

Conceptual Site Plan for SHL Wins Planning Board Approval

by Thomas X. White

At its Thursday, July 28 meeting, the Prince George's County Planning Board considered and approved, with conditions, the Conceptual Site Plan (CSP) for the redevelopment proposal submitted by the present owners of the Springhill Lake apartment complex, Apartment Investment and Management Company (AIMCO).

Approval of the CSP represents a first critical hurdle for the redevelopment proposal. Several additional hurdles remain before actual construction can begin on the estimated \$600 million project.

AIMCO is seeking to redevelop the 2,889 rental units located in Greenbelt West that were originally constructed in the 1960s. The proposal includes 5,800 dwelling units of various types of which approximately 25 percent will be sold, not rented.

The proposal also calls for a minimum of 15,000 square feet of retail space, a community building and associated recreational facilities and relocation of an existing elementary school. AIMCO is seeking to rezone the property from Rental Residential (R-18) to the Mixed Use-Infill (M-U-I) Zone, increase the density for the site over the recom-

mended density of the October, 2001 Greenbelt Metro Area Approved Sector Plan and Sectional Map Amendment and amend height restrictions in the adopted Sector Plan.

Approval Recommended

The technical staff of the county Planning Board submitted a report to the board recommending approval of the CSP with about 33 listed conditions. The staff noted their agreement with the developer's justification to increase the density, consistent with the M-U-I Zone and recommended submitting an amendment to the building height requirements at the time of the Detailed Site Plan (DSP) review when adequate information justifying such an amendment can be assessed regarding the impact on immediate and surrounding development.

The technical staff also agreed with the developer's justification to rezone the entire property to the M-U-I Zone, noting that the specific purposes of the SHL Development District Overlay Zone, as expressed in the Sector Plan, are best implemented by a change in zoning of the property to M-U-I. The staff report also noted that, although the owner of the property may re-

quest changes to the underlying zone in conjunction with the review of a CSP, the Planning Board is required to hold a public hearing on the application and make a recommendation to the District Council (the Prince George's County Council sitting on zoning matters). Only the District Council may approve a request to change the underlying zone of a property.

Before approving the CSP application, the Planning Board heard an overall concept presentation on the proposed redevelopment from Joe De Tuna, vice president for Redevelopment and Construction Services of AIMCO and a brief presentation on specific requests in the CSP application from Andre Gingles, a local zoning attorney representing AIMCO.

City's Position

Terri Hruby, assistant planner for the City of Greenbelt, spoke on behalf of the city. She noted that the city generally supports the technical staff recommendations and conditions being applied to the CSP approval recommendation. She argued that the city had problems with only two items proffered by the devel-

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Greenbelt Is a "Shining Star" City Intern Brent Elrod Says

by Matthew Johnson

In the field of local government and public policy, Brent Elrod is a progressive force in a progressive town.

Students in need of a vacation may not consider it glamorous to intern all summer at the City Manager's office after two semesters already spent studying public policy at the University of Maryland. But for a civil advocate like Elrod, there is scarcely a better situation.

"I've always sort of had a drive for public service," said the 27-year-old graduate student who was awarded this latest opportunity to serve the public through a joint effort by the Maryland Municipal League and the University of Maryland School of Public Policy. Greenbelt and Rockville are the only two communities involved in this program.

A typical day on the job begins with a commute from his home in Silver Spring to the city of Greenbelt. Elrod arrives



Brent Elrod, a public policy major at the University of Maryland, worked as an intern in the City Manager's office for the summer.

around 9:30 a.m., reads through the mail in his inbox, completes what is called a definitive memorandum to be sent to City Manager Mike McLaughlin (with the purpose of shedding light on an issue the council plans to address), discusses the memo with both McLaughlin and Assistant to the City Manager David Moran, eats lunch, researches a new issue by scanning through county ordinances, makes

changes to the Greenbelt Alert Citizen Warning System and clocks out around 5:30 p.m.

Elrod will clock out for the last time this Friday. He will say goodbye to a city he has grown fond of through his experiences this summer.

"I think Greenbelt's sort of a shining star," he said. "Everybody who works here seems to care about serving the public interest . . . so I feel like I've had the privilege to be a part of that."

First Presentation

Elrod had the responsibility of presenting the results of a discussion he facilitated to senior representatives from Metropolitan Association of Local Government Assistants and the International City/County Management Association (ICMA) – in his first week on the job.

"[It was] on a topic which I had very little knowledge: how to improve ICMA's Emerging

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The "Dixie Power Trio" will bring its version of zydeco, jazz, Cajun and funk to the Community Center on Sunday.

"Dixie Power Trio," Hoeting Exhibit Featured Sunday

The next Artful Afternoon will be held on Sunday, August 7 from 1 to 5 p.m. in the Community Center and will feature the "Dixie Power Trio" and other attractions. Bring family, friends and neighbors for a chance to relax and re-create with a relaxing afternoon of music and arts.

From 1:45 to 2:30 p.m. a stage combat demonstration will take place with the cast of the Greenbelt Arts Center's upcoming Shakespeare on the Green production of "Henry IV." Audience members can learn how actors control their bodies to create the illusion of combat with demonstrations and choreography from the play.

Shakespeare on the Green performances of "Henry IV" will be held at Buddy Attick Park (August 14), Schrom Hills Park (Au-

gust 21) and Springhill Lake Recreation Center (August 28). Indoor performances will be held at the Greenbelt Arts Center during the Labor Day Festival.

