradition for many, as families join both novice and experienced runners for this great community event. The Greenbelt Recreation Department is seeking local businesses and organizations that would be interested in supporting the Gobble Wobble and continuing the growing success of the event. Businesses and organizations have three options (listed below) in sponsoring the 2015 Gobble Wobble 5K Family Fun Run & Walk.

- **Bronze Sponsor (\$100)**
Logo on all print and electronic advertisements (includes event flyer/registration form, Greenbelt News Review, social media, and city website).
- **Silver Sponsor (\$200)**
Logo on all print and electronic advertisements (see above). Logo on back of race shirt given to all registrants.
- **Gold Sponsor (\$300)**
Logo on all print and electronic advertisements (see above). Logo on back of race shirt given to all registrants. Sign (provided by business/organization) at start/finish line. Promotion materials (provided by business/organization) will be placed in race packets given to all registrants.

The City of Greenbelt has traditionally received great support from local businesses and organizations. If your business/organization is interested in sponsoring this year's Gobble Wobble, please contact the Greenbelt Recreation Department at 301-397-2200 or e-mail aphelan@greenbeltmd.gov. All sponsorships must be received by Friday, October 30.

Fall Into the Parks Instagram Photo Contest Ends November 6



Don't miss out on posting your picture of one of our beautiful parks! Follow

@cityofgreenbelt on Instagram and post your photos of nature, foliage, or you enjoying and GETTING ACTIVE, etc. in any park or open space in the City of Greenbelt. **Hashtag your photos with #cityofgreenbelt parks** Don't have Instagram? Just email your picture to alongworth@greenbeltmd.gov with the subject "Photo Contest." Winning photos will be featured in the display case at the Greenbelt Community Center in December and may be used in future City of Greenbelt publications. Please see contest rules at www.greenbeltmd.gov/photocontest **Help show off our beautiful City of Greenbelt parks!**

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Letters continued

of patrons from across the greater Washington region to our historic theater. Utopia offers a unique opportunity for outreach on behalf of the theater to those who might otherwise never have heard of or visited. We look forward to continuing this outreach.

As an annual project of Greenbelt Access Television, Utopia continues to evolve, and we much appreciate the support and ideas we receive from movie lovers throughout the city. We hope you'll consider helping as a volunteer when we resume planning for next year's festival in March. If you're interested, please contact us through questions@utopiafilmfestival.org

Susan Gervasi
Co-director
Utopia Film Festival 2015

A Hearty Thank You

I would like to praise the staff of the Greenbelt Aquatic and Fitness Center, and the Greenbelt Recreation department, for the clear and careful ways in which they facilitated planning and, particularly, communication with the community during the recent renovations. The transparency, signs and explanations, referrals to other facilities and smiles helped those of us who depend on GAFC be forewarned, stay informed and have realistic expectations. Thank you!

Yes! The new pool roof is stunning allowing in soft, bright illumination and the cleaning and fixing-uping of what we can see and not see will make sure this gem in our community will be

open to serve us for many years to come. Thank you!

Yes! The talk in the pool, the gym, the hot tub and the locker rooms is all wonderfulness and joy, with members happy to return to our place of body-care and to be back with each other in community. Thank you!

And, most of all, Yes! The pool re-opened exactly when GAFC said it would. What kind of a miracle is that? None. The pool opened on-time through careful planning and implementation, not divine intervention. A hearty thank you to the worthy and kind-hearted professionals who care for our community and the facilities we use daily to stay healthy.

Susan Taylor

Trick or Treating
October 31st
6 pm to 8 pm



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Christmas in April Applications Due

Applications for the 2016 Christmas in April program must be received by November 1. Christmas in April is an annual, one-day project to repair the homes of those who, due to age, disability and financial hardship, cannot do the work themselves. Skilled and unskilled volunteers give six to eight hours of service to help with repairs. Christmas in April is a non-profit organization supported entirely by voluntary contributions of time and money.

If a house requires structural work or a new roof, which is beyond the scope of the program, homeowners should call the Prince George's County Department of Housing and Community Development at 301-883-5570.

Christmas in April work will be done on Saturday, April 30 for as many as 100 homes. Those interested in being considered for the program should complete an application and return it to: Christmas in April Prince George's County, 7915 Malcolm Road, Clinton, MD 20735. For more information, contact 301-868-0937 or christmasinaprilpg.org

Halloween Happenings

Friday, October 30

4:30 p.m. sharp: Costume Contest and Parade, Roosevelt Center (Registration from 4 to 4:30)

Followed by: Refreshments, entertainment and short spooky film in the Old Greenbelt Theatre

Saturday, October 31

10 – 12 noon: Pumpkin Olympics in the Aquatic and Fitness center indoor pool (registration required, \$2 per participant.)

1 to 3 p.m.: Ghoul Skate Party at the Springhill Lake Recreation Center, 6101 Cherrywood Lane

6 to 8 p.m.: Trick or Treat in the City of Greenbelt

6 to 7 p.m.: Trick or Treat in Beltway Plaza

7 p.m.: Costume Contest at Beltway Plaza (sign-up from 5:30 to 6:45)



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Re-elect Rodney Roberts!

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Results – Some of Roberts' proposals that have been implemented include: a community policing program, police bicycle patrols, and the creation of the Greenbelt Forest Preserve.

Dedication – In 24 years on Council, Roberts has NEVER missed a City Council meeting.

Environmental Projection – Roberts has actively worked for the past 28 years to protect the remaining woodlands, wetlands, parks and open spaces in and around Greenbelt.

Independent Leadership – Roberts is the only member of Council who objected to a City staff proposal to use Greenbelt tax dollars to maintain and repair a section of roadway belonging to another municipality (Berwyn Heights). He supported a ban on gifts from lobbyists. He opposed the proposed "Secrecy Law" that would make Greenbelt public information "Confidential." He opposed the transfer of funds meant for the expansion of the Springhill Lake Recreation Center to projects in other parts of the city. Roberts continues to oppose a proposed \$8 million dollar plus, tax-payer funded, connector road that would connect the Beltway (495) to Greenbelt Road (193) through the new community of Greenbelt Station.

Open, Honest Government – Roberts always makes sure everyone's views can be heard. Roberts is always open and honest about his positions, goals and philosophies. Roberts consistently votes against closed meetings (Executive sessions) he believes should be public.

Experience – Roberts has a lifelong knowledge of Greenbelt. Roberts has seventeen years of experience running his own small business and working with other owners of businesses, small and large.

For information, suggestions, or contributions, call 301-474-4863

Or write Citizens to Re-Elect Roberts, 10-M Plateau Place, Greenbelt, MD 20770

By Authority, Yoni Siegel, treasurer

The 27th Annual Pumpkin Carving Party Free Event Tied to Bigger Purpose

by Glen Charlton



From left, volunteer Andrea Marcavitch lights a candle as Ruby Maul (9) and Giulia Blough (9) look on.

Dusk was upon the Roosevelt Center as families of all ages and ethnicities flocked to the open plaza. They were greeted by free music, treats and plenty of pumpkins.

It was the Community Carving Party for the 27th annual Greenbelt Pumpkin Festival, which was held on Friday, October 23. Children scattered about the plaza excitedly and families and friends sat together as they carved faces and shapes into pumpkins, all while enjoying free cookies and warm cider.

"It's one of my favorite parts of Halloween season. It brings people together. It's a way to celebrate something in a different way," said Andrea Waters, a Greenbelt resident of 10 years.

The event proved to be popular as many people came out to participate in the carving party.

It began at 5 p.m. and free pumpkins were gone a few minutes after 6:30 p.m. Participants were still able to purchase pumpkins at the nearby Co-op Super-

market and Pharmacy.

Entertainment for the event included two live bands, The Bachelor and the Bad Actress and The New American Martyrs, as well as storytelling about the county Halloween legend, Goatman.

Other activities at the event included short film showings at the Old Greenbelt Theatre and beer tastings reserved for those of appropriate ages.

Participants were also able to purchase popcorn for \$1, which came with a raffle ticket and the chance to win a movie date, a package of two movie tickets, two drinks and two medium popcorns.

Susan Stewart, a candidate running for city council, volunteered at the event. "It's an incredible event. It's one of those things that make Greenbelt really special. I'd like to see this forever," she said.

The Pumpkin Festival was initially created to save and bring awareness to the community forest.

All of the carved pumpkins from the event were placed throughout the forest for display during the Pumpkin Walk, which was held on Saturday, October 24.

"The Pumpkin Walk is an event following the carving party that celebrates the city council's decision to extend protections to the forest," said Melissa Ehrenreich, the organizer for the carving party.

Ehrenreich represents The Greenbelt Pumpkin Festival, a volunteer organization.

She said that the lit, carved pumpkins are placed along the walk to bring people out into the forest, a "community treasure," and to inform them of the Forest Preserve.

"We think that green space is important in Greenbelt," said Ehrenreich. The Greenbelt Pumpkin Festival will team up with the Greenbelt Zero Waste team in turning the pumpkin waste from the carving party into compost and food, according to the Greenbelt Pumpkin Festival's social media page.

The Community Carving Party was sponsored by Schlagel Farms, who helped to provide free pumpkins, the Greenbelt Economic Development Corporation, the Mid-Atlantic Regional Hiking Group, Friends of the New Deal Café Arts, Maryland Milestones and the Greenbelt Cooperative Supermarket.

The next event hosted by the Greenbelt Pumpkin Festival will be the "Pumpkin Aqualympics" on October 31 at the Greenbelt Aquatic and Fitness Center from 10 a.m. to noon.

Glen Charlton is a University of Maryland journalism graduate student writing for the News Review.

Zero Waste is Successful After the Pumpkin Festival

by Lore Rosenthal

The Zero Waste Circle of the Greenbelt Green Team was pleased to be able to partner with the Greenbelt Pumpkin Festival to "zero waste" the festival. We followed the EPA food hierarchy, which encourages human consumption first, then animal feed, then composting. Many families brought containers on Friday Night and took seeds home to roast and eat. Thanks to Lill Becker, a local chicken farmer, we were able to provide eight buckets of "pumpkin guts", and 22 pumpkins which the chickens love to eat! Lill also brought home all of the brown paper "table cloths" for her compost bin. Several other gardeners agreed to take home pumpkin guts for their compost bins and the last five buckets made their way to the "BioBin" behind Mom's Organic Market. All told, we disposed of 520 pounds of innards.

Thanks to the generosity of the Cheers.org Three Sisters Garden and 17 local gardeners, we were able to compost over 170 pumpkins that were left behind on Sunday morning. Several composters reported using the

jack-o-lanterns to decorate their classrooms and porches, before reaching their final resting places.

Our team of 29 volunteers included drivers, schleppers, and composters:

Lucy Duff and Jean Newcomb (Three Sisters Garden - Schrom Hills Park), Carolyn Lambright-Davis (Three Sisters Garden - Springhill Lake), Ben Fischler, Melissa Mackey, Lill Becker, Claude Aubert, Li'l Dan Celdran, Mara Hemminger, Eric Raun, Rebecca Hoop, Laura Moore, Tom Zeller, Alex Barnes, Carrissa Ralbovsky, Keith Bare, Beth Leamond, Valerie Elliott, Linda Curtis, Laurie Crunk, Karl Gary, Natalie Bailey, Willis Witter, David Cockerham, Hillary Gottomoeller, Susan Stewart, Damien Ossi, Steve Skolnik, and Eric Goddard.

Special Kudos to Mara Hemminger for coordinating all of the volunteers and gardeners. Thanks to Melissa Ehrenreich and the entire Pumpkin Festival Committee for giving us the opportunity to be a part of the festival.

Lore Rosenthal is a member of the Zero Waste Circle.



Above: Sofia Pope (left, helps Lore Rosenthal remove pumpkin seeds to prepare for composting.



Bands play and hundreds of pumpkins are glowing at Roosevelt Center.



Left: Lien Gareri (6) enjoys popcorn from the Greenbelt Theater while her mother Holly Wheeler carves a pumpkin.

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Eleven Candidates Provide Multiple Choices for Greenbelt's Electorate

by Diane Oberg

Ten of the eleven candidates for city council gathered at the municipal building on Tuesday, October 20 for the Greenbelt Homes Inc. (GHI) Candidates' Forum, moderated by GHI President Steven Skolnik. Challenger Kathleen Marie Shaw did not attend due to illness.

Economic Development

One of the major themes of the night was economic development. In addition to responding to GHI's question on the topic, several of the candidates raised it in their opening or closing statements and there appeared to be more diversity of opinion on this topic than on many of the other issues raised.

Challenger George Boyce called for taking advantage of the special business district created by the county, focused on science and technology and centered on Greenbelt. He said he had urged council to create a Science and Technology Advisory Board, but they were not interested. He said that economic development is about creating business opportunities, creating jobs and supporting vocational training. Putting the FBI on an existing parking lot or filling empty office buildings are examples of economic development that does not require tearing down trees. Boyce called for working with the county and state to create new economic op-

portunities specifically in science and technology.

Incumbent Judith Davis noted that economic development does not imply tearing things down to put up high-rises and skyscrapers. Greenbelt can build upon its New Deal history and its wonderful theater and arts venues. She also suggested encouraging legal firms to locate around the federal courthouse and to encourage more medical practices to come to Greenbelt East. Greenbelt itself, she noted, was built as an economic development project.

Incumbent Konrad Herling noted his longstanding advocacy for hiring an economic development director to coordinate marketing efforts, reduce the city's 25 percent office vacancy rate and provide direction. He said that with Greenbelt's vibrant environmental movement he could see environmentally-related firms, such as solar, incubators and zero waste, helping to fill some of the empty office space.

Incumbent Emmett Jordan noted that in other cities of similar size, programs and policies to improve the economic well-being of the city are the central function of the government. An economic development program could reduce reliance on residential property taxes, he said, but must be done in a step-by-step fashion, not by guessing or speculating

about what we might need based upon personal preferences. That was why, he said, the city had the study by the Sage Group, led by one of the leading economists in Maryland.

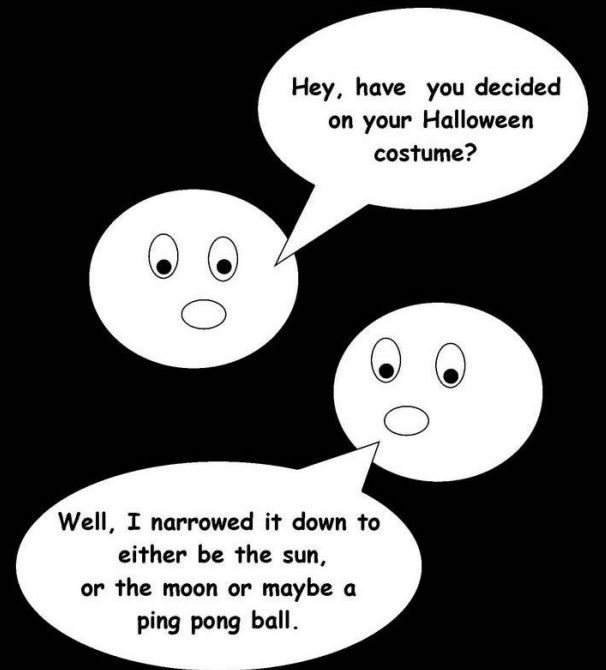
Incumbent Leta Mach called for building on Greenbelt's strengths and history. She said the city should look at the Sage Group study and the upcoming tool kit. We need to see what people feel they need, she said, what do they want and support. She believes that co-ops, locally owned businesses, could really be beneficial.

