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Windsor Green Fire Damages Three Townhouses on Sunday

by Judy Bell

On Sunday, January 11 a two-alarm fire in Windsor Green caused structural damage to three properties in the 7300 block of Ora Court and displaced three residents. One townhouse was severely damaged by the blaze, which started in a faulty fireplace in the basement, spread throughout the unit and extended to townhouses on either side. Quick action by neighbors warned the residents. According to one observer, as the fire blazed, the fireplace was consumed but the skeleton of the flue remained until a gust toppled it onto the back deck.

Damage was estimated at \$250,000 to the three townhouses and \$40,000 to contents, according to Mark Brady, spokesman for the Prince George's County fire and rescue services.

Prince George's County firefighters were dispatched to the scene. Engine 351 from the Greenbelt Volunteer Fire and Rescue Squad was the first to arrive and reported fire showing from the rear of a townhouse. Fire extended up the rear side exterior of the townhouse and entered the attic area, where it rapidly spread down into the townhouse and into the attics of the townhouses on either side. Ora Glen Drive was closed for three hours.

West Lanham Hills, Berwyn Heights, Branchville, College Park, Riverdale, Riverdale Heights and Glenn Dale fire companies also responded to the first alarm, reported Greenbelt Fire Chief Brian Rudy. Based on weather conditions a precau-



The townhouse on Ora Court is engulfed in flames.

tionary second alarm was called by Rudy, bringing nearly 70 firefighters to the scene in case the fire got out of control. However, first-alarm companies were able to contain the blaze relatively quickly.

Captain Ransom of the Greenbelt Volunteer Fire and Rescue Squad explained a one-alarm fire dispatches four fire engines (hose trucks), two ladder trucks and one rescue squad unit. The res-

cue unit carries heavy rescue equipment, sometimes described as "the jaws of life," added Rudy. A two-alarm fire doubles the call for a one-alarm dispatch.

Brady reported that the Red Cross was not called as only one occupant was present in each of the three residences. All either made their own arrangements or stayed with relatives. No injuries were reported.

Greenbelt Metro Access Hearing on January 22

The Maryland Department of Transportation State Highway Administration will conduct a location/design public hearing on the I-95/495 Greenbelt Metro Access Study. The hearing will take place on Thursday, January 22 (snow date: Wednesday, February 4) at Greenbelt Middle School, 8950 Edmondston Road. Displays will be available at 5:30 p.m. and the presentation/testimony begins at 7 p.m. The presentation will include a description of the project alternates, an environmental impact summary, information on right-of-way acquisition and information about Title VI of the Equal Opportunity Program.

The purpose of the hearing is to afford all interested persons the opportunity to present their views regarding the proposed location and general design of the project alternates, including social, economic and natural environmental effects.

The State Highway Administration in consultation with the Mary-

land Historical Trust (MHT) and other consulting parties has identified one historic resource, Beltsville Agricultural Research Center (BARC) that is listed on or considered eligible for the National Register of Historic Places. In accordance with Section 106, the hearing provides the opportunity for public input regarding this resource. The MHT has concurred with our determination that the project will have no adverse effect on this historic property, even though up to 0.8 acres of right-of-way will be acquired from the edges of the BARC property.

Individuals and representatives of organizations who desire to be heard or want to be placed on the project planning mailing list may submit a request to Carmeletta T. Harris, Project Manager, Project Planning Division, State Highway Administration, P.O. Box 717, Baltimore, Md. 21203-0717; toll free at 800-548-5026; or by email at charris@sha.state.md.us.

Written statements and other exhibits in lieu of or in addition to an oral presentation at the hearing may also be submitted to Harris at the above address until February 24.

What Goes On

Monday, January 19

Martin Luther King Holiday, City and GHI Offices closed

Tuesday, January 20

6:30 p.m., Playground Meeting, 2 Court Gardenway

Wednesday, January 21

8 p.m., Council Worksession, Report on Assisted Living, Survey, Community Center

Thursday, January 22

7:30 p.m., GHI Board Meeting, GHI Board Room

Saturday, January 24

9 a.m. to noon, Electronic Recycling, Buddy Attick Park

Sharon Bradley Will Discuss Her Roosevelt Center Design

by Sandra A. Lange

The public is invited to a free lecture Tuesday, January 27, 7:30 p.m., in the Greenbelt Community Center on "Restoring the Roosevelt Center" presented by the Greenbelt Museum. Landscape architect Sharon Bradley will discuss how she incorporated history, town planning and engineering into the original 1930s design to plan the renovation of the historic Greenbelt town center.

The lecture will cover a brief history of the town and the original configuration and use of the Roosevelt Center. Bradley will also discuss the design process and how she worked with the old plan to create an area that recognizes new demands for the space.

Bradley is an independent landscape architect with her own firm, Bradley Site Design, Inc. Her commissions include community planning and design, residential design and architectural illustration. As a current Greenbelt resident, and one who spent much of her early years in Greenbelt, Bradley was uniquely qualified to re-design Roosevelt Center. Her father, Joe Bradley, grew up in 7 Court Ridge Road and her mother, Henrietta (known as Penny), was one of 10 Haslinger children, who lived first in 14 Court and then in 11 Court Ridge. Her grandmother was also Henrietta.

Bradley grew up in the Bowie-Glenn Dale area. She attended Elizabeth Seton High School in Bladensburg and was dropped off at her grandmother's

house every day after school. Her social circle was in Greenbelt. She was active in St. Hugh's teen club and ran track and cross country for the St. Hugh's CYO team. She also participated in various Greenbelt Boys and Girls Club activities. During her teen years, she hung out at the Youth Center and at the pool with her friends on the swim team.

By her junior year of high school, she became interested in architecture as an avenue to change the world. She had always been interested in building things. As a small child, she said that she was more interested in making furniture and creating the perfect house for her Barbie doll than she was in anything else. She always kept boxes of bits and pieces of things to build with and gifts to family members were usually handmade objects.

When it came time to make decisions about a college major, Bradley pursued what she felt most passionate about and that was architecture. "The combination of art and engineering appealed to me," she stated and "I discovered a branch of architecture called landscape architecture [that] added the outdoor environment to the mix. I have always loved the outdoors and the opportunity to shape the environment in positive ways was very appealing to me," she added.

Bradley has been practicing landscape architecture for nearly

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Demonstration Window Is Accepted Enthusiastically

by Al Geiger

After six long months, restoration of the windows in the Senior Game Room (Rm. 109) at the Community Center has been completed.

At a Greenbelt City Council worksession in that room on January 7, Hy Meyers, chief restoration architect for the preservation architectural firm Vitetta, showed off the finished product to council. He discussed what needed to be done and explained why the demonstration restoration had taken so long to complete.

City Manager Michael McLaughlin said it had taken nearly five years of negotiations with the Maryland Historical Trust (MHT) to gain their approval for the proposed restoration and a potential \$20,000 matching fund. Finding and hiring an appropriate architect and locating a capable contractor also took considerable time, he said. Actual restoration of the

five-part window took about six months.

Contractor MarChuk Construction, an experienced restorer, has done restorations for area jurisdictions and the federal government. Extra time was needed to acquire necessary permits and the approval of proposed work details by MHT, Meyers said.

