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Beat The Rush

Please give us your copy on Mondays or at least by noon on Tuesdays. We are trying not to get swamped Tuesday nights.

Metro Site Access Plans Provoke Second Thoughts

by Virginia Beauchamp

In a process as complex as the planning for development at the Greenbelt Metro site, no one should be surprised that from time to time the persons involved could have second thoughts. The situation necessarily evolves as expert consultants provide specific new information and as political imperatives and private initiatives get thrown into the mix.

Years ago, when the first planning was underway for termination of the green line at the Beltway, the Greenbelt City Council lobbied strongly for a full interchange to bring people into the station. Council was then disappointed when the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) settled instead for access only for east-bound Beltway traffic into the site.

Now the situation is reversed: In its final action before the city election, council opposed the full interchange that WMATA now wants and by letter so informed officials at the State Highway Administration.

Over the shorter period of the Sectional Map Amendment process, other kinds of second thoughts also occurred. These spilled out at the October 20 meeting of the Sector Planning Group, especially as participants confronted the probable traffic impacts on nearby neighborhoods of various levels of density of

development as the proposed Metroland site evolves.

Instead of the structured step-by-step movement through a series of agenda items, discussion at the meeting fragmented into several overlapping talk centers as participants' anxieties were aired. As a result, the general consensus sought at these planning sessions failed to develop.

Only one more meeting in the series involving representatives of local municipalities and interested citizens will now take place before the final document is forwarded to the county council. This will occur at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, November 17, in Davis Hall, 9217 51st Avenue in the Branchville section of College Park. In preparation for that meeting, the staff of the Community Planning Division of the Prince George's Planning Department has forwarded to participants a revision of four chapters of the draft planning document.

Of these, the most problematic is the section dealing with transportation. As the October meeting demonstrated, participants expressed the greatest discomfort with the concept of augmenting ridership for the Metro system by inviting still more auto transportation into the site, as the developers' plans imply. They were also concerned by the potential impact on the sensitive wetlands of major road systems into the project.

(See METRO SITE, page 11)

More Droughts Are Likely So Plan Before Planting

by Betsy Likowski

The drought we had this summer has changed my view of what to plant, said City Horticulturist Bill Phelan in a recent interview. He thinks our area will periodically experience severe droughts and that people should plant their gardens with this thought in mind.

A lot of trees were lost this year around the city. These mostly were not trees planted by the city. The city planted trees that were lost, he said, but they were mostly new trees planted in the late spring. The trees that were lost already had problems. He likens it to Mother Nature thinning out the herd. He explained that it is generally accepted that not just one factor kills off a mature tree, rather several things combined are responsible for its death.

Phelan cited several examples of well known landscaping trees that are affected by dry weather. He cautioned against planting a dogwood unless the gardener is willing to water it on a regular basis during a drought. Golden chain trees are also drought sensitive. Crape myrtle, however, is drought tolerant and was one of the plants used in the original

landscape plans of Greenbelt.

White pine trees are not drought tolerant. Several of them died in Schrom Hills Park despite the fact that they were well established plants that were part of the original park plantings. Phelan thinks loblolly pine is the better choice for a pine tree in this area. Another tree to be careful in planting is the tulip tree. Plant them only in a floodplain, he advises.

City Plantings

In coping with the drought, "we barely squeaked by with the landscaping," said Phelan. He ordered two feeding needles that allow the horticulture crew to inject water under tree roots. Hand watering just was not working, he said. No matter how long the city worker stood and watered it just was not getting down into the soil well enough to help the plant.

Phelan had to pick and choose what landscaping plants to water. He stopped watering the annual flowers. The permanent plantings that were newly planted were watered. He reasoned that the permanent plantings that were established should be able to survive on their own without watering. Although few plants were lost, the city did lose some azaleas.

What Goes On

Mon., Nov. 15, 7:30 p.m. Senior Citizens Advisory Committee, Community Center

Tue., Nov. 16, 7:30 p.m. Youth Advisory Committee, Youth Center

7:30 p.m. GATE Meeting, Community Center

Wed., Nov. 17, 7 p.m. Advisory Planning Board, Community Center

7 p.m. Metro Sector Planning Meeting, Davis Hall, 51st Street, College Park

8 p.m. PRAB meeting on playground standards and equipment, Community Center

Thurs., Nov. 18, 7:30 p.m. GHI Board of Directors meeting, Board Room.

New Deal Cafe Nears Roosevelt Mall Goal

by Mimi Noorani

As the weather turns cooler, enthusiasm is heating up at the New Deal Cafe. What was once a collectibles store on Roosevelt Mall is being transformed with hammer and nails, spackle, dry-wall, and fresh paint. Soon the New Deal Cafe hopes to debut its new space — a warm place for coffee and good food.

"We are determined that there will be a cafe on Roosevelt Mall," said New Deal Board President Pat Brent. "This is what the community has wanted for three years and I am delighted it is finally happening."

So far the cafe has raised \$10,000 of its \$25,000 goal. To speed up fundraising a letter is being distributed to several hundred homes in Greenbelt. "We are off to a great start and appreciate the generous donations we have received so far," said Brent.

(See NEW DEAL, page 7)

State Police Need Info on Accident

The Maryland State Police are currently investigating a fatal motor vehicle collision involving a pedestrian, which occurred on October 26 at approximately 7:11 p.m. The accident took place on north-bound I-95 in Greenbelt. The victim has been identified but her name has not been released as notification to next-of-kin has thus far been unsuccessful.

The police are searching for anyone who may have information about the accident, observed a pedestrian exiting a vehicle or walking on the roadway prior to the accident or who has reason to believe they may be related to the victim.

Please contact Maryland State Police Trooper Todd P. Hill at 301-345-3101.

Newly Elected City Council Names Important Issues

by Barbara Young

An air of collegiality spiked with a determination to make progress on important issues characterized the atmosphere during the first meeting of the new Greenbelt City Council the evening of November 8. The "charter" or organizational meeting was delayed briefly pending arrival of an interpreter for the hearing impaired, who was held up in traffic.

After certification of election results by City Clerk David Moran, an audience of about 50, including former candidates Kelby Brick and Bob Auerbach, watched the swearing-in of councilmembers Judith Davis, Alan Turnbull, Rodney Roberts, Thomas White, and Edward Putens, all incumbents, for additional two-year terms. Wendy Turnbull and 18-month-old daughter Barbara were in a front row, Barbara clapping when the rest of the audience clapped.

Following tradition, the highest vote-getter was chosen mayor, and Judith "J" Davis, who received 1,423 votes, the highest number cast, assumed the mayoral office for a second time. She was sworn in by Vivian Jenkins, Clerk of the Circuit Court of Prince George's County.

Again following tradition, the second highest vote-getter, Alan Turnbull, was chosen mayor pro tem.

In brief remarks, Mayor Davis expressed appreciation to all and cited upcoming challenges for the council posed by Metroland, "what to do with Buddy Attick Park," traffic calming, playgrounds, and Historic District matters among

others. She said of all the issues, the proposed Metroland development was most important.

The mayor stressed the council's positive achievements over the last two years and noted the new Community Center, a police department "up to full force," skilled city staff, partial renovation of the Mother and Child statue, excellent programs of various city departments, the work of code enforcement, and extensive beautiful landscaping throughout the city. She also introduced State Senator Leo Green, who was in the audience.

Mayor pro tem Turnbull expressed appreciation to all and thanked the city staff for running such a competent election. Councilmember Rodney Roberts, stating his appreciation, stressed how much he was looking forward to working with everyone. After expressing his appreciations, Councilmember Thomas White noted that this was his 14th term on the council. He stressed the importance of council keeping the concerns of challengers Kelby Brick and Bob Auerbach in mind during its future work. White also said that with respect to allocation of resources to all parts of the city, he was "going to take that from this campaign as an area to focus on," adding, "Whether perceived or real, I think the council has to address that." Councilmember Putens joined in the expressions of appreciation for support.

After the meeting was adjourned, many in the audience left for a celebration at Greenbriar.



ERHS students test the Academy Program. Front row (L to R) Ti-Aire Jackson, Christine Reese, and Lauren Nelson-Smith. Back row (L to R) Marquita Brisco and Melissa Cooper.

- photo by Mary Moien

ERHS Academy Programs Combine Classes and Work

by Mary Moien

The year 2001 will bring more than a "space odyssey" to Greenbelt. It will bring the first Eleanor Roosevelt High School (ERHS) class that will graduate under the Academy Programs. In fact ERHS is billing the Academy Programs as "for the Class of 2001 and beyond." Laura Grace, who grew up in Greenbelt, is director of Academy Programs.

The Academy Programs represent five broad areas of study and

are designed to combine school-based learning in the form of classes with work place learning in the form of internships. These activities will allow high school students to have more opportunity to investigate career interests before they enter college. The five broad areas of concentration include: arts and communication; business and computer information management; law, global affairs and public service;

(See ERHS, page 7)

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 should be signed and the letter writer's name, address and telephone number should be typed or clearly printed.

Thanks

Thank you to the voters who have trusted me with a second term on the council and to the supporters who made my campaign possible. Thanks also to the Board of Elections, the judges, and the City Clerk David Moran for (as always) ensuring a smooth and trustworthy voting process. And Bob Auerbach and Kelby Brick deserve Greenbelt's thanks as well for enhancing the council race through their participation and discussion of important issues.

Alan Turnbull

Thanks and...

We would like to thank all of our friends in Greenbelt, and especially our neighbors in the 69 Court of Ridge for your support, love, and prayers at the death of our mother in September, and the death of Kitty in June. It is a blessing to live in such a caring community. Your friendships mean so much.

Missy Dodd
Dee Sand

P.S. For the person who dug up and removed a small evergreen tree and some potted mums from my yard — if you really needed them, all you had to do was ask!

Correction

The News Review incorrectly reported that Rapp Contracting was the low bidder on the Lakewood subdivision storm drainage project.

