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Sgt. Daniel Allwang (standing) answered questions of concerned residents at an homeowner's meeting following the murder which took place on Mathew Street in the development.

Following Murder, Greenbrook Residents Meet with Police

by James Giese

"It was an isolated incident. An arrest warrant has been issued," Greenbelt Police Lt. Michael Craddock told a group of residents concerned about a recent murder and assault in their neighborhood at an association meeting of Greenbrook Estates on August 6. City police are actively seeking the person wanted for the crime, he continued. Sergeant Daniel Allwang, head of the department's detective bureau, told the group of about two dozen residents that he was 100 percent confident that the person being sought was "not in this area at this time." Police have named the suspect as You

Xiang Zhu, 20, of no fixed address and charged him with first-degree murder. According to Allwang, Zhu is the only suspect in the case.

The murder took place on Sunday afternoon, July 27 at a home in the 7100 block of Mathew Street during a home invasion and robbery. The woman killed, Yu Ying Yang, 50, and her husband, parents of the home's owner, were visiting here from China. When they confronted the intruder a struggle occurred. Yang suffered multiple stab wounds and died at Prince George's General Hospital. Her husband was also treated for

non-life-threatening knife wounds.

According to Greenbelt Police MPO George Mathews, Zhu entered the residence through a rear window. Zhu had recently been employed as a cook at the New York Buffet restaurant in Beltway Plaza and had lived for a short time in the home on Mathew Street, which is owned by the owners of the restaurant.

Allwang told the residents at the meeting that this was not a random incident of crime. It was perpetrated by an individual known to the family and was

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Friendly Relations Link BARC And Greenbelt, Council Learns

by Barbara Hopkins

"Greenbelt residents are welcome to enjoy the Beltsville Agricultural Research Center (BARC)," said Phyllis Johnson of BARC, "as long as they stay on the roads and follow the rules." Johnson was speaking to the Greenbelt City Council in a worksession held on July 28. She is director of the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Beltsville Area, which includes the U.S. National Arboretum as well as BARC.

Johnson gave councilmembers (Thomas White was absent), City Manager Michael McLaughlin, one interested citizen and this reporter a presentation that summed up the activities and impact of one of Greenbelt's neighbors. BARC Administrative Officer Bob Serrano, who lives in Greenbelt, accompanied Johnson.

Recreation at BARC

Johnson said that while citizens are free to visit BARC, it is important for residents to respect BARC property and signs and

stay only on the roads. Citizens should recognize this policy is for their protection as well as to prevent interference with BARC research, she explained. The fields may have been infected with parasites for research purposes or they may have been treated with pesticides that can affect humans or their pets adversely.

Johnson also noted occasional problems with people lighting bonfires or removing fences, both of which are forbidden and may cause problems for BARC's researchers as well as for visitors.

She later described security changes at BARC since September 11, 2001: more gates and fences, locked buildings, more controls on visitors and more record keeping and controls for hazardous substances, including biological materials. She said a professional security coordinator has been hired. Erection of more fences will probably occur in the future, she suggested, in-

cluding one soon around the dairy facility on Powder Mill Road.

Asked by Mayor Judith Davis about deer hunting at BARC, Johnson said that to date the hunters that have kept deer under control there have followed Maryland hunting laws and seasons. However, since deer remain a serious detriment to research being done there, USDA is seeking to expand the hunting season beyond the three seasons Maryland sportsmen are allowed.

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What Goes On

Wednesday, August 20
7:30 p.m., Advisory Planning Board Meeting, Community Center
8 p.m., Council Work-session on Cemetery Expansion, Community Center

National Night Out – Aug 5, 2003



Greenbriar Phase III resident Dorothy Pyles, receiving an award and photograph of the members of the Greenbelt Police Department, recognizing her long time participation in the annual National Night Out Campaign. Each year Pyles hosts an information table for residents. Pictured from left to right: MPO George Mathews, Dorothy Pyles, Lt. Michael Craddock, Administrative Associate Jackie Curley and Lt. Tom Kemp.



Participants of the National Night Out Campaign in Phase I of Greenbriar receiving a photograph of the members of the Greenbelt Police Department for their having an information table set up for residents. Pictured, left to right, are: Lt. Tom Kemp, Lt. Michael Craddock, Barbara Smith, president, Greenbriar Community Association and Anne Chestnut, Phase I Board of Directors.

Elizabeth Park Takes Over As Director of CARES

by Judy Bell

A new face appears in and about Greenbelt this summer, that of Dr. Elizabeth Park. Park has taken over the reins of Greenbelt CARES from long-time Director Carol Leventhal, who retired in June.

Park brings energy and vitality to the job, as well as many talents and skills acquired during her career. "I'm real excited to be here," Park exclaimed.

Park began her career as a Child Life Specialist in Florida where she spent her childhood after graduating from Florida State University in 1988. She continued her education, earning a master of science degree in marriage and family therapy from the University of Maryland in 1994 and a doctor of philosophy degree in family studies at the University of Delaware in 2001.

While pursuing her education Park began to focus on family therapy, doing her graduate internship with the Family Service Clinic at the University of Maryland. She was then hired by



Dr. Elizabeth Park looks comfortable in her new position as director of CARES.

Bowie Youth and Family Services, which, along with CARES, is one of 20 Maryland Association of Youth Services Bureaus within the state.

Most recently she worked at Tri-County Youth Services in Waldorf, where she served as director of Continuous Quality Improvement. Along with that position she maintained a private practice which she has now given up to come to CARES.

While working on her Ph.D.

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Letters

Flowers Not Banned

I feel the need to clarify the situation at the Greenbelt Post Office regarding the flowers. I have not been told I am not "allowed" to put flowers on the counter. It was a personal decision I made based on external factors which must remain private. I realize that so many customers enjoyed them and it was not an easy decision to make. With that said, I would now like to express my appreciation to everyone who has had kind words to share. Once again the people who live in Greenbelt are proving what a great group of people they are.

Over the years, and especially now, I have been overwhelmed with compliments and expressions of support from customers who have enjoyed the flowers. I truly appreciate all of the niceties shown me and will savor those memories. Hopefully you will still come to the post office where we will provide you the same friendly, courteous service that will continue to make our post office a special place.

With humble thanks,
Mike (*The Dahlia Man*)

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degree, Park spent many hours conducting research and learning how to study and evaluate families. She notes that she hopes to "add an evaluation piece" to the well-established CARES program while continuing to provide the same quality of service for which the program is known. For instance, she plans to "start to track" CARES' services in order to demonstrate its effectiveness to the community as well as to grant providers.

Services provided by CARES include family counseling, crisis intervention, school outreach, tutoring, GED preparatory classes, a job bank and information and referral. When asked how her training in structural family therapy will fit with the cognitive behavioral thinking that CARES has maintained since its inception, Park replied that she thinks her training will enhance CARES' philosophy and services.

"We're very pleased to have her," reports City Manager Mike McLaughlin, referring to the "broad range of experience that she brings, particularly with the Youth Service Bureau system, counseling families and in her private practice."

Park resides in Crownsville with her husband Mike and children Joe, 6, and Mary, 18 months.

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A Review

GAC's Five One-Acts Show Great Range and Diversity

by Sabine Hentrich

The Greenbelt Arts Center is presenting five plays – four comedies and a tragedy – at this year's "Evening of One Acts." Directed by four different directors, the shows are diverse: the key to the production is certainly variety.