Challenger William Orleans said that he does not believe the city needs an economic development director. Instead, council should involve residents in determining what kind of city Greenbelt should be in the future. He considered the expenditure on the Sage study wasteful because previous studies by GHI and the city contained much the same information.

Incumbent Silke Pope supported having a strategic economic development plan but noted that this means different things to different people. We have to come to consensus, she said. What do we want? Where do we want to go in the future? What does it look like? What are our

See CHOICES, page 9

"My Two Cents" with Sense and Nonsense



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**Trick or Treating
October 31st
6 pm to 8 pm**

Please turn on your porch light if you want to welcome trick-or-treaters. Apartment dwellers should tie a piece of white cloth on their door



Remember to Vote on Nov. 3

RE-ELECT Emmett V. Jordan Greenbelt City Council

Greenbelters will have an opportunity to make choices for the next City Council on Tuesday, November 3rd. My consistent record of service and hard work on Council for three terms provides some reasons why voters should consider casting a vote for me.

The last two years have passed quickly. I've tried to live up to the promises I made when I ran for election in 2009. I strive to be respectful of differing opinions and work to reach consensus on issues when I disagree. I seek out the views of residents and stakeholders by being active in our community and outside of Greenbelt.

Many of the issues that face Council require creativity and patience to address. It's a privilege to serve on City Council and to provide leadership that is moving our City in new directions.

Through my leadership as Mayor and as a Councilmember, Greenbelt has begun to take practical, inexpensive steps towards implementing economic development strategies. We have reduced the City's long-term obligations by favorably refinancing debt and accelerating payments. We are finding ways to improve city's services by analyzing how our departments are organized.

Our City is changing and evolving. I've learned a great deal about Greenbelt over the past 6 years, working with residents, City staff, Council members, businesses, and others. These have been challenging times for many Greenbelters and for our country.

As a consistently progressive voice on Council, I am focused on ensuring a vibrant future for Greenbelt, while remaining committed to our town's legacy. I ask for your vote, so that I can continue to work on your behalf.



- **TESTED LEADERSHIP, MANAGING CHANGE**
- **MOVING FORWARD, WORKING TOGETHER**

The trust and confidence of many people allowed me to take a seat on Greenbelt City Council. Below is a listing of a few of them. I hope you will follow their lead in voting to re-elect me for another term.

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strengths/weaknesses? How will we brand ourselves? The city's plan must be smart and must fit us, she remarked.

Incumbent Edward Putens noted that initially he did not support having an economic development coordinator, noting Herling's then Jordan's early support for hiring such a person. Now he agrees we need this, but raises the question of what is economic development? Putens says the best way to go about it is to look at what you have, what you need and where you are going to get it.

Incumbent Rodney Roberts said he looks at economic development differently, that he's been living it for the past 17 years while running his own business. Economic development is not about having a bunch of temporary construction jobs building a bunch of buildings. It is about having long term jobs that pay well and that people can live on.

Challenger Susan Stewart shared the view that economic development is not just tearing down trees to construct buildings. It is embarrassing, she said, to see such a depressed marketplace with these vacant office spaces and storefronts. She suggested attracting more people with disposable income, some young families and professionals, while protecting the city's historic places and green spaces and ability to age in place. In exploring why office space is vacant, she suggested looking at whether employees can easily walk or bike around or to lunch, whether there is good directional signage to their store and if there is recycling in their building? Focus areas include arts, business, technology, green business, tourism and coops, she said.

Three Greenbelts

Skolnik asked how the candidates would unify the three areas of the city: Greenbelt East, central Greenbelt and Greenbelt West.

Boyce was skeptical that much could be done. The issue had been identified a long time ago and if it had not yet been fixed, he was not sure that

there was much council could do now. In his view, we need two Greenbelts: the historic, with its arts and entertainment and a great place to live and economic Greenbelt, with science and technology surrounded by University of Maryland, NASA and Fort Meade. The people in these fields live here and need jobs here.

Davis said that people in Greenbelt East are proud to be in Greenbelt East. We need to treat each area as a unique, diverse neighborhood but provide them with equitable amenities and services. We need to move meetings around and provide transportation so they can easily go from one area to another.

Herling noted his advocacy for a circulator to meet that need. Later in the evening, Boyce also supported a circulator.

Jordan said that the different parts of Greenbelt really are distinct, he said, even in the center. Having such a diverse city is a good thing but we need a balanced approach to ensure that resources are spread equitably.

Mach noted that it is unfortunate that the city is divided by major highways. We need to meet to find our neighbors and need to promote all the different areas of the city. She suggested having a kiosk in each shopping center with information on what's going on elsewhere in the city and looking for events to unify the city. Implementing the pedestrian and bicycle master plan would also help unify the city, she said.

Orleans lamented the fact that the developers of the east and west portions of the city did not build them in accordance with the historic Greenbelt concept, instead building them for profit. He felt that the city should utilize Greenbelt's historic Roosevelt Center and the attached houses as the basis for redeveloping all of Greenbelt.

Pope shared Mach's concern about the physical barriers that the highways present. It's important to pay attention to all areas of the city, she said, and asked if we could do a better job of advertising what's going on at

Franklin Park.

Putens said that there can also be problems within the sections in terms of different areas not cooperating with each other. Compared with the past, he now sees new Greenbelt East residents being more active in the center of town and vice versa. He called for reaching out to Greenbelt Station.

Roberts said for him it's a reminder of how important it is to pay attention to what's going on in your community and to demand the best for it. He recalled in his youth a trail that connected the center of town with the high school in Greenbelt West. But when the beltway was constructed, he charged, no one in Greenbelt pushed to retain the trail.

Stewart called for paying more attention to the underserved community in Greenbelt West. Establishing a greenway connecting the various parts of the city might give people more ownership and make them feel more connected. She suggested that the Community Relations Advisory Board

meet more regularly and include a member from Franklin Park. Greenbelt needs to make sure that every part of town is a part of town that we are proud of.

Greenbelt Lake

Skolnik asked what the candidates would do to preserve Greenbelt Lake, "which is in danger of becoming a wetland," and how they would pay for it. Most candidates called for seeking grants and state money and possibly bond funds. Mach called for seeking to hold the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission responsible for damages that may have occurred during work it did in the park. Orleans said the city should continue to set aside funds to keep the lake clean and that the cleanup should be done "on our own dime."

Pope, responding after Orleans, disagreed saying that this is a multi-million dollar project that the city cannot fund on its own. Putens cautioned that if the city does not fix the dam, the state could take it over and, he said, has threatened to drain it.

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Susan Stewart

for Greenbelt City Council



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Joe Gareri: "Susan brings to the city council a fresh, young, intelligent voice that speaks to me as a fellow parent and environmental realist and advocate."

Melinda Brady: "Whenever I work with Susan, I'm always impressed by her intelligence, dedication and determination."

Marjorie Gray: "Susan Stewart will work the hardest, smartest, and most hours each week for our green city and all of our citizens."

Barbara and Ray Stevens: "We need someone like Susan Stewart on Greenbelt City Council. When it comes to issues like Climate Change, she has in-depth knowledge and keeps informed about what we really need to do."

Joe Murray: "I am endorsing Susan not just because of her love for the environment but because of her calm nature and willingness to listen, and lastly for her ability to make a well thought out and informed decision."

Ed James: "I've long been impressed with Susan's willingness to volunteer for a project and ability to complete it."

Jean Lee: "I've gotten to know Susan thru Greenbelt Climate Action Network. She's has positive energy to make things happen with putting environmental issues at the forefront. Susan also takes initiative to create events and keeps up with what's going on in Greenbelt. I feel she'll listen to the residents of Greenbelt and get positive results for the Greenbelt community."

Jane Young: "Susan for an even more cohesive and green Greenbelt!"

Li'l Dan Celdran: "I appreciate Susan's commitment to improve our environment and our public schools."

Ed Fallon: "Susan stands for what's right, asks probing questions, and follows through effectively."

and a few other supporters:

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By the authority of Barbara Stevens, Treasurer

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to have volunteer litter patrols. Emmett Jordan, Edward Putens and Pope advocated uses that do no harm. Leta Mach thought the area of the preserve should determine whether or not trails should be created and maintained. Susan Stewart advocated setting a goal to minimize and reverse damage from human interference and to justify any use of pesticides. Bill Orleans suggested modest uses such as appreciation and hiking and the occasional organized fire.

Boyce opined that handicapped accessible paths are contrary to the purposes of the forest preserve and Jordan said it was not permitted by city ordinance. Davis and Mach agreed except for a path between Gardenway and Hamilton Place identified by the city ordinance.

Herling thought the Americans with Disabilities Act rules would not apply to forest preserves and a handicapped person should seek assistance from another. Pope said the trails were for those who can walk, but many of the handicapped are able to walk.

Orleans thought that reasonable accommodations for the handicapped should exist; Shaw thought there was a need to provide ADA compliance; and Stewart thought the consultant would have the expertise to provide handicap access.

Taxes

A customary issue in most elections is taxes. However, this has not been raised as a campaign issue in any significant way. Roberts opposed raising taxes, his consistent position. Challenger Boyce expressed concern about the city's increasing tax revenues at a time when many residents are experiencing stagnant pay levels. Incumbent Davis advocates balancing budgetary restraint with providing core and unique Greenbelt programs.

Economic Development

Most candidates favor economic growth to counter the sluggish economy that has resulted in higher than usual vacancy rates. Despite this issue and the need to upgrade older developments, no one advocates any development activity that would significantly change the character of the community. Incumbent Herling believes council is not moving fast enough on this issue; he advocates hiring an economic development director.

Most candidates support the city employing a second consultant to assess the city's assets and programs that could help spur commercial growth. Orleans, however, thinks city staff could do the needed work and Roberts believes that reducing taxes would better spur growth than spending money on economic development.

As to what kind of development should take place, there was consensus that it should be consistent with the character of the community and share community values. Incumbent Roberts contends that if the city does its job well, business will come. Challenger Orleans believes the city should encourage collaboration among existing business owners. Incumbent Pope advocates efforts to preserve and grow local business, a view similarly held by challenger Shaw. Incumbent Jordan sees a need to grow the city tax base.

Those identifying new types

of businesses suggest science-technology, supporters of environmental sustainability for nearby government agencies and arts and culture. No one suggested new retail commercial.

FBI Headquarters

Most candidates strongly support relocating the proposed Federal Bureau of Investigation headquarters facility to the Greenbelt Metro Station site, although Orleans would prefer that it remain located in the District of Columbia. Challenger Boyce calls it a two-edged sword, the potential for greater growth being offset by disruption. Challenger Stewart and incumbent Herling see it as bringing better transit service to the city.

Incumbent Davis, however, is concerned about added traffic and the impact upon Indian Creek. No matter what happens, however, Jordan sees a need to plan for improvements required when the Metro site is developed.

Incumbent Mach welcomes its coming to Greenbelt and incumbent Pope is optimistic it will happen. Incumbent Putens says it's his number one goal for the city and Roberts says the city needs to assess the impacts and deal with them.

Goals

In one question posed by this paper, candidates were asked what they wished to accomplish if elected.

Boyce listed fiscal restraint, funding of public safety and infrastructure maintenance, economic development and establishing a task force to implement a sci-tech program and, lastly, to capture the energy of the New Deal. Orleans would advocate for a more open process by council.

Shaw said she would seek economic development, sustainability and to increase STEM-related school programs as well as to work for a bus circulator system and to combat the impact of climate change. Stewart would support public safety, economic development and green projects.

Davis said she would assess infrastructure, develop long range plans to replace and attract quality businesses, support the FBI headquarters relocation here, enhance connectivity and communication with all parts of Greenbelt and create more public art.

Herling said he would seek to hire an economic development director and try to secure FBI headquarters here and increase efforts to become environmentally sustainable and to periodically assess the health of the forest preserve.

Jordan would make economic development a regular government function and implement an organizational assessment plan and fund police body cameras.

Mach would foster cooperatives, bring the FBI to Greenbelt, see if rooms at old Greenbelt middle school can serve the needs of residents, clean the lake and repair its dam and implement sustainability and bicycle-pedestrian master plans.

Pope wants to implement the organizational and economic development studies and Sunday bus service, add an additional animal control position and provide body cameras, safer bicycle lanes and more traffic calming devices. Puten's priorities are the FBI headquarters, public safety, keeping faith with city employees, advocacy for seniors and supporting volunteer organizations. He also

proposes developing a second senior facility, possibly to be located at the old nursing home site on Greenbelt Road.

Choosing Mayor

The Greenbelt Charter provides for a council-manager form of government in which the executive duties of the city become the responsibility of the professional city manager selected and supervised by council. The duties of the mayor are those of the other members of council with added responsibilities of chairing council meetings and being a spokesperson for council. The charter provides that the mayor is to be chosen by a majority of the council from its membership at an organizational meeting held the Monday following the election.

Since the early days of the city, the person chosen as mayor has been the person receiving the highest vote in the city election. While members of council are not obligated to choose the mayor that way, the tradition is so strong that selection of another councilmember would cause a political uproar, unless the top vote-getter declined to serve in that office; something that so far has not happened in the city's 78-year history.

No-Cost Spay/Neuter Program Ends Dec. 31

Residents of Maryland have until December 31 to obtain and redeem vouchers cover the full cost of spaying or neutering pet dogs and cats. These vouchers are available through the Four Cities Initiative No-Cost Spay Neuter Program, sponsored by the cities and towns of Greenbelt, College Park, New Carrollton and Berwyn Heights. Vouchers are available to any qualifying household in the State of Maryland.

This program targets pet owners in households with limited incomes to help reduce pet homelessness.

Applications for the voucher are available online at greenbeltmd.gov/spayneuter, or by calling 301-345-5417. Vouchers are redeemable at Spay Now located in Laurel and Grasonville. In addition to covering the full cost of spay/neuter services, the vouchers cover rabies vaccinations, which will be provided at the time of surgical services.

Pet owners are urged to take advantage of this opportunity to help eliminate pet overpopulation. Funds are provided by the State of Maryland Department of Agriculture.

For more information, contact Greenbelt Animal Control at 240-508-7533.