Although Rapp became the contractor on the project, Dewey-East Excavating Company, Inc. was the low bidder.

Getting Greater!

Greenbelters often say, "Greenbelt is great," but I have to say, "Greenbelt is getting greater." I am so pleased with the renovated Center. The new chairs and tables make it an attractive place to sit, eat, visit or listen to music. If you missed the outdoor concerts sponsored by the New Deal Café in the center this summer, you missed a wonderful addition to our community life.

And now, to add to our riches, we have the New Deal Café moving to the Center! This is a dream come true. For years I have fantasized about an outdoor café in that very location. Actually, the New Deal Café surpasses my dreams, because I never imagined that we would have a live music venue in our midst as well. Thank you to the many volunteers of the New Deal for making my dreams come true.

However, there is still a lot of work to be done to make this dream a reality. Greenbelters, if you too want a place to listen to live music, get dessert and coffee after a movie at the best movie theater in the area, or just visit with friends, get involved. There is a long list of needs, starting with money, donations of chairs, tables, comfortable furniture, publicity, hands-on renovation work, etc. Experience the thrill of making dreams come true.

Lola Skolnik

Thanks

Thank you and the many others on the News Review staff who were so courteous, fair and helpful during the council campaign. Also I appreciate all of the kind help of City Manager Michael McLaughlin, City Clerk David Moran and of the city staff. Heartfelt thanks to my many volunteer workers and contributors as well as the voters who looked with favor upon me on November 2.

As a candidate I learned much about local politics and campaigning. This despite the fact I majored in political science in college, have been active in Greenbelt over 37 years and organized my daughter's campaign when she ran for council in 1993.

The best way to learn about practical politics, as many of us know, is to run for office. Running means putting in long hours of hard work. Also it means spending at least a little money and if one is elected it means even more work and practically no pay. The rewards are the experience and feeling of having contributed to the civic life of the community.

Bob S. Auerbach

Back Home

I'm back home at 16-J Ridge. Come on by and see me. Thank you to all who came to my 40th celebration. All my love to everyone who worked so hard to make it the best ever. I'll never forget your generosity and love. I love you back the same.

Steve "Kiko" Gingell.

Thanks

The members of St. Hugh's Council of Knights of Columbus appreciate the generous contributions of the citizens of Greenbelt during our recent Tootsie Roll drive for the mentally handicapped. Our thanks also to Greenbelt Co-op, K-Mart and Safeway for allowing us to collect funds at their stores.

Mike Rousseau, Chairman
Joe Ritondo, Co-Chairman

Thanks

I wish to thank all my wonderful friends in Greenbelt for the many cards and expressions of sympathy that I received.

Mishkan Torah Synagogue, where the funeral service was conducted, was filled with dear friends and family.

Thank you all for giving Raymond R. Haber a fond farewell!

Greenbelt is truly great!
Rose F. Haber

Habitat for Humanity Needs Volunteer

Habitat for Humanity, an organization that builds housing for low income families, is seeking a volunteer office assistant to work a few hours per week. For more information, call Barbara Glancy at 301-779-1912.

The Old Curmudgeon



"Damn Virus."

50% — Let's Meet The Challenge

On behalf of the City's Recycling and Environment Advisory Committee, I'd like to thank Greenbelt for endorsing the goal of the city recycling 50% of its waste by 2004. Currently our city recycles 37% of its waste — good compared to the rest of Prince George's County but the same as what's recycled in Montgomery County. And Montgomery County has recently kicked off an effort to increase its recycling to 50%. Certainly Greenbelt, with its proud environmental tradition and long history of recycling, can match the efforts of our neighbors.

To this end we're letting Greenbelters know what can be recycled — things like mixed paper, newspapers, magazines, junk mail, phone books, bottles, and cans — and making sure everyone has the chance to recycle. We're working on a latex paint exchange that would reuse those half filled cans of paint. In addition we are continuing the pilot

program the committee started to recycle used motor oil at the city's Recycling Center at Buddy Attick Park. And we're looking for ideas about what else Greenbelt could be recycling. So let us know what you think and let's all pitch in; together we can recycle 50% of our waste by 2004.

Steve Perez

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- ★ *Democratic Club* ★
- ★ *Will meet on* ★
- ★ **Fri. Nov. 19, 8:00 p.m.** ★
- ★ **Speaker Dan Puma,** ★
- ★ *assessor manager* ★
- ★ **Prince George's County** ★
- ★ **State Dept. of Assessments** ★
- ★ *and Taxation* ★
- ★ **Greenbriar Terrace** ★
- ★ **Room** ★
- ★ **Info. 301-474-6668** ★
- ★ *Social Hour Follows* ★
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8:00

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8:00

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LEAF VACUUM SCHEDULE

- NOVEMBER 1-5 LAKESIDE
- NOVEMBER 8-12 BOXWOOD
- NOVEMBER 15-19 WOODLAND HILLS
- NOVEMBER 22-24 LAKEWOOD
- NOVEMBER 29-DECEMBER 3 LAKESIDE
- DECEMBER 6-10 WOODLAND HILLS
- DECEMBER 13-17 LAKEWOOD
- DECEMBER 20-23 BOXWOOD
- DECEMBER 27-30 LAKESIDE

Residents in these areas are reminded to please rake their leaves to the curb, but NOT INTO THE STREET. Also please help us keep the vacuum in working order by keeping stones, twigs and other debris away from the leaves.

Residents of GHI are reminded that all leaves MUST BE BAGGED and left on the service side. For GHI pick-up call 301-474-8004.

Photo Club Will Shoot the Lake

Photographers at all levels are welcome to join the Greenbelt Photo Club for a field shoot at Greenbelt Lake, Saturday, November 13, at 10 a.m. Interested photographers will meet in the parking lot at the Buddy Attick Park entrance to the lake. The resulting photos will be reviewed at the next club meeting on December 14. For more information about the Greenbelt Photo Club call 301-779-6576.

Charity Auction At Greenbriar

Greenbriar will hold an auction on November 20 in the Terrace Room at Greenbriar. The proceeds from this auction will benefit United Cerebral Palsy of Prince George's and Montgomery Counties. Individuals wishing to donate should contact Tina at 301-441-1096. Clothing or large furniture items cannot be accepted.

GHI Notes

The Nomination & Elections and the Audit Committees will meet November 16 at 7 p.m. in the Board Room. The Member & Community Relations Committee will meet in the GHI Library at 7:30 p.m. on November 16. The next regular scheduled Board of Directors meeting is November 18 at 7:30 p.m. in the Board Room. Members are encouraged to attend.

At the Library

Children's Programs

Tuesday, November 16, 7 p.m., P.J. Storytime, ages 4 - 6.

Thursday, November 18, 10:15 a.m., Drop-in Story Time, ages 3 - 5.

11:15 a.m., Toddler Time, two-year-olds and parent or caregiver.

Adult Programs

Saturday, November 13, 2 p.m., Meet the Author program, at the library. Reading and book signing by Greenbelter Dorothy Sucher, author of "The Invisible Garden."

Wednesday, November 17, 2 p.m., Adult Book Discussion of Armistead Maupin's "Tales of the City" and "More Tales of the City."

On exhibit for November is "America Recycles," sponsored by the county's Department of Environmental Resources.

Playground Safety Discussed at Meeting

The Park and Recreation Advisory Board will discuss recent trends in playground safety standards and equipment design at its meeting on Wednesday, November 17 at 8 p.m. in the multi-purpose room of the Community Center, 15 Crescent Road. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss how playgrounds in the city measure up, including provisions for playground safety surfaces and Americans with Disabilities Act accessibility requirements. The public is welcome and written comments are accepted. Forward comments to the Greenbelt Recreation Department, 25 Crescent Road, Greenbelt, MD 20770. For additional information call the Recreation Department business office at 301-397-2200 weekdays, between 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Community Events

Donation Drop-Off

The November Donation Drop-Off, cosponsored with the American Rescue Workers, will be held this Saturday, November 13, behind the Municipal Building from 9 a.m. until noon. Bring clean, usable clothing, small household items, curtains, towels, bedding, sheets, toys, puzzles and books. Donations will be reused by needy people in Prince George's County and are tax-deductible. Remember - Donation Drop-Off is the second Saturday of every month.

LaLeche League Meets November 16

The LaLeche League of Greenbelt will meet on Tuesday, November 16, at 10 a.m., at Holy Cross Lutheran Church, 6905 Greenbelt Road. The topic of the meeting is "The Benefits of Human Milk." Pregnant and breastfeeding mothers are invited to attend. Babies are welcome. For more information, please call Heather at 301-345-1859 or Mary at 301-345-4589.

Dems Hear Speaker On Property Taxes

Property appraisals? Property tax rates? Property tax assessments? What do they have to do with property tax bills? Dan Puma, assessor manager at the Prince George's County State Department of Assessment and Taxation, will provide answers to these and other questions when he speaks before the Eleanor and Franklin D. Roosevelt Democratic Club on Friday, November 19 at 8 p.m. The meeting will take place in the Terrace Room at the Greenbriar Community Room, located at Greenbelt Road and Hanover Parkway.

The public is welcome. A social hour follows. For more information call 301-474-6668.

Recreation Review

Registration for the spring sessions of the GOAL aftercare program will begin on November 15 at 9 a.m. in the Recreation Department Business Office. If there are questions regarding GOAL, call the Youth Center at 301-397-2200.

The Recreation Department congratulates the Thursday night co-ed softball league champs, Miller's Services. Thanks to all league players for a great season!

Explore Ethics In Medicine

On Friday, November 19, Explorations Unlimited presents a talk on "Ethics in Medicine." The presenter will be Seymour "Sy" Sokatch, who is currently the vice president for human resources at Holy Cross Hospital. His background includes more than 25 years' experience in the human resources field, serving in various human resource management areas.

"Explorations Unlimited" is a speaker series held every Friday at the Community Center. This presentation will be held in the senior classroom from 1:30-2:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend and questions are always encouraged. Please call 301-397-2208.