The clever opener, "Water Landing," which was directed by Gretchen Jacobs, allows the audience to witness an angry stage manager dealing with an out-of-control situation. The audience never actually sees this stage manager (Belén Pifel) but hears her increasingly anxious and then strident voice over the intercom while she attempts to stop a continuously flashing light, among other small and large catastrophes.

Her "all-powerful" intercom voice reminds one of the computer HAL in Stanley Kubrick's "2001: A Space Odyssey." Except for this flashing light, which becomes truly irritating, this unusual play is funny, innovative and definitely successful. Pifel is well cast. She conveys her emotions very well through her voice alone and gets a chuckle out of everyone.

"Crossing the Street," directed by John Anthony William Sciarretto, the next play, was the only drama of the evening. This very dark, serious play has too blunt a message. It deals with how grieving adoptive mother Sasha (Marlie Griffin) deals with her son's birth mother Terri (Rachel Gar-El) after his accidental death at 18. The play is saturated with blatant anger and judgment which undermines its very serious content.

Griffin, as the mother, is so intense in blaming everyone and everything for her child's death that she loses credibility as well as one's empathy. Gar-El, as the alcoholic, misfit birth mother, seems far more realistic and to the point than her counterpart. She gets an "A" for her performance.

The next comedy, "In From the Cold," directed by Candice E. Kinsey, is about a couple's strange adventures as they huddle up under a blanket (having forgotten to pay the electric bill) during winter. Pifel, who was already wonderful as the "voice" of the stage manager, was right on during this bizarre show. Her facial expressions – pretty much all she had to work with since most of her body was not visible – were just wonderfully hilarious. Her partner in the play, Swithin



Robert W. Allen plays Philip in "Water Landing," one of the five one-act plays presented by the Greenbelt Arts Center through August 24.

No, was well paired with her and obviously enjoyed this one-act performance.

"Fade to Black – A Working Title," directed by Sciarretto, was the most innovative of the five plays. The play is based on Shakespeare's quote: "All the world's a stage and all the men and women merely players," from "As You Like It." In this play, two stage hands, one of whom wrote a play, discover that they seem to be caught in their own show. Brandon Yerrid and Swithin No, as the two stage hands, are a great pair reminding one of Vladimir and Estragon in Samuel Beckett's "Waiting for Godot," which, of course, is no accident.

The last play, "The 75th" directed by Bill Tchakirides, is about the 75th high school reunion of the two protagonists, Amy (Norma Ozur) and Arthur alias "Cookie" (Robert Crossley). Both Ozur and Crossley acted well in this play. To this reviewer, these two good and accomplished actors could not save "The 75th." The play starts out as a humorous audience charmer. However, it drags on too long as the two characters become engaged in increasingly trivial and repetitive conversations.

This year's collection of one-acts is very colorful. It is at times innovative, at times crazy and at other times even conservative. The producers seem to have aimed for an evening where everyone will find at least one play with which to identify. Anyone interested in seeing a show whose characters range from an ax murderer to a charming elderly couple is invited to do so on Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m. and on Sundays at 2 p.m. until August 24.

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Community Events

Rights Coalition Has Open Meeting

The Greenbelt Citizens Bill of Rights Defense Coalition has invited the public to an open meeting on Tuesday, August 19, 7:30 p.m., to hear a briefing on the national campaign against the USA Patriot Act, to join a discussion about its proposed Greenbelt civil liberties resolution and to consider strategy for a similar county-level campaign. The meeting will be held in the multi-purpose room of the Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Road.

The coalition plans to petition the Greenbelt City Council at its September 8 meeting to pass a resolution with strong specific directions to prevent city agencies from violating residents' constitutional rights, insofar as federal law still allows. It will remain open to negotiations with the council about the precise language of a local civil liberties declaration.

Meanwhile coalition members invite input from all concerned Greenbelt residents and welcome other city organizations as members and endorsers. Each member group of the coalition will retain its identity in writing and speaking on behalf of the Greenbelt resolution. A draft text and rationale for the campaign are posted on the website of the Prince George's County Peace and Justice Coalition. To access it on-line visit www.justpeace-pgmd.org.

At the August 19 meeting the coalition also welcomes residents and representatives of other groups throughout the county. It seeks their ideas and support for the upcoming campaign for a Prince George's County civil liberties resolution.

Before and After School Care Offered

Registration for before- and after-school care will begin at 10 a.m. on Monday, August 18 at Greenbelt Elementary and Springhill Lake Elementary schools. Sign up will continue throughout the week if space remains. Registration is on a first-come, first-served basis and is a continuation of sign ups held in late June.

Applicants should bring a check or money order, a health inventory, immunization records and emergency contact information.

The before-school care operates from 7 a.m. to the start of the school day. The after-school care operates from the end of the school day to 6 p.m. It is open to students in grades K to 6 enrolled in each school.

For additional information call the program office at 301-408-5593.



Be a Blood Donor

Greenbriar/Glen Oaks is hosting a blood drive sponsored by the American Red Cross on Saturday, August 23 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. The goal is to obtain 65 donors. For more information or to make a pledge call Tina at 301-441-1096 ext. 4.

Golden Age Club

by Bunny Fitzgerald

The Golden Age Club business meeting on August 6 was well attended with Ellie Rimar presiding. The club was pleased to welcome new member Paul Sabol.

Congratulations to Solange Hess who became a first time grandmother. She has joined a very special group "Grandmas and Grandpas."

Travel Committee Co-chair Shirleyann Egenreider reminded the club of the trip to the Green Dragon flea market on August 15. The Travel Committee is planning trips to the National Zoo on October 9 and the Timonium Dinner Theater to see "Nonsense" on November 2. There are a few openings on the Cape May trip September 10 to 12. Call Lori Moran for details.

Sorry to learn Louvaine Townsend fell in her yard and broke her leg. John Henry Jones has been home for the past few weeks. Send cards and keep them in your prayers.

The 50/50 winners were Sylvia Kender and Lenny Holohan.

August birthdays will celebrated on August 20 with a pot luck lunch. Jennie Beauchamp from Prince George's County Social Services Department will speak at the August 27 meeting.

Explore Tibet

Explorations Unlimited concludes the presentation of the Time Life's Lost Civilizations Series with the video, "Tibet: The End of Time," on Friday, August 22. This video will take viewers to Tibet, isolated within the towering sanctuary of the Himalayas, which has developed a culture unique in the history of world civilization. Their enigmatic way of life, steeped in the mystical ideals of Buddhism, centered their lives on selfless altruism and the perception of the world as an endlessly repeating cycle of life, death and rebirth.

Explorations Unlimited is a speaker series held every Friday from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Greenbelt Community Center. This presentation will be held in the Senior Classroom. Everyone is welcome to attend and questions are always encouraged. Call 301-397-2208 for information.

At the Library

Wednesday, August 20, 10:15 a.m. Cuddletime for ages 12 to 24 months with caregiver.

Thursday, August 21, 10:15 a.m. Drop-In Storytime for ages 3 to 5.

11:15 a.m. Toddler Time for two-year-olds with caregiver.

Join Volksmarchers For Evening Stroll

The Great Greenbelt Volksmarchers, an innovative Prince George's County walking club, invites people to join them for an evening stroll. This event will be held on Thursday, August 21 starting at REI on Rhode Island Avenue in College Park. Start the stroll any time between 4 and 6 p.m. Finish the stroll by 9 p.m.

