

More Circles and Speed Bumps Proposed in New Traffic Plan

by Sandy Smith

Transportation by car, bus, bicycle and foot was the main topic of discussion at the September 27 meeting of the Greenbelt City Council. Council held a public hearing on a traffic calming plan for Greenbelt East, approved a set of recommendations on crosswalks in the city and responded to a proposed reduction in service by TheBus in Greenbelt.

Even recreational transportation came in for its share of attention, with contracts approved for the design and construction of the skateboard park.

Traffic Calming

Celia Craze, director of Planning and Community Development, kicked off the hearing with a summary of the key aspects of the traffic calming plan. The plan had been developed over the past several months with a good deal of citizen input and meetings with the home owners' associations in Greenbelt East. Craze walked through the engineering and signage changes which she believes will improve traffic flow and safety for drivers and pedestrians.

The changes include new traffic roundabouts, traffic islands, sidewalks, road striping and marking, pedestrian crossings and speed humps. Many of the

Plan Details

According to Celia Craze the Greenbelt East traffic calming plan considered by the council proposes speed humps on Hanover Parkway at the approaches to each of the two traffic circles on the road. No additional circles are planned for Hanover Parkway.

In Greenbriar, the plan proposes that Hanover Parkway be narrowed with markings to one lane in each direction between Greenbelt Road and Mandan Road.

The plan also proposes new traffic circles for four intersections in Greenbelt East. On Ora Glen Drive it proposes circles at the intersections of Morrison Drive and Frankfurt Drive. On Megan Lane, it proposes circles for the intersections of Mathew Street and Craddock Road.

New medians are to be constructed on Ora Glen Drive at the junctions with Mandan Road and Hanover Parkway and also at the point where the road narrows from 52 feet wide to 45 feet.

improvements are intended for Hanover Parkway, a busy thoroughfare with cars, bikes and walkers.

Hanover Parkway will be marked for one-lane traffic with

the other lane reserved as an access lane. A number of speed humps (lower than speed bumps) will be added and sidewalks will be constructed along the road where they are missing. One example is at the site of the new post office when that construction is completed. Craze described a major improvement slated for the bus stop on Hanover Parkway at Schrom Hills Park. Right now, passengers wait on the side of the road. In the new plan, a raised bus stop will be constructed that can be reached by the park path. It will be more convenient and provide greater safety to bus riders.

She anticipates that the design phase will continue through the winter months and that construction will start in the spring and be completed in three months.

There were a number of comments and questions for Craze. Councilmember Rodney Roberts wanted to know if the plans had been referred to the Police and Fire Departments. Craze said that all aspects of the plan met highway standards, which take into consideration emergency needs, but that she would refer the plans for comment by both.

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Plans for Convalescent Center Site Only Partially Resolved

by Thomas X. White

At a follow-up worksession on September 22 with representatives of Baier Properties, contract purchaser of the Greenbelt Road Convalescent Center site, council reviewed the status of various issues and concerns posed at the August 30 worksession at its development proposal for the site. Again, however, council could not reach complete agreement regarding Baier's request for city support of its proposed zoning text amendments necessary to move the project forward.

The worksession agenda also included the boundary survey results for the lake path and adjacent home sites (News Review, September 30, 2004) and council discussion of its strategy for securing planning and zoning authority in the upcoming Maryland General Assembly session.

Baier is proposing replacing the present nursing home building with a 90 unit four-story condominium apartment building with elevators. The building is to wrap around three sides of a parking garage. To do so, a change in zoning regulations is necessary if the property is not

rezoned and Baier is seeking city support for a zoning text amendment.

At its August 30 worksession councilmembers raised many concerns about the project and sought a legally binding agreement with Baier to assure that the project would be done in the manner agreed to by the city.

Tom Haller of Gibbs and Haller and Steve Gang of Baier Properties joined the council, Assistant City Manager David Moran and Assistant Planning Director Terri Hruby at the worksession. Together they went over the issues identified at the prior meeting, identifying those apparently agreed upon and where more work may be needed to address council concerns.

Of particular interest to council was its planning staff contention that, since the developer is only a contract purchaser at this time, he is in no position to enter into the covenants on the property that were previously discussed. That type of binding agreement would be a crucial element in council's consideration of support for the proposed zon-

ing text amendments sought by Baier. Without such an agreement, staff argued, there would be no guarantee that the promised covenants by the developer could be relied upon. In staff's view, without covenants giving the city site plan approval authority and limiting both building height, lot coverage and other development commitments, they would not be comfortable having the city support the proposed legislation. Staff concerns were laid out in a memo to the city manager on September 14.

Tom Haller, the attorney representing Baier, sent the mayor a letter dated September 16 which attempted to respond to all of the questions posed by council at the August 30 meeting. Mayor Judith Davis asked that he go over that list of items.

Site Plan

By reorienting the proposed building on the site, virtually all of the existing woodlands on the property can be retained, particularly the trees along Greenbelt Road.

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Museum Talk Recalls Days Of Rosebuds and Fringes

by Virginia Beauchamp

Though the edge of tropical storm Jeanne was pounding Greenbelt on Tuesday evening, September 28, 50 or so history buffs turned out through the wind and rain for an illustrated talk by Dr. Shelley Nickles, project curator at the Smithsonian's Museum of American History, on household product design during the 1950s. Sponsored by the Greenbelt Museum as part of its continuing lecture series, the talk was entitled "More Is Better, or Less Is More."

This was the period of the Cadillac with the huge tail fins, of colorful kitchens and expensive consumer goods Nickles reminded the listeners, most of whom could clearly remember those good old days – or maybe not so good. Nickles described a continuing tension between designers, who favored trimmed

down and streamlined design principles in furniture and appliances, and the desires of the post-war consumer.

Able to afford modern kitchens, these postwar bluecollar workers sought what Nickles called "exuberance." In silverware they chose designs with rosebuds, in furniture they chose overstuffed sofas, on curtains or lampshades they went for ruffles and fringe. On dinette sets their choice was chrome.

Something Different

Through motivation research studies conducted at the University of Chicago, it became clear that people wanted something different from what they saw in the factories where they worked. They wanted substantial, comfortable furniture. They wanted

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Greenbriar Residents Show Condominium Group's Heart

by Carol Griffith

The Greenbriar Condominiums' Community Association sponsored an appreciation dinner at Greenbelt's Silver Diner restaurant on September 29. It was a celebration of the 30 years of the Greenbriar community and also an inspiring demonstration of how a community can respond to assist its members in the wake of a tragedy.

In November 2003 a fire at 7806 Hanover Parkway left all 15 units uninhabitable and took the life of Mary Alice Carroll, a Phase II board member. Though displaced from their homes, the residents of 7806 have had to continue to pay condo fees, mortgages and, in some cases, the cost of temporary housing. In response, a group of residents formed a Fire Relief Committee

chaired by Larry Noda and has raised nearly \$9,000 to help the displaced residents.

The members of the Fire Relief Committee, other community volunteers and representatives of Condominium Ventures (CVI) management company, the company managing the condominiums, were among the 110 people invited to the appreciation dinner organized by Sarah Phillips, Greenbriar's community affairs director.

In addition to providing a special menu and reserving a part of the restaurant for the dinner, Baba Sarr, the Silver Diner operating partner, agreed to donate 10 percent of the dinner's proceeds to the fire relief fund.

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What Goes On

Saturday, October 9

9 a.m. to noon, Donation Drop-off, Parking lot between City office and Community Center

12:30 p.m., Advisory Committee on Trees and City Horticulturist tour of most significant trees. Meet next to Longleaf Pine, Schrom Hills Park parking lot

2 to 6 p.m., Fall Fest, Schrom Hills Park

Monday, October 11

7 p.m., Recycling and Environment Advisory Committee Meeting, Community Center

7 p.m., Eleanor Roosevelt Birthday Celebration, ERHS (part of the city's peace month celebration)

8 p.m., City Council Meeting and Public Hearing on LLEBG Funding, Municipal Building

Wednesday, October 13

8 p.m., Council Worksession with GATE, in GATE office, Community Center

Thursday, October 14

10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Health and Wellness Fair, Community Center

Saturday, October 16

9 to 11 a.m., Lake Park Clean Up

Letters to the Editor

Thanks Great Pumpkin

It was hard to uproot my child and leave my home town (Baltimore) and move to Greenbelt. But I fell in love with one of her residents and, frankly, I fell in love with this town. We thought we were living in a sort of paradise, playgrounds galore, great cooperative spirit, kind neighbors, comfortable politics, concerned community, walking paths, well . . . you know, you live here too. This year our pumpkin vine grew and grew and grew, as living things will, on its own path just outside our fence. With endless fascination, we watched the progress of our one pumpkin every day. When our little pumpkin, for whom we had great hopes, was stolen, plucked from the vine – I felt a cold slap of 21st century reality. I was crushed, maybe even more than my daughter. Greenbelt didn't seem quite as friendly through that lens.