"Don't Drink Water" At Eleanor Roosevelt

The Eleanor Roosevelt Drama Department is presenting Woody Allen's "Don't Drink the Water" on November 18 - 20 at 7:30 p.m. The play will feature Greenbelters Joe Pugliese, Jesse Goldberg-Strassler, and Kurt Nelson. Tickets are available at the door.

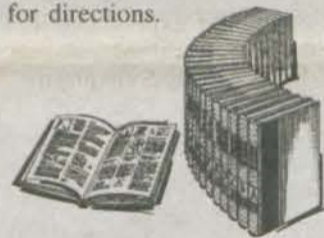
Gray Panthers Meet

Greenbelt Gray Panthers will meet on Saturday, November 20, at 1:30 p.m. at the Greenbelt Police Station. Along with lively discussion and refreshments, John Brunner of the Maryland Recyclers Coalition will speak on local environmental initiatives.

The Gray Panthers is an organization designed to seek progressive solutions for various issues, including health care, education, and environmental issues. For more information call 301-474-4668.

Mishkan Torah Has Book Fair

Indulge a love of reading at the Book Fair at Mishkan Torah Synagogue, 10 Ridge Road, on Sunday, November 14. The Book Fair, open to the public from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., will feature popular and award-winning books for children and adults. Call 301-474-4223 for more information or for directions.



Golden Age Club

by Ruth Huggins

At the November 3 meeting the Nominating Committee Chair, Florence Holley, presented the following slate: President-Bill Souser, Vice President-Nick Pergola, Treasurer-Robert Terrell, Recording Secretary-Ruth Huggins. Additional nominations may be made from the floor. The officers are elected annually at the first meeting in December, and installed at the first meeting in January. Their terms will begin the second meeting in January.

Nick Pergola, Joe Wilkinson and Norma Lou Van Allen volunteered to serve on the Auditing Committee. Ellie Rimar welcomed new member Van Allen and noted she had already volunteered to serve on a committee.

John Taylor, travel chair, announced the November 16 Richmond trip was filled; it will leave at 7:30 a.m. and return at 6 p.m. For the December 14 trip, "Miracles of Christmas," members must sign up and pay by November 22. Meals are not included. Non-members are eligible to sign up before November 22. Call Taylor if interested.

The November 10 meeting topic was cellular phones. The November 17 meeting is the Thanksgiving/Birthday meeting. The 50/50 drawing was won by Rose Haber and Charles Nash.

President Souser presented Golden Ager Harold Miller with a Certificate of Appreciation from the club.

Greenbriar's Food Drive Ends Soon

Greenbriar and Glen Oaks residents are asked to lend a helping hand again this year by donating non-perishable food items to the less fortunate. Greenbriar's annual food drive will end on November 19, in time for the food to be delivered to needy residents throughout Prince George's County. Anyone who knows a family needing a basket of food, please call Tina at 301-441-1096 and leave their name and address. Donations should be brought to the Greenbriar Community Building. Cash donations and checks will also be accepted. For more information call Tina at the Activities Office.

Y2K Ready or Not - A Few Days to Go

With less than 45 days to go, everyone needs to get ready for Y2K.

The Greenbelt Y2K Community Preparedness Group will show a video on practical steps to take for individual and family preparedness. Topics will include food and water, storage, heating, health, safety, money and more. A discussion will follow.

Join fellow Greenbelters at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 18 in the dining hall at the Community Center. Call 301-441-3809 for more information.

Free Computer Class

Buying a personal computer could be a daunting experience. There are many different brands of computers with a wide range of prices. Mary Camp will present a class to help people decide which computer is right for them. The class will be held on Tuesday, November 16, in the Greenbelt library meeting room, from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. The class is sponsored by the Greenbelt Internet Access Cooperative. For more information call Gilbert Lee at 301-345-8135.

Arts Advisory Board Meeting

The Greenbelt Arts Advisory Board will hold a general meeting on Thursday, November 18, at 7:30 p.m. in the Community Center. Agenda items include the Community Center Artist in Residence program, the Community Center darkroom and the Board's proposed by-law changes, the city arts policy report, and the "Chart the Arts" initiative. Members of the public are invited to attend and participate in discussion.

Writers Group To Meet Friday

The Greenbelt Writers Group will hold an open reading and group discussion on Friday, November 19 at 7:30 p.m. in the Community Center. Readings are open to the public. All are welcome to read but reading is not required.



The Greenbelt Writers Group supports local writers in their endeavors as playwrights, poets, novelists and memoirists. For more information call Marsha Barrett at 301-982-0365.

Dorothy Sucher, co-founder of the Greenbelt Writers Group has published a collection of essays about gardens and life called "The Invisible Garden." Sucher will read from her new book at the Greenbelt library on Saturday, November 13 at 2 p.m.

Greenbelt Elementary Hosts MSPAP Night

Greenbelt Elementary School will host a MSPAP (Maryland School Performance Assessment Program) Family Night on Nov. 16, from 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. Parents and students will get a chance to practice and learn strategies to use when taking this all-important state test. Third and fifth grade students take the MSPAP every year and are encouraged to come. But the second, fourth, and sixth grade students are also welcome since they will be taking this test in following years and would benefit from this opportunity. For more information call the school office at 301-513-5911 between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m.

CITY OF GREENBELT
THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY SERVICE
SCHEDULE

CITY OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 25, 1999 &
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 1999

Refuse/Recycling routes will be picked up as follows:
Thursday Pickup will be collected on Wednesday.
There will be no Recycling Pickup on Thursday.
There will be NO FRIDAY yard debris or appliance pickups.

The GREENBELT CONNECTION will not run
on Thursday and Friday but will resume
service on Sunday.

For more information call the Department of Public Works at 301-474-8000, the Greenbelt Connection at 301-474-4100 or visit Greenbelt CityLink at <http://www.ci.greenbelt.md.us>

Dr. Green to Speak At Mishkan Torah

Dr. Arthur Green, a scholar, author and lecturer, will speak Sunday, November 21, 7:30



p.m., at Mishkan Torah, for the Tenth Annual Diane Kritter Memorial Lecture. His topic will be "A Jewish Language for the New Century."

Dr. Green is now the Philip W. Lown Professor of Jewish Thought at Brandeis University. He is both a historian of Jewish religion and a theologian. Educated at Brandeis and at the Jewish Theological Seminary of America, he has taught Jewish mysticism, Hasidism, and theol-

King Day Parade Needs Participants

Greenbelt organizations interested in participating in Prince George's County's largest parade to celebrate Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Day may pick up an application at the city offices or the police department. This sixth annual parade, conducted by Global Development Services for Youth, Inc., will begin at 11 a.m. on January 17 at the intersection of Martin Luther King Highway and Sheriff Road and will end at Glenarden Parkway, taking about an hour. The theme is "Remember, Celebrate and Act." A Harambee (celebration) is planned following the parade with food, exhibits and entertainment in celebration of the life of Dr. King.

The Greenbelt Police Department

ogy at the University of Pennsylvania and the Reconstructionist Rabbinical College, where he has served as both dean and president.

The community is invited. For information, call 301-474-4223.

ment, and other county and municipal police departments, are inviting representatives of their respective jurisdictions to join them in the parade. The police hope for participation from such groups as the business community, clergy, homeowners associations, neighborhood watch groups, senior citizen groups, and civic groups such as Lions, Rotary, Girl and Boy Scouts, American Legion, and 4-H.

Applications are due by December 1. For more information, call 301-336-2906 ext. 3.

Talk Will Explore The Spiritual Path

As part of a continuing series exploring a spiritual path, a discussion on "Spiritual Life and Psychology, an Evolving Alliance" will be held at the Greenbelt Community Center Saturday, Nov. 20 at 10 a.m., sponsored by the CAFH Foundation. Details at www.cafh.org or 301-486-4595.

Volunteers Needed

The UKIMWI Orphans Assistance, whose mission is to provide orphans and children in need with the basic necessities of life for normal growth and development, is seeking volunteers to work from home on grants and proposal writing. For more information, call Martha or John at 202-723-7003.

MASS SCHEDULE:

Sunday 8, 9:30, 11 a.m., 12:30 p.m.

Saturday 5 p.m.

Daily Mass: As announced

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 3:45-4:45 p.m.

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by Barbara Wells and

Jaco B. ten Hove, Co-ministers



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10 am Education for all ages

11 am Sung Service



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Registration Starts For Winter Sports

by Coach Doug Mangum

The Greenbelt Boys & Girls Club is registering participants for the winter sports season, that is, basketball and cheerleading. The times, dates and locations for new member registration are listed in an ad elsewhere in this paper. Current members may call Mel Scites at 301-441-8689 to arrange for dues payments.

New members must bring with them a photo for an ID card and a copy of their birth certificate. Both parent and youth must be present to sign the registration card. Also, proof of address is required. Anyone with further questions may call the registrar, Mel Scites, at 301-441-8689.

Intramural basketball practice for kids born in 1990, 1991, 1992 and 1993 will begin Saturday, Nov. 20 at the Youth Center. Youths must be fully registered to participate.

Look Out for Flood Damaged Cars

Attorney General J. Joseph Curran, Jr., warns Marylanders shopping for a used car to beware of vehicles that may have been damaged by floods in North Carolina and then shipped north. After massive flooding caused by Hurricane Floyd in September, many cars in North Carolina were declared totaled by insurance companies but the cars may end up in other states, where unsuspecting buyers have no way of knowing the car's flood history.

"The danger to consumers is more than a bad smell in the carpet," said Attorney General Curran. "Your life could be endangered by damage to the car's electrical system, anti-lock brakes or airbag. Air bags might deploy when they shouldn't or not deploy when they should."