Two trails will be offered, a 5K (3.1 mile) and a 10K (6.2 mile). The trails are stroller friendly but not wheelchair accessible.

For information call John Holloman at 301-937-3549.

Jazz at Center Under the Stars

Jazz Under the Stars on Saturday, Aug. 23 beginning after 7:30 p.m., will bring three diverse styles of music to Roosevelt Center.

"Cheek to Cheek" will bring classic swing music to the outdoor concert followed by "cool, blue jazz" by Liz Briones. "The Cliff Art Trio" will tie off the evening with progressive jazz.

This is the third summer music event produced by Friends of New Deal Café Arts (FONDCA), the nonprofit group dedicated to promoting visual and performing arts at the cooperative New Deal Café. In case of heavy rain, the musicians - who will play until 11 p.m. - will move into the café.

The music series is funded by FONDCA, with additional grants from the city of Greenbelt and, in June, the Prince George's Arts Council. An earlier rummage sale by FONDCA raised \$1,000 for the summer events. "The goal of bringing people together in Roosevelt Center for arts events outside and inside at the café is being realized as people relax on Center tables and benches - or bring their own chairs - and children dance," commented FONDCA president Barbara Simon. An outdoor concert is being planned for October.

For information call 301-474-5642 or Simon at 301-474-2192.

Democrats to Work Funnel Cake Booth

The Eleanor & Franklin Democratic Club will participate in the annual Greenbelt Labor Day Festival, August 29 through September 1, with activities in addition to its traditional Funnel Cake Booth.

President Kurt Walter has announced the club will have an information table on Saturday afternoon, August 30 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. For this year only, this will replace the club's Democratic Party Information Booth which usually sits next to the funnel cakes for the entire weekend. (That booth will return next year with information for the 2004 presidential and congressional elections which will be held on November 2, 2004.)

Also, for the first time in many years, members, friends and Democratic elected officials will march together in Monday's Labor Day Parade. The group will form behind the club's banner in the parking lot of Buddy Attick Park between 9 and 10:30 a.m.

Since 1976, the Funnel Cake Booth has been the main fundraiser for the club. This year it will open on Friday, August 29 from 6 to 11 p.m. On Saturday, August 30 the Young Dems of Prince George's County will work the booth from 11 a.m. until 11 p.m. The hours on Sunday, August 31 will be noon to 11 p.m. Monday, Labor Day, the booth will be open from after the parade to 4 p.m.

Workers are needed for two-hour shifts, starting at 8 p.m. on Friday, as well as for all open hours on Sunday and Monday. Three workers are needed for each shift during the supertime hours (5 to 9 p.m.) on Saturday and Sunday. To volunteer contact Kurt at kewalter@erols.com or call 301-345-3088.

Guardsmen Awarded Achievement Medals

In news from Greenbelt's Armory, at the recent C Company picnic at Buddy Attick Park, Staff Sergeant Thomas Browne, Sergeant Brian Fong, Specialist Mark Stanton and Specialist Jenelius A. Nkemanjong, members of C Company 1-115th Infantry Battalion in Greenbelt were awarded Army Achievement Medals for meritorious service by Captain Beau Riely, the company commander.

Currently residing in

Greenbelt, SPC Nkemanjong came to the United States from Fontem, Cameroon, in 1998. He has been a member of the Maryland Army National Guard for three years and is currently assigned to C Company, 1-115th Battalion as a Chemical Operations Specialist.

As a civilian, Nkemanjong is employed by Startech Protective Services in Washington, D.C. as a security guard at the Department of Education.



Left to right: Sergeant Brian Fong, Platoon Sergeant Kevin Cottrell, Staff Sergeant Thomas Browne and Specialist Jenelius A. Nkemanjong.

Free Space Chats Offered at Goddard

Space Chats is a series of free interactive presentations for the public held at the NASA Goddard Visitor Center, Greenbelt, to inform attendees of the latest findings in space and earth research at Goddard. The presentations are held each Thursday at 7:30 p.m. and are given by Goddard scientists, researchers and program managers.

While the events are free, registration is required. For more information about Space Chats or to register for an event, visit the Goddard home page at <http://www.gsfc.nasa.gov> and click on Space Chats or call 301-286-8102. For driving directions visit <http://www.gsfc.nasa.gov/vc/contact.html>.

On August 21, Dr. Gilberto Colon will present a program on the "Sun Earth Connection" and "Living with a Star." Colon will discuss what the "Sun Earth Connection" is doing to better understand the relationship between the sun and Earth and the effects on people's lives.

People live in the extended atmosphere of an active star, the sun. While sunlight enables and sustains life, the sun's variability produces streams of high energy particles and radiation that can harm life or alter its evolution. Under the protective shield of a magnetic field and atmosphere,

the Earth is an island in the universe where life has developed and flourished. The origins and fate of life on Earth are intimately connected to the way the Earth responds to the sun's variations.

Colon is the associate director for the "Sun Earth Connection" programs at the Goddard Space Flight Center. In this position he has overall responsibility for the implementation of the "Solar Terrestrial Probes" and the "Living with a Star" program. These programs are structured to study the relationship between this planet and star, the sun.

Sun as Art

Goddard's Visitor Center is opening an exhibit of the sun as art on August 21. Ever wanted to see the sun in a different light? Maybe views of the sun have been limited until now. "Sun as Art," developed by solar scientists, is a presentation that displays vibrant images of the sun. This 21-image exhibit highlights an artistic range of beautiful shapes and colors of the bright and shining star that is the earth's sun. The exhibit will be on display at Goddard's Visitor Center beginning Thursday, August 21.

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Synagogue Unveils Family Home Study Program

by Staci Michelle Rosen

In response to a Brandeis University survey confirming that 70 percent of Jewish teens are either frequently or always bored with their Jewish education, The Karp Family School of Mishkan Torah has created the "Family Hebrew School," a school designed to be an emotionally rewarding experience for both students and their parents.

The new program, according to Dr. William Berkson, principal, "shows students the relevance of Judaism to their lives. It teaches them how living a Jewish life can make relationships better and lives more fulfilling."

Mishkan Torah offers an alternative to its conventional Wednesday Hebrew skills class: an optional, guided home-study program.

"What's so great about the midweek home-schooling option, aside from not having to spend time driving back and forth to synagogue, is that our daughter can see that we are not sending her to Hebrew School to separate ourselves from her for a couple of hours," said Paula Dachis, a

consultant from Columbia, Md. "Rather, we are having an inclusive experience that allows us to share our religious learning and spend time together bonding."

The home-schooling option will not be the only opportunity Mishkan Torah parents have to study with their children. As part of the school's new emphasis on a family approach to learning, parents will have the opportunity twice a month to spend the final period of the Sunday morning session with their children doing activities that will allow them to teach, learn and model Jewish ideals.

The Karp Family School was recently named recipient of the Jewish Federation's I.C.E. grant to help support the Family Hebrew School program.

Mishkan Torah will begin preparing next year for its 50th anniversary celebration. Many of its members say they treasure the way the synagogue has preserved the unpretentious, accepting and community-oriented feeling that it had at its founding.

Jay Brubaker Dies

Joseph R. "Jay" Brubaker, a long-time resident of 6-R Ridge Road, died in his home in Tulsa, Okla., of cancer on Aug. 12. A memorial service is planned for early October at Greenbelt Community Church. An obituary will appear in a later issue.