Today, when Isobel and I came home from school, a lovely pumpkin sat on our porch. You kind and thoughtful soul did more than give us a seasonal squash, you've really restored my faith in folks. Thanks, Great Pumpkin! We will enjoy autumn now.

*Susan Taylor,
Isobel's mom*

Dear Great Pumpkin,

Thanks, we will play with it.
Love, love, love,

Isobel

OPEN LETTER

To Mayor Davis and Councilmembers:

I just read tonight about the behavior of the management company running Springhill Lake (SHL) apartments (News Review story of 9/30/04).

Apparently SHL has not received payment due for rental of the apartments in question but the breach of contract obviously lies with the companies that had entered into lease agreements with SHL – not those companies' defrauded clients. SHL can and should pursue those companies into the hills and seek all possible redress from them but for SHL to meanwhile talk of evicting individuals who were, themselves, defrauded is reprehensible corporate behavior.

If the facts are as reported in the paper, I believe that SHL's management is acting in a grossly unfair manner and I urge council to insist that they consider alternatives to evicting these already-victimized tenants.

I urge the city to immediately intervene in this situation. This city has worked in partnership with SHL in a number of areas in the past, ranging from enhanced police protection, to operation and planned expansion of a recreation center, to deference in mat-

ters related to planning for the Metro site. I hope you will put these all on the line in this case. Let the company that owns SHL know that the city will not spend time and public funds to improve the value of their assets here if they will not behave as a decent corporate citizen.

*Alan Turnbull
Former City Councilmember*

Artistic Freedom?

Sometime between Saturday night and Sunday morning, the New Deal Café walls were plastered with posters and images of President George Bush. A good number of the images contained amateur artwork of painted-in gross mustaches, beards and big horned-rim glasses. The walls also contained numerous hateful and poorly worded anti-Bush slogans.

If this is an attempt to make the public aware of the upcoming election, I presume that posters of Kerry will appear next week with drawings of mustaches and negative ads and then Nader . . .

If it is not an advertisement for the election, it is a pathetically distasteful reflection of some individual's perception of politics in general and the current president in particular.

Republican or Democrat, the position of president is due a certain amount of respect from the citizens of a free country.

If the portrayal of the presidency in the New Deal Café is representative of "artistic freedom," it is appalling to have something this one-sided, bitter and disgusting hanging in a public place. I am embarrassed for the individuals involved with the display and embarrassed for the customers who are forced to view it.

Joyce Chestnut

(Editor's Note: See article on page three about artist Bill Williams' New Deal Café political satire exhibit "The Mad King.")

Korean War Is Topic For NARFE Meeting

The National Association of Retired Federal Employees (NARFE) Chapter 2146's October meeting will be a joint meeting with College Park, Beltsville and Greenbelt NARFE Chapter 1122 on Wednesday, October 13 at 1:30 p.m. at the New Carrollton Municipal Center, 6010 Princess Garden Parkway. Lt. Col. Michael L. Wardinski, USA (ret.) will lecture on "Korean War, Back to the Future." Members of both chapters are urged to attend and the public is invited.

Writers to Meet

The Greenbelt Writers Group will hold its monthly meeting on Friday, October 15 at 7 p.m. in the Greenbelt Community Center. Featured will be a spontaneous writing workshop and an opportunity to produce a story for the group's upcoming anthology.

Eleanor Roosevelt Birthday Celebration

Greenbelters are invited to an Eleanor Roosevelt birthday party on Monday, October 11 at 7 p.m. at Eleanor Roosevelt High School.

Dr. Allida Black, director and editor of the Eleanor Roosevelt and Human Rights project at George Washington University, will be the keynote speaker. The program will also include performances by the ERHS chamber choir, ERHS step clubs, color guard, student essays and remarks by Principal Sylvester Conyers and Mayor Judith Davis. A brief reception will follow.

Co-sponsored by the City of Greenbelt and the Eleanor Roosevelt Character Education Program, this event is part of the city's Peace Month program.

GIAC Board to Meet

The Greenbelt Internet Access Cooperative (GIAC) open board meeting will be held Thursday, October 14, at 7 p.m. at the Greenbelt Police Station. New and old members are invited to attend and everyone's ideas are welcome. Directions to the police station and other information about the cooperative can be found at www.greenbelt.com/giac or call 301-345-6904.

At the Library

Adults

Saturday, October 9, 10:30 a.m., Fall Gardening Clinic. Bring problem plants to be diagnosed and ask questions.

10:30 a.m. Poetry Plus, theme: "Ghosts."

Children

Tuesday, October 12, 10:30 a.m., Cuddletime for newborns to 16 months with caregiver, limit 15 babies.

11:15 a.m., Cuddletime for 17-23 month olds with caregiver, limit 15 children.

Wednesday, October 13, 10:30 a.m., Toddler Time for 24-36 month olds with caregiver, limit 15 children.

Thursday, October 14, 10:30 a.m., Drop-In Storytime, ages 3-5 years, limit 20.

Kids Make Masks At Arts Program

The College Park free Arts Drop-in activity this month will be "mask-making" on Sunday, October 10 at 2 p.m. at the Old Parish House, 4711 Knox Road, College Park. Arts Drop-in, a free program held the second Sunday of each month from 2 to 4 p.m., is ideal for children ages 3 to 8. Each month a unique art project is highlighted. For more information call 301-927-3013.

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On Screen

"Napoleon Dynamite" Checks In

"Napoleon Dynamite," the would-be deadpan comedy at Old Greenbelt Theatre (as of Friday, October 8), serves up clever opening credits but then dishes out more fizzle than sizzle.

In small town Idaho, our geeky namesake (Jon Heder) is way out of synch at home and high school. His only pal, Pedro (Efen Ramirez), is a somnolent Mexican newcomer; girls are beyond his reach; he's at odds with off-track brother Kip (Aaron Ruell) and antic Uncle Rico (Jon Gries), who moves in on the boys when head-of-family Granny goes to the hospital.

First-time feature director and

co-writer Jared Hess salts the film with an occasional fillip but lively bits and comic lines are in short supply (ditto for anything suggestive or violent, despite a PG rating). The two biggest scenes – Napoleon suddenly taking center stage and an idyllically-set wedding scene – draw unevenly on spoofery and more serious ingredients.

A warning: The final scene comes after final credits roll. And an acknowledgment: At least two other reviews found much to like in "Napoleon Dynamite." What's that saying about there's no accounting for taste . . .

– *Eli Flam*

Boys & Girls Club Football Raiders Saturday, October 2 Games

65 lbs. – Raiders vs. Beltsville	Beltsville 7-6
75 lbs. – Raiders vs. Beltsville	Greenbelt 28-0
85 lbs. – Raiders vs. Hyattsville	Greenbelt 8-6
95 lbs. – Raiders vs. New Carrollton	Greenbelt 26-13

The New Deal Café

Members Potluck Dinner and Annual Meeting will be held at the Café on October 17th.

Dinner starts at 5:30pm. To sign up for a dish, stop by the café or call 301-474-5642.

The Meeting will start at 7pm. The business will include voting on two board positions and special agenda items. This year the \$15 annual fee is up for renewal or rejection. We are also looking to create an emergency contact list. The board will report on the financial status, the tax payments, events and fund raising, Café improvement projects, and our connections with the city.

This is your opportunity to be informed and to voice your opinions on the progress of the co-op. Join your neighbors, eat, drink and be a part of the democratic process of the cooperative community living room, the New Deal Cafe.

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Community Events

7th Annual Seniors' Oktoberfest on Fri.

The Greenbelt Senior Center is hosting its seventh annual Oktoberfest on Friday, October 15 in the Greenbelt Community Center gym from 1 to 3 p.m. The Bavarian and Austrian Dance Company will provide entertainment. Light refreshments including apple cider will be served.