Car dealers have recently been reminded by the Motor Vehicle Administration that under Maryland law they are required to disclose water damage in vehicles. Curran says consumers considering buying a used vehicle should ask the dealer or seller about the history of the car. If the title has changed states, or has had two recent title changes in a matter of months, that can be a red flag. "Ask the dealer or seller to put in writing where they acquired the car and what they know of its history."

Take the car to a mechanic for an evaluation, as is always recommended when buying any used car. Ask the mechanic to check for possible flood damage. Things a purchaser can look for include: unusual smells inside the car including a mildew smell or a heavy deodorizer; a "water line" in upholstery or door panels. This could also be found in high parts of the engine compartment or high areas of the trunk; mud stains anywhere other than floor mats, or mud in the suspension area or exhaust system; or electrical problems like a power window that only works part of the time or after coaxing the switch.

Consumers who have problems with used cars they have purchased can call the Attorney General's Consumer Protection Division Mediation Unit at 410-528-8662.

NARFE Hears Hoyer Plead Pension Equity

by Joseph Sullivan

Congressman Steny Hoyer at a recent luncheon assured members of the National Association of Retired Federal Employees (NARFE) that he will continue to support congressional legislation treating federal retirees and other retirees equitably. He was addressing NARFE Chapter 1122, whose members reside largely in Greenbelt, Beltsville, and College Park.

Hoyer is co-sponsor of H.R. 1217, which NARFE supports, that would amend the Social Security Government Pension Offset law. That law reduces Social Security spousal benefits by two-thirds of the amount of the government annuity or pension the spouse receives from a job not covered by Social Security.

On the Federal Employee's Health Benefits Program, Hoyer noted that the reasons premiums have been regularly rising are that people are living longer and the costs of drugs keep going up. In 1995, he helped defeat a move in the House to decrease the government's share of premium costs for federal employees' health plans. No concerted attempts since then have been made.

Poinsettia and Craft Demo at Arboretum

Members of the National Capital Area Federation of Garden Clubs share secrets of creating poinsettia baskets, poinsettia wreaths and unique handmade decorations at the U.S. National Arboretum Administration Building Auditorium December 4, 1 - 2 p.m. Registration is required for this free event. Call 202-245-4521.



Shown the night of Halloween is the house of Donald Davis on Green Knolls Place. The witch is really neighbor Fran Thomas, who arranged the display.

The 1999 Pumpkin Poll

by Doug Love

As I prepared to query this year's trick-or-treaters to see who would win the election, I had a lot to do. I had to read Poe's "The Black Cat" to my dog, and I had a ton of rotten old tomatoes to grind up into tomato sauce. So I sat on my front porch for two hours, cutting up tomatoes, and talking to them, since I grew them! And as the kids came to my door, they heard me say, "First, I cut your head off, then I split you down the middle, then I cut your bitter little heart out, then I put you in the blender to crush you to a pulp!"

The words shocked some parents, until they saw the sharp knife and the tomatoes, and realized that I probably didn't mean any harm to their kids. Later, I held my Pomeranian inside my shirt and told people that a were-Pomeranian comes out of my heart on the last-quarter moon.

I was all ready this year, with names of the candidates written out, but I knew there would be plenty more to add. Just in case, I added the previous two mayors and some winners from past years, such as Frankenstein, Dracula and Wolfman. Only Wolfman got any votes.

All of the current candidates got votes, though one got his first vote when a skeleton asked, "Is there one who doesn't have a vote yet?" He got more later. A vampire asked, "Who's the fifth one on the list?" I told him, and he said, "No, name's too weird." One astute tiger asked, "Who has the least publicity?" I wasn't sure, but she chose a candidate who hasn't been mayor yet.

As usual, the other responses were heartwarming to clever. Here they are.


The highfliers were: I Don't



Know, 11 votes; Rodney Roberts, 10; WolfMan, 6; and Me, 6.


The slightly better than also-rans were: Ed Putens, Scooby Doo, and CJ, 4 votes each; J Davis, 3; and my puppy, God and a Shrug, meaning "I don't know," 2.

Those receiving just one vote were in the great majority: Tom White, Alan Turnbull, Kelby Brick, Bob Auerbach, Mike McLaughlin, Jay Comsa, Trick or Treat, the Goat Man, my Mommy, Dav, Jesus, Nicky, I don't care, An Action Figure, That Ghost behind me (my brother), Al Gore, Nobody, You!, Pooh, Death, A Scary Halloween, and we all wanted that, within reason.



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Produced by *Laurie Hardman*

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**PRELIMINARY AGENDA
MEETING OF GHI
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**


Thursday, November 18, 1999 • 7:30 p.m.
GHI Board Room

Key Agenda Items

- ◆ Proposed Year 2000 Budget-Second Reading and Final Passage Action
- ◆ Fee For Service Action
- ◆ Lock Out Policy Action
- ◆ Formation of Ad Hoc Electric Deregulation Committee Action
- ◆ Board-City Council Common Interests Discussion

Regular Board meetings are open to members.

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Pennies for Shelter

Holy Cross Lutheran Church is collecting pennies to be used for gifts for the Family Crisis Center Shelter for women and children. The goal is a mile of pennies — 16 pennies per foot — 5,280 feet per mile — making 84,480 pennies the goal. The campaign began October 24 and as of November 7, \$243.16 had been donated at Holy Cross. The collection will be conducted through Sunday, December 19. Above are pictured young members of the church counting the day's gifts. Left to right: Allycia Linstrom, Bryan Linstrom, Emil Mentz, Shannon Seopaul, Sheena Seopaul, and Jamie Linstrom.

- photo by Wendy Linstrom

GIVES Volunteers Offer Many Services

by Janet Parker

GIVES, Greenbelt Intergenerational Volunteer Exchange Service, an organization dedicated to making the frail of any age independent as long as possible, currently has 209 participants. During the period between June and November this year, 89 requests for service were filled. Volunteers provided transportation for assistance with grocery shopping or medical appointments, sewing, light house cleaning, recreation at Adult Care, respite care, minor home repairs, friendly visiting, telephone assurance, help with packing and moving, and assistance with home budget managing and record keeping.

At this time it is possible to meet requests as well for some yard work. Those who give service earn credits for their use in the future. There are always ways in which those who receive help can also earn credits. They can make telephone calls or write post cards to inform members of meetings or make telephone reassurance calls. To learn more, call 301-507-6580 any weekday morning.

The By-Laws Committee has been hard at work revising the original articles under which

GIVES has been functioning since its inception in December 1995. These will be voted on at the annual meeting on June 10, 2000.

GIVES has no regular source of income to pay for telephone calls, office supplies, and postage. In addition, a printer which is IBM compatible would also be welcome.

There are no annual dues to join. All Greenbelters are welcome.



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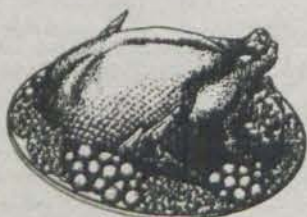
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A Review

Baha'i Songs Excel

by Barbara Young

Members of the Baha'i Faith do not hold with proselytizing, but they love to sing and do so often. They did so last Saturday night, beautifully, 140 of them from every nation and ethnic background, standing on the stage of Eleanor Roosevelt High School. Many in the overflow audience were fellow Baha'is, and both singers and audience members radiated an air of charming informality, clean living and a love of life, their faith, their singing and one another which was amazing. The atmosphere did the proselytizing.

The choir wore black clothing accented with long satin stoles

in every color of the rainbow. Wonderful drummers playing tall drums accompanied the first part of the program, which included spirituals from the African-American experience and music from the writings of the founder of the faith. After a brief intermission, the choir sang music in diverse styles including gospel, American pop from the 40s and 50s and music from the South, as well as music with words and prayers from the sacred writings of the faith. Even some excellent barbershop harmony was part of the mix. A tenor from Maryland, Van Gilmer, excelled in the gospel numbers.

Voices of Baha is an international touring choir led by founder and conductor Tom Price, who moved to the U.S.

from Australia in 1988 and now lives in Nashville with his family. A core group of Voices of Baha singers travels to the overseas concert sites. Price picks up more singers as needed from local Baha'i choruses.

In March, 2000, the ninth tour of the Voices will take the group first to the Baha'i World Center in Haifa, Israel, and then to Slovakia where they will appear in public concerts and make a recording of an oratorio by Price.

Smokeout Thursday

The American Cancer Society is calling on all smokers to choose the Great American Smokeout on Thursday, November 18 as the day to break their cycle of addiction.



GREENBELT AQUATIC & FITNESS CENTER
1999 FALL MINI-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

Fall Mini-Session: November 29, 1999 - December 23, 1999

Passholders & Residents register: Monday, November 15 & Tuesday, November 16
Non-Residents register: Wednesday, November 17 - Friday, November 19

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.
Class rates have been pro-rated for December 24th.

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	\$28	\$32	\$36
Step I	M/W/F 6:30pm-7:15pm	28	32	36
Step It Up	T/TH 7:30pm-8:15pm	25	30	35
Tighten & Tone	M/W/F 9:00am-9:45am	28	32	36
Tighten & Tone	T/TH 6:30pm-7:15pm	25	30	35
Water Aerobics Classes (16 years+)				
Aquacize	M/W/F 8:00am-8:45am	\$28	\$32	\$36
Aquacize	M/W/F 10:00am-10:45am	28	32	36
Aquacize	M/W 7:00pm-7:45pm	25	30	35
Aquacize	T/TH 6:00pm-6:45pm	25	30	35
Aquacize (drop-in)	F 6:00pm-6:45pm	2	5	5
Arthritis Aquatics	M/W/F 2:00pm-2:45pm	28	32	36
Deep Water Aerobics	M/W 7:00pm-7:45pm	25	30	35
Deep Water Aerobics	T/TH 6:00pm-6:45pm	25	30	35
Deep Water Arthritis	M/W/F 3:00pm-3:45pm	28	32	36
Seniorcize	T/TH 10:00am-10:45am	28	33	38
Water Interval Training	M/W 6:00pm-6:45pm	25	30	35
Water Interval Training	T/TH 8:00pm-8:45pm	25	30	35
Adult Swim Classes (16 years+)				
Adult Beginner	TH 7:00pm-7:45pm	\$20	\$23	\$25
Adult Adv. Beginner	TU 7:00pm-7:45pm	20	23	25

CITY OF GREENBELT BOARD OF APPEALS
Tuesday, November 16, 1999
7:30 p.m.

