

News Review

Beat The Rush

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Thursday, February 19, 1998

Renovation Will Begin On Roosevelt Center Mall

by Diane Oberg

After nearly three years of discussion, redrawing and debate, reconstruction of the Roosevelt Center Mall is expected to begin after Greenbelt Day. Director of Planning and Community Development Celia Craze expects the work to take four to five weeks, permitting completion before Labor Day. The design for the work was approved at the January 26 regular council meeting on a 4-1 vote with Councilmember Rodney Roberts opposed.

Partial Reconstruction

Despite that vote, the renovation will only affect the area between the Mother and Child statue and Centerway. What, if anything, is to be done from the statue to the rear parking lot is still undetermined. The design plans include a proposal for the remainder of the mall, down to the rear parking lot, but Craze did not seek approval of that portion of the plans. There were two main reasons for her asking for such partial approval: insufficient funds for complete reconstruction and likely council opposition.

Council had last viewed the plans a year ago, when council reviewed several plans. The current plan is a slightly modified version of "Revised Option 1" presented at that worksession. Council generally supported that plan, but was concerned about the proposal to relocate the rear staircase from its current location along the wall of the Co-op building to directly behind the

statue.

At a January 1997 work-session, council called for a new plan based upon Revised Option 1, but without the staircase relocation.

Reconstruction of the Roosevelt Center Mall is expected to begin after Greenbelt Day.

The new plan, is very similar to that earlier plan, and still calls for relocating the staircase, although not in this phase. The fence and pine trees behind the statue would be removed, and the hill would be terraced down to the lower parking lot, matching the slope of the staircase. A wider terrace roughly halfway down would mirror a staircase landing. Craze and landscape architect Sharon Bradley-Papp noted that some people, particularly the elderly, find the current stairway difficult to climb. Bradley-Papp said that the new staircase would have a more standard riser-tread relationship, which would make it easier to climb, even though the same hill must be scaled. In addition, there would be a bench on the landing, providing a resting place for those who need it.

In approving Councilmember Thomas White's motion to approve the renovation from the statue to Centerway, council also

directed staff to prepare a plan and cost estimate for complete renovation of the statue and directed that, once the approved renovations are complete, the plan for the elements behind the statue be presented for further public review.

No specific cost estimate was available for the approved work. Staff estimated that the entire project would cost \$175,000, including \$12,000 for restoration of the statue. (Craze noted however, that the statue could not be

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Late Flash

The Greenbelt Police Department sent the following update on February 18, 1998:

"In reference to the January 22, 1998 stabbing death of 20 year old Anthony Jamaal Thomas, which occurred at the Academy 8 Theaters, Beltway Plaza Mall, Greenbelt, Maryland, the following suspect has been arrested and charged in the incident: Terrance LeGrant Nicholson, 15, of 4605 Brookfield Drive, Suitland, Maryland.

"The suspect was arrested on February 17, 1998 and was charged with first degree murder and armed robbery. The suspect was held on no bond at the Department of Corrections in Upper Marlboro, Maryland. The suspect has been charged as an adult."

Council Reviews Traffic Light Plan for Southway

by Betsy Likowski

A traffic light will be installed on Southway to improve the flow of traffic off the Baltimore-Washington Parkway. The Greenbelt City Council examined State Highway Administration plans for the light and took care of other housekeeping type matters at its regular meeting on Monday, February 9.

The new traffic light will be installed at the exit ramp for the southbound lanes of the Baltimore-Washington Parkway onto Southway. Construction is scheduled for this spring. The light will give preference to traffic on Southway by staying green to Southway traffic if there are no cars waiting to exit from the Parkway. During late evening to early morning hours the light will be only flashing.

A traffic study has shown that the vast majority (82%) of peak hour traffic coming off the parkway makes a left turn at Southway. Traffic backs up onto the exit ramp because of the delays in waiting to make the turn. The study found that the state criteria for a signal are met.

Council reviewed the drawing of the intersection with Director of Planning and Community Development Celia Craze.

Councilmember Alan Turnbull asked if instead of the planned overhanging bar with a signal on it there could be instead a post mounted signal. It would be more in keeping with the human scale, he said.

Miscellaneous

City Manager Michael McLaughlin informed council that the city's recycling truck is back in action. It had been involved in a traffic accident.

Council also approved for purchase two 3/4 ton pick-up trucks for the Department of Public Works (\$22,230 each) and a 15 passenger van for the Department of Recreation (\$20,519). A temporary position in Public Works was made a regular classified position, as had been previously discussed.

Retreat

The city council held a retreat on January 31 at the Patuxent Wildlife Center. The heads of city departments and other city staff were also in attendance for a day of frank discussion, reported Mayor Judith Davis. All were asked to make a list of key community issues facing the city in the next two years. The 31 items on the list were boiled down to nine concerning

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Lt. Governor to Speak At March 18 ACE Forum

by Altoria Bell Ross

Maryland Lt. Governor Kathleen Kennedy Townsend will speak at the Greenbelt Advisory Council on Education's (ACE) Character Education Forum on Wednesday, March 18, at 7 p.m. in the Greenbelt Community Center's multipurpose room. ACE discussed the details of this forum, along with other upcoming events, at its February 10 meeting.

Other confirmed forum panelists include Mary C. Aranha, coordinator for Character Education at the Maryland State Department of Education, and Sharon Walters, curriculum coordinator at Eleanor Roosevelt High School. ACE President Leta Mach will moderate the forum.

Prince George's County uses the "Community of Caring" model of the Maryland Partnership in Character Education. Robert Goddard Middle School in Seabrook is one of the county's pilot schools. By teaching values such as caring, re-

spect, responsibility, trust, and family, this model seeks to create a safe and orderly school environment for students.

Mayor Awards Educators

At the Monday, February 23 council meeting, Mayor Judith Davis will give awards to seven Greenbelt educators for making significant contributions to students.

ACE will recognize staff who were nominated by their colleagues at Greenbelt Elementary, Magnolia Elementary, Springhill Lake Elementary, Greenbelt Middle, St. Hugh's, Robert Goddard Middle, and Eleanor Roosevelt High School. For the past three years, ACE has presented teachers, teachers' aides, cafeteria workers, and secretaries with certificates, gifts, and invitations to march with ACE in the Greenbelt Labor Day parade.

ACE Honors Students

ACE plans to give more awards. On Monday, April 27, the group will honor students

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Beavers, Liquor Licenses Are Worksession Topics

by Betsy Likowski

Interesting beaver facts and their activities were the topics of the night at a worksession held on Wednesday, January 21. According to the minutes of this meeting which were approved by the city council at its February 9 meeting, city-hired wildlife biologist William Bridgeland enlightened council, city staff and citizens about beavers. The council also reviewed all the liquor licenses for Greenbelt establishments which were up for renewal.

The number of beavers are increasing in the mid-Atlantic region and are present in every watershed. Bridgeland thought Greenbelt Lake would probably support only six to eight beavers (parents with kits). Beavers will eat any kind of tree but prefer fruit trees, flowering dogwood, tulip poplar, white oak and beech. They will travel about 100 feet from the shore for food, but can go

up to 100 yards.

Hundreds of trees have been lost to the beavers, said City Horticulturist Bill Phelan. Beavers will stay until the food supply is exhausted, said Bridgeland.

Suggested options for dealing with the beavers included: protecting trees and yards with fencing at least 30 inches high and with openings two inches by two inches or less; planting trees beavers do not like; fencing entry points to the lake; lowering the level of the lake between autumn and March; harassing the beavers and trapping them. If trapped, the beavers would be killed, as Bridgeland explained that relocation would not be an option, because nobody would want them. Beavers are here to stay and others could come, he said.

Liquor Licenses

The liquor licenses of establishments in Greenbelt are up for renewal and the council

has to lodge formal complaints soon if they want to do so. No formal complaints were lodged at the council meeting against the 22 establishments licensed to sell liquor but there were plenty of comments.

Councilmember Edward Putens asked if it was not a high number of liquor licenses for a city. It is high replied Robert Manzi, city attorney, as compared to Upper Marlboro, but it is nothing like the number in Bethesda. Councilmember Thomas White noted that three licenses are for hotels in the city, one is for Martin's Crosswinds and another is for the American Legion Post—all needing to have liquor licenses given the type of businesses they are. (Also holding liquor licenses are two retail stores, two liquor stores, and 14 restaurants.) Councilmembers were also concerned about liquor being served to minors.

What Goes On

Mon., Feb. 23, 7:30 p.m. Senior Citizen Advisory Committee, Community Center
7:30 p.m. Youth Advisory Meeting, Youth Center
7:30 p.m. A.C.E. Award Recipient Reception, Municipal Building
8 p.m. City Council Meeting, Municipal Building
Tues., Feb. 24, 7:30 p.m. Special GHI Membership Meeting, Greenbelt Elementary School

New Circulation Manager in Core

The News Review is pleased to announce that Ian Tuckman is the new circulation manager for the core of Greenbelt. He will also handle deliveries to the carriers in Greenbelt East.

We urge anyone in the core of Greenbelt who experiences circulation problems to call Tuckman at 301-459-5624.