Enjoy the music, dancing, company and refreshments while celebrating fall at the city's seventh annual Oktoberfest. Call 301-397-2208 for more information.

New Deal Café Plans Annual Potluck

by Shirl Hayes

The New Deal Café's annual potluck and members' meeting, known as a Stone Soup Gathering, will be held on Sunday, October 17. The Board of Directors will report to the members the status of the Café finances and events past and future. FONDCA (Friends of the New Deal Café Arts) will also give a report. Approximately seven agenda items will be open for comment and/or vote by the membership.

"We are hoping this event will encourage people to bring out their favorite dishes," says Richard McMullin, the music director for the Café. "The very first event held in the building where the Café now is was a community potluck where people came up with the idea for the Café in the first place," he adds. "There will be talk, music, ideas, energy and food."

Serving will begin at 5:30 and the annual meeting at 7 p.m.

Co-op Holds Annual Meeting October 30

The Greenbelt Consumer Co-operative will hold its annual meeting on October 30 at 10 a.m. in the Multipurpose Room of the Greenbelt Community Center.

At the annual meeting, reports on the Co-op's past year will be presented by the store's manager, Bob Davis, and the cooperative's treasurer, Joe Timer. In addition, elections will take place for two positions on the board of directors. Incumbent board members Joe Timer and Mimi Noorani will be standing for re-election.

All members and any others interested in the workings of the Greenbelt Consumer Cooperative are encouraged to attend this meeting. Light refreshments will be served and door prizes will be awarded.

Star Parties

Weather permitting, the Greenbelt Astronomy Club will host two star parties during October, on Saturday, October 9 and 16.

The events will take place at the Wolfe Fields on Northway, extended. Club members will have telescopes available to share views of celestial objects. Events will begin at dark; good viewing should begin at approximately 8 p.m.

In the event of precipitation or hopelessly cloudy skies at the time of an event, the star party will be cancelled without further notice.

Free Movie Is "The Mikado"

On Monday, October 11, "The Mikado" will be shown at the Greenbelt Senior Center. It will start at 1 p.m. in the Senior Lounge. This 1938 film version of the operetta by Gilbert and Sullivan features Martyn Green as Ko-Ko, Jean Colin as Yum-Yum and Kenny Baker as Nanki-Poo.

The story of "The Mikado" revolves around a young fellow named Nanki-Poo who has banished himself from the little town of Titipu because he has fallen in love with a beautiful young lady called Yum-Yum. Yum-Yum is engaged to be married to her guardian, the tailor Ko-Ko. Nanki-Poo returns when he hears that Ko-Ko has been condemned to death. But then Ko-Ko becomes the Lord High Executioner.

Since Ko-Ko was next in line for execution, he can't cut off anyone else's head until he cuts off his own. Nanki-Poo becomes his substitute on the condition that he be married to Yum-Yum right away so that he can spend his last month in wedded bliss. As the wedding celebration begins a law is discovered, much to Yum-Yum's distress, which decrees that a condemned man's wife must be buried alive with his corpse.

See "Miss Saigon" At Toby's Theater

The Greenbelt Senior Center still has seats available to see "Miss Saigon" at Toby's Dinner Theater on October 13. In the turmoil of the Vietnam War, an American soldier and a Vietnamese girl fall in love, only to be separated during the fall of Saigon. Their struggles to find each other over the ensuing years end in tragedy for her and a fighting chance for the child he never knew he had.

The vans will leave from the library parking lot at 10 a.m. The fee for the trip includes transportation, lunch and show. Those interested may stop by the Community Center to register. Call 301-397-2208 for more information.

Greenbriar Holds Board Meetings

Greenbriar Phase I, II and III board meetings will be held on Tuesday, October 12. The Phase III Board meets in Greenbriar's Commons Room at 6 p.m. The Phase I and II Board Meeting follows at 7:30 p.m.

GHI Notes

October 11 – Ad-Hoc Non-profit Committee, 7 p.m. in the Board Room

October 13 – Woodlands Committee, 7 p.m. in the Board Room

October 14 – Finance Committee, 7:30 p.m. in the Board Room

October 17 – Pre-purchase Orientation, 11 a.m. in the GHI Board Room

Community-wide Open House, 12:30 - 4 p.m.

There will be an information table at Roosevelt Center on October 17.

October 21 – Board of Directors meeting, 7:30 p.m. in the Board Room

Democrats to Meet

The monthly meeting of the Eleanor & Franklin Roosevelt Democratic Club will be held on Friday, October 15 at 7:30 p.m. in the Terrace Room of the Greenbriar Community Building. Note the new meeting time.

State Senator Paul Pinsky (Legislative District 22), along with Josh White, executive director of Maryland's Democratic Party, will be the featured speakers.

"We look forward to hearing from Senator Pinsky and Josh White about what we can do to ensure a Kerry/Edwards victory as we enter the final weeks of this critical election. Our nation's future depends on taking back the White House and the U.S. House and Senate," said Roosevelt Democratic Club President Bill Hunt.

"This election is not just about the next four years, it is about the next 40 years," Hunt added.

Representatives from Senator Mikulski's and Congressman Hoyer's campaigns also will discuss upcoming campaign plans and events. This is an important meeting for all Roosevelt Democratic Club members and other friends and neighbors interested in getting involved in the campaign.

The general public is invited to attend. Call Roosevelt Democratic Club President Bill Hunt, at 301-982-0111, for any questions or more information. A social hour with refreshments will follow the meeting and presentations. Members are reminded to bring a dessert or snack to share. Coffee, tea and soft drinks will be provided.

"Mad King" Reigns At the New Deal

The October art exhibit at the New Deal Café in Roosevelt Center is an installation of political satire titled "The Mad King," on a "subject that's not funny at all" according to the artist Bill Williams. Viewers will either "hate or love the show" he further states. The exhibit will be at the Café through October 31. The monthly art shows at the Café are sponsored by the Friends of New Deal Café Arts (FONDCA), with supporting funds from the Prince George's Arts Council.

Greenbelt Park Hosts Musical Fall Festival

The National Park Service and Greenbelt Park are holding a Fall Festival featuring music for all ages on Saturday, October 16 from noon to 5 p.m.

The festival will have face painting, cotton candy, popcorn, hayrides and games for the whole family. There will be a special appearance by Smokey Bear.

Music includes everything from big band (Charles Fund) to salsa (Grupo Latino Continental) to rhythm and blues (Moonlighters) to oldies (Bleu Lights).

There is no cost. The rain date for this event is Saturday, October 23.

For more information call 301-344-3944 or visit the web site at www.nps.gov/gree/.

Brazilian Art Shown At Courthouse

A group exhibition of Brazilian art, sponsored by the Prince George's County Arts Council, the United States District Court for Maryland and others, is ongoing through December 31. The exhibition can be seen in the U.S. Courthouse, 6500 Cherrywood Lane, Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

A number of Brazilian artists are represented in the exhibit titled "Made in Brazil II" and featuring panels in patchwork, quilt and other techniques. A virtual exhibition may be viewed at www.expomadeinbrazil.com.br.

Book Discussion Focuses on Politics

A political book discussion will be held Monday, October 11 from 6 to 9 p.m. at the Greenbelt Library.

The session will feature two books: "The Republican Noise Machine: Right-Wing Media and How it Corrupts Democracy" by David Brock and "50 Ways to Love Your Country" by MoveOn.org.

For more information contact 301-982-0365 or write via email at democraticdigest@yahoo.com.

Greenbelt Arts Center Presents

A Gospel Concert

Featuring Cheri Dent
Special Appearance: Dance Ministries
 by Tiffany Wilson, Shekinah Glory

Saturday, October 16, 7 to 9 p.m.

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 123 Centerway (next to the Post Office)
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Eleanor & Franklin Roosevelt Democratic Club

Fall 2004 Democratic Campaign On to Victory Meeting

Featuring

Senator Paul Pinsky

Legislative District 22, Prince George's County

Josh White

Executive Director, Democratic Party of Maryland

Friday, October 15 at 7:30 p.m. (new time)
 Terrace Room, Greenbriar Community Building
 7600 Hanover Parkway at Greenbelt Road (Rte. 193)
 Refreshments and Social after meeting.
 Bring a dessert to share.