Community Center
Planning and Community
Development Conference Room
AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Introduction of New Member - Dorrie Bates
3. Approval of Agenda
4. Review of Department Activities
 - a. Code Enforcement
 - b. Planning - Variances

For more information, call Melissa Voigt or Linda Savage, Department of Planning and Community Development at (301) 345-5417.

ERHS

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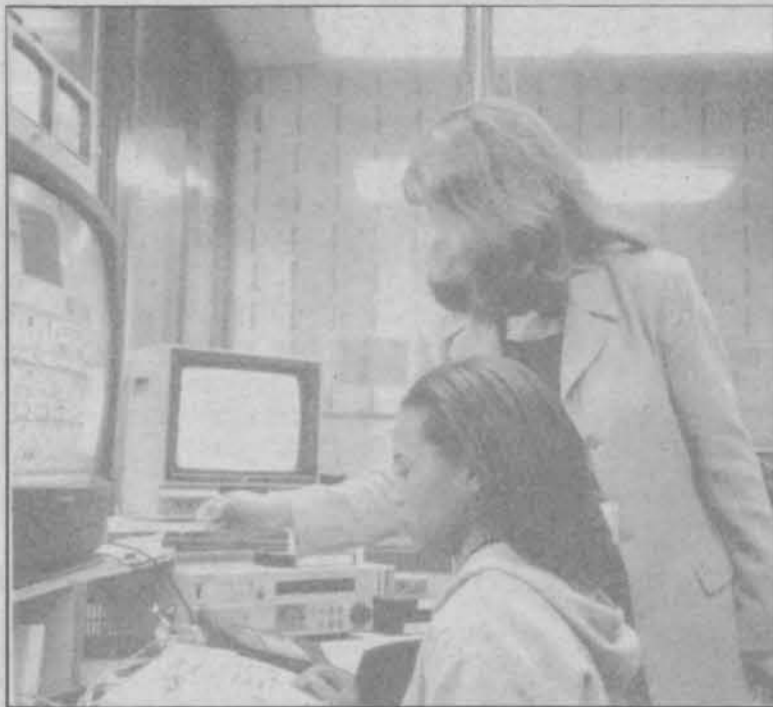
advanced technology; and health and human services. The program is in its final stages of testing, and, although seniors are now participating in projects, the Class of 2001 will be the first to officially graduate from the program.

The Greenbelt News Review recently met with five-Greenbelt students who have been participating in testing the Academy Programs. The five were Marquita Brisco and Ti-Aire Jackson (both from Greenbelt East); and Christine Reese, Lauren Nelson-Smith, and Melissa Cooper, from the central part of the city. All are seniors with the exception of Marquita.

Childhood Development Experience

Three of the students described the experiences they had with internships at Greenbelt Elementary School. Interns work there three days a week for about an hour a day. A bus takes them there from ERHS. Lauren Nelson-Smith, who is in Child Development 2, is assisting Dana Tillman, a first-grade teacher. Lauren helps with reading and then helps the students learn sentence structure. She is interested in becoming a child psychologist.

Christine Reese is working with Anza Manning's kindergarten class. She is helping the children learn their colors and fire safety. She wants to become a teacher at the kindergarten or K-3 level. Melissa Cooper, who is also the Student Government Association president, worked at Greenbelt Elementary last year. She expressed how you got to know the kids "hands on." She worked with special needs students in Donna Sturgill's math class. Melissa displayed a portfolio of her projects at the



Marquita Brisco and teacher Kathleen McGlew editing tape at ERHS television studio.

- photo by Mary Moien

school that she can use to describe her internship.

Science Project

Ti-Aire Jackson has just started an internship at the Patuxent Wildlife Refuge.

Her project there is to survey student groups who visit the refuge. Ti-Aire described seeing bald eagles, blue herons and "lots of deer." She also commented that she learned you need to be careful of ticks when walking on the trails.

Television Production

Marquita Brisco, the only junior in the group is studying Television Production I. She is still working on the school based learning aspects. But next year she will be in the first graduating class. Marquita has set her goals high for an internship. She is interested in interning at BET (Black Entertainment Television), CNN, or GATE (Greenbelt Access Television). Marquita showed off her expertise in the television studio with her teacher Kathleen McGlew. McGlew lauded the

school's association with GATE and Greenbelt cable and how much assistance each has provided to ERHS students.

All of the students commented on their love for ERHS and its principal, Dr. Gerald Boardman. Marquita stated that her family moved to Greenbelt years ago just so she could go to ERHS when she "grew up."

Preschool Turkey Madness Program

Children will listen to a story and craft a pine cone turkey on Friday, November 19, 10-11 a.m. at the Glenn Dale Community Center, 11901 Glenn Dale Boulevard, Glenn Dale. This event is for ages 2-5. Reservations are required by November 17. For information call 301-352-8983; TTY 301-249-9223.

NEW DEAL

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"but we must keep pushing to raise \$15,000 more in order to make this a viable cafe."

A number of volunteers also are giving freely of their time to the New Deal, including those with construction and electrical expertise. Volunteers are always in need. There still remain some vital items on the cafe's wish list: a professional plumber with commercial experience, legal advice on real estate improvements in a leased historic building, restaurant-grade kitchen equipment and display cases, wooden tables and chairs that are in good condition. (For furniture donations, please contact the decorating committee at 301-446-0397.)

For more information on providing services, donations or sales of equipment, and volunteering, please call 301-474-5642 and leave a message. The New Deal Cafe will get back to you.

Volunteers Needed.

The Prince George's County SPCA/HS needs temporary homes for dogs and cats. They provide the food and medical care. To volunteer, call 301-262-5625, press 2, leave message.

Diabetics Discuss Holiday Eating

Holiday Menus and Carbohydrate Counting for Diabetics is the subject for this month's Diabetic Support Group meeting at Doctors Community Hospital, (5th floor) November 16, at 7 p.m. Kim Passmore, R.D.CDE, nutritionist will be presenting this timely subject to assist all diabetics to learn correct eating before the holiday season. She will also explain carbohydrate counting.

In addition to the support group, Doctors Community Hospital provides diabetes education classes. These classes cover all aspects of instruction to help diabetics live successfully with their disease and help to avoid long term complications.

For more information about the support group or the diabetes education program or to register for either contact Elaine Stone RN.CDE at 301-552-5134. Pre-registration is requested.



Greenbelt Municipal/Public Access TV Channel B-10 Schedule

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Tuesday, November 16 & Thursday, November 18

- 6:00 p.m. Halloween Parade
- 7:00 p.m. The Audrey Scott Show - Interview with Dr. Metts, Superintendent, PG Co. Schools
- 8:00 p.m. City Council Charter Meeting, Replay of Nov. 8

PUBLIC ACCESS PROGRAMMING-301-507-6581

Wednesday, November 17 & Friday, November 19

- 7:00 p.m. Beltway Plaza Youth Modeling
- 7:30 p.m. "Fade Out"
- 8:00 p.m. "Public-Safety-Corrections Operations"

Senator Still Seeks After School Funding

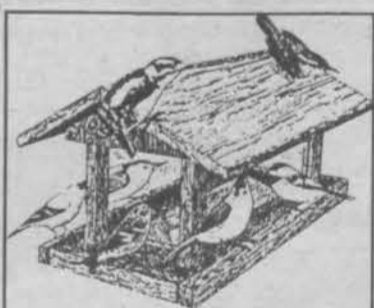
by Nelda Young

When school lets out in the afternoon at Greenbelt Elementary School (GES), there is no longer an after school enrichment program for children who had no safe place until their parents get home.

Last summer funding was not allocated for the After School Program at GES, forcing it to close. The after school program provided tutoring, arts enrichment among other structured activities.

State Senator Leo Green wrote to School Superintendent Iris T. Metts on August 23, urging her to reconsider the decision to withhold funding from what he called an "enrichment program geared toward drug education, counseling, and crisis management." When he did not receive a response, Green spoke to Metts in person, called her office, and wrote follow-up letters. On November 8 Green's assistant reported that as yet no response has been received from Metts.

So what are those children doing after school this year? Some have been placed in day care or go to a recreation center and hang out, while a large number go home to inadequate supervision.



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ACE Confers with PTAs

by Nelda Young

Advisory Committee on Education (ACE) members and elementary school Parent Teacher Association (PTA) and Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) parents at the ACE meeting on November 8 all agreed: to reach the goal of educating students schools must impose discipline, and students must know their teachers and parents expect good academic grades and good results on the Maryland School Performance Assessment Program (MSPAP) test.

Cedric Sheridan, Lieutenant Colonel in the National Guard, Congressional Liaison, and Magnolia Elementary School parent, expressed his expectations for schools. He said students must feel safe at school, students must know adults are in charge, students must not be burdened with low expectations on behavior, and students need to know suspensions are a real possibility.

Kathy Kerdock, a Greenbelt Elementary School (GES) parent, agreed and shared with the group information about GES's discipline program. This includes using positive reinforcement where teachers and other adults award "I caught you being good" slips to individuals and classes for specific good behavior. A tangible award like ice cream or extra recess is given when enough slips have been earned. The best behaved physical education class is allowed to display the "golden shoe plaque." Kerdock reported there was enough enthusiasm for the program that she heard children reminding each other to be quiet in the hall.

GES has also used grant money to hire a crisis intervention counselor who oversees completion of schoolwork and imposes time out while simultaneously imparting a feeling that she and the school care.