In addition, certain structural details created special problems. Above the window the steel lintel had rusted away and was replaced with a new galvanized steel lintel. This unfortunately entailed removing and then replacing the overhead brickwork. The bottom of the metal window frame at the sill had also rusted out.

The window frames were repaired by attaching the vertical structural members to the sill by means of a "J" shaped metal angle. This met the special ap-

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A Review

What Happens in Dr. Cook's Garden? New Play Reveals

by Sabine Hentrich

"Dr. Cook's Garden," by Ira Levin, opened on Friday, January 9 at the Greenbelt Arts Center. The play, directed by Roy Hammond, was presented to a full house of enthusiastic Levin (and Hammond) fans. Luckily, those present strongly disagreed with the play's original audience. Levin wrote the play in 1967, the same year in which he wrote his successful novel "Rosemary's Baby." "Dr. Cook's Garden," however, was a Broadway flop. It ran for a meager week.

Although the Arts Center's budget is certainly limited – on Broadway the show closed at a loss of \$100,000 – Hammond's production was a complete hit. Hammond, who masterfully directed Levin's better known play "Deathtrap" last year at the Arts Center, clearly loves Levin and knows how to cast his plays.

The play has a small cast and is set in one location. Therefore, if the acting is not right, the whole play fails – it is all about the acting and could not hide behind spectacle or music. For this reason, the Arts Center's production owes its success largely to the director and the two leads: Dr. Cook (Denis L. Latkowski) and Dr. Tennyson (Daniel Student).

Set in a small town in Vermont, "Dr. Cook's Garden" is all about its dirty and very big secret. Dr. Tennyson, a young doctor returning home for a visit after an internship in Chicago, is visiting his childhood role model, Dr. Cook. While going through some medical files of patients that have died under suspicious circumstances and after talking to the housekeeper and gardener about various strange goings-on, Dr. Tennyson begins to suspect that Dr. Cook has a Nazi approach to euthanasia.

It turns out that Dr. Cook believes his community should be weeded and nourished like a garden – water the good and remove the bad. The doctor's standards for choosing who should be extinguished are arbitrary at best, far from mercy killings. He simply justifies himself with "every doctor does it more or less . . . we all make choices."

The play reflects upon what happens when people try to play God and how this power gives



The two leads in the play are Dr. Cook (on left played by Denis Latkowski) and Dr. Tennyson (played by Daniel Student).

some a "thrill to kill." By now, everyone's heard of the evil doctor in literature and film (and unfortunately reality), so the plot is no longer a big shocker to a modern audience.

One cannot emphasize enough that director Hammond cast this play beautifully with Latkowski and Student. Latkowski made a wonderful transformation from a welcoming friend and hero of the community to a monster of a human being, blind to the true meaning of his profession. He was animated and giddy at the right moments, as well as sick and cunning at others.

Student, as his counterpart, was equally fabulous in his transformation from the naive, handsome young doctor who "could make a fortune in gynecology" (a joke modern writers would not get away with) to a responsible man willing to risk – one has to go see the play to find out what – to stop these murders.

The actors portraying the three minor roles as the housekeeper Dora (Norma R. Ozur), the receptionist Bea (Sherrienne Brown) and the gardener Elias (Paul E. Boymel) did pretty well, too. The women, in particular, created an atmosphere of normalcy that made the play more real, and sometimes even funny, despite its atrocious content.

Hammond not only directed but designed the set. The

set, which was skillfully detailed, immediately transported the audience to the right time and place. The bookshelves full of dust, the old index-card patient system and the radio did the trick in minutes.

Last but not least, much praise should go to sound designer Brad J. Ranno, who completed setting the right mood for the play with his wonderful music choices, such as "Wonderful World" by Sam Cooke. Much of his music conveyed the intended cynicism and therefore added to the story's humorous moments.

Anyone who enjoys a great performance of a Levin play – and who wants to find out how it ends between Dr. Cook and Dr. Tennyson – is invited to come to the Greenbelt Arts Center on Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m. through January 31 and Sunday matinees at 2 p.m. on January 18 and 25.

Volunteers Needed

Laurel Regional Hospital is in need of volunteers to assist at the thrift shop on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Volunteers are also needed at the hospital information desk on weekends and in the hospital gift shop on Friday evenings 4 to 8 p.m. For more information, or to schedule an interview call Kathy McKay at 301-497-7950.

American Legion Scholarships

As the world rang in the New Year 2004, American fighting men and women marked their third consecutive year in harm's way, fighting terrorism at home and abroad. Many of our nation's children have lost a parent in this struggle. These parents will not have the opportunity to see their children through school and into adulthood. Regrettably, the casualties of war continue.

The American Legion has established the American Legacy Scholarship for children of members of America's Armed Forces (military and federalized Guard and Reserve personnel) who died while on active duty on or after September 11, 2001.

To obtain a scholarship application visit the Legion's web site at www.legion.org, click on "community" or send a self-addressed, stamped business envelope to American Legacy Scholarship, The American Legion, P. O. Box 1055, Indianapolis, IN 46206.

To contribute to the American Legacy Scholarship fund, send donations to The American Legacy Scholarship Fund at the above address. Contributions may be tax deductible.

MVA Closed Mon.

The Maryland Motor Vehicle Administration will close its full-service and express offices January 19 in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr., Day. All Vehicle Emissions Inspection Program stations will also be closed.

For additional information visit www.marylandmva.com or call the MVA Customer Service Center at 1-800-950-1682.

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PRELIMINARY AGENDA MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Thursday, January 22, 2004 7:30 p.m.
GHI BOARD ROOM

Key Agenda Items

- Proposed Privacy Fence – 4D Ridge Road
- 2004 Property Line Survey Contract – 2nd Reading
- A & E Committee Resolution to Interim Yardline Strategy
- Membership Rights to Multiple Homes
- Fines and Assessments
- Mutual Ownership Contract Changes

Regular board meetings are open to members.

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Information and applications can be found at www.greenbelt.com/swimteam or at the GMST bulletin board in the Greenbelt Aquatic & Fitness Center, 101 Centerway in Old Greenbelt.

For any questions, call Deborah Taylor at 301-345-2485 or Leslie Hilliard at 301-474-7504.

Scholarships For Art/Music Class

Through the generosity of the Greenbelt Arts Foundation and Realty 1, local homeschoolers will be able to take advantage of partial scholarships for the Greenbelt Home Learning Co-op's Music and Art Class.

The Homeschooler's Music and Art Class offers area homeschooling students the opportunity to study with Greenbelt musician and songwriter Melissa Sites and arts educator Barbara Simon. The two artists are teaching a 10-week music and art class starting on February 3. The class will culminate in a performance on April 20. In music the children will study the traditional spirituals of African Americans, music by women and American music. In art the classes in painting and collage will complement the music themes starting with African American artists, women artists and American Indian art.

The class is open to homeschoolers ages 6 to 13. Internships are available for students ages 14 and above. Meeting space for the classes has been donated by the Greenbelt Mowatt Methodist Church. For more information contact Deborah Taylor by phone at 301-345-2485 or Deborahatay@aol.com (email preferred). Scholarship applications are due Friday, January 23. The class starts on September 16.

Mishkan Torah Hosts Two MLK Programs

Mishkan Torah Congregation invites families to some upcoming services.

On Friday evening, January 16 the speaker will be June White Dillard, president of the Prince George's County NAACP, who will speak on improving relations between the African American and Jewish communities. The service begins at 8 p.m.