Everyone is welcome. Join us!
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Obituaries

David W. Falter

David W. Falter, 87, of Green Ridge House, died of cancer on Wednesday, September 29, 2004.

He and his wife, pioneer Lossie M. Thurston Falter were married in 1943 and had celebrated their 61st wedding anniversary. They lived in Greenbelt for most of their married life. (During World War II Mrs. Falter lived with her parents.) The Falters lived first at 16-D Crescent Road, also 1-H and 4-B Gardenway, Greenbriar and Green Ridge House.

Mr. Falter fought in World War II with the 135th Army Engineers. He worked in the United States Post Office in Hyattsville for 28 years.

An avid golfer, Mr. Falter played until he could no longer see. He was declared legally blind about the time they moved into Green Ridge House.

Mr. Falter was a member of Greenbelt American Legion Post 136. He also belonged to the Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) and the Disabled American Veterans (DAV).

One grandchild preceded him in death. Mr. Falter is survived by his wife, Lossie M., Green Ridge House; sons Ronald R. and his wife Louise, Atlanta; Thomas L. and his wife Lupe, Fort Worth, Texas; William J. and his wife Lorraine, Harwood, Md., and Robert D. and his wife Dianne, Anne Arundel County; 11 grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; and brothers Edgar, Leo, John and Gerald Falter.

Services were held at Borgwardt Funeral Home, Beltsville on Saturday, October 2, 2004. Interment was in Maryland National Memorial Park.

Memorial contributions may be made to Capital Hospice, 9300 Lee Hwy., Suite 500, Fairfax, VA 22031.

Gospel Concert At Arts Center

A gospel concert featuring Cheri Dent will be held on Saturday, October 16 at the Greenbelt Arts Center.

Dent, 45, works for the U.S. Department of Energy and lives with her son Bruce in Glen Burnie. "I always loved to sing," Dent recalls, "but was too shy to do it before an audience." In a belief that, even though shy, she must be obedient to the Lord, she now "sings to the glory of the Lord."

Senior Health Fair At Center Gym

The third annual Senior Health Fair will be held in the Community Center gym and senior lounge from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Thursday, October 14. The fair is sponsored by the City of Greenbelt, Doctors Community Hospital, Greenbelt Homes and Alternacare.

There will be guest speakers in the senior lounge: 10 a.m., Terrance McGrath, "Wills are not for seniors only"; 11 a.m., Steven Hage, "Strategies for independent living"; noon, lunch by Food and Friendship (call by Tuesday, October 12 to reserve a meal, 301-474-8000 ext. 2012, there is a fee); and 1 p.m., Christal Parker Batey, "A kaleidoscope of senior services."

Various screenings will be available, some require a fee: bone density, hearing, vision and glaucoma, blood pressure and body fat index. One can get a flu shot* or meet with a dietician.

Exhibitors include the Greenbelt Assistance in Living Program, Heart of Gold Concierge and Errand Service, Strategies for Independent Living, Going Home Cremations and Funeral Service, Prince George's County Register of Wills, Widowed Persons Services and Hospice of the Chesapeake.

(Note: *It is not certain that flu shots will be available in time for this event.)



Condolences to Lossie Falter, Green Ridge House, on the death of her husband David W. Falter.

We are sorry to hear of the death of James Mills, whose son Richard Mills is city parks supervisor.

John B. Papp has enrolled in Fordham University, N.Y. He is a member of the College of Business Administration.

Happy 85th birthday to Margaret P. Smith of Greenbriar. Her son alerted the News Review to the occasion.

Greenbelters Keith Brown, Stephen Cox, Penny Martin and Sheilah Crossley Cox will perform in the Prince George's Little Theatre's production of Lady Windermere's Fan. It begins October 15 at 8 p.m. at the Prince George's Publick Playhouse.

Pilgrimage Oct. 10 To National Shrine

The annual Archdiocese pilgrimage to the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception takes place on Sunday, October 10. This year marks the 150th anniversary of the proclamation of the Immaculate Conception.

St. Hugh's Parish invites all interested persons to attend. Carpools will form at 1:30 p.m. in the church parking lot or meet at the Shrine - look for the St. Hugh's banner. The rosary will be said at 2:30 followed by Mass at 3.

Paint Branch Unitarian Universalist Church

3215 Powder Mill Road, Beltsville/Adelphi (301-937-3666) Welcomes you to our open, nurturing community October 10, 10 a.m. "A Progressive Paradigm for Guiding Groups" by Jacob B. ten Hove, co-minister with Leo Jones, worship associate



Barbara Wells ten Hove, Jacob B. ten Hove, co-ministers

Greenbelt GNCs Help Fight Breast Cancer

In 2004, the state of Maryland will report 4,090 new cases of breast cancer and more than 760 female breast cancer deaths, according to the American Cancer Society. General Nutrition Centers, Inc. (GNC) of the Greenbelt area will help to generate public awareness of the disease throughout National Breast Cancer Awareness Month in October.

In support of National Breast Cancer Awareness Month, GNC is sponsoring initiative work to raise awareness of this devastating disease within the community.

Local GNCs are distributing a woman's health guide that focuses on early detection and prevention of breast cancer. To encourage community involvement, all customers who wear a pink ribbon to participating GNC stores on Friday, October 15 - National Mammogram Day - will receive 10 percent off their purchase of regularly priced products.

GNC will also encourage "Denim Day" participation in its stores on October 15. Employees who donate \$5 to the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation may wear jeans and a pink ribbon to work.

For more information on Breast Cancer Awareness Month activities, visit Greenbelt GNCs at Greenway Center and Beltway Plaza or online at www.gnc.com.

Orchid Show, Sale At Arboretum

Hundreds of exotic colorful orchids will be on display at the U.S. National Arboretum during the National Capital Orchid Society's 57th Annual Orchid Show and Sale. The show takes place on October 9 and 10 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and October 11 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. An orchid art exhibit, free educational programs and a well-stocked sales tent will also be featured. Admission is free. Call 202-245-5898 or visit www.usna.usda.gov for information and a schedule of events.

Medieval Fair At Marietta House

See the Middle Ages come to life at the annual Medieval Faire, October 9 and 10 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. on the grounds of Marietta House Museum in Glenn Dale. Meet Saxons, Normans, Vikings and reenactors from other living history camps from the 11th to 15th centuries. Enjoy music, crafts, demonstrations, games and entertainment. Battle reenactments will be held throughout the day. Period merchants and artisans will be on site. No pets will be permitted. There is a fee.

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www.greenbeltbaptist.org greenbelt.baptist@verizon.net
 Dr. Mark Johnson, Pastor

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 Wed. Living Proof, Youth Event 7:00 pm

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 Saturday 9 a.m., 5 p.m.
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 Pastor: Fr. Walter J. Tappe
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Rev. DaeHwa Park, Pastor
 October 10, Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost
 Sermon: "Like One Approved"

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 -The Holy Quran 4:135

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City Information

CITY COUNCIL—REGULAR MEETING
Public Hearing on LLEBG Funding
Municipal Building Council Room
October 11, 2004 – 8 p.m.

COMMUNICATIONS

Presentations

- White Cane Safety Day – Proclamation
- Peace Month – Proclamation
- ACE Reading Club – 2003-2004 School-Year Report

Public Hearing

Funding for Local Law Enforcement Block Grant Funding

Petitions and Requests (Petitions received at the meeting will not be acted upon by the City Council at this meeting unless Council waives its Standing Rules.)

***Committee Reports** (Items on the Consent Agenda marked by * will be approved as recommended by staff, subject to removal from the Consent Agenda by Council.)