Circulation problems in Springhill Lake should be reported to Karim Fadli on 301-441-9120. Circulation problems in Greenbelt East should be reported to the appropriate homeowners associations.

Winter Concert Held in Laurel

The South Laurel Recreation Council volunteers invite people to attend their annual winter concert on Sunday, February 22 at 7 p.m. Reservations are not necessary for this free performance, which will be held at the Oaklands Presbyterian Church located on Route 197 at Cherry Lane in South Laurel.

A cappella performances will be given by Last Call (male chorus singing oldies) and the Elkridge Chorus (a female chorus of 20-plus members singing a variety of favorites).

For further information, call the Council at 301-776-2805.

1997 Maryland Tax Information Available

"There are very few changes to forms and instructions for 1997, which means that taxpayers can use last year's Maryland form as a guide for completing their 1997 return," said Maryland State Comptroller Louis L. Goldstein.

Income tax booklets have a taxpayer identification label on a flap inside the front cover which contains the taxpayer's name, address and social security number. "If the information on the label is correct, please attach it to your completed state return. Using the label speeds up your refund," said Goldstein.

The 1997 tax booklet also includes an expanded section on taxpayer rights providing additional information about the delinquent collection, hearings and appeals processes."

The maximum pension exclusion available on Maryland income tax has been increased to \$15,000 this year. "For the second year, taxpayers do not need to complete a separate form to claim this benefit; they simply use a worksheet in the instructions. This saved 100,000 pieces of paper last year," he said.

Thousands of Maryland taxpayers may be eligible for an earned income credit this year if they're eligible for the federal earned income credit. "Maryland's credit amounts to one-half the amount of the taxpayer's federal earned income credit and can reduce the Maryland income tax by up to \$1,828," noted Goldstein. Information on the earned income credit and Maryland's poverty level deduction is in the tax booklet instructions and in the tax up brochure, "Families and Maryland Income Taxes."

Letters to the Editor

Thanks to Donors

The Greenbelt Recreation Department and the American Red Cross would like to thank all those who donated blood on Monday, February 9, at the Greenbelt Youth Center. The drive collected 45 pints of blood which can be used to save lives. The next blood drive will be on Monday, April 20, from 2 - 8 p.m. at the Greenbelt Youth Center. Appointments to donate blood on April 20 can be made by calling Janet Goldberg at 301-397-2200.

Janet Goldberg
Recreation Coordinator

Thanks

I would like to express my thanks and appreciation to the Rescue Squad for their quick response and to all my friends for the prayers, cards and phone calls I received during my recent hospital stay.

Charlie Pavlish

Police CPR Training Can Be a Lifesaver

I was glad to know that Sgt. Chris Field of the Greenbelt Police, though off-duty, was nearby when a car crashed on Friday in the parking lot in back of the Greenbelt Auto and Truck Repair. Field went into action immediately to rescue the driver. When it appeared that the accident was a result of a heart attack, he immediately called in the emergency squad and began CPR. CPR is an important part of police training, Field says, because the job of the police is not only to prevent crime but also to help people in trouble.

John Krob

White House Grounds Talk at Garden Club

Mike Lawn, general foreman of the White House grounds, will present an illustrated talk entitled "The White House Grounds and Gardens" at the February 25 meeting of the Beltsville Garden Club at 7:30 p.m. at the Duckworth School, 11201 Evans Trail, Beltsville. Admission is free and the public is invited. For more information, call 301-384-2415.

Mixed Messages

The GHI Yard Beautification Program, in theory, is a great idea. There are two issues that continue to be problematic for the GHI community in relation to this program: 1) enforcement is not universal — some members are cited for very minor violations while flagrant violations continue to be unaddressed (such as unmowed grass, hedges that completely cover walkways, sheds and additions that are dilapidated, hedges and weeds that have become trees, hedges planted that are not in compliance with the handbook rules, etc.), and 2) reporting problems to GHI staff is not confidential — some members' names have been disclosed to the neighbors who are not in compliance, which only increases problems with neighbor relations.

If these issues are not resolved, GHI will continue to send mixed messages to the members, GHI will continue to put members in no-win situations, and GHI will continue to not support the many members who are truly trying to make GHI a pleasant place to live.

Katrina Boverman

Toastmaster Club Celebrates 40 Years

The Plant Industry Station Toastmaster Club #2627 in Beltsville will soon mark completion of 40 years of volunteer-based training in public speaking and meeting management skills. Anyone who is a former member of this historic club is invited to attend a reunion reception and special program on Thursday, March 5, Noon - 1:30 p.m., in Building 005, Room 021 of the Beltsville Agricultural Research Center (BARC), 10300 Baltimore Ave., Beltsville.

For details, contact Sue Bernstein 301-344-0154 or Toni Walls 301-344-5444. The organizing committee is eager to hear from former members and would appreciate help in locating other former "graduates" of the Plant Industry Station Toastmasters training program at BARC.

The Old Curmudgeon



"The Council will now discuss the 'Vision' part of the agenda."

Diabetes Care Center Opens at Hospital

A new Diabetes Care Center has opened at Doctors Community Hospital. It is located in the Outpatient Services Building on the hospital campus at 8118 Good Luck Road in Lanham.

In Prince George's County alone, over 40,000 people will be diagnosed with diabetes this year. As part of a strong commitment to the community, Doctors Community Hospital has developed a free program to address this growing health problem.

Diabetic individuals and family members are encouraged to attend a diabetes course consisting of two, 2-hour class sessions. Classes are held Monday and Wednesday evenings beginning at 6:45 p.m. and Tuesday

and Thursday mornings beginning at 9 a.m. Registration is required in advance. To register or obtain more information, interested persons should telephone Elaine Stone, R.N., C.D.E. at 301-552-5134.

During the sessions participants will learn the basics about living with diabetes including monitoring blood sugar, proper nutrition, the role of exercise, and how to stay healthy with diabetes. As part of the program they will also receive individual consultations and follow up with a Certified Diabetic Educator, as well as an opportunity to exchange information and tips with other people who have diabetes. The entire program is offered free of charge to participants.

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Greenbelt Community Center at 15 Crescent Rd.



ATTENTION GHI /SPECIAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

A special membership meeting will be held Tuesday, February 24, at 7:30 pm in the Greenbelt Elementary School Auditorium.

The Member and Community Relations Committee will provide transportation for members upon request. To arrange transportation, please contact any of the following:

GHI, Joan Krob

301-474-4161 ext. 138

Earl Kepler

301-345-2670

Kathie Linkenhoker

301-474-4161 ext. 146

Sherril Lilly

301-441-3660

Community Events

At the Library

Wednesday, Feb 25, 7 p.m., P.J. Storytime, ages 4-6.

Thursday, Feb 26, 10:15 a.m., Drop-In Storytime, ages 3-5.

11:15 a.m., Tickle Toddle Storytime, age 2 and parent or caregiver.

A Two Mile Hike In Greenbelt Park

Join a Park Ranger on a two mile walk through Greenbelt Park on Saturday, February 28, at 2 p.m. Meet at the Sweetgum picnic area.

For reservations or more information, call 301-344-3944.



Volunteer Lillian Francois, Emily Broderick, Conor Bell, volunteer Zeldia Bell, Gabe Bell and Nora Simon weaving in the After-School Drop-In Art Program.

- photo by Barbara Simon



Nora Simon presented this paper weaving project created by the children in the After-School Drop-In Art Program to Frances Glendening, the Governor's wife, on her December 6 visit to the arts facilities at the Greenbelt Community Center.

- photo by Tom Simon

Grand Canyon Video

Greenbelt Park, a unit of the National Park Service, is showing "Grand Canyon National Park" on Saturday, February 21, at 2 p.m. Meet at the Rangers Station in Greenbelt Park. For reservations or information call 301-344-3944.

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7:30

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The "Kinderman" Is Coming to Greenbelt

The "Kinderman," John Taylor, will be at Greenbriar on Saturday, February 28 at 1 p.m. with his "Kindercise Program" for children ages 3 to 12. This is a learning through movement program using rhythms, chants and dances to reinforce positive concepts in a fun and exciting way.

John "Kinderman" Taylor has

established Kindercise curriculums for schools, day care centers, Head Start programs, and children's organizations nationwide.

This is a free event but those wishing to attend must RSVP to Tina at 301-441-1096 by February 25. Refreshments will be served after the program.

Greenbelt CARES

Romy Smith has joined the Wednesday Evening Family Clinic as a volunteer family counselor. Smith received her Bachelor of Arts degree in psychology from Tufts University and her Master's Degree in the same field from American University. She has remained at A.U. as a doctoral candidate and expects to graduate in 1999.

An average of 26 families per week participated in regular, scheduled counseling during January. 53 individuals were involved, 32% of them children and youth under the age of 18. Weekly tutoring sessions were held in a wide variety of subjects; 67 students participated the week of January 26.

GHI Notes

GHI's employees are celebrating Black History Month. Members are welcome to view the posters and displays in the reception area and throughout the hallways during the month of February.

The Architectural and Environmental Committee will meet at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, February 25, in the Board Room.

The Board of Directors will meet at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, February 26, in the Board Room. Members are encouraged to attend.