Saturday morning, January 17 the speaker will be devoted to honoring Martin Luther King, Jr. Rabbi Jonathan Cohen will lead the service, which will begin at 9:30 a.m.

Johnny Barnes, executive director of the National Capital Area Chapter of the American Civil Liberties Union, and Rabbi Cohen will give their views on the USA Patriot Act as a Jewish issue on Sunday, January 25 at 11 a.m.

Members of the community are invited to come learn from the speakers and ask them some tough questions. For more information, contact Benton Parks at 301-474-8617 or via email at benparks58@yahoo.com. Mishkan Torah congregation is located at the corner of Ridge Road and Westway.

At the Library

Monday, January 19, libraries closed for Martin Luther King Day.

Adult Programs

Wednesday, January 21, 2 p.m., book discussion on Orson Scott Card's "Enders Game."

Children's Programs

Tuesday, January 20, 10:30 a.m., Cuddletime for newborns to 18 months with caregiver.

Wednesday, January 21, 10:30 a.m., ToddlerTime for ages 18 to 36 months with caregiver.

Thursday, January 22, 10:30 a.m., Drop-In Storytime for ages 3 to 5.

Art projects by the Concordia Lutheran School are on exhibit this month.

Community Events

Golden Age Club

by Bunny Fitzgerald

The Golden Age Club began the year with the installation of officers on January 7. Hank Irving, Greenbelt Recreation Department director, installed the following slate of officers: president – Ellie Rimar, first vice president – Micki Weidenfeld, second vice president – Bud Hinson, recording secretary – Bunny Fitzgerald, treasurer – Robert Terrell and corresponding secretary – Rachel Algaze. Past presidents were honored. Those present were: Florence Holly, Mary Gardner, Bill Souser, Bud Hinson, Ima Davis and Ellie Rimar.

Greeter for the day was Leonie Penney.

The trip to Chesapeake Dinner Theater to see "42nd Street" still has openings. We'll be going to tour Chesapeake City and shop on March 16. On April 26 to 28 a trip is planned to New York State and Lucyland, which includes Lake Chautauqua, a visit to a winery and other fun things.

The birthday lunch will be on January 21. On January 28 Mayor Judith Davis will be the speaker.

Many thanks to the officers for returning for another year. Please pitch in and help to make 2004 a productive and enjoyable year.

Remember it's time to pay the yearly dues.

Thomas White To Be Honored

Former Councilmember Thomas X. White will be honored for his 30 years of service on the Greenbelt City Council with a dinner at Martin's Crosswinds on Sunday, February 8 from 1:30 to 5:30 p.m. Friends, co-workers, those serving with White in his various capacities and those grateful for the many hours he spent helping to keep Greenbelt a great place to live, are encouraged to join in this afternoon of celebrating his years of service to the community.

In addition to serving as councilmember and mayor pro tem, White represented the city at a number of government organizations, such as the Metropolitan Council of Governments, the Maryland Municipal League, the Prince George's County Municipal Association and the National League of Cities. During this time he also served in a variety of civic organizations.

Mamas and Papas Meet and Mingle

Local parents are invited to meet and mingle at the Greenbelt Mamas and Papas playgroup. The meeting is from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. every Wednesday at the Greenbelt Community Center. Attendees should bring lunch and enjoy grown-up conversation while the children play. All are welcome. Upcoming meetings include January 21 and 28 and February 4; please note that the group will not meet in the Community Center on February 11. Contact Anne Gardner at 301-220-1721 with any questions.

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Ted Kliman Presents Exploration of Color

How is color used in art and how do artists apply and use color principles, color mixing and the phenomenon of simultaneous contrast? These topics will be explored on Friday, January 23 when Explorations Unlimited welcomes local artist Ted Kliman. He will also talk about the legend and legacy of Michelangelo, emphasizing Michelangelo's use of color.

Kliman is a nationally exhibiting artist who has shown twice in Greenbelt. He has an MFA in painting from the Maryland Institute, College of Art. He served as an artist-in-residence at Wesley Theological Seminary in Washington, D.C., from 2002 to 2003. He has also taught at Morgan State University. He will be teaching a Prince George's County SAGE class called the Color of Art beginning in February at the Greenbelt Community Center.

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 more information.

Star Gazing Party At Northway Fields

Come explore the universe. The Greenbelt Astronomy Club is celebrating by holding a star gazing party on Saturday, January 17. Everyone is invited. The event begins at dusk and is scheduled to last until at least 11 p.m. Club members will be on hand with a variety of telescopes and binoculars to share views of star clusters, nebula and constellations.

The location will be Northway Ball Fields. The event is free and open to the public. If the skies are hopelessly cloudy, this event will be cancelled.

Directions to Northway Fields: From Greenbelt Road take Southway to Ridge Road and turn right. Go approximately three-fourths mile to Northway (third stop sign) and turn right. Follow the dirt road, bearing left at the fork to the observing site.

For more information, directions and map, visit the website at <http://www.gsfc.nasa.gov/docs/outreach/gac/GAD.html>.



AUDITIONS Much Ado About Nothing

Jan. 19 & 20 at
7:30 pm

Greenbelt Arts Center
123 Centerway
next to the Post Office
301-441-8770

www.greenbeltartscenter.org

See Mars Landing At NASA Space Chat

In August, Mars, Earth's planetary neighbor, came closer to Earth than it has been in nearly 60,000 years. Mars has been spectacularly visible in the night sky for several months. NASA has embarked on a series of bold missions to search Earth's celestial neighbor for evidence of life either in the distant past, recent times or now. On January 3 the first of two Mars Rovers landed in Gusev Crater. On January 24 the Mars Rover Opportunity will land at Hematite in Terra Meridiani.

The first of the NASA Space Chat lecture series will be held at the Goddard Visitor Center on Saturday evening, January 24 at 7:30 p.m. This will include star gazing with the Goddard Astronomy Club, an award ceremony for Mission to Mars Art Contest winners, a robotic demonstration, science talks by NASA scientists and NASA television coverage of the landing at 11 p.m. The event is free but registration is required. To register visit the Goddard home page at <http://www.gsf.nasa.gov> and click on Space Chats or call 301-286-8102.

GHI Notes

January 19, GHI offices will be closed in honor of Martin Luther King, Jr.

January 20, Member & Community Committee, 7 p.m., Board Room.

January 21, Architecture & Environment Committee special meeting, 7 p.m., Board Room. Companion Animal Committee, 7:30 p.m., Conference Room.

January 22, Board of Directors meeting, 7:30 p.m., in the Board Room.

January 26, Pre-purchase orientation, 7:15 p.m. in the Board Room.

The GES Notebook

by David Lange

The 6th graders at Greenbelt Elementary School, as part of their reading and language arts curriculum, read about and studied ancient Egypt. A particular emphasis was on the sciences of mummification and archaeology.

At the end of the unit project, students worked in teams to create a sarcophagus for an Egyptian pharaoh or queen.