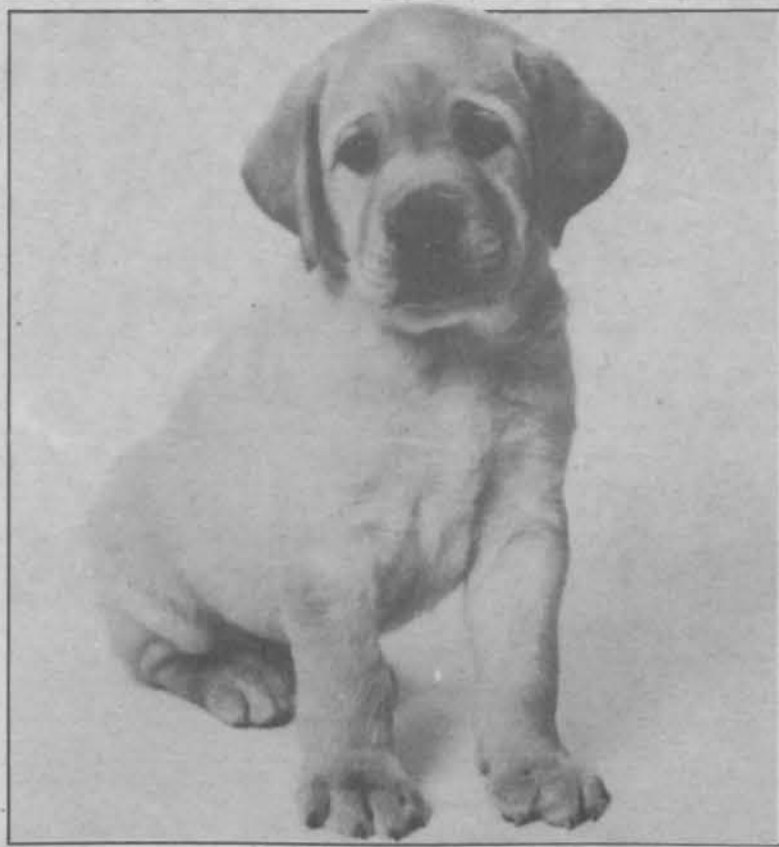
Another concern of the group was that schools must have funds to function properly. According to Sheridan, the first step should be to repeal TRIM. He said industry will not come to Prince George's County if the county cannot provide educated workers. If industry is here, they will leave if they cannot find competent workers.

All those present agreed that parental involvement is needed in the schools. Kerdock said, "Offer a reward, and they will come."

Kerdock told how GES pairs a student performance or activity with a PTA meeting to draw parents. Magnolia Elementary School parents agreed. They paired their organizational PTO meeting with a book fair and were pleased with the turnout.

But how can the schools keep parents informed? Kerdock said "Friday folders" have been successful at GES. Students are required to have their parents initial the check-off sheet in the folder and the teacher marks in her grade book who actually delivered the papers. Rewards are given where appropriate. Kerdock says the plan is working.

ACE members and parents concluded that when concerned parents really want to know what is going on in the schools they should invite themselves to the school faculty meetings.



Shown in the photo is a puppy needing a foster home before being trained as a guide dog for the blind. The Guide Dog Foundation (Smithtown, NY) breeds Labradors and Golden Retrievers, but before training begins at about 14 months, puppies need a loving home with kind people, Puppy Walkers, who will show them how to act around other people. To learn more about becoming a Puppy Walker, call Erin Cleary at 1-800-548-4337, ext. 316.

Free Slide Show Explores Wild Utah

"Wild Utah: America's Redrock Wilderness" is a free multi-media slide show to be held on Thursday, November 18 at 7 p.m. The show explores the wild public lands in southern Utah's spectacular canyon country, along with citizen efforts to protect these lands as wilderness areas. Narrated in part by Pulitzer Prize-winning author Wallace Stegner, photographs are by internationally recognized photographers Tom Till, James Kay, and others.

The location is the Plant Sciences Building, Room 1130, University of Maryland, College Park (from Route 1 take Campus Drive to the circle - the big "M" - and turn right onto Regents Drive. The Plant Sciences Building - Number 036 - is on the left, just before the Regents Drive Parking Garage). The event is sponsored by the Southern Utah Wilderness Alliance, the University of Maryland Environmental Conservation Organization, the Terrapin Trail Club, and the Sierra Club.

For information call Hans Christen at 301-513-7837 or 301-210-1010, ext. 103.

Free Choir Concert At Bible College

Washington Bible College will host a faculty choir concert on November 12 at 7:30 p.m. The concert will be held in the Washington Bible College Chapel. This will be an evening of vocal performances by the Washington Bible College Concert Choir and the traveling ensemble, One Voice. A recital of instrumental music will be provided by the faculty. Admission is free. For more information call 301-552-1400, ext. 289.

Local Author Sucher Reads from Her Book

Local author Dorothy Sucher will read from her new book, "The Invisible Garden," at the Greenbelt Library meeting room on Saturday, Nov. 13, at 2 p.m. Set in Vermont, where Sucher has spent the last 16 summers, the book tells the story of her love affair with that state, which she says is "after Greenbelt, my second spiritual home." "The Invisible Garden" is about the making of gardens but also about friends, family, and memories. It was published in October by Counterpoint Press and is about to go into its second printing after garnering appreciative reviews.

According to Vermont Country Magazine, "The Invisible Garden can be summed up as delightful... There is an irresistible charm about her forthright revelations of eager expectations, disappointments and frustrations and occasional triumphs, known to gardeners ever since Adam first tilled the ground east of Eden."

Sucher has just returned from a publicity tour in Vermont and will kick off her Maryland tour with the reading at the Greenbelt Library. She invites Greenbelters to visit her web site at www.rovers.net/~jsucher/dot, and wants them to know that it was created by her son, Michael, whose jazz keyboard artistry is known to many in the community.

Free Sleep Disorder Program at Laurel

Laurel Regional Hospital is offering a free community program on sleep disorders on Tuesday, November 16, from 7 - 8:30 p.m., in Conference Rooms A and B.

Dr. Lawrence Whicker, neurologist, will talk about all forms

Exhibit Features Bloody Sunday 1972

The University of Maryland Art Gallery will have an exhibition of photographs, painted portrait-banners, personal possessions, and audio and video documentation from Bloody Sunday, when 14 civil rights marchers were killed by British Troops in Derry, Ireland on January 30, 1972.

The exhibition is on display through December 18 at the University of Maryland Art/Sociology Building in College Park. The hours are Monday - Friday 11 a.m. - 4 p.m., Thursday 11 a.m. - 9 p.m., and Saturday, 11 a.m. - 5 p.m. For information call 301-405-2763.

For more information visit the Art Gallery website at www.inform.umd.edu/ArtGal.

Greenbelt Recycles

America Recycles Day is Monday November 15. There will be a number of city activities to mark the day, including:

Selection of a resident's recycling bin that is set out the "right" way, with a T-shirt and photo publicity award.

Distribution by the city of a brochure describing Greenbelt's recycling program, recycling pledge cards and contest entry forms.

Public Works presentations on recycling to grade school and middle school classes.

of sleep disorders, including insomnia, apnea, snoring and narcolepsy. Tours of the unit will be available.

To register, call the health referral and registration line toll-free at 877-455-5465.

College Scholarships Are Now Available

High school students with a grade point average of "B" or better and college students with a GPA of "B+" or better are eligible for a \$1,000 college scholarship (U.S. citizens only). A total of \$250,000 will be awarded by the nonprofit Educational Communications Scholarship Foundation, based in Lake Forest, IL. Scholarship winners will be selected on the basis of academic performance and involvement in extracurricular activities, with some consideration for financial need. Requests for an application must include the following:

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To receive an application: email scholar@ecs.org; mail a request to Educational Communications Scholarship Foundation, PO Box 5012, Lake Forest, IL 60045-5012; or FAX to 847-295-3972. Requests must be received by December 16; responses will be by mail only, on or about January 6.

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In My Opinion

Should Metroland Become A New Planned Utopia?

by James Giese

The world population is growing. So is that of our country and the metropolitan areas. We have to accommodate the new people. Yet the population of cities and their close-in suburbs decline, including that of Washington and Baltimore. Instead, farms are being gobbled up by large-lot housing subdivisions, today's version of "country living." Fly over Maryland between Hagerstown and the Chesapeake Bay, Westminster and La Plata and see how much rural land has been lost. If you are really interested in keeping our country green, this kind of growth should be your greatest concern.

Our economy and current government policies are based upon and support new growth over renewal. The so-called "smart growth" policies do little to control this urbanization of our countryside. We need policies instead to stop the flight from our cities to the country. We need policies that will bring people back to the cities, something which probably will not happen in my lifetime because such policies are unpopular with most people.

Utopia

To get people to return to the urban cores, new residential communities will have to be built that people will want to live in. In Greenbelt, inside the Beltway, there is a chance to build such a new model community, a new utopia — one that would emphasize the use of public transportation, walking and bicycling as much or more than the automobile.

A community that would go up instead of spread out. A community where elevators, escalators, moving walks and trains would move people more than cars would. A community, sensitive to the environment, bounded by belts of green that would not only provide visual relief but recreational opportunities. A community that would restore growth inside the Beltway, but curtail auto commuting.

The site for such a modern community is the land at and adjoining the Greenbelt Metro station, often called Metroland. Proposals for a large retail commercial complex there, whether upscale or not, do not make sense. Such use would draw more vehicles to roads than passengers to Metro. Besides, there are better sites around the region already zoned, and, as some point out, there are existing commercial sites that need to be revitalized and reused.

While industrial uses would be consistent with old Greenbelt master plans and probably economically feasible, the new types of industrial use are dependent on autos and trucks, not on mass transportation, and are not the best use for a site beside a Metro station.

My Vision

What I would envision for this land is a smaller scale, but better planned, Crystal City. It would consist of mixed uses, those having a beneficial symbiotic relationship to each other. There would be residences, offices and other employment facilities. Workers could live in the community or commute on

Metrorail.