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City Recycling Program Cans Plastic Bags, Co-op Says Yes

by Sue Krofchik

Recycling plastic bags—yes or no? That is the question Greenbelters face. The city public works department curbside recycling program stopped accepting plastic bags and film on July 1. Why is it the city will no longer pick them up in curbside recycling but the Co-op Supermarket and other grocery stores have boxes at their entrances to collect them, specifically for recycling?

Why?

To the rescue comes Sustainability Coordinator Luisa Robles, always ready, willing and delighted to answer questions about recycling and any other matter related to sustainability.

“Plastic bags get dirty and they also jam up the works at the plant,” she said.

All recycling from Greenbelt goes to the Materials Recovery Facility (MRF), owned by Prince George’s County but managed by Waste Management Recycle America. Paper products were initially the only item to be comingled with bottles, cans and some plastic containers. Later, plastic bags and plastic film wraps, usually used to cover food, were added to the mix if put into one bag, not individually.

When recyclables arrive at the MRF and are dumped, a conveyor belt starts them along the way. Machine parts shaped like projections on stars rotate and grab items that can be recycled. Initially plastic bags move along the belt with other items but then they jammed the machines. After

this, the MRF tried pulling them out manually at the start of the conveyor belts. Some still made it through.

“They wreaked havoc on the system,” according to Robles. Bags got stuck on star projections and had to be manually untangled and cut away, much like a long scarf in a washing machine twists upon itself or with other clothes. Tugging and cutting twisted plastic off the projections took time away from other tasks. The most cost effective measure was to stop recycling plastic bags and film.

Another question confounding Greenbelters is why the Co-op Supermarket recycles plastic bags but the city’s curbside program does not? The response of Co-op General Manager Bob Davis is simple: “We have a different vendor.” They use Fiber Products and the only item they recycle is plastic bags, so their machinery is geared to them. Co-op buys their bags from Fiber Products, who comes to the Co-op once a week to pick up bags for recycling and drop off new ones. Although they do not reimburse the Co-op for bags to be recycled, they provide a needed service. The Co-op has used Fiber Products as their vendor for about four or five years.

Grocery store recycling involves only plastic bags with no comingling with other items. The bags are recycled to make picnic tables, benches and man-made lumber.

Other Plastics

What about plastic containers and those numbers on them? “The shape, wide neck or narrow neck, and resin number, #1 to #7, determine which plastic containers can be recycled,” Robles said. Each size neck has its own acceptable resin numbers.

Resin numbers range from #1 to #7 and are located in the small triangle located on the bottom of plastic containers. Manufacturers determine which number to assign based on what type of plastic it is made of. Each locale’s recycling facility determines which resin numbers their facility will recycle. Just because Greenbelt recycles a certain numbered container does not mean a nearby jurisdiction does likewise.

The city’s program recycles narrow neck plastic containers #1 to #7 and wide necks from #1 to #5. Pill bottles have no specific neck size but are usually resin number #5. They can be recycled, whether narrow- or wide-necked.

Recycling Flyer

To get a copy of the recycling flyer, complete with color pictures, print it out by going to Greenbeltmd.gov, city services, trash and recycling, curbside recycling flyer. It can also be picked up in the main lobby of the Community Center, 15 Crescent Road or at the Department of Public Works, on Crescent Road, Monday through Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.



PHOTO BY JOSHUA ROSS

Co-op Supermarket General Manager Bob Davis reminds shoppers that the Co-op in Roosevelt Center accepts plastic bags and plastic wrap for recycling.



PHOTO BY TYRONE RIDEOUT

City Sustainability Coordinator Luisa Robles uses humor to remind residents that plastic bags and plastic wraps are no longer accepted in the city curbside recycling program.

**Trick or Treating
October 31st
6 pm to 8 pm**



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To purchase holiday gifts that give back to the planet, visit arbor-day.org.



Tuesday, November 3



RE-ELECT

Ed

PUTENS

It has been my honor to represent you on the City Council over the years. Greenbelt has accomplished a lot and endured a few crises in the time, thanks largely to your support. I would appreciate your vote and continued trust and confidence for another term as we face important decisions in the next two years.

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AUTHORITY: JOHN WINFREY, TREASURER

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Roberts called for finding ways to complete the project without draining the lake. It took years for fish and other critters to come back, he said, and called for finding ways to dredge that are more environmentally sound. Stewart called for establishing a fund for the work, setting a deadline and starting to raise money. The project should be outlined for the public – what needs to be done, when it will happen and how much it will cost, she said.

Playgrounds

Skolnik asked how the candidates feel about adding adult activities, such as chess and checkers, in city playgrounds and, if they support this, how they would go about it. Mach drew a laugh from her colleagues when she declared “I’d refer it to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board!” Skolnik explained the laughter to the crowd noting that his wife chairs that board.

All of the candidates supported this idea. Stewart liked the approach of a walking/biking path with small recreational facilities along the route. She noted that another city had funded such a project by seeking out sponsors. Roberts said he supported all things recreational. Putens said that such projects should be funded jointly by the city and the homeowners associations.

Orleans called the suggestion a fine idea but said he didn’t know how the city would do it, though he presumed that Public Works would put in the tables. Jordan noted that most of the city’s recreational activities are located in the center of town and called for the dispersal of recreational resources throughout the city. Herling said the idea could mushroom beyond sedentary activities such as checkers and chess to more active pastimes. Davis suggested not limiting this idea to playgrounds but to other areas where adults and children are getting together such as Roosevelt Center, Schrom Hills Park and Greenbelt Station.

Boyce said that spending taxpayers’ money for a proposal like this would be near the bottom of his list unless funded by grants.

Audience Questions

After the GHI questions, Skolnik invited the members of the audience to ask questions to specific candidates. Other candidates were also given a chance to respond to another’s question but most questions got responses from just a few candidates.

The first question was to

Boyce, asking if his emphasis on spending for public safety, infrastructure and staff meant he would reduce the remaining budget areas. No, said Boyce but shared his perception that council starts with a budget that spends all the money available. Then, if they “magically find” some money, such as from speed cameras or highway funds, they spend all that, as well. With the upcoming property tax assessments, which likely will yield more income from property tax, council also will spend all of that. He proposed constraining how the city uses that money, perhaps even put in pressure to lower the tax rate.

Jordan disagreed with Boyce’s characterization of the current practice. After the city manager proposes the budget, he said, council often cuts. In addition, council has been funding reserves and paying down debt. The council is not spending every penny and is not counting on speed camera revenue, he said.

Pope addressed Boyce’s emphasis on spending for police. She said that the allocation of \$8 million of the city’s \$25 million budget to the police is “nothing to sneer at.” Increasing the police department’s budget would require taking funds from other programs that citizens want.

Herling said that one of the reasons he has pushed for the economic development post is the increase in the share of revenue accounted for by residential property taxes. Putens held up a list of \$2.8 million in cuts council has made but declared that he will not vote to cut social services for our kids and our seniors.

Boyce said that he had never suggested cutting the things mentioned.

Environment

In response to a question of what council is or could do to reduce the city’s impact on the environment, Jordan said that Green ACES (the city’s Advisory Committee on Environmental Sustainability) is ramping up efforts in this area. They are seeking to make city events “zero waste” with compostable tableware as well as working with the business community on environmental issues.

Davis noted that the city’s recycling coordinator now has “a much longer name” and is doing a lot of work towards that goal. The city has been certified as a sustainable Maryland community, which required meeting a lot of

standards and that the city must “walk the talk” on this issue.

Stewart pledged not to stop being an environmentalist if she is elected. She would love to see more solar panels on both city owned and private property and called for bike lanes and car charging stations.

Orleans said he would encourage businesses to erect solar panels, such as in their parking lots and that he would love to see the city install some solar panels, as well.

To Roberts, transportation is the biggest environmental issue. Greenbelt, he said, is behind when it comes to bike sharing programs. Solar is the wave of the future and the city also should be active in this area.

Herling supported the city’s zero waste efforts and noted his participation in the state’s electronic vehicle infrastructure council. He is the council liaison to Green ACES, which has advocated to have at least one car charging station in each part of the city, and is also a member of the state electric vehicle infrastructure council.

Challengers Only

The challengers were asked what they have done to prepare themselves to balance tax levels with the need for services.

Stewart said that the tax revenue that would be gained if the empty commercial spaces in the city were filled would help relieve the property tax burden on homeowners. She declared “I’m really stingy with money” but not afraid of new projects. We need to find new resources, she said.

Orleans said that “I consider myself a tax and spend liberal but I am also fiscally conservative.” Adding if we want something, we should be willing to pay for it. He also called for fighting back when large property owners seek to be relieved from the burden of paying taxes or to be reimbursed for what they have already paid.

Boyce said that his priorities will be to maintain existing services and to specifically improve public safety, infrastructure and paying for staff. He said the city is understaffed and cannot accomplish the planning and reviews needed for the economic development work that is coming. He said he has a strong sense of fiscal responsibility and fiscal restraint. We have had good policies that kept spending under control but we cannot stop now, he said. Economic development will take decades to be effective.

Films for a Better World Through Utopia Film Festival

by Eli Flam

The homegrown, 11th annual Utopia Film Festival made a fresh impress with dozens of showings last weekend at Old Greenbelt Theatre and Greenbelt Arts Center. Some 170 entries were received, more than ever before from as far away as Iran and Japan.

“By sharing their works,” said Festival Co-director Susan Gervasi, “filmmakers from around the world remind us of what we residents of this planet have in common as brother and sister human beings.”

Up front in search of common ground was the feature-length American Road. Directors Kurt Jacobsen and Warren Leming drew on 20 interviewees, a wealth of archival material and a narration (largely by Leming) that probed values and cross-currents from the earliest days of the nation-to-be. When several canoes filled with Native Americans stroke to shore, we hear, “The Indians soon were gone....”

Gone? Wait a minute – but the film later cites Indians, plus a mix of peoples – such as Mexicans, Chinese, slaves and others from scallawags to robber barons – that made up the country as time went on.

Walt Whitman, author D.H. Lawrence, Mark Twain weigh in; the lure of the open road, laborers on the stretching out highways, The Wizard of Oz, more than a million people driven from the Dust Bowl all play roles. In job-tight Appalachia, outbound high school graduates declare, Readin’, writin’ and Route 23: a road to take you away. Artists’ works portray a riparian range of scenes. Singing the times are Woody Guthrie, Bob Dylan, Elvis. Quoth Ramblin’ Jack Elliot: “It ain’t where you’re comin’ from, it’s where you’re goin’.”

Suburbanization flourishes while “angel-headed hipsters” like Jack Kerouac and pals go cross-country on the road – and we cross an ocean to fight in Vietnam. When the film ended, the audience in Old Greenbelt

Theatre (almost all of a certain age) clapped and talked with the directors, who found that the start-up of Greenbelt in the 1930s was emblematic of the American road. Jacobsen and Leming said they had enough material for a three-hour film and just might start on a follow-up.

Nature

The pick on Sunday for this viewer was a double-header. In Far Afield, a Jersey City boy, Bert Raynes, heads west to find nurture in nature. Starting as a chemical engineer with GE, he and wife Meg scope out the Tetons and settle in Jackson Hole. From 1972 into the 1990s, writing a lively weekly column (Far Afield) for a local weekly, the genial Raynes enlists some 400 volunteers to create an on-going nature mapping program that serves public and professional interests. He teaches nature classes in the deeply appreciative community, pays minimal heed about using a wheelchair and archly comments that tracking and working with birds as well as other creatures establishes a vital connection that also gets you out of the house. The director was Jennifer Tennican.

Wrapping up this hour-plus program was Mr. Besley’s Forest, directed by Cheryl Franceschi. It details the 36-year career of Maryland’s first state forester, appointed in 1907, and his active efforts to foster conservation. Frederick Wilson Besley liked to ask an audience when was the best time to plant a tree. His answer: 20 years ago. The second best time: Now.

He encouraged camping, promoted state forested land and conservation education for youngsters. Besley also was a national leader in protecting and measuring the largest champion trees. Other signal achievements include building fire towers across the state and enlisting fire wardens.

Utopia has come and gone this year, but it’s worth keeping an eye – both eyes, for that matter – out for next October.



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Food, Nature Club, Sculpture Dedication Fill Fall Festival

by Jacob Taylor

Recreation Coordinator Andrew Phelan said, in his experience, the Fall Festival at Schrom Hills Park always encounters some last minute issue, no matter how thorough the planning process is. This year, he said, there was a problem with the electrical generators that were supposed to inflate the bouncy castle and obstacle course. Phelan noted, however, that the Recreation Department was prepared and got the power back on without much trouble.

Several hundred people attended this year's Fall Festival.

When asked about the festival, Councilmember Judith Davis said, "It's going very well, started slow, but the people are having a great time."

The three winners of this year's Miss Greenbelt Pageant made their rounds at the festival, sporting their crowns and sashes. When asked what they thought of the festival, Miss Greenbelt Alisha Karley said, "I think it's really nice. It's a great opportunity to bond with other Greenbelters." Junior Miss Greenbelt Allison Beatrez said, "I liked it a lot. It was well put together." Little Miss Greenbelt Katherine Larkin said, "It's really fun to get out all of your energy."

The city unveiled a new metal sculpture in the park to mark and commemorate the Three Sisters Garden. The demonstration garden features squash, corn and bean plants as well as herbs, fruits and other vegetables. Speaking just before the unveiling, Mayor Emmett Jordan said, "It is so inspiring seeing so many kids running around. This is such a beautiful park."

There was a campaign table with flyers, business cards and pamphlets for several candidates running in the upcoming city council election.

Greenbelt Biota, a local naturalist club, ran a table where children could handle a turtle shell, antlers, seeds and other bits of nature. Visitors could participate in the club's Naturalist Challenge by taking a paper map of the woodland paths around the park. Biota members had marked several points along the path where participants could spot things such as patches of wintergreen, fungal clusters and antlion pits. Visitors who walked the path and marked what they saw could collect star stickers towards earning one of several nature posters. Jamie Jorgensen, a member of

the Biota club, said the club was trying "to get people interested in the natural world."

There was a tent with several stations designed to teach people about the various ways they could have a positive impact on the environment. The D.C. Climate Urban Systems Partnership had a table with paint trays decorated with plastic buildings and painted to look like a landscape sloping down into a waterway. A gardener's watering can was used to simulate rain on the tiny society while small plastic beads simulated pollution. Participants were invited to place sponges cut to look like foliage, trees and rain gardens on the landscape to demonstrate how such features can prevent pollution from ending up waterways.

Another station invited people to try and identify the hottest locations in Greenbelt and the Prince George's County area. The hottest places were commercial shopping areas while the coolest places were parks and patches of forest.

The Terracycle table displayed pictures of products such as trashcans, flower pots and handbags. The station featured a matching game where people tried to pair each product with the discarded material it was produced from.