The following was written by 6th grader Nikolas Bracy to describe his team's sarcophagus (left-most in the photo):

"In art class our teams of students created stunning sarcophagi. The one sarcophagus our team created was very unique. First, the mask is a marvelous solid gold. The entrancing almond shaped eyes could have you staring for minutes at a time. The mask is surrounded by a solid gold and sapphire blue headdress. Our pharaoh's beard is wrapped in leather and gold strings. The collar is inlaid with lovely greenish and golden orange colors. Our pharaoh's arms were removed due to guinea worm infection in life. Therefore they are not displayed on his sarcophagus, so his spirit will recognize him. The body of the sarcophagus shows great significance due to hieroglyphics which scientists believe to display his name. Finally, the base of the sarcophagus exhibits golden shapes and colored squares which scientists believe may be a code that is so far undecipherable."



A sampling of the sarcophagi made by students at GES during their study of ancient Egypt.

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Obituaries



Mollie "Ann" Reigner



Mollie "Ann" Reigner, a Greenbelt resident, died here Friday, January 2, 2004, at age 83. The cause of death was Alzheimer's disease, Parkinson's disease and advanced osteoarthritis.

The former Mollie Ann Pocock, known to her friends as simply "Ann," was born February 26, 1920, in Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada, to Wilfred J. and Olyve Ann Pocock. At age six months, she moved with her family to Windsor, Ontario, where she lived until 1934, when she moved to Detroit.

She then attended the University of Detroit, along with her future husband, Hal Morton Reigner. On February 7, 1942, she married Hal Reigner, a Ford Motor Company engineer.

The Reigners lived in Detroit; Toledo, Ohio; Battle Creek and Farmington, Mich., as Mr. Reigner worked in these localities. They had four children, a son and three daughters.

While in Battle Creek Mrs. Reigner joined St. Joseph Altar Society and led a Cub Scout troop to which her son belonged. Later in Farmington the family joined Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church, where Mrs. Reigner again became a member of the Altar Society.

Upon Mr. Reigner's retirement, the couple bought a small Airstream trailer in which they took vacations with several family members.

Following her husband's death in July 1998, Mrs. Reigner moved to Greenbelt in January 1999 to live with her son, Ken, who credits his mother with instilling in him a keen interest in current events, politics and public service.

"I distinctly remember sitting with my mother when I was only three years old watching the 1952 Democratic and Republican National Conventions on television," her son said and other conventions over the years. "The message from my mother was loud and clear: this was important stuff that affected real people's lives and I had better pay attention and learn about it." Because of this Ken Reigner worked on Capital Hill and on several Presidential campaigns.

In the 1970s Mrs. Reigner volunteered for the Democratic party

and joined the Farmington Democratic Club.

After following with keen interest her son's work at all the Democratic National Conventions since 1976, Mrs. Reigner fulfilled a lifelong ambition to attend a national convention in person in 2000 and saw the party's nominee, Al Gore, deliver his acceptance speech.

Mrs. Reigner loved animals, caring for parakeets as her children grew up. For Christmas 2000, her son gave her a three-month-old Maltese puppy. The puppy was named "Michie," the same name as a Maltese poodle in Mrs. Reigner's family when she was a child.

"My mother told me her mother had named that dog 'Michie,' because it was always getting into mischief," said her son. "When I gave her the Maltese in 2000, I wanted to help bring back some fond memories that she had of her childhood pet.

"Michie was her constant companion and, in fact, was curled up in his favorite location - my mother's lap - when she died."

Mrs. Reigner is survived by her son and three daughters, Judith Crowe, York, Pa.; Susan Justice, Seal Beach, Calif.; Beth Reigner, Westlake, Ohio; seven grandchildren; and 11 nieces and nephews.

A funeral Mass was held January 8 at Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church in Farmington. Interment followed at Holy Sepul-

cher Cemetery in Southfield, Mich., where Mrs. Reigner was buried in a family plot next to her late husband, Hal.

A memorial service will be held Saturday, January 17 at the Reigner home here in Greenbelt at 6:30 p.m.

The family requests that memorials in lieu of flowers be sent to the Alzheimer's Association, 20300 Civic Center Drive, Suite 100, Southfield, MI 48076.

Carroll Byerly Holcomb

Carroll Byerly Holcomb, 72, of Little Rock, Ark., died Thursday, December 18, 2003. She was born in Laurel, Md., to Dr. Theodore Carroll and Helen Freeman Byerly.

Mrs. Holcomb attended Greenbelt High School when Greenbelt pioneer children attended, graduating in June, 1947. While in Greenbelt High School in 1946-47 Carroll was the star of the old-time radio program "The American Quiz" hosted by history expert Edward Boykin and broadcast at the old Washington Gas Light Building in Washington, D.C. Carroll competed against the best historians from the high schools in the Washington, D.C., area and was never defeated. Month after month she won prizes of U.S. Savings Bonds.

Later she attended Barnard College in New York City.

She was a longtime member of the League of Women Voters

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9:00 am Christian education for all ages
10:00 am Sung Mass with organ and folk music, ASL interpreted
1:30 pm Signed Mass (last Sunday of each month only)
Wednesdays: 7:00 pm Simple, quiet Mass

and the American Civil Liberties Union and also was a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution.


Mrs. Holcomb was preceded in death by her husband of 45 years, Norman Elmer Holcomb. She was survived by two sons and three daughters; a step-mother, Imogene Jones McCarthy Byerly, who lives in Greenbelt with her son Tony McCarthy and his wife Bobbi; and eight grandchildren.

P.J. Siegel


P.J. Siegel, 44, died on Wednesday, January 14, 2004, at 5:30 p.m. at the Veterans Administration Hospital in Washington, D.C. She had been a patient there since December 22. Mrs. Siegel lived in the 23 Court of Ridge Road with her daughter Shane.

A private service is planned for the family in the next few days. A memorial service will be announced at a later date.




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Wed. Prayer Meeting 7:00 pm
Third Friday, Games Night 7:30 pm
Rev. DaeHwa Park, Pastor
Jan. 18, Human Relations Day
Sermon Title: Sign of God's Power and Love Praise Service

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Basketball in Mid-season For Boys & Girls Club

by Coach Doug Mangum

The Greenbelt Boys & Girls Club basketball program is currently at full throttle with games and practices. The program, which fields three girls teams, three intramural teams (non-traveling teams) along with seven boys teams, presents host games on most Friday nights at the Springhill Lake Recreation Center at 7:30 p.m. and every Saturday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the Greenbelt Youth Center.

The season culminates with a fund raising tournament on March 12 through 20, with each team inviting three other teams in its respective age groups. The club will have participated in 168 games from January 2 up until the final game on March 20. This does not include any play-off games which the teams are hopeful that they will be involved in. In other words, the participants are quite busy and active this winter.

Each year the gym space gets more scarce. The club is looking for additional facilities in the future in order to meet the expanding demands of this popular

sport. The club's outreach to its children and youth is vital in keeping young families here in the city. I believe the club is doing great things to keep our young people engaged in positive programming.

The season-ending tournament, dubbed the Greenbelt Boys & Girls Club Basketball "Final Four Fundraiser" is for boys and girls and should reflect a co-ed theme.

A T-shirt art contest has been designed to involve our community's young artists. The winner will see his or her entry displayed on this year's T-shirts and possibly for many years to come. Also a \$25 prize will be awarded to the creator of the original design. Entries may be mailed to Coach Doug at 7744 Lakecrest Drive, Greenbelt, MD 20770, or handed in person to me at any home game on Saturdays at the Greenbelt Youth Center. Entries must be received by Saturday, February 14. I am very excited about this endeavor and hope it can become a yearly event. See you at the games!