All committee members are reminded to send in their nomination for Committee Member of the Year. Deadline for nominations is February 21.

Panthers to Discuss Health Care Crisis

An analysis of the health care crisis and current health care proposals will be the subject when the Gray Panthers of Greenbelt meet on Saturday, February 21 at 1:30 p.m. at the Greenbelt Community Center. The speaker is the well-known national chairman of the Gray Panthers Health Care Task Force, Beverly Hummel. Hummel also is director of Health Care for All Speakers' Bureau. In 1994, she was Acting Health Care Coordinator for Maryland Citizen Action. A short business meeting will precede the talk, followed by light refreshments.

Hummel will also be available to answer questions about long term care needs and resources to meet such needs. For information or to arrange for a ride within the Greenbelt area, call the following telephone numbers, 301-474-6890 or 301-474-6668.

Childrens' Cartooning Program at Library

On Saturdays, February 21 and 28, at 2 p.m., the Greenbelt Library will present a two-part program for ages 7 - 12.

Entitled "You Can Be A Cartoonist," it features George Kochell, resident artist and instructor at the Montpelier Cultural Arts Center, who will show children the tricks of cartooning. To register call 301-345-5800. There is a limit of 40 children.

Explorations Unlimited Come Play Gestures

On Friday, February 27, from 1 - 3 p.m., Karen Haseley, from the Greenbelt Community Center, will teach Explorations Unlimited participants a game reminiscent of charades: Gestures.

This presentation will be held in the Senior Classroom at the Community Center. Everyone is welcome to attend and questions are always encouraged. Please call 301-397-2208 for more information.

Golden Age Club

by Dolores Capotosto

The next meeting of the Golden Age Club will be held on Wednesday, February 25 at 11 a.m. in the Multipurpose Room of the Greenbelt Community Center. Come out and bring a senior friend.

On Wednesday, February 11, Gene Hoffmaster from the Lions Club spoke to the Goldenagers. In response to his question asking if anyone present had problems with spots in their vision, several persons raised their hands. He stated that this can be a symptom of macular degeneration and told of a program for seniors at the Wilmer Eye Institute in Baltimore where patients are taught to cope with low vision problems. An area person, Dr. Arnold Platy solicited the Lions Club to help get this program started. The Lions have pledged to raise 4 million dollars in three years for the Wilmer Institute, which is a part of Johns Hopkins University.

See the Travel Committee to sign up for the Wednesday, March 11 trip to Toby's Dinner Theater in Columbia. The departure time will be 9:45 a.m. The Travel Committee is working on a possible trip to Richmond, VA on Tuesday, April 14.

Golden Age Club activities have been helped by the thus far mild winter—a rare good thing from El Nino.

Garden Club Holds Annual Meeting

The Greenbelt Garden Club will hold its annual meeting on Tue., Mar. 10 at 7 p.m. in the meeting room in the Greenbelt Police station. Current and new members are urged to attend the meeting. Garden plots will be assigned and club business discussed.

The club is open to all who want to garden. The club has three fields located in the central part of the city between Ridge Road and the Baltimore-Washington Parkway. The fields are divided into plots to garden.



Bye Bye Birdie

by Michael Stewart

Music by Charles Strouse and Lyrics by Lee Adams

Elvis lives on in Conrad Birdie! Come see Birdie, His Manager, Albert, and Al's Secretary, Rosie arrange for Birdie's farewell concert in a small Ohio town.

Join kids, teenagers & bewildered parents as Conrad & his entourage descend on the unsuspecting town of Sweet Apple, OH
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Fridays and Saturdays February 20th - March 14th at 8:00 pm.

Sundays February 22nd and March 8th at 2:00 pm

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Youth Theater Steering Committee to meet Sun. Feb. 22 at 5:30 pm

The Greenbelt Arts Center

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Friday, February 20 - Mike Ball (Folk & Blues)

Saturday, February 21 - Stan Brown (pharmacist & troubador)

Friday, February 27 - Open Mike

Saturday, February 28 - Suzanne Michele (powerful folk music)

Donations for Musicians Encouraged
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OBITUARIES

James Fitzmaurice

James Patrick Fitzmaurice, of Woodland Way, died on Saturday, February 14. He apparently suffered a heart attack when leaving the Co-op parking lot in his car. Off-duty Greenbelt Police Sgt. Chris Field tried to help him with CPR after Fitzmaurice lost control of his car and crashed in the parking lot. He also had received assistance while in the store when he had difficulty there.

Fitzmaurice is survived by his mother Mary M., sisters Mary J. Dorsey, and Ann Layne, a brother Joseph P. and several nieces, nephews and great nieces and nephews.

Funeral arrangements were made by Borgwardt Funeral Home in Beltsville. A mass of Christian burial was held on Wednesday, followed by burial in the Gate of Heaven Cemetery.

Contributions may be made to St. Hugh's Catholic Church or the American Heart Association of Southern Maryland.

Larry Fink

Former Greenbelter Larry Fink, 85, of Silver Spring, died on February 9 in Holy Cross Hospital of a tired old heart and lungs but with an active mind. Larry and his wife of nearly 60 years, Lee, lived in Greenbelt from the 1940s through the 1970s.

After his retirement from the government as a scientist in 1972 they moved to Del Ray Beach, Florida. Larry lived his life with the original spirit of Greenbelt and he and Lee returned many times to Greenbelt. For the past few years they have been living nearby in Silver Spring.

Larry made many contributions to the less fortunate. He was extremely proud of his family who survive him: his wife, Lee, sons Walter and his wife Janet, Robert and his wife Marcia, Tom and his wife Barbara; and four grandchildren, Dennis and his wife Anne, Kevin, Karen, and KD.



Bishop Gerald E. Boisvert and his wife Marie.

Gerald E. Boisvert

Dr. Gerald E. Boisvert, formerly of Greenbelt and Bowie, died on December 17 in Cape Coral, Florida.

Dr. Boisvert held a doctorate in the sociology of education. He taught Problems of Democracy at High Point High School and was vice principal at Parkdale High School. After retirement he moved to Cape Coral in 1985 to run a video store. Later he was ordained in the Old Catholic Church of North America. In 1996 he was consecrated a bishop.

Survivors include his wife, Marie; four children, Lynette Pirochta of Michigan, Jon Boisvert of Columbia, MD, Janet Monroe of Virginia and Leo Boisvert of Ft. Myers, Florida; nine grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

His ashes have been interred in Coral Ridge Cemetery, Florida. Expressions of sympathy may be sent to "Agape of Jesus" Old Catholic Church, 1188 McGregor Drive, Ft. Myers, Florida 33908.



Parents and grandparents having breakfast with students at Greenbelt Elementary School's parent/grandparent breakfast on January 16. Special tablecloths and music helped make it a festive occasion.

- photo by Letty Bryce



Little ones were not to be left out of the parent/grandparent breakfast at Greenbelt Elementary School and helped to increase participation to 411, double the usual number of breakfasts served.

- photo by Letty Bryce

Photo Competition Held at PGCC

Prince George's Community College (PGCC) Continuing Education Department and Penn Camera, Inc., offer the Second Annual Photographic Competition at PGCC on March 20. The contest is open to all photographers, professional and non-professional, who are age 18 or over. The deadline for entry is February 23. Awards will be presented March 20 at a wine and cheese reception at PGCC. PGCC employees are not eligible. For entry forms and details call 301-322-0882.



Catholic Community of Greenbelt MASS
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Prayer Service (Wednesday)	7:00 PM

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Greenbelt Baptist Church

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6301 Greenbelt Road

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Sunday Services	Wednesdays
9 am Folk Service	6:30 pm Quiet Communion Service
10 am Education for all ages	
11 am Sung Service (Sign interpreted, 3rd/4th Suns)	

Greenbelt Community Church
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ACE

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who exemplify the Greenbelt spirit of giving to the community. The staffs of the seven Greenbelt schools have each nominated a student. A girl and a boy from an elementary school and a middle school will get a present for their service. An Eleanor Roosevelt High School senior will receive a scholarship. This is the fourth year ACE has sponsored the student presentations, but the first time it will give a monetary award.

ACE Revises Study

ACE also will update its study on the Greenbelt schools. This study compares Greenbelt schools with other Maryland schools within and outside of the county. ACE published its original study in June 1997 and is expected to release this new edition in the spring.

Elementary School to Reopen

Springhill Lake Elementary School will get some relief when the Berwyn Heights Elementary School reopens, ACE reported. Some 50 to 60 Berwyn Heights students now attend the overcrowded Greenbelt facility. Berwyn Heights Elementary closed in the 1980s when the school-age population dropped in that community. Currently, the Maryland Fire and Rescue Institute uses the school building. The school will reopen when the Institute relocates.

ACE Testifies on Budget

ACE President Mach testified at a county School Board budget hearing on January 21 on behalf of the City of Greenbelt. Mach supported items currently in the budget: a salary increase for teachers, support for teacher certification, return of students to neighborhood schools, and support for the French immersion program at Greenbelt Middle School.

Buy a Book

In its ongoing project, ACE encourages the community to assist the Greenbelt Middle School by purchasing books for its students.

