Planning Dept. Objects to Greenbelt Station Phase III Detailed Site Plan
by Kathleen Gallagher

In a worksession on November 16, staff members from the city’s Planning Department presented to the city council their objections to the Detailed Site Plan (DSP) most recently submitted by the Woodlawn Development Group for Phase III of the development of Greenbelt Station’s South Core. A 23-page memorandum authored by Community Planner Jessica Bellah spelled out the rationales for the positions taken by staff and recommended that the city council oppose the DSP in its current form. Woodlawn first submitted the plan to the county planning commission in February of this year and has since revised the plan twice in response to comments from the county and the city.

Many of the staff objections relate to the levels of density and open space in Phase III, too much of the former, too little of the latter. Phases I and II are located east of Greenbelt Station Parkway, which intersects Greenbelt Road where a new traffic light is pending. Phase III is to be located to the west of the parkway, backing up to North College Park and the train tracks. About 168 building permits have been obtained for Phase I and some activity is underway on Phase II.

The developer recognizes the higher density proposed in Phase III but, as explained by Project Attorney Norman Rivera, believes the South Core residential development must be located at a whole. Rivera says the project is well below the density requirement for the South Core. City staff says that’s well and good but amenities in one part of the project do not necessarily benefit other sections.

City council disapproval of the plan would be no small matter in that city approval of the DSP is a requirement negotiated in the city’s development agreement with Woodlawn. Without that approval, the developer should not be permitted to move forward to review by the Prince George’s County Planning Board or the County District Council.

The Greenbelt City Council does not vote or take official positions on matters at worksessions. The problems identified by staff in the DSP were so many, with some being quite substantive, that council directed staff to schedule a second worksession to continue discussion before the matter is placed on the agenda of a regular city council meeting for action. Furthermore, Michael Germain and Justin Frye, representing Woodlawn, said they had not received the staff memorandum in time to participate.

See NEWS REVIEW, page 6

American Education Week
November 16 to 20

In celebration of American education, these columns will be telling the stories of selected teachers from the schools that serve the Greenbelt Community. This week readers will be introduced to Ms. Joanne Tucker Greenbelt Middle School and Eleanor Roosevelt High School.

In coming weeks we will focus on the other local public schools. The stories feature two teachers or staff members at each school, and are coordinated by David Lange, who originated the series and liaises with the schools, and Alice Murray who works with the reporters.

Students Call Joan Hynes’ GMS Classes Cool
by Kirstyn A. Flood

Tucked away in Greenbelt Middle School (GMS) is Room 1168, the place JoAnn Hynes, family and consumer sciences teacher, calls her “palace.” There, students are taught life skills regarding the home, money management and food nutrition.

“This is where I’m happy. This is where I focus my energy,” she said. Hynes received a bachelor’s degree in food and health from the University of Technology, Jamaica, and a master’s degree in curriculum and instruction from the American College of Education. She received a culinary certification from Johnson & Wales University – Charlotte.

After 14 years of teaching high school in Jamaica, North Carolina and Georgia, Hynes developed an interest in teaching younger students. “I thought going to the middle school level was a good move,” she said. Since this past fall, Hynes can be found in Room 1168.

See HYNES, page 13

Festival of Lights 2015
Juried Art and Craft Fair

The Greenbelt Recreation Department Art Program’s 2015 Festival of Lights Juried Art and Craft Fair promises a wide array of handmade wares by local artisans, plus a hands-on workshop, prize drawing, open studios and more.

This event takes place at the Community Center on Saturday and Sunday, December 5 and 6. Parking and admission are free.

Saturday hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The Art and Craft Fair will showcase the talents of more than 60 new and returning regional artists, artisans and authors in four rooms on the first floor of the Community Center. Visitors will find beautiful and useful gifts for all occasions, including ornaments and handmade jewelry, open studio participants, instructors and Artists-in-residence affiliated with the Recreation Department’s robust pottery program and Greenbelt Pottery Group.

Additional wares will include hats, scarves, bags, jewelry, musical instruments, toys, glassware, bath and body products, note cards and more. Greenbelt-based chocolate lactose-free truffles.

Necklace by participating exhibitor Stacey Krantz.

See CRAFT FAIR, page 7

What Goes On

Monday, November 30
8 p.m., Council Worksession with Capital Office Park, Municipal Building, live on Comcast 71, Verizon 21 and streaming at greenbeltmd.gov/municipaltv
Tuesday, December 1
7 p.m., Arts Advisory Board Meeting, Community Center;
7 p.m., Public Safety Advisory Committee Meeting, Community Center
Wednesday, December 2
8 p.m., Council Worksession, Community Center
Letter to the Editor

A Great Resource

I am a relative newcomer to the Greenbelt area, having moved here in late 2013. In the two years following our move, I’ve mentioned MakerSpace to me. I’d walk by it, glance at the front and think, “Huh, that’s kind of interesting,” but never went inside. A couple of people said “You should check out MakerSpace – they do a Game Night.”

One day I actually went inside and had a look. I saw the stacks of laptops and the giant lego table.

“May this is a place for kids making robots, right?” I said to the volunteer who was on staff.

“Yep. It’s for kids and adults,” she said. “And it’s not just robotics...”

Within a couple of weeks, I found myself attending events and volunteering at the Greenbelt MakerSpace. Although the First Lego League robotics competition is a huge part of what we do, it’s far from the be-all and end-all. MakerSpace hosts a weekly Knit and Crochet Club where attendees can learn about everything from beer brewing to pickling to yogurt making. Fan Club (where attendees can pickling to yogurt making. Fan Club (where attendees can)

Thank You from the Pantry Staff

I thank you for your generosity and the largeness of your hearts. You have kept the pantry shelves well stocked. Of special note, we received a donation of $500.00 worth of groceries from the December 2015 Columbus Alumni chapter Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, in Capital Heights, Maryland. And the “green bin” at the Greenbelt co-op store is always filled.