Greenbelt Boys & Girls Club Basketball Program Saturday, Jan.17, Youth Center

10 a.m.	Raiders & Bullets
11:15 a.m.	Lakers & Port Town Riverdale
12:15 p.m.	10 & Under Girls vs. South Bowie
1:15 p.m.	10 & Under Boys vs. Hyattsville
2:15 p.m.	14 & Under Girls vs. Cheverly
3:15 p.m.	14 & Under Boys vs. Allentown

"Hot Towers" Produce Stronger Hurricanes

Owen Kelley, a Greenbelt resident, and John Stout, both of NASA's Goddard Space Flight Center, have found that "hot tower" clouds intensify hurricanes, tropical cyclones and typhoons. They presented their findings at the American Meteorological Society annual meeting held January 12 in Seattle.

According to Kelley and Stout, a "hot tower" is a rain cloud that reaches at least to the top of the troposphere, the lowest layer of the atmosphere. It extends approximately nine miles (14.5 km) high in the tropics. These towers are called "hot" because they rise

to this high altitude due to the large amount of latent heat. Water vapor releases this latent heat as it condenses into liquid. In order to achieve their goal of predicting the birth and intensity of a tropical storm, Kelley and Stout compiled statistics and found that a tropical cyclone that had a tower in its eyewall was twice as likely to intensify within the next six hours than a cyclone that lacked a tower. The "eyewall" is the ring of clouds around a cyclone's central eye.

For more information go to <http://www.gsfc.nasa.gov/topstory/2004/0112towerclouds.html>.

Roundabout Status at Hunting Ridge

The widening of the road at the Hunting Ridge roundabout has been completed. A retaining wall has been installed, a curb and gutter are in place, a new storm drain culvert at the Hunting Ridge entrance is complete and a sidewalk on the north-bound side extending to the bus stop will also be finished.

Construction is continuing on the interior circle of the roundabout and extension of the sidewalk to join the sidewalk in

front of Greenway apartments. The steps up into Schrom Hills Park are complete except for handrails.

Flexible bollards have been placed to create the roundabout until construction can be completed. While the city intended to complete the entire project last year, the temporary bollards allow for testing the operation of the roundabout and making any adjustments as necessary to improve operations.

DISCOUNT Coupon

Receive 50% off on a selected entrée when you buy one of equal or greater value from the **New Deal Café**.

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City Information

Martin Luther King, Jr., Holiday Schedule

City Offices will be closed Monday, January 19th, in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr., Day. The Greenbelt Connection will not be operating.

REFUSE/RECYCLING SCHEDULE Week of January 19th

Monday Route—Collected Tuesday
 Tuesday Route—Collected Wednesday
 Wednesday Route—Collected Thursday
 Thursday Route—Collected Friday
 There will be no appliance or yard waste collections on Friday, January 23rd.

MEETINGS FOR JANUARY 19-23

Tuesday, January 20, 6:30pm, Playground Meeting, 2 Court Gardenway. Bill Phelan, Assistant Director, DPW, will meet with all interested persons to discuss planned changes and upgrades to the equipment in this area. Adults and children are welcome. For information, call 301-474-8004.

Wednesday, January 21, 8:00pm, Council Work Session, Report on Assistance in Living Survey, Greenbelt Community Center.

OPENINGS ON BOARDS & COMMITTEES
 Volunteer to serve on City Council advisory groups.
 Vacancies exist on the:
 Advisory Committee on Education
 Arts Advisory Board
 Park and Recreation Advisory Board
 Youth Advisory Committee

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

ELECTRONICS RECYCLING

Saturday, January 24, 2004

9am-12noon

Buddy Attick Park



City residents, businesses and organizations can recycle old and/or unwanted computers and other electronic items. Bring your items to the collection truck located in the lower parking lot

of Buddy Attick Park.

Accepted Items Include:

- central processing units • hard drives • monitors • keyboards
- printers and copiers • laptop computers • computer speakers
- scanners • computer mice • software • recording equipment
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GREENBELT MUNICIPAL/PUBLIC ACCESS CHANNEL 71

MUNICIPAL ACCESS 301-474-8000: Tuesday & Thursday, January 20 & 22th: 6:00pm "ACE Reading Club-Magnolia Elementary" **6:30pm** "ACE Reading Club-Greenbelt Elementary" **7:00pm** "Council of Governments Annual Report"

PUBLIC ACCESS: 301-507-6581 Wednesday & Friday, January 14 & 16: 7pm "Democratic Club with Lowell Owens" **8:30pm** "Greenbelt Arts Center presents Chance Gardener"

ACE READING CLUB

Greenbelt Youth Writing Contest

Students in grades 6 - 12 who live in or attend school in Greenbelt are eligible to enter. Win prizes and be on Greenbelt Municipal Access TV!

Deadline: February 23, 2004 in the Greenbelt CARES office, 25 Crescent Road.

For more details or to request an entry form 301-345-6660, or visit www.ci.greenbelt.md.us, or e-mail acereadingclub@ci.greenbelt.md.us

FOREST PRESERVE TASK FORCE

In October, the City Council adopted an ordinance to establish a Forest Preserve program for Greenbelt. At its December 15 meeting, the Council adopted a resolution establishing a Forest Preserve Task Force for the purpose of providing advisory guidance to the Council in formulating management and maintenance documents for the Forest Preserve, as well as making recommendations for the designation of Forest Preserve areas. It is expected that the Task Force will meet at least monthly for a period of up to two years.

The Task Force will comprise 11 members, five of whom will be appointed from the membership of City Council advisory boards designated in the resolution. The other six members will serve at large. They must be residents of the City and may not be current members of City Council advisory boards or committees.

Anyone who wishes to be considered for appointment as an at-large member of the Task Force should send a written expression of interest to Kathleen Gallagher, City Clerk, no later than January 30, 2004, at 25 Crescent Road, Greenbelt, MD, 20770, or kgallagher@ci.greenbelt.md.us. Please briefly describe the basis of your interest and experience for serving on the Forest Preserve Task Force, and give appropriate contact information for reaching you for an interview during February.

Copies of the Forest Preserve ordinance and the resolution establishing the Forest Preserve Task Force are available on the City Web site at www.ci.greenbelt.md.us, or they may be requested from the City Clerk at 301-474-8000.

Attention City of Greenbelt

Woodworkers

Seasoned Roughed Sawn Lumber from City trees is available. This includes oak, maple and sweetgum. Cost is \$1.50 a board foot. For information, contact Bill Phelan at Public Works at 301-474-8004.

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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.

Attempted Carjacking

Beltway Plaza Mall, January 3, 9:17 p.m., a nonresident man was arrested and charged with attempted carjacking. A man reported that he was sitting in his vehicle in the parking lot to the rear of the mall when he was approached by another man, who ordered him to get out of his vehicle and to leave the keys in the ignition. During the attempted carjacking no weapon was displayed but was implied. The man refused to get out of his vehicle and the suspect walked away. The victim followed the suspect to the area of Cherrywood Lane and Breezewood Drive, where the suspect was apprehended by police. He was transported to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner.

Assault

T.G.I.Friday's Restaurant, Capitol Drive, January 6, 2 a.m., a nonresident man was arrested and charged with assault, resisting arrest, trespass and disorderly conduct. He was told to leave the restaurant property after he was involved in a fight with another patron. He refused, shouting profanities and then assaulted an officer and resisted attempts to place him into custody. The suspect was treated on the scene for minor injuries sustained while resisting arrest and transported to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner.