Lofgren Retires From Swim Team

by Leslie Hilliard

On August 2, for the last time, at the Prince-Mont Swim League All Stars Meet in Cheverly, Sarah Lofgren asked each of her swimmers their times in the event they had just swum. She complimented them on their accomplishments and gave some swimmers pointers on improving their stroke.

That evening at the Greenbelt Swim Team Awards Banquet Coach Sarah Lofgren officially retired after 31 years of coaching the Greenbelt Swim Team. Mayor Judith Davis awarded Lofgren a swimming trophy for her years of dedication to coaching Greenbelt's youth. In addition to a framed and signed picture of this year's team, the Aquatic Boosters also presented Lofgren with a gift certificate. But the biggest surprise was being presented with the sail from her windsurf board. It was covered with best wishes and notes of appreciation from both swimmers and parents.

"I'm really going to miss you!" said Maresa Like-Mathews, 14, as she gave Lofgren a final hug. "It was a good time to go," remarked Lofgren, as she looked over the crowd of swimmers. "This is a good team with a lot of depth in each age group. They're fast. They'll be a good team next year. And I am leaving them in the hands of a good coaching staff." She should know. She taught them all how to swim.

Undefeated Swim Team Celebrates

The Greenbelt Swim team celebrated an undefeated season in Division D of the Prince-Mont Swim League. Showcased at their awards banquet on August 2 were the banner and trophy for the divisional swim champions.

In addition to the team award, awards were also presented noting each swimmer's contribution to the team. Of special note are the high point winners in each age category: 8 and under age group - Andrew Forbes with 30 points and Shawnee Ryan with 56 points; 9 to 10 age group - Shahn Speight with 58 points and Kaitlin Lohrmann with 35 points; 11 to 12 age group - Alex Rilee with 55 points and Melissa Gray with 59 points; 13 to 14 age group - Ahmed Ali with 70 points and Maresa Like-Mathews with 91 points; and 15 to 18 age group - Nathaniel Snyder with 73 points and Jill Lau with 86 points.

Team high point winners are Courtney Like-Mathews, 9, with 94 points and Joseph Lau, 13, with 94 points.

Also receiving recognition at the banquet for her dedication to swimming and coaching Greenbelt's youth was Sarah Lofgren.



Mary Rose Garber and Michael Lawrence Focht were married on Saturday, August 9 at the Ketocin Baptist Church in Purcellville, Va. Mary Rose is the daughter of Olga Penney, who in turn is the daughter of the late Walter Penney and Leonie Penney, Northway. Olga's brother Bernard Penney, with his wife and two daughters, who live in North Carolina, stayed with his mother for the occasion. His three-and-a-half-year-old daughter Skylar was a perfect flower girl at the wedding ceremony.

An old Dutch friend of Leonie, Geer de Groot, flew over from the Netherlands to witness the wedding. She was accompanied by her daughter Annemiek and by her granddaughter Mirte. Geer and Leonie met each other for the first time in 1930 when both entered the same 7th grade! The visitors are thoroughly enjoying their stay in Greenbelt.

Baha'i Faith

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GHI Notes

Meetings for the week of August 18 through 22 are:

August 19 - Member & Community Relations, 7 p.m., Conference Room.

August 20 - Companion Animal Subcommittee, 7:30 p.m., Board Room.

August 21 - Member Input Session, 7 p.m., followed by Board/Finance Worksession, 7:30 p.m., Board Room.

There will be no blood pressure testing at GHI until further notice.

Choral Group Holds Voice Auditions

Prince George's Choral Society will audition members for its 2003-2004 season on Tuesday, August 19 from 6 to 8 p.m. at Holy Cross Lutheran Church. The upcoming season will feature many masterpieces such as Carl Orff's "Carmina Burana." All voices are welcome. Call Music Director Philip Hale at 410-288-0052 for more information or to schedule an audition. Or come to Holy Cross Lutheran Church, 6905 Greenbelt Road on August 19 for an audition.

Life Saving Marrow Donors Sought

The National Marrow Donor Program Registry is seeking new participants. Each year more than 30,000 children and adults are diagnosed with leukemia and other diseases for which a stem cell transplant may be the only cure. Only 30 percent of these people will find matching donors within their families. The others will look to the National Marrow Donor Program Registry for a potential life-saving match, a stem cell donor.

For information on registering call 1-800-MARROW-2 or visit www.marrow.org.

Voices XXI Auditions For Brahms Concert

Voices XXI, a select ensemble for the 21st century with Jesse Parker, music director, is holding auditions for limited openings in the soprano, alto and tenor sections. The 2003-2004 season will include an All-Brahms concert plus music of Gombert, Marenzio, Palestrina, Górecki and more. Auditions will be held on Saturday, August 16 at the First United Methodist Church of Hyattsville, 6201 Belcrest Road, Hyattsville, across from the Prince George's Plaza Metro Stop-Green Line. For an appointment call 301-927-6133, ext. 20 or send a message via email to Voicesxxi@aol.com.

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Corner of Crescent and Greenhill Roads 301-474-4212
www.greenbeltbaptist.org greenbelt.baptist@verizon.net
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Wed. Living Proof, Youth Event 7:00 pm

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301-474-9410

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Talk & Listen (Coffee Hr.) 10:15 am
Worship Service 11:00 am

Tues. Lectionary Study 7:00 am
Wed. Prayer Meeting 7:00 pm
Third Friday, Games Night 7:30 pm

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Sunday, August 31, 2003

Festival Worship and Reception 10:00 am.m
Open House 4:00 p.m.
Dinner 5:00 p.m.

Dinner Reservations RSVP by Friday, August 23, 2003
Holy Cross Lutheran Church
301-345-5111

Festival Notes

Pageant

The Miss Greenbelt Pageant this year promises to be the biggest and best ever. The introduction of the contestants takes place on Friday night, the talent portion of the pageant takes place on Saturday night and the finals of the pageant take place on Sunday night.

On Stage

The stage is the location for the Opening Ceremonies, the announcement of the Outstanding Citizen and the introduction of the Miss Greenbelt contestants on Friday night. "Diamond Alley" will open the entertainment on Friday night with great sound.

On Saturday the stage is the home for great kids entertainment (starting at 1 p.m.) with the Good Life Theater featuring a return engagement from Joe Pipik and his Backpack Puppets to be followed by the Amazing Lula. Mister Don will follow with music for kids and adults alike. Norman Evans will then take over with his original jazz tunes. The stage will then be the site of some of the area's finest talent with the Festival Talent Show and the talent portion of the Miss Greenbelt Pageant. The Saturday night band will be "The Mary Shaver Band," new to the festival, with great blues and other tunes.

The Sunday stage entertainment begins at 1 p.m. with "24U" – a duo that plays songs that range from Celine Dion to Elvis. John Hill returns with his easy-listening sounds. The group "Adrenalin," new to the festival this year, will play tunes from the 70s which will take festival goers right into the Miss Greenbelt finals. "Wayne Brown and 2nd Conspiracy" will fill the last night of the festival with great rock and roll sure to get everyone moving.

Entertainment on Monday will start an hour early at noon with the return of "Shoe Suede Blues" (featuring Peter Tork, formerly of "The Monkees") all the way from California. This group plays blues, originals and oldies (with some Monkees' tunes thrown in). What an exciting way to close out the entertainment on stage!