Greenbelt Zero Waste invited people to make a plate of pretend food and then calculated the total carbon emissions released from producing that plate of food.

The Old Greenbelt Theatre had a table advertising their upcoming showings.

There was a pumpkin patch where children could pick out and decorate small pumpkins. Jacob Maskal paused a game of corn hole near the pumpkin patch to say, "I think it was pretty fun, great that they offer everything for free."

There was a tractor-pulled hayride that ran regular loops around the park.

There was a bouncy castle and inflatable obstacle course. While observing the inflatable obstacle course, Stacy Saky said, "I love it. I love that it has something for every age."

The Babe Ruth Association operated a snack bar where visitors could buy hot grilled food such as hot dogs, hamburgers and nachos as well as soda and water. Bob Sonneveldt, president of the Greenbelt Babe Ruth Association, said that the festival is "always

fun" and that each year the snack bar tries to offer "something decent to eat at a good price."

There was a bike riding station where children could get help learning to ride a bike from volunteers and police officers.

About an hour before the festival closed, Sgt. Robert Laurer of the Greenbelt Police Department said that there had been no major incidents at the festival up to that point and said that the officers were mostly there to "give the police a face and help out with the bike riding."

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The Miss Greenbelts Allison Beatrez, Katherine Larkin and Alisha Karley make a guess at the weight of the pumpkin along with other festival goers.



Police officers offered all-comers a chance to show their skills on bicycles.



At the Greenbelt Biota table, kids learned about turtle shells.

Photos by Beverly Palau



Kids from the Earth Squad -- Gnama Toure, Sekou Diabate(back),Jadell Jones, Kadiatu Yasane, Curtis Rowley, Mykala Woods, Salia Diabate(back), Dalayah Hutchinson, Abdoulaye Toure, Baboucarr Ceesay helped with the dedication of the new sculpture.



Hayrides around Schrom Hills Park were popular with the crowd.

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His 2011 biography, mostly, if metaphorically accurate can be found in some version or another at BillOrleans.com or new and improved at greenbeltmd.gov.

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The biographies of the remaining candidates are reprinted below.

George Boyce

George Boyce moved with his wife, Eva Fallon, from GHI to the Lakewood neighborhood in 2008. In 2010, they formed a non-profit foundation to develop and execute initiatives to promote STEM education and to explore the application of science and technology in projects that engage and enrich local communities.

In 2013, Boyce signed a ten year lease and committed to renovating the abandoned dry cleaning shop at Roosevelt Center into the Greenbelt MakerSpace, a successful activity center open free to the public. Not satisfied, Boyce has launched a project to create a mobile van, the Maker-Wagon, to serve more at-risk kids and families living in low-income neighborhoods.

Boyce was born in Washington State and grew up on a small family farm near the junction of the Columbia and Snake rivers. He helped his father raise horses, cows and chickens but mostly he earned spare change cutting asparagus and picking grapes alongside migrant workers. His mother and sister were school teachers.

Boyce has had a very strong career in science and technology both as a technical expert and as an entrepreneur and businessman. In 1977, Boyce enrolled in Cornell University. His love for computers and network technology would drive his future through a series of significant milestones.

Boyce helped build major components of the campus network and later the New York state regional network, in a fast-paced period of technology innovation. At Syracuse University, Boyce became known nationally for his work managing a supercomputer facility used by research students across the emerging Internet.

Facing budget cuts, Boyce led his staff to spinoff as an independent company that contracted services back to the university and businesses. He developed the first online service to market real estate, launching the third "dot com" website on the Internet.

Major companies seeking to build the commercial Internet noticed Boyce's accomplishments. In 1995, AOL recruited Boyce to create their Internet operations division, giving him an empty computer room and a nine-figure budget. By 2000, Boyce was promoted from director to chief architect of a system that had grown to support more than a million simultaneous customers.

Boyce then founded an investment company, formed a partnership with several real estate developers and applied his technical skills to developing the next critical segment of the Internet. His goal was to develop a business plan to deploy the last mile of "fiber to the home" infrastructure. His startup company in Arizona is still operating with ten million dollars in annual revenue.

In 2003, Boyce returned to work as a technical contractor, first at the Government Accountability Office and then at Discovery Communication. In 2009, Boyce joined the mission network support team at NASA Goddard where he works today.

Kathleen Shaw

City Council Candidate Kathleen Shaw is an attorney and works as an associate in the Correctional Litigation Unit of Maryland's Office of the Attorney General. Kathleen and her family relocated to the metropolitan area from Texas in 2013 for the purpose of completing her law degree. She is a recent graduate of the University of the District of Columbia David A. Clarke School of Law. She completed her undergraduate studies at Prairie View A&M University in 1979 and received a Bachelor of Science degree in biology/premedicine, attaining the status of cum laude honors.

Kathleen was raised in a Christian home by her father, a minister, and her mother, a public school educator, in the small town of Prairie View, Texas. She, along with her five siblings, was taught by precept and example what it meant to live a life of community service. Her father's life was dedicated in service to his parishioners for over 40 years. One of the greatest lessons she was taught by him was the importance of maintaining a good name in your community. The memories of her mother's selfless sacrificial giving are permanently engraved on her heart and mind. Her mother's service of making regular distributions to the poor, visiting the sick and being a lover of all people are the character attributes she believed "made one great" -- He that is greatest is he who serves. Hence, Kathleen developed a like desire to serve others as well.

Kathleen's desire for service on an individual basis further progressed into a passion for public service. In 2010, she was the Democratic nominee for Texas State Senate District 2, Texas's largest senate district, in which she challenged a long-term incumbent, garnering one-third of the district's vote to incumbent's two-thirds. The experience proved to be the catalyst she needed to pursue a law degree in hopes of securing the legal and policy training necessary to become a viable contender in a future bid for public office.

Additional factors have fueled Kathleen's desire to pursue a career in public service. In the course of her Senate campaign effort, Kathleen observed

a vast quantity of socioeconomic and ethnic disparities among various populations. An even greater chasm existed when it came to suitable advocacy for those groups in government. It is her firm belief that good public policy can only be developed when every demographic within a society is fairly and comprehensively represented. Resultantly, her primary motivation to achieve a public interest career goal is rooted in her discontent with the overt inequity in many state legislatures and a desire to promote political equilibrium in government.

Kathleen is the wife of Charlie Shaw and mother to Briana, Nicole, Isaac and Jessica.

Judith F. Davis

Judith F. "J" Davis is in her eleventh term on Council. Currently serving as Mayor Pro Tem, J formerly was mayor for 16 years, Greenbelt's longest continuously serving mayor. Prior to her election to council in 1993, she was appointed to the city's Advisory Planning Board for ten years and was elected chair by its members for four years. Davis represents Greenbelt on the Anacostia Trails Heritage Area Governing Board.

After moving to Greenbelt in 1975, J soon became active in local affairs. A condominium owner in Greenbriar, she was elected to its Phase I Board of Directors, serving for 14 years. She was Carnival Chair for the Labor Day Festival Committee for 18 years. In 1995, J was on the Project Design Committee for GIVES, the Greenbelt Intergenerational Volunteer Exchange Service, became a charter member and served as its vice president for 9 years.

Davis has honed her leadership skills and expanded her experience and effectiveness by serving tirelessly in many roles. As Mayor, J was the Council's representative to the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG) Board of Directors. In 2005, she was elected chair of the COG Board and, in 2010, was its corporate president. Davis is a member of COG's Climate, Energy, and Environment Policy Committee and its Chesapeake Bay and Water Resources Policy Committee, which she has served on since its inception. Davis is a member of the Energy, Environment, and Natural Resources Policy Committee for the National League of Cities, having first been appointed in 2005. Due to her focus on environmental issues, J has brought back innovative ideas and best practices to be incorporated by the city.

Davis has served as president of the Maryland Municipal League after serving 11 terms on its board of directors. In addition, Davis is a past president of the Maryland Mayors Association, the Prince George's County Municipal Association (PGCMA), and the Prince George's Elected Municipal Women. Davis served nine years on PGCMA's Board of Directors advocating Greenbelt's positions at the county level.

In 2011, Davis was presented COG's highest honor, the Elizabeth and David Scull Metropolitan Public Service Award. For her environmental work, J was given the Greenbelt Green Man Award in 2010.

An educator for 35 years, retiring in 1999, J holds Bachelor's and Master's degrees from West Chester University in West Chester Pa.

J actively supports many civic organizations, including Greenbelt Arts Center, Friends of the Greenbelt Museum, Friends of the Greenbelt Theatre, Greenbelt Golden Age Club, Greenbelt Lions, and Greenbelt's American Legion Auxiliary.

In her spare time, J enjoys traveling with both her sister and her significant other, Neil, attending Washington Opera performances, and walking on the beach with her nieces, Jessica and Felice.

Edward Putens

Edward Putens is completing his seventeenth term on the City Council. Putens has been a resident of Greenbelt since 1968, starting in Springhill Lake (now Franklin Park). He has also lived in Charlestown North, GHI, Windsor Green and Greenbrook Estates. He was born in Hazelton, Pa., and grew up in Baltimore.

Putens retired in 2014 from the federal government. He worked for the Food and Drug Administration for the last 28 years, in various management positions. Since retiring he has been working with FDA's Center for Food Safety and Nutrition as an advisor/consultant. His management knowledge has contributed significantly to his work on the council.

In the current term, Putens has focused especially on the effort to bring the FBI to Greenbelt, believing that this would have a major positive impact on the city. This is an extension of his long-time advocacy for the revitalization of Greenbelt West, including Franklin Park, in part to improve public safety. Throughout his council tenure, Putens has taken a leading role in improving police protection and crime prevention. He initiated use of video cameras in strategic areas in the city; placing police school resource officers in schools; and traffic safety improvements.

Putens proposed the city's Public Safety Advisory Committee, as well as the Advisory Committee on Education. He initiated the Senior Task Force, which led to the Senior Citizen Advisory Committee. Putens and then-Mayor Gil Weidenfeld initiated the Four Cities Coalition among Greenbelt, College Park, New Carrollton and Berwyn Heights, to expand inter-city cooperation. The Coalition is playing an active role in efforts to bring the FBI to Greenbelt.

Putens was the first Greenbelt East resident elected to the city council, and continues to work actively with the Greenbelt East Advisory Committee, which he

co-founded. He was an original member of the Windsor Green Board of Directors and served on the board for eight years. He has been president of Greenbrook Estates board for the past fifteen years.

Putens has always strongly supported city financial assistance to Greenbelt's many volunteer recreation organizations. His three children participated in these programs, including soccer, Little League, cheerleading and Camp Pine Tree among others.

While on the city council, Putens has served on numerous county, state and national committees to represent Greenbelt's interests. He is the past chair of the Small Cities Council of the National League of Cities (NLC), and currently a member of NLC's Public Safety and Crime Prevention Steering Committee.

Putens earned a Microbiology degree from the University of Maryland, and was on the lacrosse team. After college, he worked for biological research companies and co-authored several patents dealing with minimizing air pollutants.

Rodney M. Roberts

Rodney M. Roberts, 57 years old, is a life-long Greenbelt resident who lives with his wife, Tara. He attended Prince George's County schools and was active in sports with the Greenbelt Boys and Girls Club. A 1975 graduate of the National Technical Institute, Roberts is the sole proprietor of a small business that specializes in on-site repairs of various types of equipment and vehicles (celebrating 17 years in business).

Roberts is serving his 12th term on council. He attended nearly every council meeting during the four years prior to being elected to City Council in 1991, becoming known as an outspoken and effective community activist. During his 24 years on council, Roberts has never missed a city council meeting.

Roberts often volunteers his professional skills to groups such as Greenbelt Intergenerational Volunteer Exchange Service (GIVES), as well as to individuals in need. When the New Deal Café was in danger of closing, Roberts donated over 100 hours of his time working with a small group of volunteers to install a commercial kitchen. The café was able to install a state-of-the-art kitchen for less than \$30,000, a savings of more than \$70,000, giving the café a new lease on life. It is now a thriving part of the Roosevelt Center. Roberts successfully fought efforts by the city to demolish two single-family homes in Greenbelt, using his own funds and labor to do repairs on one of them. Both homes are now undergoing renovations and will be returned to use as beautiful and efficient homes.

In 1991, Roberts proposed, and worked through to implementation, a community policing program that included the city's

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first police bicycle patrols. Since then, he has continued to advocate for more bicycle and foot patrols throughout the city to foster a better relationship between citizens and police.

Roberts was a leader in the citizen movement that resulted in the city's acquisition of 184 acres of woodland, part of the original "Green Belt." Roberts' continued advocacy resulted in the 2003 passage of a city ordinance establishing a Greenbelt Forest Preserve initially consisting of 225 acres.

Roberts testifies on behalf of the city before state and county officials concerning development, transportation, recreational, environmental and fiscal issues. In 2004, he testified before the State Board of Public Works (consisting of the comptroller, governor and treasurer). Overcoming initial opposition from Comptroller William Schaefer and Governor Robert Erlich, he secured \$648,000 in Open Space Funds for the purchase of 20 acres known as the "Sunrise Property" in Greenbelt, one of Greenbelt's newest forest preserves. Roberts has consistently opposed yearly tax increases for non-essential hiring and other items. Roberts is one of the longest serving members of the Council of Government's Transportation Planning Board, with nearly 24 years of service. He is also City Liaison to the Youth Advisory Board and Forest Preserve Advisory Board. Roberts is a member and former chair of The Committee to Save

the Green Belt and a founding member of the Greenbelt Foundation for the Arts.

Konrad E. Herling

First elected to City Council in 2003, Konrad Herling has focused his efforts to unify the community through improved transportation, environmental sustainability, intelligent economic development and the arts.

As a member of council, he has worked with Greenbelt's bus commuters, Metro and the Prince George's County to enhance service to all sectors of the city. Pending a vote by Metro's board of directors, Sunday Metro bus service should be available in Greenbelt next year.

Approaching public transportation as a key tool in phasing out fossil fuels, Herling assisted the Advisory Committee for Environmental Sustainability to develop a transportation program that recognizes the need for improved facilities for bikers and pedestrian, bus shelters and greater availability of buses. He also represents Greenbelt as part of Maryland's Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Council established to promote the development and use of electric vehicles.



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Konrad Herling

Herling has been a leading advocate for intelligent economic development to better market businesses as well as the recreational, cultural and educational opportunities in Greenbelt. In 2011, he served on a county commission to write a legislative proposal yielding tax credits to green businesses investing in Prince George's County. In concert with the goal of the Four-Cities Coalition (Greenbelt, New Carrollton, College Park and Berwyn Heights) to attract a re-located FBI to Greenbelt, he led the effort to produce a promotion video highlighting the quality of life opportunities for prospective FBI employees.