- Park & Recreation Advisory Board, Report #04-6 (Lighting at McDonald Field)
- Park & Recreation Advisory Board, 10/4/2004 Communication (Playground Agreement)
- Recycling & Environment Advisory Committee, Report #04-01 (Invasive Species)
- Recycling & Environment Advisory Committee, Report #04-02 (Request for Pesticide Task Force)

LEGISLATION

A Resolution for Negotiated Purchase for the Design and Construction of the Greenbelt Skateboard Park by California Landscape and Design, Inc. (1st Reading)

A Resolution for Negotiated Purchase for Civil Design Services for the Greenbelt Skateboard Park by Bradley Site Design, Inc., of Greenbelt, Maryland (1st Reading)

OTHER BUSINESS

- Allocation of Funding for Local Law Enforcement Block Grant Funding
- Proposed Redevelopment of Former Nursing Home Site
- A. Legislation to Amend Zoning Ordinance for R-18
- B. Agreement and Covenants with Baier Properties
- Request for Sidewalk – Crescent from Hillside to Gardenway
- Greenbelt Theatre – Schematic Designs
- Greenbelt Theatre – Contract with Architect
- Community Legacy Grant Report – 1st Floor Bathrooms
- * Award of Bid – Dump Body and Snow Removal Equipment
- * Procedures for Approvals of Job Descriptions and Reclassifications
- * Agreement for Maryland Historical Trust Grant
- * Letter Regarding M-NCPPC FY 2006 Budget
- * Letter Regarding Prince George’s County Public Safety Master Plan

MEETINGS

NOTE: This is a preliminary agenda, subject to change. Regular Council meetings are open to the public, and all interested citizens are invited to attend. If special accommodations are required for any disabled person, please call 301-474-8000 no later than 10 a.m. on the meeting day. Deaf individuals are advised to use MD RELAY at 711 or e-mail kgallagher@ci.greenbelt.md.us to reach the City Clerk.

GREENBELT TREE TOUR



Join the Advisory Committee on Trees and the City’s Horticulturist on a tour of some of the City’s most significant trees this Saturday, October 9. The tour will begin at Schrom Hills Park at 12:30 PM next to the Longleaf Pine in the Schrom Hills parking lot. This tree is the tallest Longleaf Pine in the state of Maryland. Nearby, in the park is the County Champion Deodar Cedar. Other County Champions on the tour include a Star Magnolia and

a London Plane tree. Some rather uncommon trees are also on the tour, including a Big Leaf Magnolia and a Sourwood. Other trees of large stature include two giant White Ashes, a White Oak much older than the City, a giant Mulberry and a beautiful English Hawthorne. If fruit is present on the trees we will gather it for propagation at the City’s nursery. Offspring of these trees will be available to the public at future City events. The group will view the two trees at Schrom Hills Park and then travel as a group on the Greenbelt Connection bus to several other sites with significant trees. The tour is expected to last less than two hours and will return to Schrom Hills Park when completed. Think you know of a big tree not on the tour? Come along and tell us about it. Maybe we can get it on next year’s tour.

Meetings for October 11-15

Monday, October 11, 7:00pm, Recycling and Environment Advisory Committee Meeting, Community Center.

Monday, October 11, 8:00pm, Regular City Council Meeting/ Public Hearing on LLEBG Funding, Municipal Building. (live on Channel 71)

Wednesday, October 13, 8:00pm, Council Work Session with Greenbelt Access Television, GATE Studio, Community Center.

Thursday, October 14, 7:00pm, Tree Committee Meeting, Community Center, Community Meeting Room.

DONATION DROP-OFF

Saturday, October 9th 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Parking lot between the City Office and the Community Ctr.

The American Rescue Workers accepts donations of usable Household Goods (clothing, furniture, small appliances, curtains, towels, bedding, books, puzzles and toys.)

For further information contact the City of Greenbelt Recycling Office at 301-474-8303.

City of Greenbelt

HEALTH AND WELLNESS FAIR

City of Greenbelt~GHI~Doctor’s Community Hospital ~ Alternacare

Thursday, October 14 10am-2pm

Greenbelt Community Center

Flu Shots (It is not certain that these will be available in time for this event), Body Fat Analysis, Cholesterol Screenings, Hearing Screenings, Vision Screenings, Blood Pressure Check, Bone Density

(A fee may be charged for some screenings)

Also: Senior Seminars...Topics include:

10-10:45am Wills are Not for Seniors Only

11-11:45am Is your House Aging Friendly?

1:00-1:45pm-A Kaleidoscope of Senior Services

For more information call the City of Greenbelt at 301-345-7203 or GHI at 301-474-4161 x 146

All are invited to an

Eleanor Roosevelt Birthday Celebration

Monday, October 11th 7:00pm

Eleanor Roosevelt High School

Dr. Allida Black, Director and Editor of the Eleanor Roosevelt and Human Rights project at George Washington University, will be the keynote speaker. The program will also include performances by the ERHS Chamber Choir, ERHS Step Clubs, Color Guard, Student Essays and remarks by Principal Sylvester Conyers and Mayor Judith Davis. A brief reception will follow the program. Co-sponsored by the City of Greenbelt and the Eleanor Roosevelt Character Education Program. Part of the City’s Peace Month program.

LAKE PARK CLEAN UP

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 16th~9AM – 11AM VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Come and join members of the Recycling and Environment Committee remove litter and other debris from the shoreline and path at Buddy Attick Park.

- * Bring your work gloves.
- * Wear comfortable clothing and boots – or old shoes.

Attention Students – Community Service Hours will be given. Bring your forms!!

For more information, call the Public Works Office at 301-474-8004

GREENBELT MUNICIPAL/PUBLIC ACCESS CHANNEL 71

MUNICIPAL ACCESS 301-474-8000: Monday, October 11 at 8pm: City Council Meeting and Public Hearing “Live,” **Tuesday & Thursday, October 12 & 14: 10am & 6pm** “Ask the Expert-Managing Your Blood Pressure,” **6:45pm** “Labor Day Parade,” **8:00pm** “Replay of City Council Meeting.”

PUBLIC ACCESS (GATE): 301-507-6581: Wednesday & Friday, October 13 & October 15: 7:00pm “Future View-Health & Longevity I,” **7:30pm** “Storytime,” **8:00pm** Nick Dobson’s “The Last Move.”

OPENINGS ON BOARDS & COMMITTEES

Volunteer to serve on City Council advisory groups.

Vacancies exist on the: Recycling & Environment Advisory Committee **For more information, please call 301-474-8000.**

The City of Greenbelt's Fall Fest

FREE! FAMILY FUN

- HAYRIDE & PUMPKIN PATCH (Pumpkins for sale for a nominal fee)
- PETTING ZOO
- MINIATURE GOLF
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- INTERACTIVE ART INSTALLATION
- FACE PAINTING
- MANY PHOTO OPS (Bring your camera)

FREE! ENTERTAINMENT

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- “KIDSINGER JIM” HOSSICK

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By comparing the lot coverage for the existing and proposed buildings it was determined that the existing nursing home provides a total lot coverage of 41.5 percent, compared with site coverage of the proposed condominium project at 35 percent. Council was pleased with the reorientation of the building to preserve the wooded buffers but questioned the lot coverage comparison. Councilmembers requested a more detailed accounting of the site coverage percentages.

The revised conceptual site plan will provide an additional 10 parking places for visitor parking along the driveway providing access to the parking garage. About 20 additional spaces will be provided inside the garage. These changes would increase available parking from approximately 180 spaces to 220 spaces.

Greenbelt citizen and University Square resident Barry Schlesinger raised concerns about the potential for spill-over parking from the proposed residential development into the adjacent University Square apartment parking lots. Council seemed to share those concerns.

Cooperative

Council had asked the developer to consider the feasibility of establishing the housing project as a cooperative. Although Baier investigated this possibility, he determined that there is not a sufficient number of lenders, builders or purchasers either familiar or comfortable with cooperative ownership versus a condominium regime. Councilmembers expressed disappointment with that conclusion and again urged the developer to consider that option.

Regarding council's concern about the adequacy of the existing entrance to the site, Baier has retained the Traffic Group as traffic consultants to assist in addressing those concerns. The consultant has recommended that a study be conducted to determine the suitability of the existing entrance in serving the traffic currently using the entrance. The study would also evaluate the impact of a new light at Lakecrest Drive on the proposed 90 residential units, as well as any additional improvements at the entrance to facilitate safe ingress and egress from the site. Baier would expect to address this issue as part of the development review process.

Another issue raised by council related to the construction materials used in the condominium project. Again, Baier has investigated the advantages and disadvantages of utilizing wood versus concrete construction and concluded that under current building code regulations, wood frame construction would create a facility that is safe and consistent with the city's concern that the most up-to-date techniques be incorporated into the structure.

The project is planned as a four-story residential building in wood frame construction with a full sprinkler system meeting all current codes, fire suppression requirements and inspection standards. In their opinion a wood frame building is as safe as a masonry building if modern construction standards are employed.