Art Shows

The Labor Day Art Shows



take place at the Community Center and are sponsored by the Greenbelt Association for the Visual Arts (GAVA). There are two shows: one for adults and one for children and teens. Entries for the art shows are accepted on Friday evening from 5 to 7 p.m. The show opens to the public on Saturday. Fliers with complete information are available at the Community Center and the Greenbelt library. Chair Barbara Simon can be reached at 301-474-2192 to answer questions.

Photo Show

Entries for the photo show will also be accepted on Friday, August 29 from 5 to 7 p.m. at the Community Center. Saturday the photo show opens to the public and will remain open during the entire festival. Call Keith Zevallos at 301-474-5542 or Janet Murphy at 301-982-0850 for additional information.

Games

The Greenbelt Recreation Department will host kids' games on Saturday morning, as well as a slow pitch tournament, a horse-shoe tournament, a home run derby and a golf contest. See the special August 21 pullout for starting times and locations.

Pet Show/Zoo

The Annual Labor Day Pet Show, sponsored by Girl Scout Troop 2799, will be held on Saturday morning from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. on the Community Center front lawn. All types of animals are invited to enter. Registration is at 9:30 a.m., judging at 10 a.m. and awards given at 10:30 a.m.

Carol's Critters is returning to the festival and will also be located on the Community Center lawn on Saturday from 1 to 4 p.m. There will be a wide array of rescued farm animals including cows, goats, geese and rabbits.

Information Day

There are still a few spots for groups to participate in Information Day, which is held in Roosevelt Center. This event provides groups an opportunity to share their cause, mission, or

product (no sales are permitted though) with festival goers. Those who want to participate should contact Dave Pitts at 301-345-9605 for more information.

Talent Show

The talent show is on Saturday, August 30 at 6 p.m. Auditions/rehearsals will take place on August 19 and 26 at 7 p.m. in the Senior Classroom at the Community Center. Call Dennis Lewis at 301-577-1718 for details.

Parade

The Labor Day Festival parade is on Monday morning starting at 10 a.m. The Outstanding Citizen is the grand marshal of the parade which includes the pageant winners and contestants, community groups, local fire and police details and much more. Chairperson Linda Ivy is still accepting applications for participants and can be reached by email at Lindaivy@aol.com.

Shuttle Buses

The festival will again provide shuttle bus service from various points in the city. Vans will run from satellite locations at Eleanor Roosevelt High School, Greenbelt Elementary and Green Ridge House.

Volunteers

Individuals interested in being ticket sellers and volunteers in general are still needed to assist with this year's festival in all areas. This is a great opportunity for students in grades 7 through 12 who need community hours to fulfill that requirement. Ticket sellers must be at least 15 years old. Volunteers who are not students are also more than welcome to come help out. Call Patti Brothers at 301-982-2312 for more information about general volunteer positions. Call Lenny Wertz at 301-864-0254 for ticket seller positions.

There will be a mandatory meeting for ticket sellers on Tuesday, August 26 at 7:30 p.m. at Greenbelt Community Church. Attendance at this meeting is necessary in order to be a ticket seller.

The festival pullout will be published in next week's News Review. It will contain a detailed schedule of all of the festival activities. Festival goers should not miss getting a copy so they can plan their weekend.



City Information

OPENINGS ON BOARDS & COMMITTEES

Volunteer to serve on City Council advisory groups.

Vacancies exist on the:

RECYCLING AND ENVIRONMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE and the

PARK AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

For more information, please call 301-474-8000.

Greenbelt Aquatic and Fitness Center

We will be offering DROP – IN, for all our Water Classes from August 4 through August 22.....
\$2 for passholders, \$3 for all others.

Class schedule listed at www.ci.greenbelt.md.us
Info: 301-397-2204

ANNUAL CLEANING CLOSURES

The Indoor Pool will be closed from August 23rd-August 29th. It will reopen on August 29th at 5pm.

The Fitness Wing will be closed on August 26-27th.

The outdoor pool will remain open throughout.
Hours will be from 6am-10:30pm.

CITY JOB OPENINGS

Arts Assistant Department of Recreation. Help promote and administer wide range of municipal arts programs. Help coordinate publicity, organize art and craft fair, and staff special events. \$8.00 per hour, 10 hours per week. Applications available at the Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Road, or at www.ci.greenbelt.md.us. For information call Nicole DeWald, Arts Coordinator: 301-397-2208.

Lifeguards and Pool Managers The Greenbelt Aquatic and Fitness Center is now hiring lifeguards and pool managers for the fall. If interested, call (301)397-2204, or walk in to fill out application.
The City of Greenbelt is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

Advisory Planning Board, Wednesday, August 20, 2003 7:30 PM, Greenbelt Community Center, Senior Conference Gallery

AGENDA

I. Call to Order, II. Approval of Agenda, III. Approval of Meeting Minutes, IV. Preliminary Site Plan – Friends Community School, V. Update – Hilton Garden Inn, VI. CVS at Greenway Center – Update on Traffic Pattern, VII. Adjourn

PARKING NEWS

New Legislation: The City of Greenbelt recently incorporated State Law into the Motor Vehicle section of the City Code. The new legislation reads, (Chap. 11 Sec. 11-50): "It shall be unlawful for any person to park or store upon any public street, alley, parking lot or roadway, any vehicle displaying any form of improper, altered or incomplete registration plate(s), tabs, annual windshield sticker, temporary tags, etc. including failure to display all plates and tabs required by law, unless otherwise in compliance with applicable state law governing lost, stolen, or damaged cards, plates, or tabs, windshield stickers or temporary tags.

Parking and Code Enforcement Inspectors now have the authority to write parking citations for these offenses. The fine will be \$25.00. As always, failure to comply with the directions set forth in the citation, could result in the vehicle's registration being flagged. If this were to happen, additional fines and penalties would be incurred. Enforcement personnel will be writing warning tickets until the end of August for these offenses.

The complete Motor Vehicle and Traffic Code for the City of Greenbelt can be found at www.ci.greenbelt.md.us. If you have any questions on any of the parking codes, please call the Parking Enforcement Office at 301-507-6571.

GREENBELT MUNICIPAL/PUBLIC ACCESS CHANNEL 71

Municipal Access: 301-474-8000: Tuesday & Thursday, August 19 & 21, 6:00pm "Camp Pine Tree Talent Show" 7:00pm COG Homeland Security Series #6 7:30pm Labor Day Talent Show 2002

Public Access: 301-507-6581: Wednesday & Friday, August 20 & 22, 7:00pm "Love Foundation-Walking on Water" 7:30pm Greenbelt In Focus w/Konrad Herling "Interview with Councilman Tom White" 8:30pm "GATE Interviews with the Miss Greenbelt 2003 Contestants"

Festival Notes is written by Festival Chair Patti Brothers and will be published by the News Review as a community service until the Labor Day Festival takes place on Friday, August 29 through Monday, September 1.

Two more weekends! Aug 16th – 24th Friday and Saturday at 8 Sunday at 2

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AUDITIONS for our original show *Brainstorm, or how I learned to stop worrying and love my job* & Christopher Durang's *Business Lunch at the Russian Tea Room*, directed by Mike Moran, will be held Monday & Tuesday Aug. 18-19
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POLICE BLOTTER

Based on information released by the Greenbelt Police Department. Dates and times are those when police were first contacted about incidents.