Herling's sustained efforts to unify the community began with his efforts to launch the Greenbelt Arts Center in 1979. In 2006 he helped produce a volunteer-led international cultural festival. As part of embracing the city's diversity, he advocated in 2013 that the city provide greater opportunities to folks of all walks of life to provide more input regarding policy and planning issues. He currently is working with a volunteer group to produce a series of Latino cultural programs for 2016. Finally, connecting groups with GATE (Greenbelt Access Television, Inc.), public service announcements have been produced to tell their stories to the Greenbelt community.

Regarding efforts to better connect the community, he is perhaps proudest of his work with the Community Relations

Advisory Board in writing the Community Pledge (2001), which urges all Greenbelters to treat each other with respect and to celebrate diversity and inclusion.

Herling has lived in GHI and Franklin Park (Springhill Lake, 1979 to 1984), and received his undergraduate degree from Towson University in history and secondary education.

Leta M. Mach

Leta Mach has served on city council since 2003. She is currently council liaison to the Advisory Committee on Education

and the Park and Recreation Advisory Board and past liaison to the Senior Citizens Advisory Committee.

She represents Greenbelt on numerous local and national organizations. In 2014, she was See **BIOGRAPHIES**, page 16



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Arrests

October 15, 8:47 p.m., 5800 block Cherrywood Lane. A 28-year-old nonresident was arrested and charged with concealing a deadly weapon (meat cleaver-type knife) and two counts of trespass after he was found on the grounds of Franklin Park Apartments after having been banned from the complex by agents of the property. He was transported to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner.

October 20, 5:29 p.m., Breezewood Terrace near Breezewood Drive. A 41-year-old nonresident was arrested after being stopped for a traffic violation and charged with possession of phencyclidine with intent to distribute in a school zone, possession of phencyclidine with intent to distribute and possession of phencyclidine. He was transported to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner.

Theft

October 13, 10 p.m., 11 Crescent Road. A book bag containing a laptop computer, calculator and credit card was taken after it was left unattended outside the Greenbelt library. The credit card was used later to make an unauthorized purchase.

October 18, 4:30 p.m., 5900 block Cherrywood Terrace. A parcel package was taken from the front door of a residence.

October 18, 11 p.m., 7601 Hanover Parkway. An unattended cell phone was taken at Eleanor Roosevelt High School.

October 21, 2:45 p.m., 7601 Hanover Parkway. An unattended cell phone was taken at Eleanor Roosevelt High School.

Threats

October 21, 4:02 p.m., 6100 block Breezewood Court. A woman reported that a maintenance worker made threatening comments to her while at her residence on October 17. An investigation is ongoing.

Disturbing the Peace

October 17, 1:20 a.m., 7200 block Hanover Drive. A 25-year-old nonresident man and a 33-year-old nonresident woman were arrested and charged with disturbing the peace after they were involved in a verbal altercation outside the Holiday Inn, causing people to gather and watch their actions. They were released on citation pending trial.

Trespass

October 20, 5:29 p.m., 9200 block Springhill Lane. A 23-year-old nonresident was arrested and charged with trespass after he was found on the grounds of Franklin Park Apart-

ments after having been banned from the complex by agents of the property. He was released on citation pending trial.

Burglary

October 17, 9 a.m., 11 Crescent Road. Money was missing from a cash register when the Greenbelt library opened. A videotape shows a person who may have hidden inside the library. He is described as black, 15 to 18 years old, 5'7" to 5'11" tall, 120 to 160 pounds, wearing a dark blue and white jacket, dark colored jeans and dark Nike athletic shoes.

Vandalism

October 15, 9:46 a.m., 6100 block Springhill Terrace. A woman involved in a verbal altercation with an acquaintance reported that the person shoved her sofa into the sliding glass door, shattering it. An investigation is ongoing.

October 17, 8 a.m., 8000 block Mandan Road. A bedroom window of a residence was broken out.

October 18, 12:07 p.m., 100 block Centerway. Graffiti was spray-painted in the parking lot.

Vehicle Crime

Three stolen vehicles were recovered. A 1999 Acura CL stolen October 20 was recovered the next day on Mandan Road near Mathew Street. The owner reported that the keys had been taken from her purse at Eleanor Roosevelt High School.

A 2005 BMW 325 stolen October 18 from the 6100 block Breezewood Drive was recovered the same evening by Prince George's County police on Sunnyside Avenue near Tucker Road in Beltsville. It had been abandoned after being involved in an accident.

A 2011 Dodge Avenger reported stolen to the Baltimore County police was recovered in the 6400 block Capitol Drive.

Four thefts from vehicles were reported. Money was taken from an unsecured vehicle in the 7100 block Megan Lane. A notebook-type computer and checkbook were taken after the rear driver-side window was broken out in the 6600 block Lake Park Drive. An unlocked car in the 7100 block Mathew Street was rummaged through, but nothing appeared to have been taken.

A woman parked her car in the 7200 block Mandan Road to look for her cat, leaving a car window open. As she was returning to her vehicle, she saw a man wearing a brown backpack reach in the car and remove her purse. He fled on a green bicycle.

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appointed to the State of Maryland's Air Quality Control Advisory Council. Since 2004, she has served on the Metropolitan Washington Air Quality Committee including two terms as chair. She is immediate past chair of Clean Air Partners on whose board she has served since 2007. She is a member and past chair of the Maryland Municipal League Communications Committee and a member of the National League of Cities Human Development Steering Committee. She is also secretary of the Prince George's Elected Municipal Women.

In 2000, Mach was honored as Greenbelt's Outstanding Citizen. This recognition followed years of community service in a variety of positions with many different community organizations. Through the years, she served as treasurer of the Greenbelt Cooperative Nursery School; PTA president of both Greenbelt Elementary School and Eleanor Roosevelt High School; News Review reporter, copy editor and proofreader; volunteer for the Labor Day Festival Committee; chair of the GHI Audit Committee and secretary of the board of Greenbelt Consumer Cooperative.

For Greenbelt's 50th anniversary, she chaired the Greenbelt Oral History Committee that collected video oral histories. She also participated in the book project by writing chapter two of Greenbelt: History of a New Town.

She has been a museum docent and was a founding board member of the Greenbelt Community Foundation.

In 1995 when council established the Advisory Committee on Education, she was appointed to the committee and elected chair serving as such until her election to council.

Her work experience includes teaching social studies at Suitland Senior High School from 1969 to 1973, serving as Information Specialist at Greenbelt Homes, Inc. from 1981 to 1987 and from 1987 to 2003 working at the National Cooperative Business Association as director of communications and cooperative education.

Beyond Greenbelt, she is the past president of both the Cooperative Communicators Association and Parent Cooperatives Preschool International. She has received many awards including in 1995 the national Co-op Month Award for Communications.

Mach grew up in a military family. While she was in high school her father was stationed in Washington, D.C., and she graduated from a Prince George's County school - Bladensburg. In 1969, she received a bachelor's degree with honor with a major in history and minors in English and education from Michigan State University. She moved to Greenbelt in 1974 with her husband Darrell. They have two married children - Ryan and Amy - and four granddaughters, Anna, Alexa, Piper and Amelia.

Emmett V. Jordan

Emmett V. Jordan has served Greenbelt on City Council for 3 terms, currently in the role of "Mayor". He became the first African-American Council member in the city's 77-year history in 2009.

Emmett relocated to this area to work with the University of

Maryland in 1998. Soon after, he moved to Greenbriar Condominiums, attracted by the convenient location, access to transportation, shopping, and the many recreational amenities of Greenbelt.

A native of Cincinnati, Ohio, he studied liberal arts and music at Morehouse College and at the University of Cincinnati, where he earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Urban Administration from the College of Design Architecture, Art and Planning. He completed additional graduate course work in Public Administration at Seton Hall University. Emmett participated in the UMD Legacy Leadership Institute on Municipal Government in 2009 and completed an Academy for Excellence in Local Governance Fellowship in 2011. He attends workshops and conferences frequently to learn about issues that affect Greenbelt.

He represents Greenbelt on the Board of Directors of the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments, the Maryland Municipal League, and the Prince George's County Municipal Association. He has worked to develop productive relationships with leaders from surrounding municipalities, the County, and our State /Federal delegations. These external relationships provide a platform to advocate for the best interests of Greenbelt.

Emmett's career provides him with over 25 years of experience in project management: planning and implementation capacity building programs for nonprofits. Since 2005, he has worked as an independent contractor, providing professional services focused on marketing, communications, strategic planning, and fund development. He has worked with a variety of nonprofit organizations, including the Smithsonian Institution, University of Maryland at College Park, Plainfield Neighborhood Health Center, and the United Negro College Fund.

Prior to 2009, Emmett was a member of the city's Advisory Planning Board where he spearheaded the effort to create a Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan for Greenbelt. Emmett co-chaired and then chaired the Greenbelt Community Foundation Board, completing a 4-year term in 2010. He led the GCF proposal review committee for 2 years before joining the Board. He served on the Greenbriar Condominiums Association Phase I Board for 5 years beginning in 2004. From 2000 to 2005, he co-chaired the Urban Roundtable, an auxiliary organization for the Greater Washington Urban League (GWUL).

Emmett still finds time to occasionally volunteer with the Greenbelt Farmers Market. He is a member and former co-chair of the Greenbelt Tennis Association.

An energetic and active person, Emmett enjoys attending concerts, art exhibits, and cultural programs. His favorite pastimes include spending time outdoors around Greenbelt, playing tennis, bicycling, and playing the guitar.



Emmett Jordan

PHOTO BY SHARON NATOLI

Susan Stewart

Susan was born in Washington, D.C. and raised in Maryland. Her parents met across the world from here during the Vietnam War. Her mother is from South Vietnam and her father is a U.S. Army veteran from Talledega, Alabama. As a middle child, she grew up in the Wheaton/Silver Spring area near Sligo Creek Park, where her parents still live.

A serious student who excelled in every subject, Susan pursued a music degree, with the goal to teach children while allowing time to raise a family. She holds a Bachelor of Music degree in violin performance with a minor in mathematics from James Madison University, and received a Master of Music degree in violin performance from the University of Notre Dame on full scholarship. In addition to performing, she taught many students, from ages 3 to 70. Susan and her husband moved to Ohio as her husband pursued his law degree, and in 2006 the couple and their son moved to Greenbelt.

As a stay-at-home mother, Susan worked as a community activist, focusing on progressive and environmental issues. She attended leadership training, lobbied and volunteered with many groups, including the Chesapeake Climate Action Network, the Maryland Sierra Club, Progressive Majority, Wellstone Action, Peace & Justice coalition, Power-shift and Progressive MD. Over the years, she contributed her time and efforts on issues such as civil marriage, LGBT equality, ending poverty, preventing climate change, healthcare reform, advocating for peace, fighting corruption and protecting the environment. Currently serving on the Executive Committee for the Prince George's Sierra Club, her focus over the last two years has been on Zero Waste and issues on natural gas. On the latter, she has publicly testified and lobbied against fracking, LNG exports and the TPP.

In between being a citizen lobbyist and a mother, she spends much of her time volunteering for local groups such as the Farmer's Market and the PTA, notably having chaired the Labor Day book sale for several years. Her son Nathaniel, age 12, attends Greenbelt Middle School and is a student at Tai Yim Kung Fu school in Kensington. Her husband, Jonathan Gordy, is an attorney, a former member of the GHI Audit committee, and enjoys a hobby as a potter at the Greenbelt Community Center. In addition to playing the violin, Susan enjoys gardening, catching up on the newest Dr. Who episodes and her new obsession, playing Catan with her family.

PHOTO BY HAO-LAN CHAI

Silke I. Pope

Silke Pope is seeking her fourth term on council. Pope has resided in Greenbelt for 17 years, living first in Springhill Lake, now Franklin Park, and since 2003 in Belle Point.

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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.



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Pope came to Greenbelt with her family from Germany in 1998 after her husband, Joseph, retired from the



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Silke Pope

United States Army. Raised in a small town, Pope brings to Greenbelt familiar small-town values. Her natural tendency is one of engagement and activity in the community, taking on numerous volunteer roles and accruing accomplishments in Greenbelt over the past 17 years. By confronting the realities of modern Greenbelt and seeking to improve quality of life for all, Pope has a long track record of contributions to Greenbelt.

Pope served on the city's Public Safety Advisory Committee (PSAC) for nine years, six years as chair, until she was elected to council in 2009. Currently, she is the council liaison to both PSAC and the Senior Citizen Advisory Committee.

Even before proudly earning U.S. citizenship in 2006, Pope

became involved in several community groups in Greenbelt. A member of St. Hugh of Grenoble Church since 2000, Pope has been involved in numerous fundraising efforts, her most notable being the annual Oktoberfest where she serves as master chef. She has also served as president of the Belle Point Homeowners' Association since 2006 and is a member of the American Legion's Post 136 Ladies Auxiliary, serving as president for two years.

While living overseas, Pope worked in the field of international business relations and banking where her bilingual ability, attention to detail and organizational skills were critical. Attuned to cross-cultural issues, Pope has long practiced effective communication across demographic boundaries. Pope is currently employed by the Prince Georges County Schools at Springhill Lake Elementary School as a special education paraprofessional educator.

Since being elected to council in 2009, Pope has served on several state and national committees including the Maryland Municipal League Convention Planning Committee, the National League of Cities (NLC) Small Cities Council Steering Committee and the NLC's Public Safety and Crime Prevention Steering Committee. Currently, she is the incoming chair of the Small Cities Council Steering Committee of the NLC. Pope earned a fellowship from the Academy for Excellence in Local Governance at the University of Maryland. This fellowship provides Pope with a more thorough understanding of how local municipalities function and a strong understanding of governmental policy and ethics.

When Pope is not working or attending council meetings and events, she likes to read Grisham novels, cook, spend time with her granddaughter, Sofia, and take her dog, Chip, to the dog park and for walks around the lake.

Re-Elect
Silke Pope
to Greenbelt City Council

Dedicated to Greenbelt's Community and Future

I would appreciate your VOTE on Tuesday, November 3rd, 2015

By Authority of: Mary Hatcher, Treasurer

At the Library

Saturday, October 31, 2015, 2:30 p.m., for all ages. Enjoy an informal screening of select family friendly Halloween movies available to library patrons from the Hoopla digital service. (Movie titles may not be publicized due to Public Performance Site License restrictions.) Please contact the Information Desk at 301-345-5800 for additional details.

In addition, patrons are reminded that the Hoopla digital service provides free access to movies and television shows to be streamed/downloaded to computers, smartphones, and tablet devices 24 hours per day/7 days a week.

Weekly Storytimes

Wednesday, November 4: Preschool Storytime, 10:15 and 11:15 a.m., for ages 3-5, limit 20 people.