We are also very thankful for the donations from the Mishkan Torah community, the Knights of Columbus, Father Tappe and from the Catholic Community who contributed a donation of $500 for pantry purchases and St. Hugh’s Church. Also the Boy Scouts of America delivered over 65 bags of groceries November 14 and 15.

You are a generous community!

Our special thanks again to Pamela Gregory, Sharon Koehler, The Andersons and you who feed the hungry.

Happy Thanksgiving

Solange Hess Chair of the Pantry

No Cost Spay/Neuter Program Ends Dec. 31

Spaying and neutering companion animals slows pet overpopulation and improves the quality of life for pets and owners alike. Through the Four Cities No Cost Spay/Neuter Initiative, qualified pet owners can apply for vouchers for free surgery to spay or neuter their pets. Pet owners may apply for the vouchers before the program ends on December 31.

Funded by a grant from the Maryland Department of Agriculture’s Spay and Neuter Program, the Four Cities Initiative is jointly sponsored by the cities of Greenbelt, College Park, Berwyn Heights and New Carrollton. Although the program is targeted at pet owners residing in these communities, any Maryland resident who meets eligibility requirements may apply for a voucher.

Pet owners may download an application form from greenbeltmd.gov/spay neuter or send an email to spayneutervoucher@greenbeltmd.gov or call 301-474-0124. Applicants must be current residents of Maryland and meet at least one of ten income eligibility requirements. The voucher may be redeemed for a free spay/neuter surgery for a dog or cat to be performed at the Spay-Now veterinary clinic in Laurel.

City Notes

Horticulture/Parks crews planted 20 trees throughout Greenbelt to increase the city’s tree canopy. They also planted one Adopt-a-Tree and started preparation for the new Public Works nursery.

Refuse/Recycling/Sustainability crews collected 29,703 tons of refuse and 12,57 tons of recyclable material.

Arts Advisory Board Meets Tuesday

The Greenbelt Arts Advisory Board will meet on Tuesday, December 9, at 7 p.m. at the Community Center. For additional information, contact Nicole DeWald, staff liaison: nudewald@greenbeltmd.gov or 240-542-2057.

Letters to the Editor

Are You Looking For Your Letter?

If you don’t see it, it could be because you didn’t sign it and didn’t give us a telephone number where we could reach you. All letters must be signed and the letter writer's name, address and telephone number should be typed or clearly printed.

All letters are subject to editing for reasons of space, libel, taste and clarity. Letters are considered accepted when published.
**Community Events**

**MakerSpace New Hours and Activities**
MakerSpace will be changing over to winter hours starting this month. The MakerSpace will open from 3 to 10 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and is now also open on Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday.

Friday, November 27, MakerSpace will hold a Holiday Lunch and updates on Greenbelt sustain-inator at the Chesapeake Climate Action Network. We will be holding hands on renewable energy projects and updates on Greenbelt sustainable energy. We will be discussing lessons about how to lobby legislation and leadership.

Thursday, December 1 has Coder Dojo for kids from 7 to 8 p.m. and for adults from 8 to 9:30 p.m.

Wednesday, December 2 has a First Lego League meeting from 5:30 to 7 p.m. and Knitting (and other Fibery Pursuits) from 7 to 9 p.m.

Thursday, December 3, students can get to work on their final papers by bringing them to Greenbelt Access Television, Inc. (G ATe) on Monday, November 30:  Apple Overture by Mendelssohn. All meals include margarine, hotdogs and chili will be served. 3 p.m. No admission charge.

On Greenbelt Access Television, Inc. (GATe) On Thursday, November 26, 2015 If you missed the 2015 Festival… For more information, contact Lora Rosenthal, Greenbelt Climate Action Network, lori@ sustainability-matters.org, 301-345-2234.

Lions Club to Host Breakfast with Santa
Greenbelt Lions Club, in conjunction with American Legion Post 136, will hold its annual Breakfast With Santa at the American Legion Post 136, located at 6600 Greenbelt Road near Lakeroost Drive, on December 3 from 8 to 11 a.m. Children 12 years or younger will be admitted free with paying adult; all other persons pay a small fee. Breakfast will consist of pancakes, sausages, eggs and beverages. Donations to the American Legion’s Toys for Tots and the Greenbelt Lions Club’s Warm Clothes for Children in Need will be accepted. For more information call 301-474-8894 or 301-474-3766.

**GHI Notes**
Thursday, November 26, OFFICE CLOSED. For emergency maintenance service call 301-474-6011.
Monday, November 30, 7 p.m., Ad hoc Task Force on Windows and Doors, Board Room
Thursday, December 3, 7:30 p.m., Board of Directors Meeting, Board Room
Friday, December 4, OFFICE CLOSED. For emergency maintenance service call 301-474-6011.
Saturday, December 5, 11 a.m. Purchase Orientation, Board Room

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

All meals include margarine, coffee or tea and skim milk. Menus for the week of November 30 are as follows:

Monday, November 30: Apple juice, baked tapioca with Old Bay cream sauce, black-eyed peas, Harvard beets, biscuit, fruit, cocktail.

Tuesday, December 1 through Friday, December 4: Menu to be determined.