Baier also assured council that the wood frame construction would afford more flexibility and a greater variety of methods to address and abate noise transmission between floors and between adjacent residential units. He of-

ferred to provide the city with a range of sound attenuation options for review. From his perspective, the ability to provide a comfortable and quiet unit would be critical to the overall marketability and success of the project.

Although not discussed in Haller's letter, councilmembers raised the issue of planned amenities for the site and repeated their concerns about convenient pedestrian access to the proposed building from Greenbelt Road, sitting areas, picnic tables and a possible small tot lot playground for the site.

City Support

Baier and Haller continued their request for city support for zoning legislation they would seek from the county council. To allay council's concern, they offered an alternative to strict covenants by entering into an agreement with the city including signed covenants that the city could file once the property ownership change occurs. A negotiated agreement could be developed before the legislation is enacted. If the city was not satisfied with the resultant agreement, they would still be able to request that the legislation be withdrawn.

The Baier organization faced a critical deadline of September 28 for introduction of the proposed legislation in order for the county council to enact the changes in its current legislative calendar. If the legislation were introduced on September 28, the legislative review process would take about eight to 12 weeks. By that time the city could determine if it wished to support or oppose the legislation.

Most members of council were concerned about the situation they were faced with but still interested in how the city could best influence the development. Councilmember Rodney Roberts made it clear that he did not favor increasing the impervious area of development on the site, did not favor the building height relaxation and cautioned against council making a decision at the work session. As the discussion ended, the councilmembers decided not to make any decision regarding the legislation but to continue the city's discussions with the developer regarding the proposed agreements and making the commitments legally binding.

(Note: revised legislation containing the zoning text amendments was presented for introduction at the September 28 meeting of the Prince George's County Council (sitting as the District Council.) The revised language addressed the concerns raised by Greenbelt at the August 30 and September 22 work sessions. The item was not on the city council's agenda of September 27.)

Municipal Zoning

Council discussed briefly the prospects (or lack thereof) for legislation that would enable local planning and zoning authority for municipal governments in Prince George's County in the upcoming Maryland General Assembly. Efforts over the past several years to achieve such authority from the legislature have not been successful and the council and city staff outlook for the upcoming session (January 2005) is not bright. Davis indicated she would urge that the issue not be abandoned but, rather, there be a pause so that proponents could take a look at other strategies that could be used to achieve success.

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a cheerful environment, as far as possible from the industrial environment in which they carried out their labor.

With a series of slides of magazine advertisements depicting refrigerators, Nickles showed how appliance companies changed product designs almost on a yearly basis, hoping to invite consumers to change models of refrigerators as they changed models of cars. Unfortunately for the companies, that was not in the cards. The two kinds of products had very different symbolic messages in the lives of potential purchasers – and surely a different gender aura.

Why the rosebuds on the silverware? The pink lampshade in the picture window? The fringed and overstuffed living room chair?

According to a mammoth market research survey conducted by "True Story" magazine, with its 10 million blue collar women subscribers, these design items evoked their hopes

and dreams for their marriages. Curiously, of all household appliances available in that postwar world, the all-out favorite was the stove! Apparently – though Nickles did not say so – subliminally no one needed reminding that the way to a man's heart is through his stomach.

Computer Music Concert at UM

A free performance, "James Dashow: Music with/for Words and Images," will be given on Thursday, October 14 at 8 p.m. at the Gildenhorn Recital Hall of the Clarice Smith Performing Arts Center. The program features multi-media works by a computer music pioneer, including "Media Survival Kit," a lyric satire for electrified voices and instruments and electronic sounds, plus Four Scenes from "Archimedes, a Planetarium Opera." The performance is presented by the University of Maryland School of Music.

Fall Festival Oct. 9 At Schrom Hill Park

The City of Greenbelt's annual Fall Fest will be held on Saturday, October 9 from 2 to 6 p.m. at Schrom Hills Park. The popular festival includes many types of entertainment for the entire family including hayrides, a pumpkin path, a petting zoo, face painting, a moonbounce and more. Local artist Jim Hossick will also entertain young people with his original children's music. The "2-4-U Band" will cater to an older crowd. Plan to grab some affordable fast food to eat. See ad on page 5 for details.

Puppet Show At Patuxent

The Visitor Center at the Patuxent Wildlife Refuge presents a puppet show entitled "On the Wild Side" on Sunday, October 10 and Sunday, October 17, at 11:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. The story follows the journey of a hamster to see if he is a wild or domestic animal. The show is free and no registration is required.

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This meeting is **absolutely free**, includes a **free famous Marriott dinner**, is informational only and runs a **lightning quick 76 minutes**. **You will receive no sales presentation** making this meeting unlike anything you've ever seen before. This meeting will be held on October 12 at the Greenbelt Marriott in Greenbelt: 6400 Ivy Lane. It will begin at 4:30 PM and conclude 76 minutes after beginning when a free dinner is served. Reservations will be taken **on our 24 hour automated line until our seating capacity is reached at 1-800-371-1049**. Just leave your name, address, and the number of tickets you'll need after the tone and we'll rush them out to you. **Special Bonus for all attendees:** Your choice of **two free reports: Mutual Fund Management Secrets Money Managers Don't Want Published** or **6 Deadly Mistakes Made in Setting Up a Will or Trust and How to Avoid Them** (Limit one report per household). Call our 24 hour automated response line today at **1-800-371-1049**, as reservations will be taken on a **first come, first serve basis**. **Virtually everyone attending this meeting learns never before heard of, money saving strategies** with no sales presentation or pressure. Don't wait to call. We fill up quickly.

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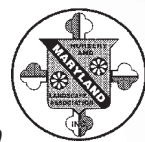
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POLICE BLOTTER

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

Assault

September 24, 8:13 a.m., 6000 block Springhill Drive, a resident youth was arrested for assault after he allegedly threw a rock at an adult standing on a balcony. The adult was not injured. The youth was released to a parent pending action by the Juvenile Justice System.

September 28, 2:43 a.m., Beltway Plaza Mall, a nonresident man was arrested and charged with three counts of assault and resisting arrest. Police observed the man on the mall property and knew he had been banned by agents of the property. A computer check revealed that he had an open warrant with the Prince George's County Sheriff's Department. The man was advised that he was under arrest, at which time he assaulted two officers as they attempted to place him in custody. He continued to resist attempts to place him in handcuffs, assaulting a third officer who responded to the scene to assist in the arrest. The suspect was released on citations into the custody of the Sheriff's Department for service of the warrant.

Robbery

September 27, 2:26 a.m., 9100 block Edmonston Terrace, a man reported that he was exiting his vehicle when he was approached by two other men, one armed with what he described as a long gun. The suspects announced a robbery and took the man's wallet and carryall bag. They fled the scene on foot toward Springhill Court. They are described as two black males, 20 to 25 years of age, 6' to 6'3", with short curly black hair, both with a beard or goatee and both wearing a white T-shirt and dark pants.

September 28, 5:30 p.m., Greenway Center, a cashier at Modell's Sporting Goods reported that a man approached the cashier's booth and attempted to pay for merchandise with a credit card. The credit card was declined, at which time the man produced a handgun and demanded money from the cash reg-

ister. The cashier was unable to open the register and the man fled the store with the merchandise. He is described as a black male, 30 to 35 years of age, 5'9" with a medium build and black hair, wearing a black jacket, black eyeglasses and a navy blue baseball cap.

Indecent Exposure

September 30, 1:40 p.m., Greenway Center, a nonresident man was arrested and charged with indecent exposure, theft, possession of paraphernalia and several traffic violations. A woman reported that she was in the shopping center parking lot when a man exposed himself to her. The man was stopped in a vehicle nearby and was positively identified by the woman. A computer check revealed that the tag on the vehicle had been reported stolen and located in the vehicle was paraphernalia commonly used to inject heroin. The suspect was transported to the hospital for treatment and was released to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a District Court Commissioner.

Drugs

September 23, 2:11 p.m., Eleanor Roosevelt High School, a resident youth was arrested for possession of marijuana after he was found to be in possession of a quantity of suspected marijuana on school grounds. He was released to a guardian pending action by the School Board and the Juvenile Justice System.

Injured Person

September 26, 5:04 a.m., 6100 block Breezewood Court, police responded to a report of a shooting that had allegedly occurred during a robbery. Preliminary investigation revealed that a non-resident man had accidentally shot himself in the groin and ankle inside a friend's residence. He was transported to the hospital for treatment of non-life threatening injuries. The gun was recovered and investigation is continuing.