Theft

8100 block Bird Lane, December 29, 2:15 p.m., a nonresident man was arrested and charged with theft. He was arrested on the scene after allegedly stealing items from the residence while doing home repairs for the victim. He was transported to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner.

Drugs

6100 block Breezewood Court, January 1, 12:08 a.m., a nonresident youth was arrested for possession of marijuana and possession of paraphernalia. Police responded to a report of the sound of gunshots in the area. Upon arriving on the scene they observed two youths; one attempted to flee the scene on foot as they approached. The youth was apprehended after a short foot chase and found to be in possession of a quantity of suspected marijuana and paraphernalia commonly used to package marijuana. The youth was released to a parent pending action by the Juvenile Justice System.

54 court Crescent Road, January 3, 3:50 p.m., a resident and a nonresident man were arrested and charged with possession of paraphernalia. Police responded to a report of the odor of marijuana coming from a residence. When the men answered the door, police observed a pipe commonly used to smoke marijuana in plain view. The suspects were released on citation pending trial.

Burglary

7700 block Hanover Parkway, December 31, 2:32 p.m., unknown person(s) used unknown means to enter the residence. Two personal computers were taken.

9100 block Edmonston Terrace, January 2, 2:15 p.m., unknown person(s) used unknown means to enter a residence. A DVD player, luggage, compact discs and jewelry were taken.

8000 block Mandan Road, January 3, 2:13 a.m., unknown person(s) attempted to enter a residence by removing a window screen and breaking the window. Entry was not gained.

7400 block Greenway Center Drive, January 5, 7:25 a.m., commercial burglary.

9300 block Edmonston Road, January 7, 7:01 p.m., unknown person(s) entered a residence by forcing open the sliding glass door. Video game players, DVD's and handguns were taken.

Counterfeit Money

Greenway Shopping Center, January 4, 1:26 p.m., a counterfeit twenty-dollar bill was passed at Modell's Sporting Goods. The suspect is described as a black male, 25 to 30 years of age, 6'1" with a medium build and black hair in cornrows, wearing blue jeans and a T-shirt.

Open Alcohol

6100 block Breezewood Court, January 3, 9 p.m., a nonresident man was arrested and charged with open alcohol in public. A second nonresident man was arrested and charged with trespass. Police responded to a report of disorderly persons in front of a residence. One was found to be in possession of an open alcoholic beverage, and investigation revealed that the other man had been banned from the apartment complex by agents of the property. Both were released on citation pending trial.

Vehicle Crimes

The following vehicles were stolen: a white 1994 Ford Crown Victoria 4-door, Maryland tags 29082B, January 1, from the 6900 block Hanover Parkway; a 1991 Honda Accord 4-door, January 2, from Beltway Plaza Mall, recovered January 6 by the Metropolitan Police, no arrests; a 1994 Honda Accord 4-door, January 3, from the 5800 block Cherrywood Lane, recovered the next day by the Prince George's County Police, no arrests; a gold 1994 Honda Accord 4-door, Maryland tags LTW870, January 4, from the 9100 block Edmonston Road; a black 1998 Dodge Neon 4-door, Maryland tags LAX643, January 4, from the 6600 block Lake Park Drive; a green 1990 Dodge Caravan, New Jersey Tags EBL50A, January 6, from the 6400 Block Ivy Lane and a 1995 Chevrolet van, January 8, from the 9100 block Springhill Lane, recovered by the owner the same day in the 9100 block of Springhill Lane, no arrests.

Six stolen vehicles were recovered, one by Greenbelt police. No arrests were made in any of the recoveries.

Thefts from and attempted thefts from vehicles were reported in the following areas: 7900 block Mandan Road (two incidents), 8100 block Ora Glen Drive (two incidents), 6900 block Hanover Parkway, 7200 block Morrison Drive, 7100 block Lake Drive, 6400 block Capitol Drive, Beltway Plaza Mall, 2 Court

Southway, 6000 block Springhill Drive and 5900 block Cherrywood Lane (two incidents).

ATF-MCPD Arrest 4 Greenbelt Men

Montgomery County Police and federal agents from the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF) arrested Steven Osborne, 23, Justin David Jones, 21, Derrick Carlton Clay, 19, and Eric Drew Garris, 21, all residents of Greenbelt, for possession of stolen firearms, conspiracy to commit theft of firearms and the theft of firearms.

On January 6, ATF special agents and investigators from the Montgomery County Police Department's Firearms Task Force responded to a burglary at Atlantic Guns, a federal firearms licensed dealer, located at 944 Bonifant Street in Silver Spring. Upon arrival, Montgomery County police observed a black tow truck parked in front of Atlantic Guns with its tow cable pulled out and lying on the ground in front of the smashed glass door of the store. The tow truck, still running, had been stolen the day before from Capital Truck Equipment in Prince George's County. Investigators subsequently determined that three Armalite AR-15 assault rifles and two Springfield M1-A, 308 rifles had been stolen from the licensed gun store.

Within 36 hours of the burglary the task force received a tip about the location of the stolen guns. Members of the task force, including the Prince George's County Police Emergency Response Team, responded to a residence in Prince George's County. The alleged suspects were then seen leaving the area. When Prince George's County Police initiated a traffic stop the suspect vehicle, in an attempt to elude authorities, rammed one of the police vehicles. No one was injured and the suspects were arrested and detained without further incident.

With the suspects in custody, members of the firearms task force executed a state search warrant at a residence in Prince George's County. As a result, the three AR-15s were recovered, along with evidence leading to the location of the other two firearms. All five firearms were then taken into ATF custody.

Two-Time Killer Awaiting Sentencing Commits Suicide

by Dorothy Sucher

Convicted killer Michael W. Sears, 55, killed himself on January 10 while in detention awaiting sentencing for the murder last May of his girlfriend, Darlene Williamson, in Sears' Hanover Parkway apartment. Sears hanged himself using a rope improvised from bedsheets and shoelaces. According to a report in the Washington Post of January 13, Sears left a suicide note, the contents of which were not disclosed by authorities. It was characterized as "very apologetic."

Sears' murder of his girlfriend occurred only two years after his early release from prison, where he had been serving a sentence for murdering his wife, Debra B. Sears, in March 1992. The case has become a cause celebre because Sears' original sentence of 30 years in prison was reduced seven years later by a Maryland judge to only 20 years. This made him eligible for parole earlier and he was released after only nine years on a 30-year sentence. Only 20 months later he killed again.

As a result of this occurrence and others like it, there is a move to limit judicial sentence reconsideration. The City of Greenbelt legislative program for

2004 includes a recommendation for the enactment of such legislation, which would limit the power of judges to reduce sentences after a prisoner's original sentencing.

Letter to Judge

Sears was to have been sentenced on Thursday, January 15 by Circuit Court Judge C. Phillip Nichols, Jr., for his girlfriend's murder, facing a possible sentence of life in prison without parole. According to the Washington Post article Sears wrote a letter to the judge last month in which he stated, "The first thing that I would like to say is that I am without a doubt the dumbest S.O.B. that you will ever meet. To get a second chance like I did and blow it is just plain stupid . . . I do not deserve to live. I took two peoples lives."