Robbery

9200 block of Edmonston Road on August 3 at 10:21 p.m. a man was at his home when two men kicked in his front door, produced a sawed off shotgun and announced a robbery. After obtaining money and a video game player, one of the men punched the victim and both fled the scene. The robbers are described as a black male, 5'8", 170 pounds, with black hair, wearing a black T-shirt, dark blue jeans and a green bandana and a black male, 6', 200 pounds, with black hair and a full beard, wearing a dark T-shirt and dark blue jeans.

9200 block of Springhill Lane on August 6 at 11:28 p.m. three persons entered the Hunan China Restaurant and announced a robbery; one was armed with a shotgun. After taking money from the cash register and a cellular telephone they fled the scene on foot. The suspects are described as wearing black masks, one wearing a black T-shirt.

6700 block of Springshire Way on August 6 at 8:59 a.m. a woman reported that her son, a nonresident, came over to her house and demanded money. The mother refused and her son threatened her with a knife, cutting her on a finger and biting her on her back. The son then took her car keys and drove off in her vehicle. Shortly after the incident, information was received regarding the man's location. A Greenbelt officer, along with Prince George's County Police officers, responded and arrested the son and recovered the woman's vehicle. The suspect was charged with robbery, first degree assault, second degree assault and theft and released to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a District Court Commissioner.

6200 block of Springhill Drive on August 7 at 11:18 p.m. a pizza delivery person reported that as he approached a building to make a delivery to an apartment a person held the door open for him. A second person came out of the laundry room door and tackled him and a third person joined the others and robbed him, taking money, car keys and a cellular telephone. The robbers were armed with a metal pole and a broken fluorescent light bulb. One is described as a black male, 15 years of age, 5'10", 180 pounds with black hair and brown eyes. There is no further description on the others.

Assault

Area of Crescent Road and Hillside on August 4 at 10:35 p.m. a woman reported that she was walking down the street when a vehicle drove by her and an occupant fired a paint ball at her, striking her in the back. The vehicle then fled the scene. The suspects are described as four white males. The vehicle is described as a light blue Chevrolet Cavalier.

Burglary

6100 block of Breezewood Drive at 4:46 a.m. on August 3 a man advised that he saw two youths exit an apartment, leaving the door ajar. Investigation revealed that a DVD player had been removed from the entertainment center and placed in a gym bag, but was left in the residence. The youths are described as a black male, 13 years of age, 6', with a thin build, wearing a Redskins jersey with the name 'Bailey' on the back and a black male 13 years of age, 5'4", with a heavy build, wearing a white T-shirt. Nothing appeared to have been taken.

7900 block of Mandan Road. On August 4 at 8:17 a.m. a video game player and video games were taken from a home.

Drugs

30 court of Crescent Road on August 1 at 8:04 a.m. an officer responded to a report of a suspicious person sleeping in front of a building. The subject was found to be in possession of a quantity of suspected marijuana. The 16-year-old Greenbelt youth was arrested and released to a parent pending action by the Juvenile Justice System.

16 Court of Southway on August 3 at 2:14 a.m. an officer observed several persons gambling in a parking lot. One of them was found to be in possession of a quantity of suspected marijuana and paraphernalia commonly used to ingest marijuana. The 16-year-old nonresident was arrested and released to a parent pending action by the Juvenile Justice System.

5900 block of Cherrywood Terrace on August 7 at 11:53 p.m. an officer investigating an armed robbery observed the two men sitting outside an apartment building. The two walked away, leaving behind paraphernalia commonly used to store marijuana. Both men were arrested and released on citation pending trial.

Unattended Child

7500 block Greenbelt Road on August 2 at 1:03 p.m. officers responded to a report of unattended children in a vehicle and found the vehicle occupied by a three-year-old and an eight-year-old. A non-resident man was arrested and released on citation pending trial.

Sex Offense

Eleanor Roosevelt High School on August 1 at 8:52 a.m. a criminal summons was issued charging a nonresident man with fourth degree sex offense after he allegedly grabbed a victim in a sexual manner and attempted to kiss her against her will in the school hallway.

Theft

7900 block of Mandan Road on August 3 at 1:19 p.m. a mailbox was reported forced open and the contents removed.

100 block of Centerway on August 5 at 4:37 p.m. a guitar

was reported taken from the New Deal Café.

Handgun

Area of Hanover Parkway and Good Luck Road on August 3 at 12:45 a.m. an officer attempted to stop a vehicle for a traffic violation. The vehicle pulled over to the side of the road and pulled off twice before finally coming to a stop. Located in the vehicle was a loaded 9mm semi-automatic handgun. A man, a woman and a juvenile were all arrested for transporting a handgun. The man was also charged with speeding and eluding. The youth was also charged with possession of a quantity of suspected marijuana. The youth was released to a parent pending action by the Juvenile Justice System. The adults were released to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a District Court Commissioner.

Forgery

Beltway Plaza Mall on July 31 at 4:25 p.m. a nonresident man was arrested and charged with two counts of uttering false documents, six counts of forgery, two counts of theft and false statement after he allegedly passed several counterfeit travelers' checks at several stores at the Beltway Plaza Mall. The suspect was released to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a District Court Commissioner.

Vehicle Crimes

The following vehicles were stolen: August 2, unit block Parkway, 1998 Isuzu truck, recovered the next day by the Providence, Rhode Island Police, the vehicle had been burned, no arrests; August 4, 7900 block Mandan Road, silver 1999 Ford Contour 4-door, Maryland tags GVH938; August 6, 6200 block Springhill Drive, 2003 Dodge Stratus 4-door, recovered the next day by the Metropolitan Police, no arrests; August 7, 6000 block Greenbelt Road, gold 1998 Saturn 4-door, Maryland tags HGM818.

Nine vehicles were recovered; arrests were made in two of the recoveries.

Vandalism to, thefts from and attempted theft from vehicles were reported in the following areas: 7900 block Mandan Road (3 incidents), 8000 block Mandan Road (2 incidents), 6800 block Megan Lane, 6000 block Greenbelt Road, 7400 block Greenbelt Road, 6200 block Breezewood Court, 6400 block Ivy Lane.

Park Police Ask Greenbelt for Help

In a letter addressed to Greenbelt Police Chief James Craze, the U.S. Park Police have requested help from Greenbelt's law enforcement personnel for the National Football League Kickoff Celebration on the National Mall, September 1 through 4. The celebration includes a free concert, which will honor U.S. military personnel and their families.

A significant number of police personnel will be needed to effectively secure and patrol the area during this event.

City Manager Michael McLaughlin has advised that "We will respond as willing to assist, but only officers off-duty will be eligible and only if they want to participate."

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more than likely a robbery, he said. He called the incident "a targeted event." The victim's family was not supposed to be there, he continued, but they were. Allwang hoped for a quick closure to the matter. Detective Ed Holland, who was also at the meeting, was identified as the lead detective on the case.

Homeowners Meet

The meeting, held at the Greenbelt Community Center, was for the homeowners of Greenbrook Estates. This small subdivision of free-standing homes is located in Greenbelt East along Mathew Street and its adjoining side streets. The association's chair, Edward Putens, who is also a Greenbelt city councilmember, conducted the meeting. The members of the police department were present for a public informational meeting prior to a regular association meeting. Also present were Maryland Delegate Justin Ross, who recently moved to a home on Mathew Street, Mayor Judith Davis, councilmember Rodney Roberts and City Manager Michael P. McLaughlin.