**Concert Band Lineup Trumpets the Holidays**
The Greenbelt Brass Choir will play for the traditional holiday tree lighting on Friday, December 4 at 7 p.m. at Roost-evelt Center. The full Concert Band will play holiday programs on Sunday, December 13 at 4 p.m. in the Community Center gymnasium on Sunday, December 21 at 7:30 p.m. in the Beltville Community Center. Traditional holiday favorites on tap include The Christmas Song (Cherubini’s Carol), It’s Beginning to Look a Lot Like Christmas, Silver Bells, A Cha-nukah Celebration, A Canadian Brass Christmas Suite, Winter Wonderland Overture and Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer. The December 13 program will include the Ring’s Cave Overture by Mendelssohn.

**Craft Fair Saturday At Legion Post**
Looking for a unique gift item? Enjoy browsing among creative crafty items! You may also enter something at Greenbelt American Legion Aux-iliary’s Craft Fair on Saturday, December 5. There will be a variety of items from woodwork-ing to fashion jewelry and gift baskets to fudge. There will be choices for holiday decorating as well as accessories to ward off winter chills. The fair will be held in the main hall of Greenbelt Post 136 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. No admission charge. Hotdogs and chili will be served.

**GAVA/GATE to Have Open House at Studio**
The GAVA/GATE Animation Program will host an open house at GATE studios on the 2nd floor of the Community Center. George Kochell, anima-tion instructor will be on hand to introduce the program to visitors as well as students working on current projects. The GAVA/GATE Animation Program holds classes for youth 10 to 18 years old. For more information, call 301-397-2208 ext. 4215. In a homeschool session on Mon-day and an afterschool session on Tuesday, the sessions start in mid January.

**More Community Events**
More Community Events are located throughout the paper.

**Greenbelt Park Weekend Events**
Saturday, November 28: Welcome to Washington - Greenbelt Park serves as a launch point for many different adventures for visitors to the Washington, D.C. area. Join a park ranger to learn about special historical and cultural points of interest in our nation’s capital. Meet at the Ranger Station at 10 a.m.

Sunday, November 29: Historic Greenbelt - Learn about the unique history of the City of Greenbelt and the special contributions of Eleanor Roosevelt and others that created one of the nation’s first planned cities of the New Deal era. Meet at the Ranger Station at 9:30 a.m.

Contact the Greenbelt Park Ranger Station for details on these programs at 301-344-3944.

**Medicare Part D Help for Seniors**
The Greenbelt Assistance in Living (GAIL) Program is accepting appointments for Medi-care 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 premiums. Unfortunately, the insur-ance companies do not inform their participants that they may be directly affected by the formu-lary 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 Medi-care Part D plan reviewed or if you are new to Medicare Part D and have some questions, contact the GAIL program office at 301-345-6660 ext. 2012.

**Get Your Tickets Early!**
For more information or assistance with ticketing, call 301-441-8770 or email info@greenbeltartscenter.org.

**Coming Soon**
December 12 only: CHROMATICS CONCERT

December 5-20
Saturday and Sunday at 2:00
Pooh ticket prices: $15 General Admission, $10 Youth (12 and under with adult)

December 12th at 8:00 PM
Chromatic Tickets are $20, $16 for student/senior/military, $12 Youth

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Irene Fulton Pavlish, 40-yr Co-op Employee and 69-year resident

by Rick Ransom

Long-time Greenbelt resident and fixture in town, Irene Fulton Pavlish died on December 7, 2015, at the age of 88 after suffering several months from lung cancer. She was born in Humboldt, Kansas in 1927 and was the oldest of 12 children. Her childhood was marked by frequent relocations of her family, which like so many others, went where work was available to scratch out a living during the Depression. She met Lee Fulton and they married when she was 17. The couple moved to Laurel, Maryland in 1944 and then to Greenbelt two years later, where Irene remained the rest of her life.

Lee and Irene had four children: John (wife Becky) of Tilmanoak, Oregon; Linda Fulton Hamphris (husband Joe) of Leesville Lake, Virginia; Nancy Fulton O’Reilly (deceased), and Joe (wife Wend) of Eldersburg, Virginia. Irene is also survived by ten grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. Irene’s husband, ten grandchildren and five great-grandchildren: John (wife Becky) of Tilmanoak, Oregon; Linda Fulton Hamphris (husband Joe) of Leesville Lake, Virginia; Nancy Fulton O’Reilly (deceased), and Joe (wife Wend) of Eldersburg, Virginia. Irene is also survived by ten grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. Irene’s husband, ten grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Irene went to work at the Co-op Bakery in 1965. She then went to work for the Government Printing Office for 16 years, until fully retiring at age 75.

Not long after arriving in Greenbelt, Irene became a member of the Greenbelt Community Church and became active in the church and other community organizations, until she was defeated at age 75.

With the help of Joe and Linda, she had recently been moved to the church for Easter despite her illness, another service in the summer and a concert put on by The Relics, a band formed by musicians from the church.

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Like most of Greenbelt’s kids (nearly all generations) I knew Irene, through her son John, by my attendance at the same church. My memories of her are of a hard-working mom who loved her kids, loved Greenbelt and was always smiling and laughing.

She enjoyed reading, mostly mystery novels and history. Linda said mom read a book a week. One of her favorite activities was water aerobics. Her experience with it came in handy as a therapist when she had an accident exiting a car and broke her hip. Irene also loved to bake food and desserts, especially cakes and pies. She contributed to the bake sales held at the church and to the snacks shared by her water aerobics classmates. Joe, who with his wife moved in with Irene in March to help with her care, noted that the last thing she baked was a cherry pie for the Fourth of July.

During one of our visits, Irene explained to my wife Barbara and me that when she was a child she ate a lot of bread because it was the only thing her family had in abundance, growing up among Kansas wheat fields.

She had no time for people who used the terms ‘cannot’ and ‘deprived.’ She had learned that if you wanted something you had to work and get it for yourself. She showed how lucky she was to have wonderful children she had and their husbands and wives.