Residents may make their selections from lists located at Super Crown in the Greenway Shopping Center and Bookland of Greenbelt at the Beltway Plaza Mall.

Education Groups Meet

The Bowie and College Park education advisory groups met with Greenbelt's ACE in January to exchange ideas. In early February, the Greenbelt PTA presidents came together to discuss common problems and concerns they share at their respective schools.

ACE's next regular meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 24, at 7 p.m. in the Municipal Building.

Free Concert Given

The University of Maryland School of Music will present the Symphonic Wind Ensemble in concert on Tuesday, February 24, at 8 p.m. in the Grand Ballroom of the Stamp Student Union. The program includes works from Husa, Sousa, Mahr, Tull, Grainger, and Tower. Admission is free; the public is invited. For information call 301-405-5542.

ACE Meets with College Park, Bowie Groups to Share Plans

by Mary Moien

The Greenbelt Advisory Committee on Education (ACE) hosted a meeting in Greenbelt with other county educational advisory committees on January 27. Committee members from Bowie and College Park participated. Berwyn Heights and Hyattsville committees, although also invited, were not present. Leta Mach, ACE Chair, announced that ACE will be sponsoring a community meeting on character education on March 18 at the Community Center. Lieutenant Governor Kathleen Kennedy Townsend will be a presenter at this function.

Committee Activities

Mach led the introductions, indicating the importance for all groups to be aware of activities in various communities. She asked Leni Stern, chair of the Bowie Education Committee, to summarize their activities. Bowie is the oldest of these committees.

Stern indicated that the committee had received funds from the city of Bowie from which they were providing money to help teachers become certified. They also were providing funds for education and scholarships for students. In addition, they have sponsored an excellence in education reception to honor selected staff of Bowie schools and any schools with Bowie students. They also have sponsored a meet and greet reception to introduce new school staff to Bowie parents and residents.

Mach then provided a summary of Greenbelt ACE activities. She indicated that they had taken some ideas from Bowie and given them a different twist. For example, Greenbelt has an award for students as well as for school staff. However, in the Greenbelt case, only schools within Greenbelt or with a large number of Greenbelt students are included, whereas Bowie seeks outstanding staff from any school that Bowie students attend. Mach described the Buy-A-Book program with Crown Books and Bookland to encourage residents to buy and donate books to the local schools, books specifically selected by the schools. ACE tried collecting grocery receipts but since the results were not worth the effort, that program had been halted.

The biggest project of ACE was the "Perception of Schools" project. Members had heard that a major area employer was recommending that new employees not move to Prince George's County because of the schools. ACE produced a report to show that each school is an individual entity and that all schools should not be lumped together. ACE hopes to update that report this year.

Award Programs

In response to questions about how students were selected for the ACE award and how the reception was planned, Mach described the process they used, including the reception held in conjunction with a city council meeting. Wendy Wexler, Greenbelt ACE liaison,

said that the reception is a "big deal," that students and parents attend and have their pictures taken with the council. Each student receives a certificate, a city proclamation, and a gift certificate to Bookland provided by the store and the city. Adult awardees receive a "Greenbelt is Great" mug in place of the gift certificate.

This year, the Eleanor Roosevelt High School awardee will be a senior who will receive a scholarship award. Money has been provided by Audrey Scott, Prince George's County Council member, from her discretionary funds, to help form the basis for a small scholarship program.

Sally Hein, from the Bowie committee, said that Bowie has had money provided by developers and uses the interest to fund a scholarship program. In addition, they have a \$5,000 city grant that can be given to one or more students. All Bowie students are eligible for the awards regardless of where they attend school.

Jessie Carpenter, chair, College Park Education Committee, said that their committee is just getting organized. She sought and received assistance on how to proceed, especially on how to interest the city council in the issues of education. She also stated that a major problem in College Park is that they are in three different school districts and have three school board members.

Teressa Wallace from Bowie suggested that College Park work closely with their staff liaison and try to find at least one council member to become involved in the meetings. She also suggested that they send notices of all activities to the members and try to get publicity for the council for the projects that the committee undertakes.

Mach commented that the Greenbelt City Council recognizes the importance of good schools to their city and its tax base. Wexler suggested that the College Park committee use their city liaison person to provide something catchy from the committee to put into weekly packets provided to council members.

Future Meetings

All present agreed that it was important for the committees to keep in touch and also to identify and encourage other area education committees to participate. An annual meeting was proposed. Wallace indicated that the Bowie committee had funds in its next fiscal year budget for a meeting and tentatively proposed that they sponsor the meeting with a speaker and break-out sessions.

Punk Gothic Macbeth At PGCC Theater

The Hallam Theater in the Queen Anne Fine Arts Building of Prince George's Community College will present in conjunction with the college Gaming Society a modernized adaptation of Shakespeare's Macbeth. This classic tale of deception and betrayal has been updated for the 90s Generation X-ers as a punk

Gothic fantasy. There will be morning performances from Monday through Friday, February 23 - 27, at 10 a.m. and evening performances Friday and Saturday February 27 and 28 at 7:30 p.m. There is an admission fee except for students with ID cards. For reservations, call the box office at 301-322-0444.

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I. ORGANIZATION

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Meditation and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag
4. Consent Agenda - Approval of Staff Recommendations

(The consent agenda consists of those items which have asterisks () placed beside them, subject to such revisions as may be made by the Council prior to approval)*
5. Approval of Agenda and Additions

II. COMMUNICATIONS

6. Presentations
-ACE Educator Awards
7. Petitions and Requests

(Petitions received at the meeting will not be acted upon by the City Council at this meeting unless the standing rules are waived by the Council)
8. Minutes of Meetings
- Regular Meeting, January 12, 1998
- Regular Meeting, January 26, 1998
- Regular Meeting, February 9, 1998
- Work Session, February 11, 1998
9. Administrative Reports
10. Committee Reports

III. LEGISLATION

11. An Ordinance to Amend Section 4-57 of the City Code to Require that Members of the Board of Appeals Submit Annual Report of Financial Interest -1st Reading

IV. OTHER BUSINESS

12. Review of Management Letter from Keller Brunner & Company
13. Use of Terp Grant Funds
14. Approval of Prince George's County Drug & Alcohol Application

V. MEETINGS *****

EXECUTIVE SESSION IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING
MUNICIPAL BUILDING LIBRARY

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A Review

Roosevelt's Damn Yankees Scores Many Home Runs

by Dennis Jelalian

I've never been a baseball fan, and I've never much liked "Damn Yankees." But the production of "Damn Yankees" at Eleanor Roosevelt High School (ERHS) on February 6 and 7 held lots of pleasant surprises.

Going right down the cast list, Julie Silvestro did a fine job as the long suffering baseball widow, Meg. Her scenes with both incarnations of her husband, Joe, were genuine and touching. Joe Boyd, Meg's husband, was convincingly played by Jon Parsons, who caught just the right physical movement of someone who is starting to stiffen with age.

Larry Hamilton did a fine job of playing Applegate/the Devil as a smooth talking promoter. His parody of Lola's seduction number drew howls of laughter.

Walk

Joy Carter and Brianna Cayo Cotter played a couple of Meg's neighbors for comic relief. They managed to invent a walk where the body is going up, down and sideways, and backwards and still moves forward. They both earned some well deserved laughs.

Kevin Skolnik, as Joe Hardy, the other incarnation of Meg's husband, was perfect as the young man who sells his soul to the Devil to fulfill a lifelong ambition to become a great baseball player. Unfortunately, Skolnik could not be heard very well, a problem shared by a number of performers, in spite of numerous floor and body mikes. The sound system was operated with discretion, and they had about all the hardware they could have used.

So that leaves two possible reasons for the problem. 1.) The auditorium is a difficult acoustic space. 2.) The students are not projecting well. The truth is probably a combination of both factors.

The Senator's baseball team was suitably enthusiastic and energetic. Susannah Hoffman was appropriately cast as the busybody sports reporter, but I couldn't hear one word in ten that she spoke. Ryan Otero as Welch, the team owner, turned in the usual fine performance we've come to expect from him.

Kristin Silvestro has a number of strong assets for her role of Lola, the temptress. She is young, attractive, she speaks well, sings well and dances very well. As Lola, Silvestro is a little too nice. She lacks the nasty cutting edge of the Devil's minion. Later, when Lola reforms and tries to help Joe, Silvestro became a stronger, more believable performer.

The rest of the cast all did excellent work.

Orchestra

The orchestra played well, especially the strong violin section. The only problem is that the orchestra sometimes drowned out the singers. Padding on the floor and around the orchestra and more restraint from Scott Laird, the conductor, would help. Laird is a treat to watch. He exudes skill and confidence. He also has a habit of nodding his head from

side to side in time with the beat, a charming mannerism.

The choreography, by Mia Yamada, was inventive and appropriate. Latanya Catron did an admirable job with the costumes. The high quality of the performance must be credited to Brian Clancy's direction. He managed to squeeze every bit of drama from the script, and make it work.