Thursday, November 5: Baby Storytime, 10:15 a.m., for ages 12-24 months, limit 20 people; Baby Laptime Storytime, 11:15 a.m., for ages birth-12 months, limit 20 people; Toddler Storytime, 4:15 p.m., for ages 2-3, limit 20 people.

Encourage your child to make reading a positive experience by bringing them to the library's storytimes. Stop by the information desk to pick up free tickets available on a first-come, first-served basis on the day of the event.

Fall 2015 African History and Culture Lecture Series

Tuesday, November 3, 7 p.m. "Black Beauty: The African Roots of Fashion and Style" will be the next session of the fall season in this audio-visual lecture series presented by C.R. Gibbs, historian of the African Diaspora. Other sessions will be presented during the fall on Tuesday evenings through November 17.



DON'T STOP DREAMING, GREENBELT!

This City started from a vision, the people's dreams for their city. I never forget this, and never stop looking forward. After all, many of our dreams have come



true! They are everywhere, just look around: the Community Center, the new Greenbelt Elementary School, the Aquatic and Fitness Center, Schrom Hills Park, the Forest Preserve, the Greenbelt Museum, the Dog Park, a



Skateboard Park, a new Police Station, and of course the newly renovated theater, and many more. Yes, they all started with an idea, a dream!

But there are other dreams that go unfulfilled, including a second senior living facility. Green Ridge House has a long waiting list. And a performing arts center worthy of our reputation as a cultural community.

Greenbelt's reputation as one of the best cities in the DC area is not an accident of history but the result of good leadership working together. That reputation is why so many of you moved here, or refuse to leave.



"I know one thing for sure, whether your dream is for you, your family, or your community; you may falter, slip, or get distracted. But the one sure way to fail is to abandon your dream!" Don't stop dreaming GREENBELT!

Re-Elect ED PUTENS

...Still Working for You! ...

Authority: John Winfrey, Treasurer

Hospital Raises Funds For Diabetes Awareness

On October 17, Doctors Community Hospital's Joslin Diabetes Center participated in the Step Out | Walk to Stop Diabetes. Held at the National Harbor, this American Diabetes Association event focused on raising funds to increase awareness of and find a cure for diabetes. This year, the hospital's team – DCH Sugar Stompers – raised an estimated \$2,100 to support this cause.

Diabetes is a complex widespread health condition that impacts more than 29 million Americans, including residents of Prince George's County. In addition to being among the leading causes of death in the community, poorly managed diabetes can

lead to long-term complications including heart attacks, strokes, blindness, kidney failure, nerve damage and limb amputation.

Prince George's County participates in the fight against the disease by supporting the American Diabetes Association Walk, the Road Diabetic Program and the Wellness on Wheels mobile health clinic.

The free Diabetes Education and Support Group meets on the third Monday of the month from 6 to 7:30 p.m. at Doctors Community Hospital, 8100 Good Luck Road, Lanham. For more information, call 301-DCH-4YOU (301-324-4968).



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Paul Grenaldo (chief operating officer at Doctors Community Hospital), his daughter Jane Grenaldo and Katelyn Morse (right, manager of the Guest Services Department at Doctors Community Hospital)



PHOTO BY ANGELA T. WILSON

Participants in the Step Out: Walk to Stop Diabetes Fundraiser pose in front of Doctors Community Hospital's Wellness on Wheels mobile health clinic.

Upcoming Events At the New Deal

Thursday, October 29, Mid-Day Melodies with Amy C Kraft from noon to 2 p.m. Open Mic hosted by Tom Gleason from 7 to 10 p.m.

Friday, October 30, John Guernsey plays classic American standards on piano from 7 to 8 p.m.

The Wharf Rats, a psychedelic jam band, offer up original tunes, Grateful Dead, Pink Floyd, Little Feat and other groovalicious classics from 8:30 to 11:30 p.m.

Saturday, October 31, John Guernsey plays jazz standards on piano from 7 to 8 p.m. Il-yAIMY offer up original music and heartfelt classics with powerful vocals, slap-style guitar work and unbridled percussion. Special Halloween Show from 8:30 to 11:30 p.m.

Sunday, November 1, please join the Deaf Brunch from 10:30 a.m. until noon. A book talk and reading of local Greenbelt author H.L. Brooks's new novel Red August from 1 to 3 p.m. West Texas Cowboys, explore and recreate the music of The Grateful Dead with a country twang from 5 to 8 p.m.

Tuesday, November 3, The New Old Jamboree hosted by Ruthie and the Wranglers features old songs, new songs, and special guests from 7 to 9 p.m.

Wednesday, November 4, Close Enough for Jazz create fresh renditions of jazz classics from 7 to 9 p.m.

Thursday, November 5, Mid-Day Melodies from 12 to 2 p.m. SAW Open Mic hosted by Paige Powell from 7 to 10 p.m.

Friday, November 6, John Guernsey plays classic American standards on piano from 7 to 8 p.m. Long Time Coming offers up music from the 60's through today from 8:30 to 11:30 p.m.

Saturday, November 7, the TV John Variety Show from 11 a.m. until 12 p.m. Bruce Krittr plays classical guitar from 4 to 6 p.m. John Guernsey plays jazz piano from 7 to 8 p.m. Orchester Prazevica perform a mix of Slovak and Gypsy jazz music from 8:30 to 11:30 p.m.

**Trick or Treating
October 31st
6 pm to 8 pm**



Art Drop-in Sunday Afternoon At the Community Center

Time to dance with some scissors! The Greenbelt Recreation Department Arts Program invites guests of all ages to create their own collage at a Community Art Drop-In workshop on Sunday, November 1 from 1 to 3 p.m. As evidenced by the well-loved paper cut-outs by Henri Matisse, the art form lends itself readily to bold, lively and colorful compositions.

The workshop is led by Artist-in-Residence Sherrill Anne Gross. In her own artwork, Gross slices and dices with scissors and an exacto knife to create amazingly dense and detailed imagery of all kinds, from everyday objects to exotic birds and bathing beauties. Workshop participants may

design their artwork to double as a bookmark – a lovely memento or gift.

This program takes place at the Community Center, 15 Crescent Road. For additional information, call 301-397-2208.

Following the workshop, step outside into the Three Sisters Demonstration Garden operated by the Chesapeake Education, Arts and Research Society (CHEARS) on the Community Center grounds for the dedication of a new sculpture by Zarela Yaluk Mosquera. The dedication takes place at 3 p.m. and is hosted by project sponsors CHEARS and alight dance theater.



PHOTO BY SHERILL ANNE GROSS

Green-headed Tanager by workshop leader Sherrill Anne Gross.

Genealogical Society Meets November 4

The monthly meeting of the Prince George's County Genealogical Society will be on Wednesday, November 4 at the New Carrollton Municipal Center, 6016 Princess Garden Parkway at 7 p.m. Professional genealogist Angela McGhie will instruct attendees in Using Identity Characteristics to Locate Our Ancestors. Refreshments will be served.

For more information, visit pgcgs.org, call 301-262-2063, or check Facebook at [facebook.com/pgcgsociety](https://www.facebook.com/pgcgsociety).

Montpelier Offers "Frankenweenie"

The movie Frankenweenie (2012, rated PG) will be presented on Saturday, October 31 at 11 a.m. at the Montpelier Arts Center in Laurel. Young Victor conducts a science experiment to bring his beloved dog Sparky back to life, only to face unintended, sometimes monstrous, consequences. The film is free and appropriate for all ages. Call 301-377-7800; TTY 301-699-2544 for more information.



ELECT CHALLENGER
GEORGE
Boyce
For City Council
A Technical & Business Leader for Economic Development & Growth

Special Task Force

I want to lead a special task force with a four point plan to (a) implement the 2014 county resolution designating Greenbelt as the center of a special sci-tech business district, (b) develop plans for specific projects such as redevelopment of the nearby Kmart and our own Greenbelt retail centers, (c) address the high vacancy rate of our commercial office space, and (d) formulate a roadmap for creating a sci-tech program that is on par with our outstanding arts program.

Fresh Ideas - Tech Skills - Business Experience

Our City Council needs an infusion of fresh ideas, technical skills, and entrepreneurial business experience. This certainly will not happen if the entire incumbent slate is re-elected yet again. With 35 years of experience as a technical and business leader, I am the most qualified challenger they face. I ask for your vote and the opportunity to serve.

Fiscal Restraint

An increase in assessed property values should not be used to justify an automatic increase in spending. In fact, there should be pressure for a decrease in the tax rate to limit the economic impact on families who have seen little or no increase in household income since the start of the recession. We need to fund public safety, infrastructure, and staff. Beyond this, we must focus on economic development to expand the commercial tax base before we attempt to fund any new projects.



Excited for Greenbelt!

Our community is excited about life in Greenbelt! We need to capture the energy of the New Deal, to invigorate citizen participation in government.

Co-op Supermarket Confronting Its Second Year of Losses

by Andrew Dunn

The Greenbelt Co-op Supermarket and Pharmacy will announce a second consecutive year of losses, as the Co-op continues to fight the challenge of attracting younger, loyal customers.

While General Manager Bob Davis said he is "slightly discouraged" by back-to-back years of losses, he firmly believes the Co-op will rebound. Final financial numbers will be announced at the November 7 annual membership meeting. More than 6,000 members control the direction of the co-op by voting for a board of directors and on other business matters at the annual meeting.

The nonprofit Co-op competes with two chain groceries in Giant Food and Safeway, both located on Greenbelt Road. And the Co-op is a fraction of the size of those two stores at about 10,000 square feet compared to the typical supermarket size of upwards of 45,000 square feet, said Dave Brinks, assistant manager.

The Co-op has had significant turnover in their customer base as customers have aged or moved away since its launch in 1984, said Davis. "It's our Co-op and it's our responsibility to educate the new residents and the new shoppers as to what makes us different," Davis said. "We need to do a better job at that."

To reach this new, younger demographic, the Co-op has focused on social media. Education and Outreach Coordinator Joe Gareri manages the social media accounts for the Co-op, which include a Facebook page with more than 900 likes and a Twitter page with more than 500 followers. Gareri constantly engages with the audience by asking for feedback and to produce suggestions online.

Caitlin McGrath, chair of the Roosevelt Center Merchants Association, said many businesses in Roosevelt Center have struggled to adapt to a new clientele. "It's in part because there's a new demographic moving in and looking for something different, something more like the arts scene in Hyattsville," McGrath said. "There are businesses here that don't draw the younger crowd."

Human Voice Concert At The Clarice Sunday

A free TEMPO concert, The Human Voice, will take place on Sunday, November 1 at 8 p.m. in Gildenhorn Recital Hall of The Clarice. TEMPO, the graduate student-led new music ensemble at UM, presents a wide variety of recent works that use the human voice in fresh and creative ways.

From talking singers to singing instrumentalists to explorations of extended techniques, landmark pieces by composers Luciano Berio and Frederick Rzewski share the program with new music by emerging composers Chelsea Komschlies, David Reminick and more.



Needleart 2015 Exhibit To Open at Montpelier

A reception on Sunday, November 1 from 1 to 4 p.m. marks the opening of the 20th annual Needleart Exhibit at Montpelier Mansion, 9652 Muirkirk Road (Muirkirk Road at Route 197), in Laurel.

The Needleart Exhibit, sponsored by Stitching Pretty of Laurel, fills Montpelier with a dazzling array of stitched art in this juried show. Visitors can vote for a favorite for the People's Choice Award.

To enter a piece in the show, visit stitchingpretty.com, and click on Events. For more information, call 301-377-7817, TTY: 301-699-2544 or visit ppgarks.com. The exhibit will be open daily through Sunday, November 29 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., except Wednesdays and Thanksgiving Day.

If the Co-op ever left Roosevelt Center, Brinks agreed that the result would be disastrous to the Center. The store brings a lot of people into the Center and, even with a lack of profit, still pulled in \$12.2 million in revenue for this last fiscal year, Brinks said.

Lifelong Greenbelt resident and co-op shopper Michael McAndrew described the store as the heart of Old Greenbelt. "The question is, will the people and the community continue to support it?" Brinks said. "I'm not sure if the commitment is there the way it used to be."

Andrew Dunn is a University of Maryland journalism graduate student writing for the News Review.

Ready for a Splash



PHOTO BY BEVERLY PALAU

Greenbelt's pool reopened October 26 with a new retractable roof, flat roof, and cleaned up locker rooms.



Re-Elect Judith F. 'J' Davis



*Making Sure Greenbelt is Up-to-Date in an Ever-Changing World,
While Keeping Its Core Values Intact*

Vote #8 November 3

Questions? Concerns? Contact J at Citizens4J@aol.com

By Authority: Debbie Cooley, Treasurer
Photo: Sharon Natoli



Roosevelt Merchants Share Hopes, Concerns with Council

by Jacob Taylor

Leaking roofs, slow internet and struggling finances were among the top concerns at a recent meeting between merchants from Roosevelt Center and city leaders.

Cynthia Comproni, representing the Greenbelt Federal Credit Union, complained about the organization's weak internet access. She explained that Verizon, their current provider, is unwilling or unable to make faster service, such as FIOS, available to them. Mayor Emmett V. Jordan said that the council would try to get better internet service to Roosevelt Center by sitting down with representatives from Verizon and Comcast. The mayor said, "I really want to push Verizon and Comcast on this." Later on the mayor said, "We will have a worksession with Verizon and Comcast in the next six months."

Comproni also brought up concerns about leaks in their building in Roosevelt Center. She complained that the building's owner was not doing enough to keep the building in good repair. She asked council for help in dealing with the owner, saying, "The tenants cannot sit there and criticize him, he takes it out on us."

The matter was not conclusively resolved but Comproni was encouraged to formally file complaints with the city in order to ensure that her concerns were accurately recorded.

The representative from the Co-op supermarket said that the co-op is operating at a financial loss this year. He attributed the loss to continued recovery from the sudden loss of the store's supplier last year. He said, "We did have supplier issues last year and that has continued into this year." The news was not all negative. He said that the Co-op has invested \$45,000 in hot food dispensers in an effort to offer more robust dinner options. He also said that the Co-op is set to deal with the transition to new chip-equipped cards as the store has already upgraded its payment systems.

Other businesses reported some positive developments. The representative from the New Deal Café said the restaurant will be celebrating its 20th anniversary on November 8. He also said, with some pride, that the Café is now totally out of debt. "It's been a struggle" he said, "We've had good and bad times."

George Boyce, a facility, program and volunteer manager/owner of MakerSpace, said "we had a great summer school session." MakerSpace is a organization that offers various technology, science and art workshops aimed toward children. According to Boyce, strong summer school enrollment

was important because those sessions generate about a third of the program's revenue. Boyce said that MakerSpace is trying to get formally registered with the IRS as a non-profit.

A representative from DMV Pizza, a pizzeria that opened earlier this year, said that the restaurant is "doing good, getting lots of support from neighbors."