John remarked in my discussion with him and his brother – I’ve known them all for years – that when he called her she was always “full of the news of the city and his old friends.” All three agreed with shared laughter that phone conversations were pretty one-sided, but that it kept them up-to-date on Greenbelt.

She had lived a long and complete life and was at peace with her fate. The children explained in agreement that she always said, “If it was worth doing, I’ve done it.” The love they shared for their mom radiated from every room in the house when we were in conversation. Greenbelt was fortunate to have benefited for so many years from Greenbelt pool when it was located outside. She was the kind, motherly type, always looking at people well-groomed and saw her around town and in the Co-op. Darlene recounted how Helen was always considerate of those who, like her, worked for the public. She said that when Irene’s sunny disposition and her independent spirit and determination.

A memorial service for Irene will be held at the Greenbelt Community Church, on Saturday, November 29 at 2 p.m. All are welcome. The family has asked that in lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to Capital Hospice, 2900 Teletar Church, Falls Church, VA 22042.

Helen Rafferty, who was a long-time employee of the High’s store that was located where the Beijing Restaurant now sits, died November 7, 2015, after suffering a hard fall in July. She would have been 89 years old in December. She is survived by her daughter Darlene Thompson (husband Steve) of Greenbelt and her son Warren Gibson (wife Linda Sweeney, from Greenbelt) who grew up in Greenbelt and currently lives in Florida. Her grandchildren include Sheli Ford, Jason Stewart, Warren Gibson (deceased) and Sarah Stewart (deceased). She also had seven great grandchildren and one great-great grandchild.

Helen was born in Beltville and moved to the 57 Court of Ridge Road in 1954. She spent the last 11 yrs. at Greenbelt House. She was well-known to most of us Greenbelt kids growing up because we saw her so much. In addition to High’s, she worked at the bowling alley, which later became the post office, beneath the Co-op; in the Co-op bakery; and at the snack shed of the Greenbelt pool when it was located outside. She was the kind, motherly type, always looking for people well-groomed and saw her around town and in the Co-op.

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Helen Rafferty was known for Her Work at High’s

by Rick Ransom

Helen Rafferty further noted that when a customer came to the counter at High’s and was short a little cash for purchases, her Mom would dip into her own pocket to help them out. That pocket was not very full itself. Helen was friends with Irene Pavlish from their years at the Co-op and because they lived in neighboring courts for 30 years. With the help of Joe and Linda, she had recently been moved to the church for Easter despite her illness, another service in the summer and a concert put on by The Relics, a band formed by musicians from the church.

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Willem Scheltema: The City’s Lost Hidden Treasure

by Jim Link

Greenbelt lost a hidden treasure when Willem Scheltema died on November 6, 2015. Though he lived on Southway Drive for 10 years, most of us did not know this generous, gracious, shaggy, kind-hearted fellow with his semi-invalid status kept him housebound. Willem was a warrior: A warrior against the illnesses that finally felled him at age 58, and a warrior against social and racial injustice. A tireless newspaperman and a dedicated detective, Willem was fiercely loyal to his many friends and was legendary for his good deeds, particularly on behalf of the weak and needy.

His good friend and fellow journalist Dr. Woody Woodruff puts it eloquently: “Willem’s fierce sense of justice made him an unrelenting reporter and editor for wide-ranging stories that appeared in both the Washington Post and the Alexandria Gazette.”

In just a half hour of conversation Willem could exhume the political skeletons as to leave the complacent listener stunned on Saturday, November 28th due to the Thanksgiving holiday. Have a very happy and safe Thanksgiving!

Sympathy to the family and friends of long-time Greenbelt detective Ronen Sullivan, who died at home on November 19, 2015 at age 88. Irene made many friends in her career of almost 30 years as a checker at the Co-op Supermarket and as a longtime member of the Greenbelt Community Church and choir. She was a member of the Golden Age Club and in her last years she attended classes at the Aquatic Center. A celebration of her life will be held at the church on Saturday, November 28.

There were too many to name, but Willem’s most devoted companion was his two cats, Hunter and Thompson.

There will be no GREEN DROP Donation Drop-Off on Saturday, November 28th due to the Thanksgiving holiday. Hope you have a very happy and happy Thanksgiving!

For more information on City Activities, Services and Events, visit greenbeltmd.gov

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The new website takes into account today’s standards for accessibility. On the extreme left side of the page is a vertical stack of three options. The top option gives a high contrast view of text in the middle of the page, grayscale, and the uppercase A allows visually impaired users to read the text. This site is also adaptable to most automated readers. To expand the title to fill the browser window, press control and operate the wheel on your mouse to scale the whole page, and manage pay for their advertising on line. We remain focused on continuing to improve our copyright standards and on elevating overall quality.
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Every Thursday 10am – 4pm
Good, clean clothes for women, men and children.
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Greenbelt, Md. 301-345-5111

Audubon Bird Walk At Fran Ulher Natural Area
On Saturday, December 5 at 5:30 p.m., the Audubon Society will host a bird walk for migrating and resident woodland birds, field birds and waterfowl at the Fran Ulher Natural Area. There is a good chance for raptor flyovers at this date. The walk is free to the public, but please wear sturdy boots as the area is muddy. There will be a certificate showing where the donor is given recognition and conservation benefits that will endure for generations.

Purchasing the Audubon Foundation’s coffee helps support conservation efforts. For each dollar donated, a tree is planted in a high-need forest, and the donor is given a certificate showing where the tree was planted. Give the gift of membership in the Arbor Day Foundation and new members will be sent 10 free trees at the end of one year for planting.