Disorderly Conduct

September 24, 11:18 p.m.,

T.G.I.Friday's Restaurant, a non-resident man was arrested and charged with disorderly conduct when police responded to a report of a fight at the restaurant. The fight was broken up and the man was ordered to leave the establishment. He then attempted to start a fight with another person in the parking lot. He was released on citation pending trial.

Disruption of School

September 28, 3:52 p.m., Eleanor Roosevelt High School, a nonresident youth was arrested for disruption of school activities, failure to obey a lawful order and resisting arrest. The youth was ordered to leave the school as the school resource officer was clearing the hallway area after a physical confrontation between two other students had been broken up. The youth refused to leave the area and resisted the officer's attempts to place him in custody. He was released to his parents pending action by the School Board and the Juvenile Justice System.

Public Drinking

September 26, 6:41 p.m., 40 court Crescent Road, a resident man was arrested and charged with consuming an alcoholic beverage in public after he was observed in possession of an open beer on a park bench. He was released on citation pending trial.

Burglary

September 25, 11:01 a.m., 20 Southway, unknown person(s) unsuccessfully attempted to break into an office at the Greenbelt Citgo gas station.

September 27, 11:42 p.m., 9300 block Edmonston Road, unknown person(s) used unknown means to enter the residence. Money, DVD's and jewelry were taken.

September 28, 9:21 p.m., 100 block Westway, unknown person(s) used unknown means to enter the residence. Money and electronics were taken.

September 30, 5:13 p.m., 7800 block Emily's Way, unknown person(s) entered the residence by forcing open the front door. Money and jewelry were taken.

GIVES Plans Programs On Awards, Safe Driving

by Virginia Beauchamp

After a number of requests for a one-day safe-driving course to be offered in Greenbelt, GIVES President John Taylor announced at the group's fall quarterly meeting that he had been able to schedule the popular national AARP program, under GIVES sponsorship, in a morning and afternoon session on Monday, October 18. (Last year's format of two half-day sessions for the course on different days was seen by many as less convenient.)

The safe-driving course will take place in the Community Center and will be limited to a total of 25 participants. It is designed for persons over 50 years of age as a means to refresh their driving skills. In some cases auto insurance companies recognize such participation in the form of premium reductions.

For a modest fee, participants will receive a course workbook dealing with such issues as physical changes in the aging driver, potential trouble spots, driver guidance, safety considerations, road

rage and managing driving at intersections and on the freeway. Early enrollment is urged, since courses tend to fill up quickly.

For information on registration, call the GIVES office as soon as possible at 301-507-6580.

On the day of the course, the program will break at noon for lunch. Participants will be free to dine at a facility of their own choosing, perhaps in Roosevelt Center, though the county-run, reduced-price commercial kitchen in the Community Center may be particularly convenient. Reservations there must be made by the preceding Friday at 301-397-2208, ext 4215.

GIVES News

GIVES office manager Jean Lombardo announced that current membership in the work-exchange cooperative organization is now at 182. During the previous quarter 60 requests had been filled and over 296 credit hours earned.

Lombardo emphasized the importance of volunteers to staff the phone in the GIVES office in the Community Center to receive and fill requests. The office is open

Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to noon. She particularly seeks a volunteer willing to make a regular two-hour weekly commitment for a period of time.

An ad hoc committee headed by treasurer Robert Terrell reported on a plan to create a special GIVES service award to persons past and present who had contributed in an outstanding way on behalf of GIVES. Names of such persons would be engraved on a special plaque to be hung on the wall in the Senior Lounge of the Community Center, where the GIVES message center is located. Each awardee would also receive a certificate at the annual membership meeting in June. A committee will select the persons to be so honored.

Depression

The September 18 meeting concluded with a talk by Helen S. Barnes, a gero-psychiatric nurse counselor with the EA Mental Health Project of the Prince George's County Department of Family Services, who spoke on depression and suicide risk in the elderly.

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Appreciation dinners are ordinarily held in the Terrace Room on the condominiums' premises but this year the group "decided to do something different to celebrate," said Jennifer Fullmer of CVI.

The first award given in the ceremony conducted by Barbara Smith, president of the Greenbriar Community Association, was to Bob Taylor, for having completed 20 years of service to the community's physical plant. Calling him "the heart and soul of Greenbriar," many attendees spoke very highly of Taylor. Steve Bupp, owner of CVI, said he is "extremely proud and respectful of everything Mr. Taylor has done."

A representative from each of the three phases gave awards to its outstanding volunteers. Arlene Schpiegelman from Phase II said proudly, while passing out awards, "there were almost more volunteers than I could keep

track of."

The climax of the event was Smith's presentation to the Fire Relief Committee of the funds recently accumulated for the displaced residents. Raised through yard sales, donations and even keeping a jar for loose change in Phase III, \$2,384 was given to Larry Noda and Schpiegelman toward the goal of paying one month's condo fees for each of the 15 uninhabitable units. Smith noted the "heartfelt generosity" of those assisting the effort and that the return of those displaced by the fire was "eagerly awaited."

Bupp said that the residents whose units were being rebuilt were "extremely patient" and said that the units should be ready by early January. He explained that the process of renovation has been a "challenge" because the building code had changed over the years from that of the original design of the building.

Bob Taylor Celebrates 20 Years at Greenbriar

Excerpts from the Greenbriar Crier article by Sarah Phillips about Bob Taylor, printed with permission.

It was close to 20 years ago when Bob Taylor got the call to remove a coffin from a trash room in one of the buildings. The coffin, it turns out, was some sort of prop and Taylor's tenure with Greenbriar had only just begun.

A licensed engineer, he began working for the Greenbriar Community Association in 1984 as a mechanic in Phase II. Since 1988 Taylor has been responsible for the operation of Greenbriar's central heating and cooling plant, providing heat, air conditioning and hot water to the entire community. The plant runs 24 hours a day, seven days a week, all 365 days of the year. It's an important job, held by a man who is rarely seen by the community.

Or perhaps residents have seen Taylor tooling about the property wearing his forest green coveralls, behind the wheel of a restored military truck. He and his wife of over 20 years, Anja, belong to a local organization that maintains and restores military vehicles.

Taylor has a B.A. degree in forestry from Texas A&M University. He spent seven seasons with the U.S. Forest Service in Montana and Idaho fighting forest fires.

He has encountered a good bit of variety at Greenbriar. As a mechanic he tackled 14-foot icicles and battled black snakes.

Taylor does a lot of troubleshooting in the central plant and also handles the maintenance and repair of underground utilities. Compared to similar properties, Greenbriar and Glen Oaks have had impressively few property-wide power outages through the years.

Simplicity Circle Forming in October

For those who feel their lives and houses are filled with busy clutter, maxed-out credit cards and overdone holiday celebrations, there is another way. A simplicity discussion circle is forming in Greenbelt and will meet Sunday, October 10 from 5 to 6:30 p.m. at the Greenbelt Arts Center. The resulting group will then meet for eight additional sessions. Discussion circles are free but there is a fee for the study guide. For more information contact Lore Rosenthal at 301-317-9821 or simplicitygrpsmd@aol.com.

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Michele Touchet of Greenbelt East spoke next. She had done extensive research, compiled a list of specific recommendations and had photographs to illustrate the points she was making. She described herself as a relatively new Greenbelt resident who moved here because Greenbelt is pedestrian and bicycle-friendly. She documented some serious problems.

Touchet said Hanover Parkway was "her lifeline" in reaching shops and services but was a dangerous road for walkers and bikers. She called for contiguous sidewalks so that people can walk safely from communities to Greenway Center. She cited a lack of curb cuts or ramps at many points hampering access for people with disabilities. She asked that more provisions be made for bicyclists. Touchet took the council and audience through a "virtual walk," with photos showing many of the hazards she and others had encountered.

Mayor Judith Davis and councilmembers thanked her for a very thorough presentation. Craze responded that many of the items Touchet had listed would be covered in the new traffic calming plan but that others had not been considered or rejected as unfeasible. Craze thought that a contiguous sidewalk would be a possibility despite a number of engineering challenges and council encouraged her to follow up.