Anwar Saleh, representing Greenbelt Barber & Stylist, said, "the business, like everything now, is sometimes up sometimes down." Saleh said he is looking into making use of the unused basement below his space. He said that one option is to expand his barbershop. If he does expand, he said he would like to hire a barber who specializes in cutting African American hair, something that Saleh remarked "I'm not good with." Alternatively, he said, he is looking into setting up a rentable party space.

Councilman Rodney Roberts said "be very careful about that, people may want to have big parties and bashes." Roberts also brought up the potential problem of their only being one way in or out of the basement and said he remembered an arcade that was once set up in that space and had to be shut down due to fire safety concerns.

Caitlin McGrath, executive director of the Old Greenbelt Theatre, said that the theatre will be offering a number of features, including cartoons at the Pumpkin Festival on October 23 and an onstage magician on October 24.

McGrath is also the head of the Greenbelt Merchants' Association. She discussed an initiative called Celebrate Local that is intended to draw attention to local businesses. She also encouraged all the gathered merchants to try to refer to their location as Roosevelt Center as much as possible in order to pump up the center's reputation as a destination unto itself.

Jacob Taylor is a University of Maryland journalism graduate student writing for the News Review.

Rafael's Race



PHOTO BY DOMINIK CIESLAK

9-year-old student Dermot Kelly and former Greenbelt Elementary School teacher Molly Simms approach the finish line in Rafael's Race. The 5K run took place Saturday, October 24, in memory of former student Rafael Martins, and to raise funds for school field trips.

Woodwind Ensemble Debut Concert at UM

The Daraja Ensemble, a new graduate fellowship woodwind quintet in the UM School of Music, will give a free concert on Monday, November 2 at 8 p.m. in Gildenhorn Recital Hall of The Clarice.

The Daraja Ensemble makes its debut performing three pieces of chamber music that are rather unknown in the standard repertory. The program will include Beethoven: Quintet op. 4, Tomasi: Cinq Danses and Blumer, Werk 52, which will demonstrate the versatility of the quintet medium.

Botanic Garden Goes Bats for Halloween

The U.S. Botanic Garden (USBG) will offer a free children's program, Bat Hunt!, with Lee Coykendall, USBG children's education specialist, on Saturday, October 31 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Come as a bat or as a plant pollinated by a bat, or simply join in and learn about bats. There will be bat-related activities throughout the Conservatory – come and learn why bats matter. No pre-registration is required.

Aviation Museum Hosts STEM Event

The College Park Aviation Museum will host a kickoff program for the Maryland STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) Festival on Saturday, November 7 from 1 to 5 p.m.

The Maryland STEM Festival provides inspirational, educational and accessible programming at locations throughout Maryland. The festival runs from November 6 to 15. For information on festival events, visit marylandstem-festival.org.



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Slavic Food Festival and Bake Sale

Featuring Eastern European ethnic foods:
Holupki, Pirohi, Haluški
Kielbasi & Sauerkraut, Hot Dogs

Bake Sale:
Including "our own" Kolachi / Kolácsi
(nut, poppyseed, lekvar/prune, apricot, and raspberry)
Plus a wide selection of cakes, pies, cookies,
and many other 'sweet treats'

Raffle
1st Prize: \$500
2nd Prize: \$250
plus
4 additional prizes
Door prizes every half-hour

St. Gregory of Nyssa
Byzantine Catholic Church
12420 Old Gunpowder Road Spur
Beltsville, MD 20705

Saturday, 7th November 2015
10:00 AM to 3:00 PM
Call for info: (301) 953-9323 or (301) 776-7929
www.stgregoryofnyssa.net



PRELIMINARY AGENDA

GHI BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING

Thursday, November 5, 2015

GHI ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 7:30 PM

GHI Key Agenda Items:

- Finance Committee's Recommendation re: Apportionment of Staff Costs to H.I.P. Components
- Review 2016 GHI Budget, 1st Reading
- Architectural Review Committee's Recommendation re: Request from the Member of 7M Research to Install a Non-Standard Privacy Screen
- Architectural Review Committee's Recommendation re: Requests from Members to Remove a Beech Tree at 56K Crescent Road
- Architectural Review Committee's Recommendation re: Request from the Member of 65J Ridge Road to Remove a Breezeway Door and Install Brick
- Request from Members of 12 Court Hillside to be Excluded from the 2016 Phase of the H.I.P.
- Neighbor Consent for HVAC Location, Review of HVAC Lineset Routing, & Recommended Lineset Cover Colors
- Architectural Review Committee's Recommendation re: Shutter and Trim Color Choices
- Buildings Committee Recommendation that the Board Consider Whether Existing Ceiling Heaters Should be Replaced during the H.I.P.
- Task Force's Recommendation for a Fee-Deferral Program

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Urinetown Makes A Splash for MAD

by Jim Link



Hot Blades Harry (Stephen Yednock), Billy Boy Bill (Owen McCloskey) and Little Sally (Rachel Pino-Elliott) dance around the captive Hope Cladwell (Marie Nearing).

Salacious it is not. Obscene or ribald, it is not. Satirically hilarious, shrewdly intelligent, infectiously joyous, *Urinetown: The Musical* certainly is.

The oppressed citizens in a drought-afflicted dystopia where private toilets are banned, are forced by corporate sharks and crooked politicians to queue up to “pay a fee for the privilege to pee,” as the ruthless enforcer Penelope Pennywise - the wonderful Jill E. Goodrich - sings it.

Eventually Bobby Strong - the excellent Brendan Hurst - leads a revolution with the help of his unlikely love interest Hope Cladwell - the talented Marie Nearing - daughter of the wicked Caldwell Cladwell, the cynical CEO who controls both the cash flow and other flow as well. Don Mitchell menaces excellently as the CEO.

Also surging into the revolution is the unwashed proletarian rebel chorus - brilliant dancers all - and Hot Blades Harry, the visceral and effective Stephen P. Yednock.

It’s all great fun for the whole cast as it conveys its serious social commentary. Simultaneously spoofing and paying homage to the revolutionaries in *Les Misérables*, the fingersnapping gangs

in *West Side Story*, the breaking of the fourth wall in Bertold Brecht’s “epic theater,” it makes us see the huge gap between the haves and the have nots among the looming social fissures caused by climate change.

Because scientists at Goddard Space flight Center study global warming and the prediction of droughts, it’s quite appropriate for its Music and Drama (MAD) Club to stage this uproariously serious play.

Impressive first time director Katrina Jackson also choreographed the dazzling, energetic dance numbers. John McCloskey as crypto-fascist Officer Lockstock, his sidekick Officer Barrel, played by producer Eliot Malumuth, and ingénue Little Sally, played by Rachel Pino-Elliott also deserve kudos. Christine Wells conducts the big, wonderful 12-member orchestra.

See this glorious production at the Barney and Bea recreation Center (with its new, comfy chairs) on the Goddard Space Flight Center campus through Sunday, Nov 14. Get tickets at madtheater.org or by calling 240-475-8800. You’ll be able to paraphrase Bogey to Bergman: “We will always have *Urinetown!*”



The poor rebels of “Urinetown” include Owen McCloskey, Charlaine Lasse, Kathleen Moors, Stephan Yednock, Marianne McCloskey and Pat Laczo.

Photos by Jon Gardner

Empty Bowls raises over \$5000

The Empty Bowls event raised a record amount of money during the Oct. 24 event that benefits the local food pantry, Help-By-Phone.

The meal featured soup – peanut butter and yams soup, wild rice and mushrooms soup, vegetable soup, chilli, and even that great restorative chicken noodle soup. As ticket holders came through they took their soup and salads, and eventually deserts, and then went to look at the beautiful pottery.

The soup, salad and deserts were provided by the combined efforts of Greenbelt Community Church, United Church of Christ and Mishikan Torah Synagogue. The pots were made by members of Greenbelt Pottery Inc.



Kim and LoriAnn Scheff are among the many people enjoying soup in the basement of Greenbelt Community Church. Below: Some of the bowls made by Greenbelt Potters, Inc.



Briana and Kathleen Shaw enjoy their bowls.



Ellie Isaac picks a bowl made by Christine Fortin.

Student Concerto Competition at UM

The final round of the UMSO Concerto Competition will take place on Saturday, October 31 at 7 p.m. in Dekelbom Concert Hall of The Clarice. Admission is free. In the final round of the annual competition, students compete for the opportunity to perform as soloists with the UM Symphony Orchestra. Finalists perform 15- to 20-minute excerpts of a concerto or concert piece for an independent jury panel. Following the jury’s deliberation, a winner, runner-up and second runner-up will be announced.

Healing by the Mind

A free, special event, Margot Greenlee’s *Medicine by the Book*, will take place on Wednesday, November 4 at 7 p.m. at Joe’s Movement Emporium in Mount Rainier.

Greenlee explores the relationship between movement, imagination and the body’s inherent capacity to heal. A resident choreographer in healthcare settings across the greater D.C. region, Greenlee weaves compelling scenes from literature and graphic novels with the daily frustration and long-range aspirations of healthcare professionals and reveals the power of creative minds to heal ailing b



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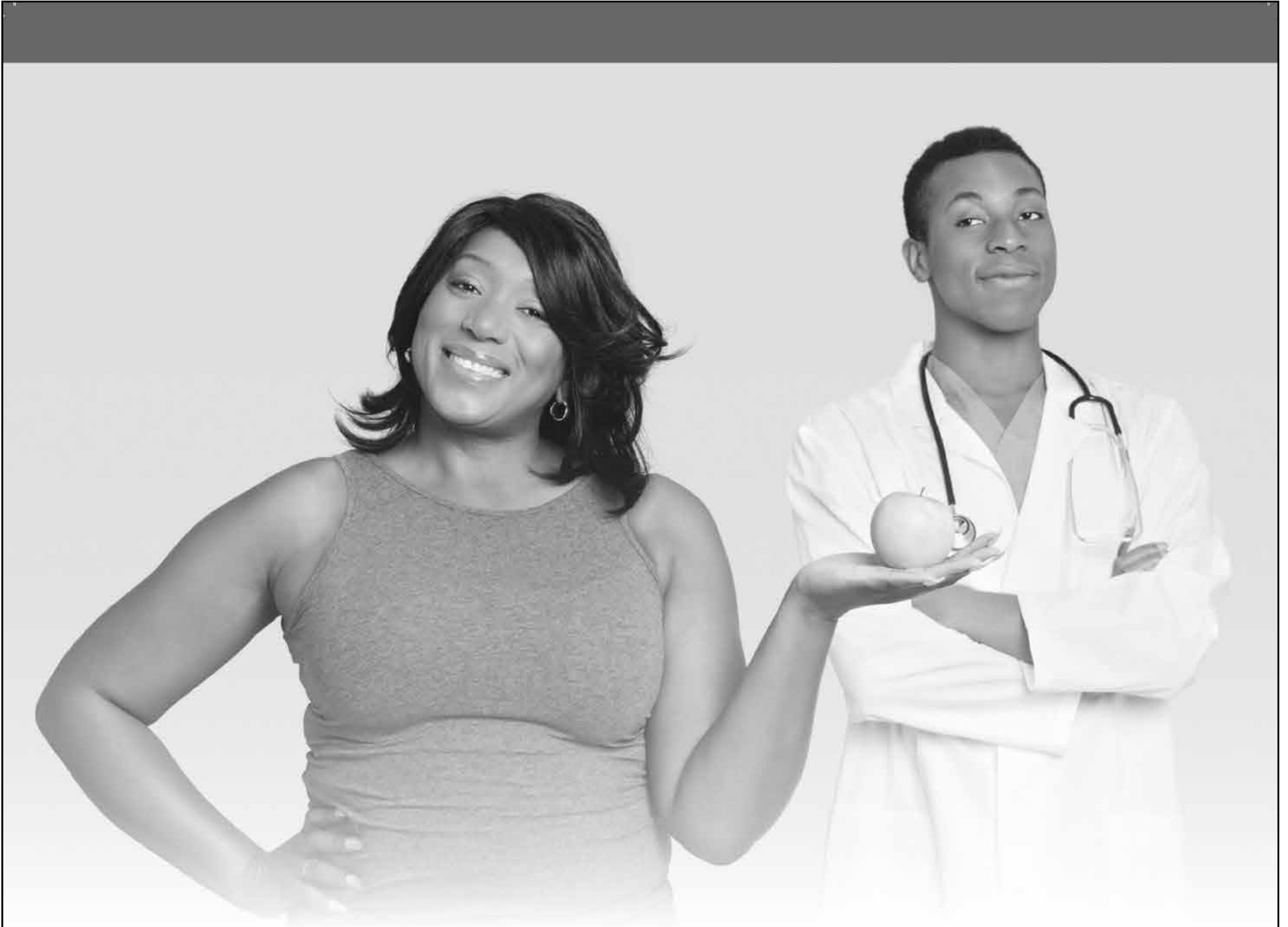
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Springhill Lake Art Class Brings Out Creative Kids

by Kirstyn A. Flood

Samara Wells, a third-grader at Springhill Lake Elementary School, eagerly drew a haunted house onto black construction paper. Although she crafted a spooky piece for Halloween, Wells usually likes to “draw flowers and I like to make sunny days,” she said.

Wells was one of 30 third-grade students participating in the afterschool art program, offered through the support of the Prince George’s County Arts and Humanities Council, the city of Greenbelt’s scholarship fund, fundraisers and donations from the community.

Several years ago, Natasha Jenkins, the principal of Springhill Lake, wanted to provide students with a safe place to engage in an enriching afterschool activity. She approached Anne Gardner, an employee of Greenbelt’s Recreation Department and coordinator of the art classes, about holding art classes once a week. Since then classes have been offered from October through May in four, six-week sessions with

funding provided through a grant from the Prince George’s County Arts and Humanities fund, fundraisers and donations from the community, making them free for students.

“Each of those four sessions is aimed at a different grade level. The current session is the third grade, plus any siblings that want to be in there, too,” Gardner said. “We take the first 30 that sign up.”

Amanda Larsen, the instructor for the current, third-grade session, is a painter, who has taught homeschool and afterschool classes for children. Larsen knew she wanted to be a part of an art community, moving to the area a year-and-a-half ago.

“I asked if I could be involved, and this is where I was needed,” she said.

On this day, the students created haunted houses by gluing a silhouette of a house onto construction paper and decorated the sky with ghosts and witches flying on broomsticks.

Larsen has discovered that her

students enjoy drawing and holiday-themed projects. “They tend to like it to be a planned project, but the thing is, when they start with that structure, they always make it unique and awesome,” she said.

Larsen believes that the creative process and working with hands is important for children’s brain development. “But it’s also just important for mental health,” she said. “It’s a way of playing and expressing.”

Gail Phillips, a volunteer, assists the students when they raise their hands for help on a project. She believes that art “gives them a chance to concentrate and be proud and take it home, and say, ‘Look what I did, Mom!’”