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Genealogical Society Meets on Dec.
The monthly meeting of the Prince George’s County Genealogical Society will take place on December 2 at 7 p.m. at the New Carrollton Municipal Center, 6015 New Carrollton Mall. Certified genealogist Rebecca Koford will speak about “Researching Women of African Ancestry.” Refreshments will be served.

Local Artist Showing At Artomat 2015
Local artist Dlane Tuckman is unknown to the fine art community as part of Artomat 2015 from October 30 to December 12. The annual art exhibition on four of a floor’s low buildings includes a wide variety of art forms from one of the world’s specialty of silk art and framed photography. Her space is 2054-55 on the second floor.
The exhibit is at 800 Corporate Drive, Hyattsville, a short walk from the New Carrollton Metro station. Hours are Wednesday and Thursdays 5 to 10 p.m. and Friday and Saturday 11 a.m. until 11 p.m.
Admission and fund parking are free along with free hands-on painting on silk. For more information, visit the website: artomat.org.

Former volunteer editor - Eve Grever

Tommorrow

Although our technology has come a long way in the last couple of years, there’s still much to accomplish. Specific targets under consideration include an improved ability to receive submissions of all sorts on line and to provide quality control and validation at the point of submission.
This will help us specify critical dates for publication and help keep stories, pictures and captions clear if they’re like stray cats. We are also considering increasing the ability of our advertisers to submit, manage, and pay for their advertising on line. We remain focused on continuing to improve our copyright standards and on elevating overall quality.
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On Saturday, December 5 enjoy a free concert with the Eleanor Roosevelt High School Dixieland Band from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. in the gym. Also on Saturday, enter a drawing to win $50 in Art Bucks to spend at the fair by voting for your favorite artisan in each of the show’s four rooms. Entry forms will be available at the Recreation Department Arts Program table in the gymnasium, in front of the stage. The winner of the drawing will be contacted on Saturday evening and will have all day on Sunday to shop.

Sunday Activities

Special activities on Sunday, December 6 will include a studio open house and sale with the Community Center’s Artists-in-Residence. The studios will be open to visitors from 1 to 4 p.m., with wares in several media available for purchase. From 1 to 3 p.m., artist Janna Riley will lead a free workshop in which guests of all ages can decorate wrapping paper for any occasion. The workshop takes place in room 113. Registration is not required. Wear your painting clothes. Entry forms for other special activities happening nearby on Sunday will include the Greenbelt Farmers Market’s outdoor Holiday Market (10 a.m. to 2 p.m.) and tours of the Greenbelt Museum’s historic house at 10-B Crescent Road, decorated for the holidays (1 to 5 p.m., for a fee).

The Art and Craft Fair does not currently have openings for additional exhibitors. However, local artists are welcome to apply online for the show’s waitlist. Links are available at greenbeltmd.gov/arts. For additional arts program information, follow Greenbelt Recreation ARTS on Facebook.

Hand-dyed scarf by participating exhibitor Russ Little

Greenbelt Homeschoolers Visit Recycling Center

by L’il Dan Celdran

Tour Guide Fran shows the students how to look for the symbols on the bottom of containers.

Photos by L’il Dan Celdran

Five primary grade Greenbelt homeschooled students and their parents visited the very large recycling center (called a Materials Recovery Facility or MRF) in Capitol Heights yesterday. We met at Greenbelt Public Works, where we loaded onto the city’s bus. Our tour was about an hour long and included a kid-friendly video, a tour of the facility (via windows going inside) and concluded with a question and answer session. The children asked a lot of great questions and commented how stinky the sorting facility was. Large recyclable bins with wheels are great and ensure no trash ends up inside, we were reminded. It is costly to ship it to landfills (which are almost filled up). Other counties charge their residents if trash is found inside recycle bins. We were told to rinse out recyclable food and drink containers because residue contaminates. After returning to Public Works, the group ate lunch together and kids played at Buddy Attick Park. A great time was had by all.

Thanks to Erin Josephitis, a key volunteer of Prince George’s County delegates of Prince George’s County. The petitions gathered by residents of Prince George’s County with Food and Water Watch urge Maryland legislators to remove chicken manure incineration as being classified as a renewable energy source. This was one of three events that are occurring throughout the state targeting legislators to clean up the Renewable Portfolio Standard (RPS). In 2006, Maryland passed the first RPS, which has been altered throughout the years, and now requires 20 percent of the state’s electricity to be produced by renewable sources by 2022; however, since 2011, burning chicken manure and trash are considered clean – on the same level (Tier-I) as wind and solar.

Pena-Melnyk accepted the petitions on behalf of her constituents and community this morning; the petitions urge legislators across the state to support removing chicken waste burning as an energy source from Maryland’s RPS, and instead work toward incentivizing clean energies only, such as wind and solar.

“Pollutants from poultry waste incineration are linked to cancer, cardiovascular disease, and respiratory disease,” said Gwen Dulosis, M.D., of Physicians for Social Responsibility, “Incineration threatens the health of Maryland residents, and needs to be removed from the Renewable Portfolio Standard.” In addition to the 1,200 signatures, over fifty handwritten letters have been collected from Largo High School students and Prince George’s County residents that urge their delegates to remove dirty forms of energy from the RPS.

“Protecting clean air and water, establishing truly renewable energy sources, and preserving our green spaces, these are causes I care passionately about,” said Pena-Melnyk, “I’ve fought hard for environmental protections in the Maryland General Assembly and I thank Food and Water Watch for its efforts, through education and activism, to create a more sustainable Maryland.”