The set, by Mark Fowler, was simple, appropriate and very workable. In musicals with lots of scenes, there are frequently long delays for set changes. "Damn Yankees" managed to avoid this problem, and the crew did the changes with speed and efficiency. The technical directors, Brian Clancy and Mark Fowler, and the stage managers, Amanda Innes and Diana Hugue, deserve the credit for keeping the show moving.

Lighting

In previous productions, I have been disturbed at the very poor quality of the stage lighting at ERHS. For "Damn Yankees," I suspect that they rented extra equipment, and they put it to good use. The lighting was first rate. The school, the PTSA, or some patrons should buy the school the lighting equipment they need so that all events in the auditorium can have excellent lighting, and so that the school can save the cost of renting what they need. It's clear the staff knows what to do with the equipment. The same concern should be addressed to the stage's sound problems as well.

Lastly, credit must go to Judy Moore, producer, for putting together this fine production.

HRC Seeks Study Circle Participants

The Prince George's County Human Relations Commission is seeking participants for study circles, roundtable discussions on race relations. Participants are asked to agree to meet once a week for five weeks. This continued dialogue allows for open, honest and non-confrontational examination of the issue. Study circle dialogue also encourages participants to collaborate on ways to resolve issues affecting their community. The next scheduled study circle begins on Thursday, Feb. 26. Anyone interested in participating or wanting more information should contact Julie or Cheryl at 301-883-6170.

Have a Ball! Join a League

Experienced male and female volleyball players who are interested in playing in women's and/or coed winter volleyball leagues in Prince George's County are asked to call 301-776-2805 immediately. Practices and scrimmages are under way for players experienced playing in leagues who wish to be full-time or substitute players.

UMUC Hosts Black History Month Event

The public is invited to join the University of Maryland University College (UMUC) students, faculty, and staff in celebrating Black History Month 1998 by attending the Black History Month Extravaganza on Saturday, February 21, from 2 to 5 p.m., at the UMUC Inn and Conference Center, University Boulevard and Adelphi Road, in College Park.

The Extravaganza, part of UMUC's celebration of "The African-American Experience: Yesterday, Today, and Tomorrow," will feature Kurt Schmoke, mayor of Baltimore, and Jack Johnson, Prince George's County state's attorney, as keynote speakers.

In addition, the event will feature food sampling of traditional and contemporary African-American and Caribbean cuisine, health education booths, and the sale of arts, crafts, clothing, jewelry, and books. Entertainment will be provided by Bill Grimmette, (an African-American storyteller), the Renewed Praise Chorale (students from Morgan State University), the Ebenezer United Methodist Church Hand Bell Choir, the Northwestern High School Gospel Choir, and the New Song Liturgical Dance Ministry.

For more information, or to register for the Extravaganza, contact the Staff Development Office at UMUC, 301-985-7020.

New Year 98 Poster Awards Announced

The Greenbelt New Year 98 committee has announced winners in the New Year poster coloring contest. They are: Natalia Noyes, Evan Real, Leslie Primack, Melissa Gray, Conor Real, Olivia Aikens, and Madalena Noyes. The winners may pick up their prizes and posters at the Community Center office Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

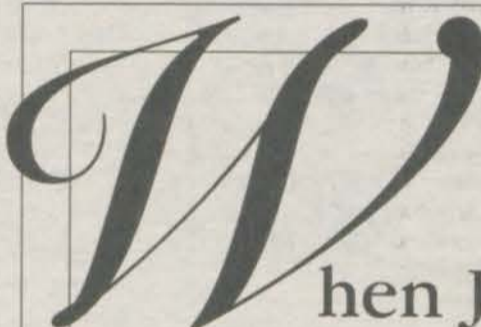
There are still some collectible souvenirs available for sale in the office including posters suitable for framing and limited numbers and sizes of T-shirts with the GNY 98 logo.

New Surgery Center At Doctors Hospital

An open house was held last month to commemorate the opening of a new high-tech ambulatory surgery center at Doctors Community Hospital, 8100 Good Luck Road in Lanham. The entrance to the new center is located in back of the Outpatient Services Building.

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Historic District

GHI Board Sets Review Rules

by Sue Krofchik

A 160-page document describing Historic District guidelines that will, if adopted, govern modifications to the exteriors of homes and businesses was debated at a Greenbelt Homes Inc. meeting on February 12. (The writers of the document themselves needed some 18 months to agree on its content.) Five ground rules to govern the board's later discussions were also established.

The rest of the time was spent on financial items: a first reading for a tree service contract and an Internal Revenue Service (IRS) procedure on how the recent tax appeal refund should be reported to members. Salary scales for two maintenance positions were upgraded and a \$300 donation was made to the Academic Achievement Program sponsored by the Greenbelt Department of Recreation.

Ground Rules

When the board meets on February 19 for the first of three work sessions on draft Historic District design guidelines, if all goes as planned, about a half hour will be devoted to identifying problem areas. Each director will have three minutes to define concerns. These guidelines will refer to policies and parameters including placement of additions, architectural features, construction materials, maintenance guidelines, and site improvements, including fences, sheds, and landscaping lighting.

Board members agreed to present suggestions for change. If the board is divided, one director will present a summary of the suggestions at the next work session. Fellow directors will be responsible for getting their ideas to the responsible director in the interim.

Directors agreed that advice of the Historic Preservation Commission (HPC) will be accepted and that they will focus on big issues.

Director Bill Phelan remarked that the board seemed to be "set on a downhill slope rolling toward recommending the Historic District." Both he and audit committee member Kathy Weber felt that if the board is divided on an issue, it must be discussed fully in order later to give members the pros and cons.

Board secretary Dorothy Lauber, countering the claim that an historic district recommendation is a given, read remarks made at previous meetings by directors Chuck Hess, John Taylor and Steve Harper that showed directors are weighing such things as tax savings and the rights of members to maintain control over GHI property.

Other work sessions will be held on March 19 and April 16 to help the board decide the impact of issues and help them form the recommendation to the membership in July 1998.

Regardless of board recommendations, educational meetings for members and the interested public will be held in the fall and into 1999. In May 1999 GHI members will, either by vote or referendum, decide whether to pursue historic district status. This decision would



Conrad Birdie's fans gossip with each other during the "telephone hour." Front row: Cara Snyder, Rachel Kling; Second row: Amanda DiPiazza, Rachel Moore-Beitler, Julia Snyder, Heather Martin; Third row: Marika Ets, Siret Kork, Denis Levien, Alex Segarra-Torres; Fourth row: Mauno Kork.

Arts Center to Offer "Bye Bye Birdie"

A cast of thousands — well, perhaps only 30 or so — will fill the GAC stage for the upcoming production of Bye Bye Birdie. This musical promises to be as much fun for audiences as it is for the players.

Anyone who has seen it before may recall the nostalgic look back to the late 50s when a famous rock singer, here called Conrad Birdie, was drafted into the Army. Those who don't know the play will find out how the star's manager, aided by his clever secretary, capitalized on this event and turned it into a major happening. How this all affected one family of small town Sweet Apple, Ohio and how they landed on that famous Sunday evening TV extravaganza The Ed Sullivan Show is intended to amuse people and get them humming the melodic tunes which make up the show. Remember "Put on a Happy Face," "Kids," "Got a Lot of Living to do," "The Telephone Hour"? They're all and many more songs and dances in Birdie.

Both the teens and adults who make up the cast have been working very hard to present what is unusual for GAC, a fun and tune filled "Broadway" show. The production staff includes many names familiar to Greenbelt: Producer Laura Adams, Director Norma R. Ozur, Musical Director Sherry Mervine, Choreographer Hopi Auerbach, Props Person Penny Martin and Scenic Designer Tom Smith. Trix Whitehall does double duty as stage manager and member of the cast.

There will be 10 performances which will run Friday and Saturday evenings at 8:30 p.m. from Feb. 20 through March 14. Sunday shows will be at 2 p.m. on Feb. 22 and March 9. For information, tickets or to make a reservation now for the best seats, call the theater at 301-441-8770.

-Norma Ozur

ERHS Musical Groups Perform

by Nancy Boardman

Eleanor Roosevelt High School (ERHS) bands and orchestras find this an exciting time of year as they prepare for their annual participation in county-wide music festivals, where they are judged for the excellence of their performances. This year the county band festival will be held at ERHS on March 6 - 7.

In anticipation and preparation for this event, the public is

invited to ERHS on Thursday, February 26, at 7:30 p.m. to enjoy musical presentations by five ERHS band groups: the Wind Ensemble, Symphonic Band, Concert Bands I and II, and the Dixieland Combo. The following week, on Tuesday, March 3, at 7:30 p.m. the public is again invited to the school to enjoy the music of three orchestral groups in their ERHS Festival Concert.

Many Greenbelt young people participate in the award-winning music program at ERHS. They appreciate the interest and support of the community. The audience is guaranteed an evening of outstanding musical performances. The concerts are free and open to all.

Performing in the Wind Ensemble are: Maria Baquir, Sarah Bruno, Seung Cha, Nhi Danh, Jan Fitzpatrick, Jason Flanagan, Rebecca Lemus, Jaime Pereira, Alicia Saunders, and Tara Schwab.