Residents, who did not identify themselves, raised a number of questions about police presence in the community, other recent crimes and press reports about the home in which the murder took place. One neighbor was reported to have seen more than 20 people leave the home and be driven away in a van in the morning and then be returned by the same van in the evening. Another resident at the meeting asked if it was possible that there were people in the home who were indentured servants. Allwang responded that he couldn't answer that as that matter had not yet been looked into. The first priority of city

police is investigating the crime, he said. He also said that if it is determined that there is reason to suspect violations of that nature, the case would be turned over to federal agencies to handle.

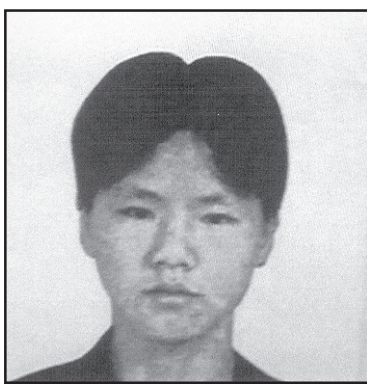
Another resident commented that he saw men loading mattresses from the house into a van the previous night. He thought that that was a "good sign."

Complaints

Putens was asked what residents could do about possible code violations such as too many people in a home. Putens said that when such complaints are received the association's property manager will refer them to the city.

McLaughlin advised anyone with housing complaints to call the city's code enforcement office at 301-345-5417. He said that the city did receive a complaint about this home in March of this year, but that the matter was misfiled with lower priority complaints that were to be looked at on a time available basis. Now, code enforcement is holding up its investigation until the criminal investigation is completed. He also noted that in this matter, the home was free of apparent violations - there were only one or two cars in the driveway and the exterior premises were well maintained. He also noted that the code does specify the number of occupants permitted in a home, which varies depending on the size of the dwelling and number of bedrooms and other rooms in a home. He thought that 10 or 11 persons would be the maximum number for a home of that size.

Ross complained that 11 people in a home like his was ridiculous and that something should be done about that. Putens noted that Ross's home



You Xiang Zhu, charged by the Greenbelt police with first degree murder, attempted first degree murder and assault, remains on the police wanted list for the Greenbrook crime.

had been used as a day care center and that there were special exceptions for such centers and half-way houses. Davis said that the city's hands were tied on controlling half-way houses, but the homes are required to comply with the law and housing codes.

Other Crimes

Another resident expressed concern about a robbery that took place on nearby Kara Court and asked the police officers to comment on it. His concern was seconded by Ross who said that at a recent meeting of residents in his home two issues kept coming up: the incident at Kara Court and police presence in the neighborhood. The officers at the meeting could not recall the incident on Kara Court.

As background, the Police Blotter in the News Review, which is based on information provided weekly by the police department, reported on May 1 that a resident of Kara Court on the afternoon of April 24 had come home, parked his car in his garage, entered his home and then returned to the garage where he

was accosted by a young man with a handgun who demanded money and took the victim's wallet. The robber fled on foot and was last seen on a foot bridge running toward Schrom Hills Park. A second youth may have been involved. On August 13 Mathews said that the detective in charge of this case had reported no further progress.

A similar incident was reported in the 7200 block of Morrison Drive in Greenbelt East on the evening of May 8 when persons unloading groceries from a car were approached by two youths, one with what appeared to be a long gun, who demanded money, took a wallet and fled on foot.

Craddock responded to the issue of police presence by noting that the police could not be everywhere at once. "We rely on citizens to be our eyes and ears." He noted that neighbors had observed the murder suspect in the area before and after the incident.

Allwang noted that there might be a police presence of which residents may not be aware. He said that his police vehicle is so unmarked that no one would recognize him when he might be in a neighborhood.

A resident commented that when she had called, it took so long for the police to get there that the suspicious person she had seen was gone. Craddock urged her to call the next time she sees someone of concern to her.

Ross asked if the police recommended a neighborhood watch. Mathews said he was responsible for training people for neighborhood watches. Presently only the one in Windsor Green is very active. He offered to work with any group wishing to organize a neighborhood watch.

Library Computers To Get Porn Filters

County Councilmember Douglas J.J. Peters (D - 4th District) recently commended the county library system for approving installation of filtering software on computers in children's sections of branch libraries. The new internet access policy was approved by a vote of 6 to 1 in a recent meeting of the library board of trustees, on a recommendation of Maralita Freeny, director of the county library system.

A Bowie constituent had complained to councilmember Peters last month after she and her two children were exposed to explicit sexual and pornographic materials on a computer in the children's section of the Bowie branch library. Councilmember Peters wrote to Freeny and the board of trustees urging the board to adopt a policy that will include installing filtering software, particularly in the children's sections of each county library branch. In the letter, the councilmember highlighted the United States Supreme Court's June 2003 decision in United States et al v. American Library Association, Inc. et al, which ruled that it was not unconstitutional to require the installation of filtering software by public library systems that receive federal funding. Hansen presented a petition to the board of just under 800 signatures in support of using filtering software.

Representatives of the county library system said installation of the filtering software would start immediately in branch libraries. Each individual computer must have the program installed. The board indicated that it would review the new policy in approximately six months.

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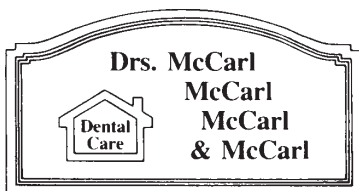
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City Notes

The week of August 4, the streets crew spread gravel at the yard debris site at the rear of Northway Field, cleaned curb and gutter along Greenhill of vines, cleaned the swale in front of the Fire Department, repaired pot holes and cleaned storm drains and underpasses.

The parks crew installed a flagstone walkway in the city cemetery, purchased materials for the wooden footbridge at Schrom Hills Park and replaced a park bench behind 60 Court Crescent.

The cleaning crew did routine cleaning in all city buildings.

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When questioned further by Davis about the possibility that shots heard coming from BARC property outside of deer season could signify poaching, Johnson explained that the Secret Service also uses BARC property for target practice (using blank ammunition). This would be a likely source for shots heard when deer are not legally hunted, she said.

Economic Impact

Johnson told council that BARC is one of the 10 largest public employers in Prince George's County and that 75 percent of their approximately 2000 employees live in the county. The nearly \$86 million total salary budget has about a \$300 million impact on the local economy. There is an additional expenditure of \$45 to \$50 million for procurement of supplies and products, much of it spent locally, she said.

Johnson described various facilities that are in the design stage or under construction. She invited councilmembers to attend the dedication of the new Human Nutrition Research Center (total cost \$25 million), which will be held on August 26 at 10:30 a.m. Congressman Steny Hoyer will be the keynote speaker.

BARC is also spending over \$10 million on greenhouse construction, including one to replace losses from the tornado in 2001. Another will have special features permitting researchers to study fungi safely. Another \$3 million is included in the FY 2004 appropriation to construct a modern poultry facility similar to those used in industry.

Johnson lamented the fact that the USDA's budget process has become politicized. Members of Congress sometimes move specific allocations requested by the Agriculture Department to projects requested by special interest groups from their home states. She noted that BARC does get good support from Maryland's delegation. Johnson outlined some program increases in the FY03 budget along with possible increases for the next fiscal year. However, she expects the budget to go down in the future. She said the next few years could be difficult until the country enjoys more stable economic recovery.