Sears, a former postal worker, was convicted of the death of his girlfriend, who had been beaten and stabbed 26 times, authorities said. She was the mother of four children. According to the Post article he fatally shot his estranged wife when she came to his home to pick up some personal belongings. Her three children were waiting in the car at the time.

Schools Challenged by Federal Goals

Greenbelt Elementary School PTA hosted Dr. Leroy Tompkins on Wednesday evening, January 7. Tompkins is an associate superintendent of Prince George's County Schools, overseeing the Testing and Accountability offices. He regaled the small audience with a lively and informative presentation describing the new testing regulations and how they are impacting schools.

The federal government's No Child Left Behind (NCLB) Act is like "an elephant in your living room," says Tompkins, "it's too big to ignore." Though the five goals of NCLB are certainly honorable, achieving them as they are now written may well prove to be an impossible task for many school systems in the country. New tests are being

mandated by the state of Maryland and the results are being scrutinized from every angle.

Tompkins suggests that the manner in which proficiency is decided needs to be examined very closely. The Prince George's County school system continues to score consistently low on the state exams. On a high note, Greenbelt Elementary School scored well above the state average.

For more information on test scores visit the Maryland State Department of Education website at www.msde.state.md.us. For a free copy of the parents guide to NCLB order online from www.ed.gov/pubs/edpubs. For more information on the Prince George's County school strategic plan visit www.pgcps.org.

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20 years. In 1994, she began her own business. "Architecture has long been a male-dominated profession, but many more women are practicing now than in the past," she commented. "Still, I am a bit of an anomaly out on the construction sites. Being self-employed means that I wear a lot of hats and one of them is to monitor the construction of my projects. It's the part of the job that I love the most, because it is the realization of months or years of planning and drawing. And it is a lot of fun for me to see the construction process," she reflected.

At the time Bradley became interested in applying for the job of renovating Roosevelt Center, she was going through a grueling year of cancer treatment. She read the article in the News Review that stated that funding had been allocated for the renovation of the Roosevelt Center. She herself has long been vexed by her observations on the decline of the Center. She knew it could be so much more than it had become and actually redesigned it in her head when she walked through it. So she was thrilled when she saw the news and immediately contacted Celia Craze, the city's director of Planning and Community Development, to inquire about the request for proposals.

The RFP process took a few months, which was fortunate for her because in that time, she finished the most debilitating part of her treatment and was about to begin radiation. When Craze interviewed her for the project, she had just been prepared for radiation and had bright blue markings showing above her shirt collar. She was concerned that her situation would affect her prospects "but Celia was absolutely professional, and gave

me a thorough interview without batting an eye," she stated.

These circumstances played a role in her approach to the project. When she was awarded the contract, she was overjoyed. "I was confident of my professional abilities and knew my heart would go into every bit of the project," she stated enthusiastically. "This project was more significant than most because it was all about a place that is very important to me and because the work was an integral part of my return to the normal, living world," she recalls.

"My new perspective gave me patience to listen properly to the many opinions about the project and to address the fears the many residents had about changes in the Center. Although the design process took a long time . . . I found that the design was greatly improved by the criticisms and other input by the residents and city staff and council members. Some of the people who were the most vocal in their opposition to the project inspired important developments in the design. So the process, though long and involved, was actually very productive - and a thoroughly cooperative effort. I was really pleased by that; it seemed very fitting for Greenbelt to have a town center that reflected the thoughts and desires of the whole community. My job was to pull all those ideas together into a design that was cohesive and strong. I think we all came up with a design that is a happy marriage of historic elements and new site uses," Bradley stated.

One of the most unusual aspects of the project occurred when, in the midst of construction, a huge underground storage tank was discovered in the middle of the Center! That

taught her to appreciate the skills of the people who worked for the city's Public Works Department. "They were tremendously responsive when we ran into hitches," she commented. "I also learned that Greenbelters have a wicked sense of humor. When the News Review reported on its April 1 "front page" that it was dinosaur bones, not a tank, that had been unearthed at the Center, we had several curious onlookers who came to see the archeological find," she laughed. "And I learned through my research of the old blueprints, that there were many elements of the original town that were designed but never built. It would be fun to explore those projects some day too," she mused.

To hear Sharon Bradley discuss many other aspects of the Roosevelt Center renovation project, come to Tuesday's lecture at the Community Center. For more information, call the Greenbelt Museum at 301-507-6582.

City Notes

The parks crew purchased supplies and made new receptacles for refuse cans which will be installed in city parks, removed graffiti at the Hamilton Cemetery and transported a new truck which had a dump body insert installed.

The cleaning crew power scrubbed and waxed the Senior Game Room floor at the Community Center and refinished the vinyl floors at Springhill Lake Recreation Center.

The horticulture crew removed hazardous trees on Crescent Road across from the library and completed mulching the annual beds on Southway and the city office building.

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proval of Mayor Judith Davis.

Because distortion of the frame at both ends of the window could not be repaired, only the three inside bottom windows will be operable. Although the original bronze closing mechanisms have been reinstalled, some method to keep people from trying to force the opening of the two end windows must still be devised.

The \$36,000 contract cost for the demonstration is well under the \$40,000 estimated budget for this work.

Meyers stated that because the materials and methodologies had been developed in the demonstration project, future restorations should cost less. He estimated that they would take four weeks or less to complete. Future windows can also be done two at a time.

All five councilmembers were present; all expressed their satisfaction with the restoration and gave their informal approval for Vitetta and MarChuk to continue with the restoration of the remaining windows in the Community Center.



Lead paint is pushed off surface of the metal by rusting steel. Hardware is all bronze and should not be painted.



Metal has completely rusted away at bottom (vertical structural member no longer anchored at sill).



Restored window with replaced concealed lintel behind the white painted brick above the window.

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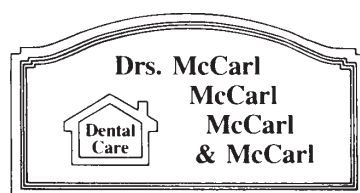
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Board of Education To Meet on Jan. 20

The Capital Improvement Program Committee of the Prince George's County Board of Education will meet on Tuesday, January 20 at the Sasscer Administration Building, 14201 School Lane in Upper Marlboro. The meeting will convene at 7 p.m. in the board executive room.

Attending the meeting will be committee members Jose R. Morales, chair; Robert O. Duncan and Dean Sirjue; Beatrice P. Tignor, chair, Board of Education; Tony Liberatore, chief administrator of supporting services; and Robert Kuntz, acting director, Planning and Architectural Services.

The committee will discuss alternative financing for construction for Prince George's County public schools. The public is invited to attend but there will be no public participation. For additional information call Amber Wilson, executive assistant, Board of Education, at 301-952-6239.

School Board Budget Hearing

The Prince George's County Board of Education will host a public hearing on its proposed FY05 budget on Wednesday, January 21 at 7 p.m. in the auditorium of Friendly High School, 10000 Allentown Road in Fort Washington. Public participation is encouraged. Persons wishing to speak must contact the board by calling 301-952-6308 by 4 p.m. on January 21. Each speaker will have two minutes for his or her presentation.