There would be retail commercial, too, but not the kind drawing vehicles from miles around. Rather the commercial facilities would meet the buying needs of residents and workers at this utopian community and the needs of Metro commuters daily transferring between car and train.

To be a utopian community, more than residences, employment centers and shopping are needed. Community educational, recreational, social and other public facilities are important as well and some should be provided within the complex. Others, particularly recreational opportunities, can be made available in adjacent parkland.

The parkland itself should include the environmentally sensitive wetlands and stream channel of Indian Creek as well as existing parkland to the west of the site. And, of course, the area should be connected to the Anacostia watershed bicycle trail system and new trails extended to old Greenbelt and to the north.

A Dream?

Will a utopian community come about? If so, we will need governmental policies, now lacking, to encourage such development and discourage other types and county leaders whose focus is greater than getting tax base increases. We need a Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority that takes a greater interest in land planning and less interest in getting fast dollars to help subsidize the transit system. We need an enlightened developer with solid resources willing to accept something less than the greatest profit return. We need people with vision. We need people who will act, not react. We need leaders, not nay sayers. For all this to happen is un-

METRO SITE

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Both concerns are specifically addressed in the revision, as is the principle that the transportation system should protect, rather than disrupt, adjacent neighborhoods.

Cross-county Corridor

However undesirable to local citizens, Greenbelt in the revised document is described as "a major cross-county commuter corridor," which residents of Anne Arundel and eastern Prince George's counties travel through to reach employment in Howard and Montgomery counties. This fact reflects major demographic changes within the last 17 years since the original Prince George's County master plan was adopted.

In the proposed Sectional Map Amendment, these demographic changes will be reflected in a new policy proposing that Greenbelt itself become an employment center. However, only about 55% of the commuter trips to employment opportunities, the draft document states, "can be served by a one-train Metrorail trip."

To protect local street and road systems from becoming overwhelmed, Beltway access must be enhanced and a possible transit option (the proposed purple line parallel to the Beltway) be considered. The widening of Kenilworth Avenue north to MD 198 is also envisioned. In addition the document deals with development of pedestrian and bicycle access and bus transportation.

Environment

A second major revision for perusal before the November 17 meeting deals with the environ-

likely. Still it's nice to dream — to hope that Greenbelt can once again be in the forefront of community planning.

mental values of the Metroland site itself and the more extensive woodlands of the surrounding area. "In Prince George's County," the report reads, "forest fragmentation inside the Beltway is extensive, and it is unusual to find a large forested area, such as that in the Core Area, still intact." The report envisions protection of this resource through comprehensive planning.

The report also stresses the "fundamental obligation for our generation to begin to turn the tide" against the kinds of environmental losses that have previously occurred. As part of the Chesapeake Bay Program, attention to Indian Creek is included in what is "considered a national and international model for integrated ecosystem management, estuarine research and restoration."

Help Students at MD

The Retired Volunteer Service Corps of the University of Maryland, College Park has immediate openings for mature men and women to be volunteers in various departments and offices. Current vacancies are in the Career Center, Concert Office, English Editing for International Graduate Students, Learning Assistance Service, Writing Center and Art Center. For additional information, contact Jed Collard at 301-226-4750.

Greenbelt CARES

Tammy Mountcastle will be away from CARES for a time, due to the arrival of daughter Lindsey, on Monday, October 26. Lindsey weighed 6 pounds and 6 ounces.

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Second Prize — Greenbelt New Year 2000 Committee	Fourth Prize — Greenbelt Nursery School & Kindergarten



Catherine Butterworth, Erin Whang, and Angie Cordis pose in front of the Save the Green Belt booth.



Rachel Johnson (right) and Julia Wade stand in front of Greenbelt New Year 2000. Workers inside the booth sold bowls of yummy noodles.



Boxwood Village Civic Association again offered their popular "Zoo Dip" game.



Nursery School Family poses in front of the Greenbelt Nursery School and Kindergarten's hand-decorated booth.

-photos by Prospero Zevallos

Multi Cultural Book Festival

The Kennedy Center invites all children, parents, and educators to the fourth annual free Children's Multicultural Book Festival on Saturday, Nov. 20, from 10 a.m. -5 p.m. in the Atrium. Featured are hundreds of books with African, African-American, Asian,

Caribbean, Latino, and Native American themes, as well as author's readings, guest celebrities and activity leaders. The festival is a project of the Kennedy Center Community and Friends Board.

City Notes

Leaf collection using the leaf vacuum has begun around the city. The landscaping project on Breezewood Drive was completed. Bulbs and replacement shrubs were planted in the beds in the medians on Mandan Road and Hanover Parkway.

Work was coordinated with the contractor who is installing the Memorial Garden. The planting of pansies and bulbs began on Southway.

Sidewalks along Mandan Road, in Roosevelt Center and at the Gardenway underpass were backfilled. Blacktop on Hanover Parkway was patched. Crosswalks and stop lines were painted around the city.

Watkins/Cosca Tennis Bubbles Offer Courts

Reservations are being accepted for indoor tennis court time at the Watkins Tennis Bubble, located at 301 Watkins Park Drive, Upper Marlboro, and the Cosca Tennis Bubble, 11000 Thrift Road, Clinton.

The indoor 1999-2000 season runs through May 7, 2000.

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New Facilities Are Approved for BARC

Preliminary site and building plans for two new buildings at the Beltsville Agricultural Research Center (BARC) were approved in recent meetings of the National Capital Planning Commission. The new buildings will replace existing outdated facilities and will allow for expanded research.

Also approved by the Commission is a new Feed Center at BARC.

"The Insider" Is At the Old Theater

Currently showing at the Greenbelt Theater is the film "The Insider." In this film, based on a real case, Jeffrey Wigand (played by Russell Crowe) was the chief witness in lawsuits filed by 50 states. The defendants were the corporations of the tobacco industry, who eventually settled for \$246 billion.

Wigand, a top scientist, was the head of research and development for Brown & Williamson, a large tobacco company. He was also the first person with his credentials to go public with tobacco industry secrets.

Lowell Bergman (played by Al Pacino) was an investigative reporter and "60 Minutes" producer for Mike Wallace. In the film the producer arranges money for a legal defense fund for Wigand. He also taped the Wallace interview and its devastating testimony. But before the "60 Minutes" segment could air, Bergman lost to a CBS corporate decision to kill the story. The battle cost CBS a great deal in terms of breakdown and bitter divisions on "60 Minutes."

Wigand finds himself sued, targeted in a national smear campaign, divorced, and possibly facing a jail term.

The campaign cost Bergman and Wigand a great deal. These were two ordinary people who were forever changed.



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Public Information Meeting

When: Wednesday, November 17th, 8:00 pm,
Where: Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Road, (in the multi-purpose room)

NOTICE! NOTICE! NOTICE!

The Park and Recreation Advisory Board (P.R.A.B.) will hold a meeting to discuss recent trends in playground safety standards and equipment design. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss how playgrounds in the City measure up, including provisions for playground safety surfaces and ADA accessibility requirements. A presentation will be made. Your view on this matter is welcome and written comments are accepted.

Forward comments to the Greenbelt Recreation Department, 25 Crescent Road, Greenbelt, MD 20770. For additional information call the Recreation Department business office at 301-397-2200 weekdays, between 9 am to 5 pm.

POLICE BLOTTER

Based on information released by the Greenbelt Police Department.

Robbery

9100 block of Edmonston Road, Oct. 30, 12:50 a.m., a man reported that while he was walking to a pay phone on Springhill Drive, two males approached him. One pointed what appeared to be a black semi-automatic handgun at the man, demanding his property. After the victim gave his property to him, the robber punched the victim in the face. Both suspects then fled on foot. Area checks proved negative. The first suspect is described as black, approximately 17 years old, 6'4" and 160 lbs, with light skin and short black hair; he was wearing a black winter coat and blue jeans. The second suspect is described as black, approximately 17 years old, wearing a gray winter coat with a silver stripe around the sleeves and camouflage pants.

Parkway, Oct. 30, 10:24 p.m., a woman reported that a man pulled her purse off her shoulder and ran into the woods. A canine search of the area located the suspect hiding in the bushes behind the Parkway apartment building. The victim positively identified him and the man then showed the officer the location of the purse. All of the contents of the purse were recovered and released back to the victim. The robber, a 41-year-old nonresident, was charged with common law robbery (strong arm) and theft under \$300 and was transported to the Department of Corrections for a hearing.

Roosevelt Center, Oct. 31, 8:34 p.m., a man reported that as he was walking to the Mobil station to use the pay phone, he was approached by three males who asked him for his money. The victim refused to comply and ran toward the underpass at the middle of the center. While in the underpass he was overtaken by the three, who began to punch him while demanding his money. The victim then relinquished his wallet, which contained some currency and assorted papers. The robbers fled on foot toward Gardenway. Area checks were conducted and possible suspects were questioned, with negative results. Investigation is continuing.

Assault

7500 block of Greenbelt Road, Oct. 30, 9:58 p.m., an employee of the Safeway store reported that while in front of the store rearranging a display, a woman approached and verbally assaulted her. The victim said that she followed the suspect, asking why the woman had called her a derogatory name, at which point the clerk told police the woman turned around and struck the victim in the mouth with her fist. The incident was reported to the police and officers located the suspect at her residence. The victim, who did not require medical attention, was advised to obtain a warrant/summons.

6500 block of Hanover Parkway, Nov. 4, 3:05 p.m., two 14-year-old juveniles were arrested after becoming involved in a fight at Eleanor Roosevelt High School cafeteria. A school administrator was assaulted by one of the students when he attempted to break the fight up. Both students were charged on juvenile petitions with

assault and disruption of school activities and later released to the custody of their parents.