All new curbs and sidewalks will have ramps to facilitate handicapped access, she said. Regarding bikers, Craze indicated that wide shoulders had been maintained to accommodate bik-

ers. In the traffic roundabouts bicyclists have to join traffic and she agreed to look specifically at that issue to see if others changes could be helpful.

Fred Gasper, with some of the same photos as Touchet, had many, but not all, of the same conclusions. He specifically addressed bike lanes, suggesting that in places where wide bike lanes were not possible, the city might consider defining a narrower bike area. He mentioned several busy roads where this had been done. Designating a separate bike area had given bikers greater security and protection from traffic.

ERHS Parking

A Greenbriar resident questioned the impact of traffic changes on parking as well as the impact of newly implemented parking charges for Eleanor Roosevelt High School students. He was concerned that the new policy would force students from the school parking lot into nearby streets in Greenbriar. Council promised to monitor.

Crosswalks

In a related discussion, council approved 14 new crosswalks within the city. Most will be installed in Greenbelt East but a few are planned for the center city and Springhill Lake. In addition to the new pedestrian walkways, the city will replace signs in conformity with established standards and will trim shrubs and trees which obscured signs and repaint faded markings.

Council focused at length on two crosswalks – one on Laurel Hill Road where the inner walkway ends and another on Crescent Road between the bus stops just east of the police station.

Craze will study the plans for both in light of council concerns. She said it's important to look at the full consequences of making a change. You can often create another problem while solving the first problem, she said.

TheBus

Council objected to plans to reduce TheBus service in Greenbelt. The county Department of Public Works and Transportation plans to reduce service on Routes 11 and 15 by eliminating one peak-hour bus on each line. The department cites low ridership on both routes.

Davis objected. She said that low ridership could result from the lack of information about the bus schedule. "You often don't know when TheBus will get there and where it will take you," she said. Duplication with Metro bus routes may also be part of the problem, which should be addressed when a new study on routes is completed. Meanwhile the city will urge that existing service levels be restored.

Skateboard Park

Council unanimously ap-

proved a contract for \$180,000 with California Landscape and Design, Inc., for the design and construction of the city's new skateboard park. Council also approved a smaller contract with Bradley Site Design, Inc., for the site preparation, including grading, draining, erosion and sediment and preparation of all plans required for building permits. A resolution for negotiated purchase to formalize the selection of contractors will be prepared for the next council meeting.

Councilmembers stated that the skateboard park has been a long time coming and will fill a real need in the city for recreational opportunities for young citizens. However, they also expressed concern that skateboarders have been breaking the law by skateboarding in locations throughout the city. Davis, Councilmember Edward Putens and others spoke out for strict enforcement of the city's regulations against skateboarding on city property.

Michael McLaughlin, city manager, said that the city had been vigilant and had issued citations and taken several skate-

boarders to court. All agreed that when the new park is open, the problem should be greatly diminished. At that point there will be no excuse for skateboarding offenses. It was estimated that construction will take about three months after the design phase has been completed.

Other Business

The council meeting began with the reading of a proclamation declaring the first week of October Mental Illness Awareness Week. Sylvia Lewis and others spoke in support of the Pink Ribbon Bike Ride through Greenbelt. They said response had been great but they encouraged all councilmembers to take part in the event, which raises money to support people with cancer.

McLaughlin said that the city had won two beautification awards – one for Buddy Attick Lake Park and one for the landscaping on Southway.

Minor changes were made to the solid waste provisions of the Greenbelt city code, primarily to ensure an all-weather route for collectors and that containers were in plain view for pickup.



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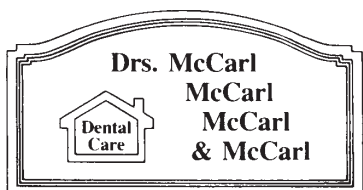
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Wildlife Research Center. A 10:30 a.m. ceremony at the Visitor Center will highlight "Research for Conservation: Past, Present and Future" as Patuxent celebrates the 10th Anniversary of the National Wildlife Visitor Center, the 65th Anniversary of the dedication of Patuxent Research Refuge and the 125th Anniversary of the U.S. Geological Survey.

The National Wildlife Visitor Center is located off Powder Mill Road between the Baltimore - Washington Parkway and Rt. 197, just south of Laurel. For more information or directions visit <http://patuxent.fws.gov> or call 301-497-5763 (TDD 301-487-5779). Those with special needs are asked to call the refuge at least two weeks prior to the event.

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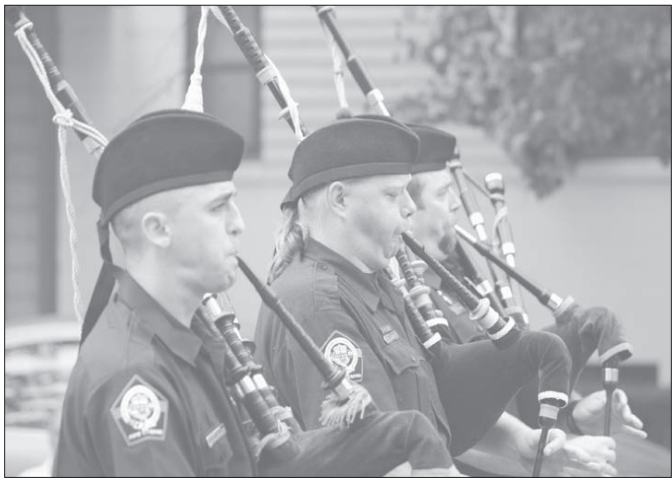
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Community winners were the Lions Club Bikes and Trikes in first place; Greenbelt Drum Circle, second place; and Greenbelt Girl Scouts, third place.

First place winner in the Performance/Drill/Marching category was the Creative Kids Camp (Chris Cherry); second place went to the Red Hats/Capitol City Jazz Group; while third place went to the Eleanor Roosevelt High School AFJROTC. In the Automotive category, the winners were: Gary Sommers, son of Bob Sommers, in his '68 Camaro, Green Transportation, a fleet of locally owned hybrid vehicles; and Friends of the Greenbelt Museum.

Winning floats were created by the Greenbelt Boys and Girls Club, first place; second place, Realty 1 Jollytrain.com and the Maplewood Gang; and third place was won by the Miss Greenbelt float.

Among Fire Apparatus entrants a Best in Parade award went to the Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department for the fully restored 1935 Howe Pumper driven by Chief Brian Rudy. In addition first place was awarded to the 1954 American La'France driven by Vic McEntee, second place went to the Clinton Volunteer Fire Department 1967 Open Cab Ford driven by Chief Robert Small and third place was awarded to the 1992 Pem Fab Tiller Truck driven by Berwyn Heights Fire Department.



Captions clockwise from top right: Council got treated to a ride on Greenbelt's newly renovated 1935 Howe Pumper fire truck driven by Chief Brian Rudy. Photo by Sharon Natoli

Delegate Justin Ross introduces his three-month-old daughter Caroline to the Labor Day Parade. Photo by Jon Gardner

Caitlin Cummings, 11, won the Lions Club decorated bike contest, with her wildlife-themed bicycle. Photo by Jon Gardner

Karen Yoho and daughter Mary Alyce enjoyed the parade from the sidelines. Photo by Sharon Natoli

The GVFD had nothing on Brian O'Neil, 5, who rode his own antique fire truck in the parade. Photo by Jon Gardner

The bagpipes have proven to be crowd favorites over the years; piping is hard work. Photo by Jon Gardner

Dorian Winterfeld on the Drum Circle float, which took second place in the community winners category. Photo by Jon Gardner



The rowdy ladies of Curves entertain themselves (and the crowd, too). Photo by Sharon Natoli

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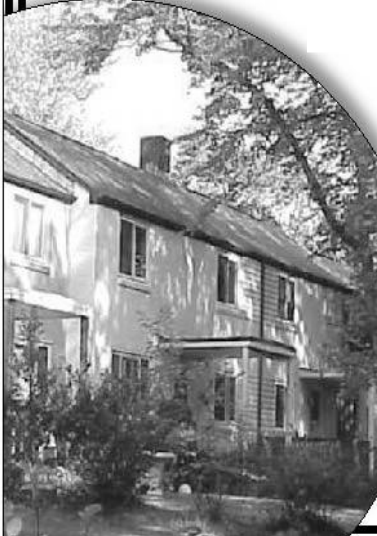
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