Players in the Symphonic Band include: Danielle Connor, Ayanna Dookie, Kateri Hull, Drisana Jackson, Keith Loh, Christine Maher, James Miers, Sara Pray, Eddie Serrano, Marcella Smid,

Tabitha Stahli, Nooshin Sturdivant, Lisette Werbowetzki, and Yokel Nathan.

Concert Band I includes: Bukola Akinsiku, Yemi Akinsiku, Joseph Bailey, Kyle Brady, Kimberly Brown, Elisabeth David, Matthew Gregory, Gabriel Hendricks, Kateri Hull, Ti'Aire Jackson, Nicole Kelley, Sang-Hui Kim, Sara Lychenheim, Jennifer McLaughlin, Lauren Minor, Kevin Skolnik, Darryl Stevens, Adey Woldeamanuel, and Carla Zamudio-Dolan.

Concert Band II includes: Ebone Bland, Michael Bond, Ariel Brown, Jamelah Fain, Keturah Green, Robert Gruber, Jeanene Harry, Mark Hawkins, Michelle Hurwitz, Ben Jackson, Carol Kim, Ulysses Lewis, Delmon Lindsay, Michael Rogers, Shelley Shupp, Niava Smith, Candice Taylor, Melinda Thomas, Jennifer Williams, and Michael Wilson.

then be forwarded to the city, which must make formal application.

Although the proposed historic district includes both GHI and city property, the city is expected to accept whatever decision is made by members of GHI, overwhelmingly the largest property owner.

IRS 94-40

Director of Finance Paul Sinner presented the board with a letter from GHI auditors Chaconas and Wilson, confirming that the way GHI is handling the recent tax assessment refund is in keeping with IRS regulations. GHI had applied refunds for 1995 and 1996 toward the tax bill for 1997.



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ATTENTION GHI MEMBERS

The 1998 Community Beautification Program will begin on April 6th. Areas included in this program are:

- exterior inspections,
- swale/grade problems,
- exterior painting,
- lawn care & regular yard work,
- fences and hedges

Additional information concerning the Yard Beautification Program and the rules and regulations of the items listed above can be found in the GHI Member Handbook. Of particular concern will be the monitoring of lawns within the community.

LOOK FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION IN THE MARCH ISSUE OF THE MEMBER MEMO AND ADDITIONAL UPDATES WILL BE POSTED IN THE GREENBELT NEWS REVIEW.

If you have any questions concerning this program, calls should be directed to Phillip Rondeau at (301) 474-0292.



Our sympathy to Carolyn Foxwell of Greenknolls Place and family on the recent death of her husband, Milton E. Foxwell.

Condolences also to Mary Barr and family on the death of her husband Charles A. Barr.

Our sympathy to Mary Fitzmaurice of Woodland Way and her family on the death of her son and their brother, James.

Greenbelters were saddened to hear of the death of former Greenbelter Larry Fink, who died February 9 in Holy Cross Hospital.

Dr. Gerald Boisvert, former Greenbelter, died in December in Florida. Many Greenbelters will remember him as a teacher at High Point High School.

Congratulations to Megan Marie Thomas, Hanover Parkway, who was named to the Dean's List for the fall semester

at Lafayette College, Easton, LA.

At the University of Delaware Winter Commencement ceremonies on Saturday, Jan. 3, Pilan Saensuk, of Springhill Drive, was awarded a Master of Arts degree.

Congressman Steny Hoyer (D-05) has announced the nomination of 48 Maryland High School students from the Fifth Congressional District to the United States Military Service Academies for classes entering in the Fall of 1998. Once Congressman Hoyer forwards the nominations to the Service Academies they evaluate each student's eligibility based on their academic and extracurricular record, leadership skills, physical stamina and other requirements. Chae Lim, an Eleanor Roosevelt High School graduate, received an appointment to West Point.

Johnson Wins First Place In School Science Fair

by Dennis Jelalian

This week Greenbelt Middle School held its annual Science Fair. Allen Johnson won the grand prize for his engineering project, "Traction: A Safety Issue." The first runner-up was Noah Desch, with his computer study of pond life over 10,000 years, "Predator & Prey." The second runner-up was Lindsey Dively, with her physics project, "What Affects how long a Wheel Spins?" Third runner-up was Sumiko Carter with her Behavioral Sciences project, "Dihydrogen Monoxide — Friend or Foe?"

These first four winners will go on to the county science fair to be held at Prince George's Community College this spring.

Luke Mihalovic was an alternate winner in biochemistry, with his project, "Yeast Eats Sugar Fastest at 100 F."

In the Botany category, Selina Gooding took first place; Anu Andrew took second. No third was awarded.

In computer science, Noah Desch and Thor Lucas tied for first place. No second or third were awarded.

In Biochemistry, Luke Mihalovic won first, and Kevin Archer won second. No third was awarded.

In Environmental Science, Jessica Batten took first, Henry Navarrette took second.

In Medicine and Health, the winners were Jusse Rawton, Tiffany Stokes, and Sean Walsh; first, second, and third.

In Zoology, Ian Redd won first, Marshall Smith won second. No third was awarded.

In Engineering, the winners were Allen Johnson, first; and Amy Milko, second.

In Earth and Space, Kevin Hogan and Joana Mantello tied for first. Michael Gerlich was second. Charles Cummings and Joseph Weaver tied for third.

In Microbiology, Susan Andrews was first. Janelle Aguerilla and Marcus Jackson tied for second. Kristi Gardener was third.

In Physics, Lindsay Dively took first; Maria Garcia, second; and Steven Wheeler, third.

In Behavioral Science, Sumiko Carter won first; Sheba Kahn, second; Shannon Fratanduono, third.

In Chemistry, Holly Spisak took first; Jonathan Gordon, second; and Paul Becker and Kristi Johnson tied for third.



Navy Airman Chris W. Reading, son of John B. Reading of Greenbelt, recently departed the Persian Gulf aboard the nuclear-powered aircraft carrier USS Nimitz, the lead ship of the USS Nimitz Battle Group. Reading is one of more than 5,000 sailors and marines aboard the carrier who participated in Operation Southern Watch enforcing the no-fly zone over southern Iraq. The Secretary of Defense ordered the battle group to the area in October in response to rising tensions there.

Benjamin Greenberg, a junior majoring in psychology at the University of Rochester, has been named to the Fall 1997 Dean's list for academic achievement. Greenberg is a resident of Greenbelt and a graduate of Walt Whitman High School in Bethesda.

Regina E. Nelson of Greenbelt spent January in Hawaii as part of St. Olaf College's international studies program.

Nelson, a mathematics major, is a senior at St. Olaf. She is the daughter of Dr. Alan and Dr. Peggy Nelson.

During "Education in a Cross-Cultural Perspective," Nelson learned about Asian-American and Polynesian cultures and educational systems through readings, guest lectures, workshops and field trips on the islands of Oahu, Maui and Hawaii. She also participated as a tutor in two Hawaiian cultural immersion programs.

Benjamin Skolnik was named to the Dean's list for the fall 1997 semester at Wheaton College in Norton, Mass. where he is a member of the class of 2001. He is the son of Steve and Lola Skolnik. To make the Dean's List, students must earn a grade point average of at least 3.25 for the semester.

Congratulations to V. Paul Zanecki who was recently appointed by Governor Parris Glendening to a committee to guide the state's efforts to restore approximately 60,000 acres of Maryland's lost wetlands.

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improving public safety, enhancing the green belt, improving ballfields, integrating Greenbelt west more fully into the city, enhancing youth services, dealing with changing demographics of the city, and enhancing technology and technical education, Davis reported.

Legislation

State and county legislative issues of interest to the city were discussed by council since the mid-term legislative dinner with state and county elected officials will be later this month. Discussed were funding for the firehouse, funding for the community center, and the possible creation of a zoning category that would allow no development.

Delegate Joan Pitkin asked for the city's support of bill PG402-98 and council gave it. It would authorize the county to establish an arts and entertainment district so that artists in the district would be eligible for tax incentives.

Council supported Senate Bill 202-98 which would give homeowner associations a better chance of getting their fees back when there is a foreclosure. Also, council will ask State Senator Leo Green to sponsor similar bills affecting condominium associations and cooperatives.

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Children's Programs

Snags Alive! Saturday, Feb. 21, 2 - 3 p.m. (ages 5 - 12), explores the role that snags, hollow trees and rotting logs play in the forest eco-system and the wildlife habitat they provide.

Owl Prowl, Saturday, Feb. 21, 7 - 8:30 p.m. (ages 8 and older with adult), teaches about the owls that make the refuge their home. The program includes a guided hike.

Hide-n-Seek, Thursday, Feb. 26, 10 - 11 a.m. (ages 5 - 12), showcases animals that have developed camouflage for protection from predators.

Adult Programs

Basics of Birding, Saturday, Feb. 21, 7:30 - 11:30 a.m. (ages 16 and older), is a lecture and walk focusing on bird identification, habitats and equipment. Participants should bring binoculars and field guides.

Hawk Walk, Saturday, Feb. 21, 9 - 11 a.m. (ages 16 and older), is an opportunity to search the skies for these birds of prey. Participants should bring binoculars and be prepared for several miles of walking.