Healey Offers Scholarships

Anne Healey, state delegate from District 22, Prince George's County, will award Maryland House of Delegates scholarships to students from her district. Scholarship funds are available to full- or part-time students who will attend any eligible Maryland institution during the 2004-2005 academic year. Students must be residents of Legislative District 22. They may be enrolled in an undergraduate, graduate, post-secondary career, vocational or professional studies program.

Interested students should call the delegate's office in Annapolis for application information at 301-858-3961. Initial contact should be made no later than March 1.

A packet of information and an application will be mailed to the student's home address. Applications must be returned to the Annapolis office prior to April 1.

Area Still in Need Of Blood Donors

In an attempt to recover from one of the most severe and critical blood shortages in its history, the Greater Chesapeake and Potomac Red Cross continues to urge blood and platelet donors to schedule appointments to donate immediately. Shortages persist nationwide, making it virtually impossible for the region to receive help from other parts of the country. Appointments are available at all American Red Cross Donor Centers and community blood drives and can be made by calling 1-800-GIVE-LIFE. Apheresis (blood component) donors are asked to call 1-800-272-2123.

The blood shortage continues nationally due to a number of contributing factors including holiday travel, breaks from school, extreme weather conditions in the west and a decline in sponsor-scheduled blood drives. Blood must be on the shelf, ready and available for everyday emergencies and large-scale disasters. If supplies are not replenished, surgeries may have to be cancelled and patient care may be compromised.

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Hospice Offers Support Group

Hospice of the Chesapeake's Spiritual and Bereavement Care Center is offering a six-week support group led by a licensed clinical professional counselor for those grieving the loss of a partner. There is a registration fee, except for those whose loved one was cared for by Hospice of the Chesapeake.

The group will meet on Tuesdays, January 27 through March 2 from 3 to 4:30 p.m. at 8724 Jericho City (formerly Spectrum Drive) in Landover.

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A First-time Driver At an Artful Afternoon

by Agnes Conaty

As soon as my husband Austin handed me the car keys for my first solo drive around Old Greenbelt I knew I was heading for the Greenbelt Community Center. It was the first Sunday of New Year and I couldn't miss going to my first Artful Afternoon.

I felt triumphant at parking our car properly and directed my steps to the lobby, where artist-in-residence Dan Kennedy shared some techniques on painting composition as he did a painting of his own on the spot.

Impressed, I moved on to the nearest room, which exhibited the editorial cartoons of Isadore "Izzy" Parker. Like a little kid, I did some rubbings of Izzy's cartoons on a blank paper with some crayons, as we do at the College Park Aviation Museum where I work. I learned that Izzy's cartoons, which regularly appear in the Greenbelt News Review, had been put on display by the Greenbelt Museum, one of my favorite local museums whose historic home at 10-B Crescent Road is a must-see for every Greenbelt visitor.

As I got back to the lobby, I followed a throng of people, mostly children four and up who had made puppets for the New Year Parade of the Animals, which was led by Sondra Holland. The class had an international flair, as New Year traditions from different countries were introduced, aside from story-telling, singing and puppet making.

Ballroom Dance

I followed a long streamer that led to me to a ballroom dance demonstration by instructor Francis Solomon on the second floor. I realized that he was my former ballroom dance instructor from NASA/Goddard Space Flight Center way back in 1997-98, when he was known as Francis Chu. Solomon will be offering three ballroom dancing classes (standard, Latin and nightclub), which started on January 12 at the Community Center. I remembered completing the whole range of ballroom dance classes with Francis back then, enough for him to recognize me.

I have always been curious about local artists who had their studio at the Community Center. I popped into the studio of mixed-media tapestry artist Elizabeth Morisette, who showed me how she put together a boxful of patches, which she said she found on E-bay, using recycled cloth. I looked around her studio and was amazed at the tapestries of buttons, hair curlers, silk flowers and other materials. Her works entitled "Found on E-bay: Mixed Media Tapestries" will be on exhibit at the Greenbelt Municipal Building from February 2 to March 19. She will also be the featured artist-in-residence for Artful Afternoon on March 7.

I also popped in at a pottery and a clay sculpture demonstration before going down



Artist in Residence Dan Kennedy demonstrates painting composition in the lobby of Greenbelt Community Center



Agnes Conaty looks at some of Izzy Parker's cartoons on exhibit by the Greenbelt Museum.



Young children get assistance from adults in puppet making on the New Year Parade of the Animals.



Francis Solomon and his dance partner show the correct dance posture in ballroom dance demonstration.

to the first floor to join the community singing hosted by Izolda. We warmed up with body and voice exercises before going through some international songs, including Japanese and Latin. Izolda offers classes in singing for advanced beginners at the Com-

munity Center, which began January 7. I happily drove back home feeling not only satisfied for having done my first solo driving but also attending my first and certainly not the last, Artful Afternoon.

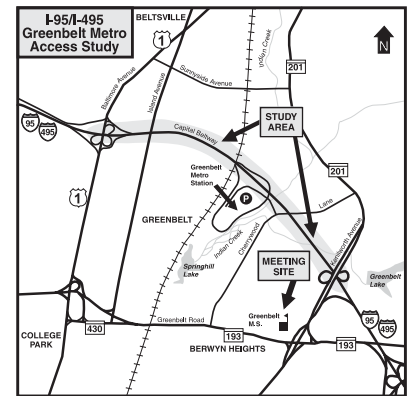
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Beginning at 5:30 pm, mapping depicting the project alternates will be on display. Representatives of the State Highway Administration (SHA) will be available to discuss the project and receive your comments.

A formal presentation beginning at 7:00 pm and lasting approximately 20 minutes will include a description of the project alternates, an environmental impact summary, information on right-of-way acquisition and information about Title VI of the Equal Opportunity Program. This presentation will be followed by the receipt of public testimony.

The SHA in consultation with the Maryland Historical Trust and other consulting parties has identified one historic resource, Beltsville Agricultural Research Center (BARC) that is listed on or considered eligible for the National Register of Historic Places. In accordance with Section 106, the Public Hearing provides the opportunity for public input regarding this resource. The MHT has concurred with our determination that the project will have no adverse effect on this historic property, even though up to 0.8 acres of right-of-way will be acquired from the edges of the BARC property.

Individuals and representatives of organizations who desire to be heard or want to be placed on the project planning mailing list may submit a request to

Ms. Carmeletha T. Harris, Project Manager, Project Planning Division, State Highway Administration, P.O. Box 717, Baltimore, Maryland 21203-0717; toll free at 1-800-548-5026, or by e-mail at charris@sha.state.md.us.

Written statements and other exhibits in lieu of or in addition to an oral presentation at the Hearing may also be submitted to Ms. Carmeletha T. Harris, at the above address until February 23, 2004 in order to be included in the "Public Hearing Transcript". If you received a copy of this notice in the mail, you are currently enrolled on the project mailing list. Those persons enrolled will be kept informed of the project development and the opportunity for public involvement as the study progresses.

Requests to speak at the public hearing should be received no later than Thursday, January 8, 2004 in order to ensure proper scheduling of the Hearing. Elected officials will be given the opportunity to speak before those scheduled on the speakers list. After the elected officials, the speaker will be called in the order to which their request were received. Attendees at the Hearing who desire to speak may do so after those on the previously established list. If a large number of speakers enroll, a limitation of the time allotted to each speaker may be necessary. Opportunities for private testimony will be available. Brochures and forms for written comments will also be available at this hearing.

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