Keyona Islar, an art major from the University of Maryland, College Park, volunteers at the art classes as well. Because the students are such a diverse group, she has enjoyed exposure to various cultures. Islar’s duties include taking roll and assisting the students with their projects. “You have to just be their support system,” she said, “and let them have fun.”

As an art instructor, Larsen said she has seen that “people are unique and amazing, and can do amazing things when you put paper and crayons in front of them.”

Kirstyn Flood is a University of Maryland journalism graduate student writing for the News Review.



Art instructor, Amanda Larsen, encourages students as they glue silhouettes of haunted houses onto construction paper.



Volunteer Gail Phillips helps a student perfect the details of her haunted house.



Suzanne Ebanebai added multiple ghosts to her spooky, haunted house.

Makai Clarke begins cutting out the silhouette of his haunted house.



Elizabeth Rivera shows off her haunted house, with its message for guests to “Beware.”

Photos by Kirstyn A. Flood

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Greenbelt Community Questionnaire 2015

At election time, residents are asked to take a few minutes to complete the following questionnaire. The information obtained will be useful to the newly elected City Council and City staff. Your confidential responses will be consolidated in a report for general distribution. If a question is not applicable, please leave it blank. Please place completed questionnaires in the box provided at the polling location or send it to the City Office at 25 Crescent Road, Greenbelt, Maryland 20770. You may also complete the survey at www.greenbeltmd.gov or www.facebook.com/cityofgreenbelt...NO MAILING REQUIRED!

GENERAL INFORMATION

- Residency:**
 Apartment Townhouse
 GHI Condominium
 Detached Single Family Home
- Do you?** Own Rent
- Age:** 18-29 61-74
 30-44 75+
 45-60
- How many years have you lived in Greenbelt?**
 Less than 1 year 1-5 yrs.
 6-10 yrs 11-20 yrs.
 21-30 yrs. More than 30 yrs.
- Employment Status (Please check all that apply.)**
 Full-Time Part-Time
 Unemployed Retired
 Stay at home parent
 Work from home
- Where do you work?**
 Greenbelt
 Prince George's County
 Baltimore
 Washington, D.C.
 Montgomery County
 Other
- How long is your commute to work?**
 Less than 30 min. 60-90 min
 30-60 min 90+ min.
- Please prioritize (1-3 your top three modes of transportation)**
 Personal Automobile
 Carpool/Vanpool
 Bicycling/Walking
 Taxi/Uber/Lyft
 Metrorail
 MetroBus
 TheBus
 Other

CURRENT QUESTIONS

- Would an Economic Development strategy benefit the city?**
 Yes No
- Should the City lower its voting age to 16?** Yes No
- Should the City continue offering Animal Control Services?**
 Yes No

PUBLIC SAFETY

- Please rate your satisfaction over the last 2 years with the following services. (5=Excellent, 4=Good, 3=Average, 2=Fair, 1=Poor)**
 Police Presence
 Police Responsiveness
 Dispatcher Responsiveness
 Overall Police Performance
 Overall Police Employee Competence
 Police Attitude & Behavior Towards Citizens
 Animal Control
 Traffic Control
 Fire & Rescue
 Parking Enforcement
- Do you have any concern about safety and security within Greenbelt? If so, please list:**

- If you have contacted the Police Dept. in the last 2 years, was the employee polite and courteous?** Yes No
- Did the police employee assist you satisfactorily?**
 Yes No
 Don't Know
- If you have any suggestions for improving police services, please list them under General Comments #4.**

PUBLIC WORKS

- Please rate your satisfaction over the last 2 years with the following services. (5=Excellent, 4=Good, 3=Average, 2=Fair, 1=Poor)**
 Street Maintenance
 Street Lighting
 Street Cleaning
 Snow Removal
 Sidewalk Maintenance
 Crosswalks
 Bike Lanes
 Park Maintenance
 Refuse Collection
 Recycling
 Horticulture/Planting
 Building Maintenance
 Bus Stops
- If you have contacted Public Works in the last 2 years, was the employee polite and courteous?** Yes No

GREENBELT CARES /SOCIAL SERVICES

- Have you or any of your family utilized any of the services listed in #2 in the last 2 years?**
 Yes No
- If yes, please rate your satisfaction with them. (5=Excellent, 4=Good, 3=Average, 2=Fair, 1=Poor)**
 Counseling (individual, family or group)
 Crisis Intervention Counseling
 Tutoring
 Job Bank
 Babysitting Workshop
 GED Program
 Assistance in Living (GAIL) Program
- If you plan to remain in your home as you age, which of the following might you require:**
 Online Advice & Support
 Home Modifications
 Activities for Homebound
 1st Floor Bathroom
 Other: _____
- How soon would you need these services?**
 Now 1-3 Years 4-7 Years
 8+ Years

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT/ CODE ENFORCEMENT

- Have you had contact with the Community Development/Code Enforcement Dept. in the last 2 years?
 Yes No
- Was the Community Development/Code Enforcement employee polite and courteous?**
 Yes No
 - Did the Community Development/Code Enforcement employee assist you satisfactorily?** Yes No

EDUCATION

- If you have school age children, please rate the schools they currently attend. (5=Excellent, 4=Good, 3=Average, 2=Fair, 1=Poor)**
 Greenbelt Elementary
 Springhill Lake Elementary
 Dora Kennedy French Immersion
 Magnolia Elementary
 Turning Point Academy
 Greenbelt Middle School
 Eleanor Roosevelt High School
 Home Schooling
 Other _____
- Using the same scale as #1 above, please rate the Prince George's School System overall.** _____

- Please rank the following questions. (5=Strongly Agree, 4=Agree, 3=Neutral, 2=Disagree, 1=Strongly Disagree)**
 The City should continue to provide Science & Reading Clubs
 The City should continue to provide grants to Greenbelt schools
 County taxes should be increased to fund education.
- Given limited funding, which should be emphasized by the County? (Please select only one.)**
 Charter Schools
 Magnet Schools
 Neighborhood Schools

RECREATION

- Please rate your satisfaction with any facilities which you or your family have utilized (5=Excellent, 4=Good, 3=Average, 2=Fair, 1=Poor)**
 Aquatic & Fitness Center
 Athletic Fields
 Community Center
 Springhill Lake Rec. Center
 Youth Center
 Parks
 Trails
 Dog Park
 Skate Park
 Playgrounds
 Other _____
- Please rate your satisfaction with any activities which you or your family have attended: (5=Excellent, 4=Good, 3=Average, 2=Fair, 1=Poor)**
 Fitness classes
 Pre-School classes
 Youth/Adult classes
 Camp programs
 Visual Art programs
 Senior programs
 Performing Art programs
 Aquatics programs
 Special Events (Fall Fest, Festival of Lights, Celebration of Spring, etc.)
 Other (Please Specify): _____

- Please check any programs which you or a member of your household are likely to attend within the next 2 years. (Check all that apply)**
 Pre-school Activities
 Children's Afterschool Activities
 Children's Weekend Activities
 Children's Drop-In Activities
 Home School/School Enrichment Activities
 Family Recreation Activities - Weekends
 Drop-In Activities
 Adult Classes or Leagues
 Senior Activities
 Special Events (Artful Afternoons, Fall Fest, Celebration of Spring, etc.)

GREENBELT MUSEUM

- Have you or a member of your household visited the museum or attended a museum activity in the past 2 years?
 Yes No

PUBLIC INFORMATION

- How would you prefer to receive information about City programs and services? (Please rank in priority order 1-9; 1=top preference)**
 Cable TV
 Direct mail
 City Newsletter
 City Website
 Greenbelt News Review
 Posters & fliers
 E-mail notifications
 Social Media
 Other _____

- Please rate your satisfaction with Greenbelt's efforts to publicize and broadcast official information and City events?** (5=Excellent, 4=Good, 3=Average, 2=Fair, 1=Poor)
- Do you make use of the City's website at www.greenbeltmd.gov?**
 Yes No
- Is there a service that the City does not offer on our website that you would like to see? If yes, what is that service?**
 Yes No

- Have you used the video streaming/on-demand section of the City website?**
 Yes No
- Have you watched any of the programming, including Council meetings, offered on the City's Municipal Access channel over the past 2 years?**
 Yes No

CITY SERVICES & TAXES

- How do you rate the value of City services and programs for your tax dollars?** (5=Excellent, 4=Good, 3=Average, 2=Fair, 1=Poor)
- The City has limited ability to raise revenues other than through property taxes or fees. In light of this fact, would you support a tax rate increase in order to:**
 Maintain current City services/programs Yes No
 Increase City services/programs Yes No
 Provide fair compensation to employees Yes No
- In general, should City services be (choose one):**
 Kept at the same level
 Reduced Increased
- If the City had to reduce services/programs, which ones would you suggest and why?** _____

GENERAL COMMENTS

- What is your opinion of the condition/usability of pedestrian and bicyclist infrastructure (sidewalks, crosswalks, bike lanes, bus stops, signage, etc. in Greenbelt)?**

- Describe what you like most about the Greenbelt community.**

- Describe what you like least about the Greenbelt Community.**

- Are there any improvements to the City or new City Programs you would suggest?**

- Other Comments:**

Festival's Children's Art Show Winners Announced

by Barbara Simon

Awards in the Labor Day Festival Children's Art Show are given by age groups as well as categories of media. In the pre-school to six year-old age group Kira Moore received the first-place award in painting for her Ladybug Up Close. Nathaniel Wesley-Hunt received the second-place award in painting for Surf Boarder and Mia Moore received the third-place award for My Favorite Fruits. In drawings, prints and two-dimensional mixed-media (collage), Hayden Chandler received the first-place award for his pastel Rocky Mountain. Layla Smith received the second-place award for her Zoe the Lion paper construction and Cecilia Hass received the third-place award for her block print Mountain Scene. In Sculpture and three-dimensional works John Kelley received the first-place award for his House Boat sculpture and Vivian Nickel received the second-place award for her Snowman ceramic mug.

In the 7 to 10 year-old age group, Sophie Cooper received the first-place award in painting for Rainbow Cleaning. Aeryn Wesley-Hunt received the second-place award for her Garden Sunrise and Kellen Murray received the third-place award for Spin Art. Kellen also won the second-place award in sculpture for his Fat Seagull.

In drawings, prints and two-dimensional works, Cameron Mendoza received the first place award for his pastel Maryland Blue Crab. Hannah Collins received the second-place award for her block print Apple of My Eye, and Frankie Commins also received a second-place award for his Young Scientist's Notebook drawings. Felix Hass received the third-place award for his pastel Sunflowers at Night. In the sculpture and three-dimensional works category, Isabelle Murray received the first-place award for her Pet Rocks sculpture. Isabelle also received a third-place award in drawing in the 11 to 14 age group for her Maple Leaf. Noah Eubanks received a third-place award in sculpture for his King Who Lost His Arm sculpture and Olivia Nickel also received a third-place award for her sculpture of a horse, Jangle.

In the 11 to 14 year-old age group, Tiffany Yang received the first-place award in painting for her Swans in Lake. In the drawings/prints/two-dimensional works category, Magdalena Steckler received the first-place award for her collage Fairy Sunset. Viola Pitts received the second-place award for her drawing Windy Day, and Dinah Cohen received the third-place award for her drawing Sea-Horse. Dinah also received the first-place award in



Children, 11-14 years old: Alexandra Nickel, Emma Brewster-Geisz, Viola Pitts, Magdalena Steckler
Not shown: Dinah Cohen, Tiffany Yang



Children, 7 - 10 years old: Olivia Nickel, Noah Eubanks, Felix Hass, Hannah Collins, Aeryn Wesley-Smith, Sophie Cooper
Not shown: Frankie Commins, Cameron Mendoza, Isabelle Murray, Kellen Murray



Children, Pre-school through 6 years old: Vivian Nickel, John Kelley, Cecilia Hass, Layla Smith, Hayden Chandler, Mia Moore, Nathaniel Wesley-Hunt, Kira Moore

Photos by Jon Gardner



Adult art show winners: left to right: Mike Fletcher, Vanessa Zanin, Lili Ribeira with daughter Penny, Perry Douras, Elaine Jones, Erin Flood, Owen Kelley, with son Ezekiel in his arms and son John standing next to him, David Ralph, Alice Murray, Ward Kennedy, Ingrid Cowan Hass, Hilary Beall, Elizabeth Barber, Peter Attisso, and Joel Floyd. Not shown: Ann Dunne, Daniel Kennedy, Barbara McGee, Patrick Roxas, Shaine Siegel and Fred Tat



Youth 15-18: Julian Pitts
Not shown: Alexes Shelton, Alexandra Sherman

sculpture/three-dimensional works for her ceramic Blue Pot. The second-place award in sculpture/three-dimensional works was won by Emma Brewster-Geisz for her sculpture Night Bloom and Alexandra Nickel received the third-place award for her ceramic set Cup, Bowl and Plate.

In the 15 to 18 age group Alexandra Sherman received the first-place award in painting for Night. In drawings/prints/two-dimensional works, Alexes Shelton received the first place award for her drawing Aged Thought and in sculpture/three-dimensional works Julian Pitts received the first-place award for his sculpture Pianoman.

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Corner Lot - 2 BR GHI frame townhome with large fenced yard. Remodeled throughout with modern kitchen and bath. Refinished hardwood floors. **SOLD**

Brick Townhome - 3 Bedroom GHI unit with new oak hardwood flooring on main level. Dining room converted into office space with lots of shelving. **SOLD**

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One Greenbelt where we continue to work towards an even more sustainable environment, which includes an economic development strategy that strives to attract environmentally-oriented business to fill the empty office spaces (25% office vacancy rate).

One Greenbelt, where it's easier for everyone to access more well connected bike paths and walking paths; a Greenbelt where everyone can get around town via a circulator bus, where we think less of being from being from Greenbelt East, Center, and West, but just a circulator bus away from the library, ball fields, arts venues, and parks.



An even stronger community, a more united city committed to **One Greenbelt**, reflected in our community pledge, (which as a member of the Community Relations Advisory Board, I helped to write in 2001). The pledge asks each of us to treat each other with respect and to embrace the diversity of our community, a community where everyone has a plate at the table and can make a difference in our quality of life.



Grew up in Greenbelt; played Little League as a kid; worked for Public Works as a teenager.



Helped found the Greenbelt Arts Center

One Greenbelt where, in concert with the Community and Council, we should strive to attract environmentally-oriented businesses (solar, wind, electric vehicle recharging stations, composting, zero waste, etc.) among other progressive business and community-oriented endeavors.

One Greenbelt with a relocated FBI, a proposal the Council has supported, will actually translate in improved water quality in the Anacostia and will meet the highest environmental standards.

One Greenbelt where our organizations work more in concert with each other, in a spirit of cooperation and collaboration.



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