Bluebird Workshop, Saturday, Feb. 28, 2 - 4 p.m. (ages 10 and older with adult), teaches how to help increase the bluebird population by providing a habitat. Participants will build a nest box to use on their property and be given training in monitoring it.

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PRELIMINARY AGENDA

GHI Board of Directors

Thursday, February 26, 1998

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Key Agenda Items:

GHI

- Tree Service Contract - Second Reading and Final Passage Action
- 7-D Ridge Road Repair Contract - First and Second Readings Action

Board meetings are open to members.

POLICE BLOTTER

Based on Information Released by the Greenbelt Police Department

Assaults

Eleanor Roosevelt High School, Feb. 6, a student was arrested for assaulting two teachers and possessing a pager. The student was not displaying his school identification as required and was asked to display it by a teacher. He refused to do so and the teacher took the card from the suspect's back pocket after observing the card there. The student requested the card back and when his request was denied, he grabbed the teacher and took it. Another teacher attempted to stop the youth and was struck in the chest by him. The student, an 18-year-old nonresident, was charged with assault and pos-

Disorderly Conduct

9100 block of Springhill Lane, Feb. 9 at 4:58 p.m. As officers were dispersing a large crowd, a woman began yelling and screaming curse words at the officers and people in the area. She was asked several times to cease her actions as it was causing a crowd to gather. When she refused to quiet down, an officer attempted to arrest her, but she broke away and attempted to run. She was apprehended a short distance away and arrested. The Greenbelt resident was charged with disorderly conduct and resisting arrest and transported to Central Processing in Hyattsville for presentation to a District Court Commissioner.

Drugs

6000 block of Springhill Drive, Feb. 7, 7:47 p.m. Officers responded to a citizen's complaint of the odor of burning marijuana from a residence. The officers knocked on the door of the apartment from which the odor seemed to be coming. A resident opened the door, and drug paraphernalia was observed on the living room coffee table by the officers. The resident, a 19-year-old male, was arrested and charged with possession of paraphernalia. He was released on criminal citation pending trial.

Fraud

TGI Friday's, Feb. 10, 10:39 p.m., a party of eight used three counterfeit one hundred dollar bills to pay for meals.

First National Bank of Maryland, Greenway Center, Feb. 6, a woman attempted to get a cash advance using a stolen credit card. She fled prior to the arrival of police.

6500 block of Greenway Center Drive, Feb. 6, several checks were stolen from an office and cashed by an employee. Investigation is continuing.

Thefts and Burglaries

8100 block of Springhill Court, Feb. 6, 1:18 p.m., an attempted burglary at a residence was reported. A bedroom window was broken out and the would-be robber fled when confronted by the victim. Nothing was taken and no one was injured. The perpetrator is described as an oriental male, 19 years of age, 5' 8", 160 pounds, with black hair and wearing a blue and yellow windbreaker.

7700 block of Hanover Parkway, Feb. 6, 8:12 p.m., a resi-

dential burglary with no sign of forced entry. A television, VCR, cordless phone, compact disks and crystal were taken. 6800 block of Hanover Parkway, 10:29 a.m., a residential burglary was reported. No sign of forced entry was found. Jewelry was taken.

7-11 in Roosevelt Center, Feb. 7, 9:49 p.m., a juvenile was arrested after she removed a person's coat from a display. The victim had placed his jacket on the display while he made his purchases. When he returned to retrieve his coat, it was gone. The girl, a 15-year-old resident, was located a short distance away and identified by the victim. She was charged with theft and released to her mother pending action by the Juvenile Justice System.

22 court of Ridge Road, Feb. 7, 11:07 p.m., a burglary was reported. A men's blue Schwinn ten-speed bicycle was stolen from a locked basement.

39 court of Ridge Road, Feb. 8, 1:33 a.m., an attempted burglary was reported. Two individuals attempted to turn the front door knob to gain entry. No description of the suspects is available.

Jeepers! Play Place in Beltway Plaza, Feb. 8, 9:02 p.m., a theft was reported. A woman with seven children ordered a party package for the children. The package included food and entertainment for all seven children. She and the children consumed the food and left without paying the bill.

Vehicle Thefts

A white 1986 Toyota Tercel two door, MD tag CNS 507, was reported stolen on Feb. 9.

The Metro Transit Police Department reported that a maroon 1992 Honda Accord four door, tag number unknown, was stolen from the Greenbelt Metro lot.

A white 1990 Mazda MX6 with MD tag MRO 048 was reported stolen from the 9000 block of Breezewood Terrace on Feb. 13.

Vandalisms to, thefts from, and attempted thefts from vehicles were reported in the following areas: 500 block of Crescent Road, 7900 block of Vanity Fair Drive, 9300 block of Edmonston Road, 22 court of Ridge Road, 5600 block of Greenbelt Metro Drive, 6000 block of Greenbelt Road, and 6200 block of Springhill Drive.

Beware Website "findcash.com"

"Every now and then people come up with different plans to make money. A recent one involves a website number and postcards asking people to send money for information about unclaimed funds," says Maryland State Comptroller Louis L. Goldstein.

A website called "findcash.com" charges people \$10 to learn details on unclaimed funds, with further information available on a chargeable "900" number.

The same information is available at no charge. People can check the most recently reported unclaimed funds listing for Maryland right on their own computer through the Comptroller's website, www.comp.state.md.us.

The comptroller noted that people in various areas of the state are receiving postcards, encouraging them to send a \$10 check "for instructions and your Unclaimed Money Collection Form." The postcards, which come from a Bohemia, New York firm called Unclaimed Assets, have appeared in Maryland.

Residents trying to find out if they are due any unclaimed money can call the State Comptroller's Unclaimed Property Section at 410-767-1700 from Central Maryland or 1-800-782-7383 from elsewhere.

Tuba Ensemble To Perform

The Tennessee Tech Tuba Ensemble will perform Sunday, Feb. 22, at 7 p.m. in Laurel Presbyterian Church, Sandy Spring Road, Laurel. Students from five states compose the ensemble, including Justin Henderson of Laurel, a four-time member of the Maryland All-State Band. For information about the concert, call 301-776-9226.

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Learn How to Care For a Hurting Back

Washington Adventist Hospital in Takoma Park will conduct a free back care seminar on Tuesday, February 24 at 7:30 p.m. Professionals will cover the anatomy of the back, causes of back pain, ways to prevent back injuries, and when to seek professional help. For more information, or to register, call 1-800-542-5096.

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session of a pager on school property. He was released to the Department of Corrections pending a release hearing.

Greenway Center, Feb. 6, 7:14 p.m. A woman told officers that she and her assailant were having an argument over his trying to use drugs while the woman's children were present. She slapped the man's hand to make him drop the drugs, and he became angry and punched her in the stomach. She was not injured during the incident.

7500 block of Hanover Parkway, Feb. 8, 11:56 p.m., officers responded to a report of an altercation that had just occurred. The two victims had gotten into an argument with a third man who exited his vehicle when one of the victims kicked his car. He then struck the first victim, causing him to fall to the ground and began kicking him. The second victim attempted to stop the suspect and was cut on the arm. The assailant fled the area in a dark two-door car, possibly a Honda. The victim who was knocked down required no medical treatment; however, the victim who had been cut was transported to Prince George's Hospital and received several

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CENTER MALL

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restored for that amount; Bradley-Papp noted that it would be adequate to restore the base, one of Roberts' main priorities.) In passing the budget for the current fiscal year, council allocated \$75,000 for the first phase of the renovation. This was expected to be adequate for the work approved.

The councilmembers differed widely in their opinions of the proposal for the area behind the statue. Councilmembers Edward Putens and Alan Turnbull were pleased with the new plan and expressed support for undertaking the full renovation, if funds could be found. Roberts continued to oppose any changes beyond fixing the problems in the mall area and bringing back some of the features of the 1937 layout. He approved of the changes Bradley-Papp had made in front of the statue, "what I don't like," he said, "is what's going on behind the statue." Moving the staircase is a waste of money, he added. Mayor Judith Davis liked the amphitheater idea (created by the terracing of the hillside behind the statue), thinking back to when the Labor Day Festival was held in the rear parking lot. White did not express an opinion on the staircase location.

The Problems and Proposal

While many of the proposed changes to be made this summer are aesthetic in nature, the work will also address several problems. First, and perhaps of most urgent concern, is the deterioration of the Bradford Pear trees. According to a Baltimore Sun article provided by Craze, the tree was developed by U.S. Department of Agriculture scientists at the nearby Glenn Dale Plant Introduction Center in the 1950s. It became very popular after its introduction in 1963. However, communities nationwide are finding that the trees do not age well. Instead, the pressure of the branches all joining at the same place on the trunk causes stresses that can pull the tree apart. Last spring a Laurel woman was seriously injured when a Bradford Pear fell in a sudden wind gust and crushed her.

Two of the Bradford Pears at Roosevelt Center have already split. The plan calls for removing the pears from the center and replacing them with London Plane trees, the same type planted along Centerway. Flowering trees are planned for an arc behind the

statue, if that phase of the project is eventually approved. Using London Planes will also address the concern of Center merchants that the pear trees hide their storefronts, making it difficult for newcomers to the Center to find them.