7500 block of Mandan Road, Nov. 4, 7:39 p.m., a man reported that when coming home from work, he observed a man looking in his daughter's bedroom window. When the father confronted the man, the man lunged at him in an aggressive manner. The victim stated that he was in fear of his life, so he picked up a lawn chair which was outside the building and struck the man with it. The suspect then fled on foot toward the 7500 block of Mandan Road. An area search proved negative. The suspect is described as black with a light complexion and black hair; he was 5'7" and appeared to be in his 40s. He was wearing a green hooded sweatshirt, blue jeans, and brown work boots.

Drugs

6000 block of Springhill Drive, Oct. 31, 3:17 p.m., while investigating a report of suspicious persons at the rear of Springhill Lake Elementary School, an officer observed two men drinking from bottles in brown paper bags. The bags contained open alcoholic beverages. The men, 29 and 27 years old, were found to have blunt cigars and a plastic baggie. They were arrested for possession of drug paraphernalia.

Eleanor Roosevelt High School, Nov. 2, 1 p.m., a female 17-year-old student was arrested for possession of marijuana and also was found to be involved in a theft scheme involving the school's pep rally and homecoming tickets. She was charged with possession of marijuana and two counts of theft under \$300 and was released to her father.

Burglary

5900 block of Cherrywood Lane, Nov. 1, 1:41 p.m., a man reported that upon returning home, he found that the top deadbolt lock of his front door had been damaged and that someone had poured bleach onto his clothing. No items were missing.

9100 block of Edmonston Road, Nov. 2, 6:36 p.m., a VCR,

Sanyo TV, CDs, and pillowcases were reported stolen. There was no indication of how entry was gained.

9100 block of Springhill Court, Nov. 2, 4:08 p.m., two TVs, a VCR, and a CD player/ alarm clock were reported stolen. The top lock of the front door, which is normally locked, had been unlocked.

Vandalism

9000 block of Breezewood Terrace, Oct. 31, 12:13 a.m., the pastor of a Washington, DC, church reported that someone used a white powdery substance to spray the hate symbol "KKK" on a parked motor vehicle belonging to the church. Investigation is continuing.

Vehicle Crimes

The following vehicles were reported stolen: a gray four-door 1985 Nissan Stanza with MD tag EJE 993, Oct. 30, from the 6200 block of Springhill Drive; a red two-door 1994 Toyota Camry with MD tag BMX 096, Nov. 1, from the Ridge Road area; a green two-door 1984 Buick Riviera with MD tag PYL 935, Nov. 2, from Tamarisk Court; and a blue four-door 1989 Toyota Camry with MD temporary tags (expired) 0278990.

Vandalisms to, thefts from, and attempted thefts of vehicles were reported in the following areas: 8100 block of Mandan Road, Greenway Shopping Center, Parkway, 8000 and 8100 blocks of Lakecrest Drive, 5800 block of Cherrywood Lane, 7800 block of Walker Drive, and 5900 block of Cherrywood Terrace.

Montpelier Artist Featured in November

Montpelier Resident Artist Natalie R. Fleming will be featured in the Resident Artist's Gallery during the month of November in an exhibition of watercolors. Fleming's paintings explore the many moods and colors of sky and clouds.

Fleming has been a Montpelier Resident Artist since 1991. She participated in an artist exchange with Kazakhstan and Kirghistan, and was included in the 1980 Maryland Biennial at the Baltimore Museum of Art.

The gallery is open daily from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information call 301-953-1993 or TTY 301-490-2329.

Greenbelt Boys & Girls Club REGISTRATION for New Members* Winter Sports



	Basketball	Cheerleading
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Thurs., Nov. 18	6-8 p.m.	Youth Center
Sat., Nov. 20	9 a.m. to noon	Youth Center
	1-3 p.m.	Springhill Lake Rec. Center
Sun. Nov. 21	1-2:30 p.m.	Youth Center
	3-4 p.m.	SHL Rec. Center

New members must bring: Photo for ID card, youth to sign card, copy of birth certificate, parent to sign card, dues must be paid, proof of address. For questions, call Mel Scites 301-441-8689.

* Current members call Mel Scites to arrange for dues payment.

Jupiter and Saturn Star in Gazing Party

The planets Jupiter and Saturn are at their most spectacular appearance in a decade. The Greenbelt Astronomy Club will celebrate by holding a star gazing party on Saturday, November 13, and all are invited. The event begins at dusk and is scheduled to last until at least 11 p.m. Club members will be on hand with telescopes and binoculars to share views of the planet Jupiter with its moons, Saturn with its rings, star clusters, nebula, constellations and more. The location will be Northway Fields, at the end of Northway extended. The event is free and open to the public. In the event of hopelessly cloudy skies, this event will be canceled.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Greenbelt Astronomy Club will be Thursday, November 18, 7:30 p.m. at the H.B. Owens Science Center. Member Patty Seaton, a part

Beware of Credit Scams, Says FTC

The Federal Trade Commission (FTC) cautions consumers to beware of credit scams and, specifically, advance-fee scams. These scams, which usually guarantee credit regardless of the consumer's credit history, differ from legitimate guaranteed offers of credit in one critical way: they require payments up-front before the lender is identified. It is illegal for companies doing business by phone to promise a loan and ask for pre-payment. Legitimate lenders never guarantee anyone a loan before receiving an application.

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For further information, directions and map visit the web site at: <http://theawww.gsfc.nasa.gov/docs/outreach/gac/GAC.html> or call 301-277-4041.

This event is sponsored by the H.B. Owens Science Center (Prince George's County Public Schools), the Goddard Astronomy Club and members of the Greenbelt Astronomy Club to encourage public interest in science and education.



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New Student Newsletter At Greenbelt Elementary

by Barbara Likowski

Something new and exciting has come out at Greenbelt Elementary School - a newsletter for the students, by the students, and about the students. The first issue, dated October 15, was chock full of news about the learning that was going on in the classrooms. The reader can't help but see how much fun these children have had while, at the same time, learning.

The news was written by scribes in each class and put in a special "School News" jar. The paper is scheduled to come out monthly.

New Ways of Learning

In Thomas Lenhart's second grade class, Carrie Heimpl reported that they looked at the Scholastic News website and answered questions about articles they'd read in "Scholastic News."

Third graders in Aurora Reed's class used the Internet to find a site on bugs. Then they used a Venn Diagram to compare a bug they found on the Internet with an insect they researched in a library book. They wrote paragraphs based on their research.

Beth Novick's fifth graders began a project on American Indian tribes by researching on the Internet using a computer encyclopedia and books from the library. Parent volunteer Ms. Lloyd worked with the students as they typed their reports and put their projects together.

Fifth graders in Katie Knorr's class are learning to identify all 50 states (The Nifty Fifty) on a map in 15 minutes or less. The first one to do this was Andrew Watson, followed by Diane Omoyemi, Joseph Lau and Sara Witter. The class's first writing activity centered around each student writing one item which was illustrated and put in a time capsule.

Hurricanes are what Beth Stewart's science class is studying. Students have been working in groups to research Corpus Christi, Galveston and Port Arthur, TX; Mobile, AL; Biloxi, MS and Pensacola, FL. They plan to create a newspaper about a hurricane and its effect on these cities.

Marcia Marino's sixth graders used the Internet to find out about the tallest buildings in the world, including one which hasn't been built yet. After printing out the information they wrote several sentences about each one.

Sixth graders in Jim Benko's class are working on a project about Canada. Using the Internet and library resources they found information about all the Canadian provinces. Using the overhead projector they enlarged each province to trace them on large sheets of paper.

Hispanic Month

To celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month, September 15-October 15, the music of Hector Villa Lobos was played before the morning news broadcast. Some guest speakers did some announcements in Spanish.

Deidre O'Connor's fourth graders celebrated the month by taking a trip to Chevy's restaurant to learn about Mexican foods.

Nicole Tabron's class (4th)

made a pinata in the library with the help of student Sarah Stewart's grandmother, Mrs. Rafferty.

Special Activities

Thomas Lenhart's class (2nd) made peanut butter and fresh bread. According to reporter Isaac Hirsch they put peanuts and butter in a blender, then put the blended product in a jar and then put the peanut butter on their bread.

Music teacher Leslie Ann Bird taught Shelley Lappi's third grade class a song about fire safety and prevention. The performance was videotaped and played before the whole school before the morning announcements during Fire Prevention Week.

Warren Garrison, a Prince George's County policeman and father of student Michael Garri-

Honor Roll Assembly

Greenbelt Elementary School will hold an Honor Roll Assembly on Nov. 17, during National Education week. All parents are invited to the program and to visit their child's class afterward. The program for 3rd and 4th grades starts at 9:30 a.m. and at 10:30 a.m. for the 5th and 6th grades. More information can be obtained at 301-513-5911.

son, spoke to the first grade classes of Mary Mullennix and Barbara Packer. The class learned about the importance of safety and how Garrison helps to provide a safe environment for everyone. The students were able to see a police car and the flashing lights and hear different sirens. Each student received a Junior Police badge to wear.

This, and much more, was learned from a one-page newsletter, printed front and back and decorated with small pictures. There's more to come.

American Education Week Is Nov. 14 - 20

Plans for participation in observance of American Education Week, November 14 - 20, have been set in motion by Greenbelt Unit No. 136, American Legion Auxiliary. This year's theme, "Students Today, Leaders Tomorrow," reflects 78 years of concern and interest by the American Legion family and other professional groups. One of the nation's longest-running national observances, the week was established by the National Education Association and the American Legion to help combat illiteracy.

Unit 136 will express its appreciation to the teachers of several community schools this month by delivering baskets of apples and a poem of appreciation. During the week the unit will also provide bookmarks, emphasizing the value of reading, which will be given to each child who visits the school library. Throughout the year, publications encouraging safety, civic pride

and scholarship will be distributed.

American Education Week is for everyone - not just for active parents and educators. Visits to community schools during this week will demonstrate the public's commitment to provide a high quality of education for Greenbelt's children. The auxiliary urges all citizens to plan now for a visit to a local school during the coming week and to remember, as well, to thank the support staff for their contributions to the children's education.



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