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Farmers Market Closes For Season, Offers Holiday Market, December 6

by Cathie Meetre

The 2015 Farmers Market is now officially closed for the season but as a last hurrah before hibernation, the Holiday Market and the city’s Festival of Lights Juried Arts and Crafts Show run on the same Sunday, December 6 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. This gives Greenbelters an unprecedented opportunity to stock up on holiday goodies and purchase gifts without tackling the dreaded suburban mall. Many of the market’s usual vendors will be in attendance and there will be a couple of new faces – the full list is available on the GFM website. Goodie bags are an excellent complement to the attractively presented foodstuffs so perfect as bring-alongs for holiday pot lucks or as hostess gifts. A bottle of wine is always warmly welcomed.

This year’s market season has been a humdinger. Whether it is the first-class range of vendors or the impact of the new signs on Kenilworth Avenue and Greenbelt Road is hard to tell, but attendance has been higher in both 2014 and 2015 than previously – averaging over 800 each Sunday compared to previous season averages of approximately 600. The vendors are naturally pleased as are Greenbelters since they are increasingly likely to run into old friends and make new ones. The weather this season has also been very cooperative. Not one Sunday in the regular season has been marred by significant rain and even the wind has been mostly genteel. Our buskers (entertainers for tips) add an extra dimension to the market. This season had regular visits from the Eleanor Roosevelt High School Clarinet Choir; Melissa Sires with vocals and guitar; the stiltswalking/balloon inflating troupe of Ema Smith, Ashley Adams and Julia Sharapi and new face painter Michelle Johnson. Local artists should check with the market master next season for available timeslots – acoustic music only.

Market sponsors have been present throughout the season. Doctors Hospital, as a primary sponsor, has provided market-goers with health-related information and services and brought their health bus for additional services. The New Deal Cafe has promoted its programs by displaying impressively large and foaming glasses of beer. Long-time local resident Kim Kash publicized her new detective novel. In turn the market has given space to other community organizations – ranging from the Master Gardeners to the Friends of the New Carrollton Library. The Old Greenbelt Theatre and GHI have also taken advantage of this showcase.

Food choices at the market were varied and delicious. New vendors Roy and RT have successfully introduced their delicious Indonesian-inspired curries served in an attractive picnic-table environment or for carryout. Miguel’s Crepes at the Market have been a popular favorite – and vegan cuisine from Zoe’s Vegan Delights and Tiffany’s Oven has been a regular and much-appreciated feature. With a sample of a sprightly white or a robust red from our local wineries, it’s a Sunday brunch fit for a king.

The Market needs volunteers. Each weekend about eight volunteers assist Market Master Nancy Solomon to set up, staff and take down booths plus run the business operations, liaise with the county and the city, recruit and organize vendors, visit vendors and seek sponsors. Additional volunteers for these activities are always welcome and it’s a fine opportunity for new arrivals to ease into our community.

Mark the calendar for 2017’s opening day on Mother’s Day – May 14. Check out the market website at GreenbeltFarmersMarket.com – it gives contact information for vendors and for volunteering.

Riders on Beaver Dam Road in Beltsville returning back from the Patuxent Research Refuge toward Greenbelt.

WABA Cider Ride

Last weekend’s Washington Area Bicyclists Association (WABA) Cider Ride brought over 500 cyclists from DC to Prince George’s and featured a pit stop in Greenbelt.
Winnie-the-Pooh Comes To Greenbelt Arts Center

Dear Friends and Relations,

Some claim that he is a bear of very little brain, but to me he is a dear friend with a giving, helping heart. Winnie-the-Pooh and friends will perform Winnie-the-Pooh at the Greenbelt Arts Center (GAC) at 2 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays from December 5 to 20.

“This show has some boooootiful songs and dances about honey,” says Pooh. Yes, there are lots of hummable tunes, perfect for young audiences, taught to them by Susan Breon.

“Roo and Kanga are new to Greenbelt, so you should especially come to welcome them,” says Rabbit, adding, “To get tickets you should go to greenbeltartscenter.org or call 301-441-8770.”

Piglet says, “Despite the presence of s…s…s soap, and a brief appearance by a Helfalump, our wonderful tails and tales are directed by Jon Gardner.”

“There’s also this lady named Samantha Fitschen who showed us how to get around the mulberry bush” says Roo. “And Susan Neff helps us make sure we are wearing nice clothes.”

Please come bring your families to see my whole gang, which includes Stephanie Thom, Sophie Cooper, Jim Pasquale, Tiffany Chadwick, Jenn Robinson, Alyssa Heintzelman, Bill Jones, Susan Neff and Harper Chadwick. See you at the Hundred Acre Wood!

- Christopher Robin

December Brings Variety to GAC

For the first time, Greenbelt Arts Center will be presenting several shows at the same time. Winnie-the-Pooh, directed by Jon Gardner, will run 2pm matinees on Saturdays and Sundays from Dec. 5th to Dec. 20th. A Christmas Carol, produced by Off the Quill, will show on Thursday, Friday and Saturday evenings Dec. 4th through the 19th. On Dec. 12, the Chromatics will present a Christmas show at 8 p.m. Information and tickets for all shows can be found at www.greenbeltartscenter.org or by calling the box office at 301-441-8770.

Stephanie Thom as Pooh

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time to prepare responses on all the issues for the meeting.

The second worksession is now scheduled for December 7, 2015. On that day, the city will receive as condominium development proposals submitted for the zone. According to Craze, the plan was not all that different than the proposal that the developers had moved away from a very urban product to a more suburban product. Craze also mentioned that the developers were wary of adding more parking.

Bellah said that the wooden sound barrier that separates the back of the Phase III townhouses from the train tracks is the most discussed site. The noise studies required for the DSP show that the noise barrier is effective. Frye noted that as part of the plan, the maintenance concerns are no more than staff opinion, adding that the project has a 10-year warranty and holds up well.