Competitive Sourcing

A major part of the President's Management Agenda, Johnson said, is to seek out-sourcing of functions that are not "inherently

governmental," which she explained are functions not committing the government to a course of action. BARC is currently conducting three studies to determine if some functions could be more efficiently performed by contracting them out. Facilities support, research animal services and farm operations, as well as security are all being looked at in the studies. She said in-house "most efficient organization" proposals compete against the private sector in determining who should perform the service or function.

In the past, Johnson said, in-house proposals have frequently won the competition but since guidelines were recently changed she was not as confident about the outcome of the new studies. She thought security was a likely candidate for outsourcing.

Councilmember Rodney Roberts asked what effect this eventually might have on Greenbelters using BARC for recreational purposes. Johnson assured him that contracted security personnel would still be enforcing the same rules.

Roads

BARC administration is opposed to the development sought by the University of Maryland of a road through BARC connecting Interstate 95 with the university campus area near the new stadium. A proposed connector road would run through the middle of the southern farm portion of BARC. Johnson said such a road would be disruptive to research done in that area. She said statutory protections provided by Congress currently protect BARC property. Later she noted, however, that although the current local Congressional delegation is supportive of BARC, when those Congressmen retire or are voted out of office, things could change.

Another area of concern is a study begun by the State Highway Department to improve traffic in College Park. Johnson told council that a preliminary study had shown \$57 million invested in a solution to that problem would only improve traffic by one percent on Route 1.

Roberts suggested the city could offer support to keeping BARC's property "green," for which Johnson expressed appreciation. She noted in turn that BARC had supported the surrounding communities' position on the realignment by NASA of Soil Conservation Service Road.

The widening of Route 201 would not present a problem for BARC, in Johnson's opinion. Davis told her the city opposes such widening because of the wetlands that would be destroyed. She asked Johnson to keep the city informed of any major changes proposed to BARC property or to BARC's position on such projects in the future.

BARC Accomplishments

With pride, Johnson described the importance of work done at BARC and some of its recent awards. The facility won its third White House "Closing the Circle" award for environmental practices emphasizing bio-based or recycled products. Last year BARC was recognized for its Environmental Management System that enhances overall conservation of resources.

Johnson touched on just a few of the many interesting and innovative projects going on at BARC. Methane produced from cow manure is captured at the dairy and processed to create energy to light the milking parlor. Carbon dioxide is pumped into a pond to encourage growth of algae, which removes phosphorous from the water. The algae is later harvested to make cattle feed.

BARC scientists now have a patent on a process to separate feather fibers from the quill. This enables the utilization of 3.5 billion pounds of waste feathers produced each year to form a new feather fiber that can be used for "everything from diapers to auto parts." She thinks ground breaking will begin soon for the first facility to perform this operation. It is estimated that one feather-processing plant could generate \$80 million in profit.

People don't think of Maryland anymore as an agricultural state, Johnson said, but 20 percent of its economy comes from agriculture. She noted that BARC research offers a "lot of benefit" to the American people. She quoted sources that estimate the investment return for agricultural research in recent years to be between 45 and 210 percent.

Important Neighbor

In thanking Johnson and Serrano for coming to update council on BARC issues, Davis called the campus and its staff "a very important neighbor," adding that she considered it a part of Greenbelt and that the city would be willing to help BARC in any way it can.

ACE Showcases the Winners Of Poetry and Fiction Contest

by Mary Moien

The Greenbelt Advisory Committee on Education (ACE) held its first high school poetry and short fiction contest in the spring. ACE held a Youth Literacy Showcase on May 2 to highlight winners in the competition. The city council chambers were filled with writers and their friends and proud parents. Liz Murray, reading club coordinator, described the project and introduced the winning writers.

Although not part of the official writing contest, two Greenbelt Middle School students opened the evening. Hubert Johnson read his poem "I Am Me," which described his life. The poem included the lines ". . . good in school; . . . won't grow up to be a fool." Jennifer Rice's poem "The World Has Come To" described a world that has come to war, disease and crime. But she ended with a plea for peace.

The high school winners were all from Eleanor Roosevelt High School. Daniel Parker, ninth grade, read a somber poem, "Murder Not Committed." He was awarded first place for poetry, miscellaneous and 2nd place for poetry, social issues. Next, eleventh grader Maura Sateriale read her short fiction "Story of My Love." She did a very able job of reading in two voices as well as singing lines from a song. She was awarded second place in short fiction, social issues.

Petrina Peart, eleventh grade, read her poem "Is It Too Late?" A love poem, Petrina read it in a very clear voice. Petrina won first place in poetry/love for this work. Another eleventh grader, Lauren White, followed with her poem "Anger and Pain" highlighting world social issues. For this poem she won third place in poetry/social issues.

In introducing the next reading, Murray confided that she liked the poem quite a bit as it dealt with her favorite topic - reading. A very poised and mature Aja Watkins, eleventh grade, read "What Comes with Read-



Mayor Judith Davis congratulates Petrina Peart, 11th grade, a winner in the ACE writing contest. Peart's winning entry was a love poem entitled "Is It Too Late?"

ing," describing the excitement of books. Aja was awarded second place for poetry/social issues. Rachel Lane, a ninth grader, read the second short story of the night. Entitled "If Only," it dealt with the sadness of a woman waiting for a date. Rachel had entered works in three categories and won awards in all three: first place for short fiction/social issues, second place for poetry love; and third in poetry/miscellaneous.

Twelfth grader Lydia Luz Lopez read a poem of love with sweet emotion, "Weeping Night." Lydia was awarded third place in poetry/love. The last presenter was ninth grader Timothy Lang, who read a somber poem but with an upbeat ending, "Smile for the Darkness." Timothy won first place in poetry/social issues.

Murray thanked all for their participation, for "getting up here and braving the camera and the crowd." She recognized the judges from the city, the Greenbelt News Review and the Greenbelt Writers Group. She also thanked the sponsors who had contributed prizes to the activity.

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Patuxent Research Refuge Offerings for August

The Patuxent Research Refuge announces its public programs for the remainder of August. All programs are free but require advance reservations which are made by calling 301-497-5887. Advise in advance for any special needs. Visit the website at patuxent.fws.gov.

Programs held at the North Tract located on Rt. 198 between the Baltimore-Washington Parkway and Rt. 32:

Bird Walk - Saturday, August 16, 8 to 10 a.m. All ages. Search for birds in several refuge habitats on this guided hike. Field guides and binoculars are recommended.

Owl Prowl - Saturday, August 16, 7:30 to 9 p.m. All ages. Discover the nighttime world of the refuge while looking and listening for owls and other nocturnal animals on this guided walk.

Wildflower Wander - Sunday, August 17, 8:30 to 11 a.m. Adults. Discover the role that wildflowers play in the ecosystem and learn to identify some common species on the guided walk. A field guide, water and a magnifying glass are recommended.

Programs held at the National Wildlife Visitor Center located on Powder Mill Road between the Baltimore-Washington Parkway and Rt. 197:

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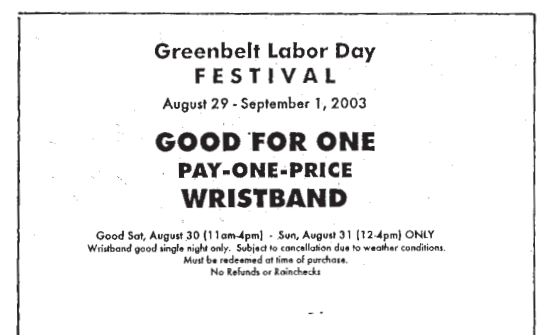
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