Bradley-Papp said that the London Planes will branch higher and thinner than the pear trees. The trees will also be pulled away from the main line of sight of those entering the Center, making storefronts more visible. Another advantage of the new landscaping plan, she noted, is that it will eliminate some of the dark corners created by the Bradford Pears, which should improve safety in the Center after dark.

At the request of Turnbull, City Solicitor Robert Manzi will investigate whether council could restore the marquee of the privately owned theater.

A hedge will be introduced near Centerway, enclosing a paved area with tables and chairs. Turnbull objected to having the furniture fastened to the pavement, but Bradley-Papp and his council colleagues were concerned about vandalism to, or theft or misuse of the furniture if it were not attached. Planted areas will be reintroduced to the center of the plaza with junipers or other rugged groundcover.

Retirees' Retreat

America is coming of age. A larger proportion of Americans are becoming senior citizens, retirees, elders in their communities, churches, synagogues and temple. What does it mean to those who have reached the age of seniority?

Retirement can be the opportunity to make a transition from a life focused upon acquisition and achievement to a new life of contributing to the well-being of the human community.

To help in redefining and reaffirming life and to assume a holistic — body, mind, and spirit — approach to life and health, Nancy Shaffer and Milton Clarke offer a three-day retreat called Stretching Beyond: A Revitalizing Retreat for Active, Creative Retirees (and those who want to be). The program will take place in New Windsor, MD, on May 5, 6 & 7. (See ad for information.)



GREENBELT AQUATIC & FITNESS CENTER 1998 WINTER SESSION

In-person registration, first-come, first-served basis. All classes have a limit on enrollment. Early registration improves your chances of getting the class you want!! All registrants must sign up at the Greenbelt Aquatic & Fitness Center for aquatic & fitness classes.

CLASS FEES: All class fees are noted in the course list. A 10% discount will be given to all senior citizens, 60 years old and over, for non-senior classes.

REFUNDS: The Greenbelt Aquatic & Fitness Center reserves the right to cancel classes due to insufficient registrants or causes beyond its control. Refunds will be made if classes are canceled by the Center. Other refunds will be made according to the provisions in the City of Greenbelt Resolution No. 65, which also requires that refund requests, for valid reasons, are to be submitted immediately in writing to the GAFC.

CITY RESIDENCY: Greenbelt residents are those who pay taxes to the City of Greenbelt AND are eligible to vote in City elections. That is as it should be, as our residents pay taxes to support the Recreation Centers and the Aquatic & Fitness Center in our community. However, just because someone has a Greenbelt address, does not necessarily mean they pay taxes to the City of Greenbelt and are able to vote in City elections. We want to be fair to the people whose tax money supports our programs. If you are not sure that you have a Greenbelt address, are able to vote in City elections, and pay City taxes, call 301-397-2204.

All registrants registering as a resident non-passholder must show proof of address to receive Greenbelt resident status. **Acceptable Proof: Valid license or current lease.**

MAINSTREAMING: Anyone who is physically, mentally, and/or emotionally challenged is encouraged to participate in any of the Aquatic & Fitness Center's programs. If you need any special assistance, please call 301-397-2208 or TTY 301-474-1811 and ask for Karen Haseley.

GAFC Class & Registration Dates

Spring Session: March 9, 1998 - May 2, 1998

Passholders & Residents register: Monday, February 23 & Tuesday, February 24

Non-Residents register: Wednesday, February 25 - Friday, February 27

Register in person at the GAFC between 6:00am and 10:00pm for all dates noted above.
Class rates do not include use of fitness wing or pool, before or after class times.

Activity	Day/Time	Pass Holders	Res-NonPass Holders	NonRes-NonPass Holders
Land Aerobics Classes (16 years+)				
Rise & Shine	M/W/F 6:30am-7:15am	\$60	\$65	\$70
Step I	M/W/F 6:30pm-7:15 pm	60	65	70
Step Circuit	T/TH 7:30pm-8:15 pm	45	50	55
Tighten & Tone	M/W/F 9:00am-9:45am	60	65	70
Tighten & Tone	T/TH 6:30pm-7:15pm	45	50	55
Water Aerobics Classes (16 years+)				
Aquacize	M/W/F 8:00am-8:45 am	\$60	\$65	\$70
Aquacize	M/W/F 10:15am-10:45am	60	65	70
Aquacize	M/W 7:00pm-7:45pm	45	50	55
Aquacize	T/TH 6:00pm-6:45 pm	45	50	55
Aquacize(drop-in)	F 6:00pm-6:45pm	2	5	5
Arthritis Aquatics	M/W/F 2:00pm-2:45pm	60	65	70
Deep Water Aerobics	M/W 7:00pm-7:45pm	45	50	55
Deep Water Aerobics	T/TH 6:00pm-6:45pm	45	50	55
Deep Water Arthritis	M/W/F 3:00pm-3:45pm	60	65	70
Seniorcize	T/TH 10:00am-10:45am	41	45	50
Water Interval Training	M/W 6:00pm-6:45pm	45	50	55
Water Walking	T/TH 8:00pm-8:45pm	45	50	55
Adult Swim Classes (16 years+)				
Adult Beginner	TH 7:00pm-7:30pm	\$30	\$35	\$40
Adult Adv. Beginner	TH 7:30pm-8:00pm	30	35	40
Lap Swimming & Stroke Improvement	TU 7:00pm-7:45pm	35	40	45
Children's Swim Lessons (6 mo.+)				
Water Babies	SAT 11:15am-11:45am	\$30	\$35	\$40
Aqua Tots I	SAT 10:30am-11:00am	30	35	40
Aqua Tots II	SAT 9:45am-10:15am	30	35	40
Beginner for 4's	SAT 9:00am-9:30am	30	35	40
Beginner I	SAT 9:00am-9:30am	30	35	40
	SAT 9:45am-10:15am	30	35	40
	SAT 10:30am-11:00am	30	35	40
	SAT 11:15am-11:45am	30	35	40
Beginner II	SAT 9:00am-9:30am	30	35	40
	SAT 9:45am-10:15am	30	35	40
	SAT 10:30am-11:00am	30	35	40
	SAT 11:15am-11:45am	30	35	40
Advanced Beginner	SAT 9:00am-9:30am	30	35	40
	SAT 10:30am-11:00am	30	35	40
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Brownie Girl Scouts show their spirit.

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Brownie Scouts Hold Investiture Ceremony

On Saturday, December 20, Brownie Girl Scout Troops 5004 and 2302 gathered at Springhill Lake Elementary School to hold their investiture ceremony. An investiture is a ceremony to welcome new girls into Girl Scouting.

The ceremony was conducted by Brownie Leaders Tammy Lowry and Maria Clement from Troop 5004, Levonne Stewart from Troop 2302, and their Brownies. Parents, relatives and friends, as well as Service Unit Manager Denise Troeschel and Assistant Service Unit Manager Debbie DiCamillo, were among the guests attending the ceremony.

Troop 5004 presented the opening flag ceremony, which was followed by a graphic presentation of "The Girl Scout

Meaning," and "The Brownie Smile Song." Troop 2302 performed their version of "He's Got the Whole World in His Hands" followed by a joint effort from both Troops of "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer." All first-year Brownies received the Brownie Girl Scout pin and Trefoil Association pin during the ceremony.

Second-year Brownies Jessica Shifflett and Ellen Hoffner of Troop 5004 also participated in the ceremony and saluted the new Brownies with the Girl Scout Handshake. Troop 5004's first-year Brownies are Amadea Clement, Jasmine Clement, Ashley Harrod, Keyonia Holland, Breeanna Holmes, Tai Lowry and Nirvana Sookdeo. Troop 2302's Brownies are Ashley Brown,

Laquetta Cotton, Amber Ferguson, Jebbeh Givens, Shaneah Griggs, Maria Hardman, Kristin Myers and Sarah Tuong.



Troop #5004's (left to right) Jessica Shifflett, Breeanna Holmes, Tai Lowry, and Amadea Clement.

A Review Pictures of Cooks Served up at Gallery

by Dennis Jelalian

What is it that makes any of us what we are? Take the word: cook. It probably conjures up a picture of a chef dressed in white, and possibly wearing a white chef's hat. But there is more to each of us than can be conveyed by a simple name or label as the new exhibit in the Gallery at the Library amply demonstrates.

It is a small exhibit. There are only 14 black and white photographs. They are all of cooks. Some famous, some obscure. None of them are simply "cooks." They are all active, interesting people who have a great many other interests besides preparing food. The portraits will be featured in "Maryland Cooks," a book about Marylanders and their food by Tony Glaros of the Laurel Leader.

The exhibit is thought provoking because it makes us question what it means to label someone or something. It runs through February

The photography by David Hills is first rate.

The Gallery, in the Greenbelt Library is open Monday through Saturday from 2 - 5 p.m., and Monday through Wednesday from 6:30 - 9 p.m.

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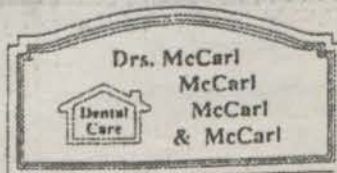


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