Similarly, the alleys behind the last row of townhouses in Phase III would end at the sound barrier, including buses or emergency vehicles, as well as police patrols, Frye said. If a neighbor had been made to add a road behind the last row of houses, the developer’s concern was that it is monotonous, blocks light to nearby houses, and, because it is wood, will require substantial maintenance by the homeowners association. Frye noted that as part of the maintenance concerns are no more than staff opinion, adding that the project has a 10-year warranty and holds up well.

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English Teacher Allison Beers

Kept Young By ERHS Students

by Clara L. Janzen

Upon viewing her classroom, one can immediately identify her chemistry between English teacher Allison Beers and the students in a way that would be expected of any good teacher who loves working in a high school.

A Maryland native, Beers is in her first year as a teacher at Eleanor Roosevelt High School (ERHS), with a previous experience teaching at Thomas Johnson Middle School in Prince George’s County. Beers teaches English to a wide spectrum of students, including a double period English (DPE) class, two comprehensive English 12 classes and two AP English Language classes.

According to Beers, who majored in English at Wesleyan and received her master’s, in journalism from Columbia University, one of the best aspects of her teaching is the variety. “I just really like the teenagers,” Beers said. “I like watching them grow and develop. Their lives are changing all the time and my life has pretty much stopped changing, so it’s exciting for me to see a kid get their driver’s license for the first time or to see the joy that they have… that brings joy too.”

Beers raved particularly about her 12th-grade students’ emphasis on learning instead of just passing. “They’re kids who are very motivated, and very interested in learning. I mean, the questions that they ask about ‘What does this word mean?’ and ‘Why do Americans do this?’ or ‘Why did this kid call me this?’ – it’s very interesting.”

Feelings are mutual, as echoed by the statements of her students. “I like everything she does,” said sophomore Yuridin Calleja, one of Beers’ ESOL students. “She lets us express our selves, more than other classes.”

“Ms. Beers, she can appear severe or mean,” said fellow student and ESOL student Divya Dangoue, “but once you get to know her, I think she’s one of the best teachers there is in the whole school… She [is] able to make her classroom, her classroom, her classroom…”

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ERHS Teacher Lends Young,

In Hands-on Science Projects

by Noah Waldron

What does it take to be an excellent teacher? For Eleanor Roosevelt High School (ERHS) teacher Peggy Brosnan, it took a degree in biochemistry and a degree in the commercial marketing industry, but the most important ingredient is a love of the outdoors.

According to Brosnan, who teaches ESOL students, for RP students, she also makes it her Classroom, the Classroom, the Classroom…”

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Dr. Santosh Gupta, math teacher at Greenbelt Middle School (GMS) and co-author of Material Science for Engineers, has taught in many classrooms, visited many countries and taken many photographs – 40,000, that is.

Gupta has enjoyed years of travelling the world with his wife, Dr. Aparna Gupta. Although his dream is to spend several days in one country on each continent, his true passion lies in teaching.

“If it is not correct, it is useless,” is his frequent saying, words that reflect Gupta’s commitment to academic excellence. A native of northern India, Gupta received a bachelor’s degree in physics from Punjab University, Chandigarh in 1962, and a Ph.D. in physics from the University of Calcutta in 1972. He received certifications in physics and math through the Maryland State Department of Education.

Those who have sat in his classrooms range from students at the Birla Institute of Technology and Science in Pilani, India, to those at Waucoma Community College in Illinois and, now, a group of Talented and Gifted (TAG) fifth- and eighth-graders at GMS.

Gupta joined Prince George’s County Public Schools in 2007, after completing the county’s teaching fellows program. He was granted positions at both a high school and middle school, and chose middle school because it was more challenging.

“I want to do it as long as I can, because this is what I want to do. That’s why I’m here,” he told Principal George Covington Jr., when asked if he would return. Gupta enjoys developing new ways to explain the same things to students, removing their doubts and seeing the joy in their faces when they understand.

He has helped his GMS students win top prizes at the semi-finals in the Prince George’s County Public Schools Science Bowl, the U.S. Math-A-Thon, as well as the Maryland MathCounts competition. “I find it very interesting. I think students gain a lot from this sort of process. They gain a lot about science, about math,” he said.

As a teacher, Gupta feels most fulfilled by students’ improvement.

He values his Algebra I and Math 8 Honors students’ ability to perform mental calculations. In fact, Gupta’s lessons in mental math reach beyond the walls of GMS and into his home, where he and his wife teach 30-minute mental math workshops each Saturday.

“In mental workshop, I always tell my students, ‘if you are quick, but not correct it doesn’t matter, if you are correct, but not fast enough, then you are not finishing your paper, probably. You are struggling,’” he said.

His wife, director of Gupta Learning, said, “He is one of the best and most dedicated teachers. He is very much oriented towards the achievement and overall growth of the students. Some students, he has changed their life.”

Each night, Gupta spends two hours preparing 30-slide presentations for his lessons. Included are warm-up exercises, an objective and definitions of key terms.

“I really want to organize warm-up exercises so that students utilize their time in a better way,” he said, referring to the 1,500 lessons that he has created during his eight years at GMS.

Gupta has adopted a practice, warm-up exercises, in which he asks students to use their personal cellphone numbers as a teaching aid. This involves giving students an objective and definitions of key terms.

“Because of that, it is something I can’t give up on.” Gupta notes that not only was it a favorite subject of his, but he had an understanding of the fact that they are growing and finding themselves.

Ultimately, Gupta had to relearn the art of teaching style. He decided to dedicate more time to the students’ self-expression and class discussions and less time to lecturing and note taking.

“I’m very passionate about teaching,” she said. “I take that passion into ensuring that I have planned lessons for my students, to ensure that they have interactive activities. They’re not bored. I ensure that it’s high quality.”

Everything she does is high quality, she said. From learning how to shop and budget to cook and sew, students engage in activities that require them to make and solve problems related to mental math, science and English.

Although family and consumer science is considered a “soft class,” Hyens maintains structure and discipline, even while students engage in fun and interactive activities. She believes that discipline combats poor classroom management and poorly defined lessons.

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Because seats in Hyens’ classroom are in such high demand, she started an afterschool cooking club, Creative Cuisine, for some aspects of ERHS’s culture, saying that she loves kids who are foreign students.”

In Jamaica, education is the “key to success,” according to Hyens. That notion has inspired her passion and strengthened her work today.

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dooney” would be an underestimate.

She is the sponsor for Envirothon at ERHS, a club that participates in ecological competitions. She has been an Envirothon sponsor and coach on and off for 15 years now, first starting at Douglass High School.

Yeganeh Dastani, an ERHS junior and active member of Envirothon, remarked on how passionate Brosnan is and how she is “a great coach who makes it fun to learn.” Dastani, who is also in Brosnan’s genetics class, commented on how Brosnan “tells us stories that go along with the material that make us remember better.”

Brosnan likes to spend her vacations “far away from here,” in different biospheres than the familiar deciduous forest of the northeast.

U.S. She thinks it necessary to “unplug a bit,” which she finds greatly enhanced in traveling to remote locations. “They don’t have cell service where I’m going,” she said when describing her travel experiences.

Noah Waldron is a student at Eleanor Roosevelt High School writing for the News Review.

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Festival of Lights 2015

The Festival of Lights is a seasonal celebration with activities for all ages. Neighbors of all backgrounds and traditions are invited to come together in a spirit of peace and hope. We celebrate the sense of community that will warm our hearts during the cold winter ahead, and contemplate with joyous anticipation how we aspire to shine brightly in the new year to come!

City of Greenbelt Department of Recreation, 25 Crescent Road, Greenbelt, MD 20770 Business Office: 301-397-2200

HOLIDAY TREE LIGHTING
Friday, December 4th at 7:00pm, Roosevelt Center Mall
All ages welcome, FREE!
Holiday lights will adorn the tree in the traditional spirit of the Festival of Lights season. A musical performance by the Greenbelt Concert Band will herald Santa’s grand entrance. Lights will light the tree. Complimentary cookies and hot chocolate will be provided by the Roosevelt Center Merchants Association. FREE MOVIE, How the Grinch Stole Christmas, at the Old Greenbelt Theatre at 8:00pm

DECORATE THE HALLS
Friday, December 5, 7:00-9:00pm, Greenbelt Museum 10-B Crescent Rd.
in conjunction with the city’s Tree Lighting. Free admission. Tour the Greenbelt Museum’s historic house, decorated for the holidays in vintage style. Gift shop open and freshly stocked with new holiday merchandise.

SANTA’S VISIT
Saturday, December 12, 10:00 am-12:00pm
Greenbelt Farmers Market
HOLIDAY MARKET
Sunday, December 6
10am – 2pm
Wreaths, gift baskets and comestibles. Outdoors behind the Greenbelt Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road

ELVES WORKSHOP
Saturday, December 12, 1:30pm- 3:30pm
Greenbelt Youth Center, 99 Centerway
Ages 7-12, $5/Child
Children will bake holiday cookies and make a beautiful holiday craft. Instructor: Gaye Houchens

NORTH POLE CALLING
December 15'- December 17, 6-7:30pm
Ages pre-school through second grade. FREE!
Santa and his helpers will make a special CALL to your home to check whether your kids are being naughty or nice. Complete the informational flier available online www.greenbeltmd.gov/recreation and return to your neighborhood facilities for your child’s opportunity to chat. Return flyer by 12/14 to the Greenbelt Youth Center, 99 Centerway.

GREENBELT CONCERT BAND:
Holiday Lights
Sunday, December 13, 4pm, FREE!
Greenbelt Community Center Gym, 15 Crescent Rd.
Get into the holiday spirit and enjoy an afternoon of holiday music presented by the Greenbelt Concert Band. Under the direction of Tom Cherrix.

JURIED ART & CRAFT FAIR
Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Rd.
FREE admission and hands-on crafts! More information: 301.397.2208 and www.greenbeltmd.gov/arts
Sunday, December 6, 10:00am-4:00pm: Craft Fair
1-3pm: Free DIY Wrapping Paper Workshop with Janna Riley, Artist in Residence
1-4pm: GAVA/GATE Youth Animation Open House
1-5pm: Tour the Greenbelt Museum Historic use, decorated for the holidays ($3, 10-B Crescent Road)
2:30 – 4:30pm: Eleanor Roosevelt High School Dixieland Band will perform in CC gym.
1-4pm: Artists in residence studio open house and sale.

GREENBELT EAST TREE LIGHTING
Sunday, December 6, 6pm
Greenbriar Community Building: FREE
Open to all ages. Information: 301-441-1096

PANCAKE BREAKFAST WITH SANTA
Greenbelt Lions Club in conjunction with American Legion Post 136
Saturday, December 5, 8-11am
Children 12 and under: Free w/paying adult; All others: $7/person
Greenbelt American Legion Post 136, 6900 Greenbelt Rd.
Includes pancakes, eggs, sausage, coffee, hot chocolate, milk, and orange juice. Bring camera for picture with Santa! Info: 301-474-8964

RECREATION FACILITY HOLIDAY HOURS

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Happy New Year to all from the Greenbelt Recreation Department!

For more information on upcoming classes, programs, and events go to www.greenbeltmd.gov/recreation or call the Recreation Business Office at 301-397-2200