Art Gallery Show

From 2 to 4 p.m. visitors can meet artist Christ Hoeting, who is exhibiting at the Greenbelt Community Center Art Gallery, during an informal reception. A faculty member and recent master of fine arts graduate from the University of Maryland, Hoeting combines digital imagery and traditional painting technique to create dense "layers of atmosphere." Each piece is a "puzzle of myth and memory" incorporating diagrams, family images and/or stills from early cinema.

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Filing Deadline for Council Candidates Is September 26

On Tuesday, November 8 Greenbelt citizens will elect the five members of the city council who will represent them for the next two years. Greenbelt residents who want to run for city council, to sign a petition for someone to run for council or to vote in the election must be registered to vote in Prince George's County. Since universal voter registration began in Greenbelt in 1991 the city has not maintained a separate voter registration list.

Candidacy for Council

Any qualified voter of the city wishing to run for council may do so by submitting the following forms:

1. Nomination Petition – This form requires the signature of at least 50 qualified voters of the city and must be signed by the circulator of the petition and notarized. The signatures should give the petitioner's proper name (e.g., Mary Doe or Mrs. John Doe) and address.

2. Acceptance of Nomination – This form notes that the nominee agrees to serve, if elected. It must be filed along with the nomination petition and an affidavit containing a sworn statement providing the candidate's name, date of birth,

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What Goes On

Sunday, August 7

1 to 5 p.m., Artful Afternoon, Community Center

Monday, August 8

8 p.m., Regular City Council Meeting, Municipal Building

Monday, August 8 and Tuesday, August 9

Passholders and Residents Register for Adult Classes and Adult Swim Lessons, Aquatic and Fitness Center

Wednesday, August 10

Open Registration for Adult Classes and Swimming Lessons, Aquatic and Fitness Center

Letters to the Editor

Deer Anecdotes

You'll likely hear from others regarding deer sightings at the lake but here is my two cents worth of anecdotes.

Six or seven years ago a buck ran across my path on the access trail which opens onto Crescent. Startled the bejeebers out of me but was quite magnificent.

Two years back, someone I know actually witnessed people, including children, petting a young deer in the open area below the parking lot. (For the record, my source and I were equally appalled by this breach in good judgment.)

Lakesiders have had deer munching their vegetation going back many years. Just ask them!

Lastly, it wasn't at the lake proper but two summers ago a deer literally walked up to me in pursuit by the open green space at the bottom of Lastner Lane.

My deer encounters prior were always with deer bounding away or at least maintaining a watchful distance, certainly never approaching.

Moreover, I've always heard that when wildlife act "out of character" or approach people, something isn't right. The only thing which slowed this deer was when I crossed the street to alert a nearby resident to ask him to contact Animal Control (it was too close to traffic for its own good at the least). Even after this, the deer continued to eye me intently. I knew it sounds bizarre – it was!

Afterward I went on the internet and read a variety of similar anecdotes featuring aggressive deer, usually under the mantle of protecting their young. I don't know what the deal with my deer was as I was no more than a few feet off Lastner Lane but I haven't seen it again. And I always look.

Colette Zanin

In Sympathy

Like many others I was saddened to hear of the passing of Hugh Jascourt.

Mr. Jascourt was a pioneer and in many ways he was way ahead of his time.

I am thankful that Mr. Jascourt shared his interest in running with so many people and inspired many to run or to form running clubs.

My thoughts and prayers are with the Jascourt family.

Austin Conaty

Race Coordinator

Prince Georges Running Club

Big Yard Sale Thank You

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Labor Day Festival yard sale on July 30 in Roosevelt Center. Whether you donated items or purchased some, the Festival Committee thanks you for your support! The yard sale is the largest one-time fundraiser for the Festival and it was a very successful day.

Thanks also to those of you who became "salespeople" for the event, both members of the Committee and those who volunteered to help. This event will be a yearly occurrence for the Festival so start saving those items now to donate to the yard sale next year. In the meantime, see you at the 51st Festival!

Patti Brothers
president

Greenbelt Labor Day
Festival Committee

Not "Me"

I think I must have an interesting caption karma at the News Review. Several years ago, when the gallery proofs of the paper

fell off a motorcycle as it was going to press, a couple of captions got switched and I ended up being identified as the Governor of the State of Maryland. (I walked up to the State House pointing at the picture and the caption and saying, "Look, it's me, the Governor, I need to initiate some legislation" but for some reason they didn't let me in. Actually called the security guards. The nerve.)

In last week's edition, there was a misunderstanding regard-



PHOTO BY BRIDGET CORNETT

Bill Cornett

ing the photo of me that was printed with the songwriting article. I don't perform under the name "Country Me." That was the name of the image file. I sing under my own name when performing country, though I've been known to trot out my Tanto Makeul persona when I do Christmas shows.

Frank Gosman has asked me to give a special invite to the people of Greenbelt to come see the weekly broadcast of Country Showcase America. It's real down home and the musicians are incredible. The public can watch for free and if you can sing, you're welcome to step up to the mic and show your stuff. Just drive across Brighton Dam on Brighton Dam Road, take a left at the first driveway and follow the signs to "The Barn."

Bill Cornett

Editors Note: The "County Me" tag was our doing. It seemed a cute fit and was not designed to be misleading. The News Review regrets the confusion.

What's Happening?

After reading the letter last week from Betsy Barber I have been trying to find out what has happened to the plans and money for the much-heralded skate board park. It sounded like a good idea, was helped by my church and others and should have been started months ago.

Has it been postponed again? Was it an unannounced decision of the City Council to cancel the park? Inquiring minds want to know and in Greenbelt one hopes the government can openly answer such questions.

Harriette Phelps

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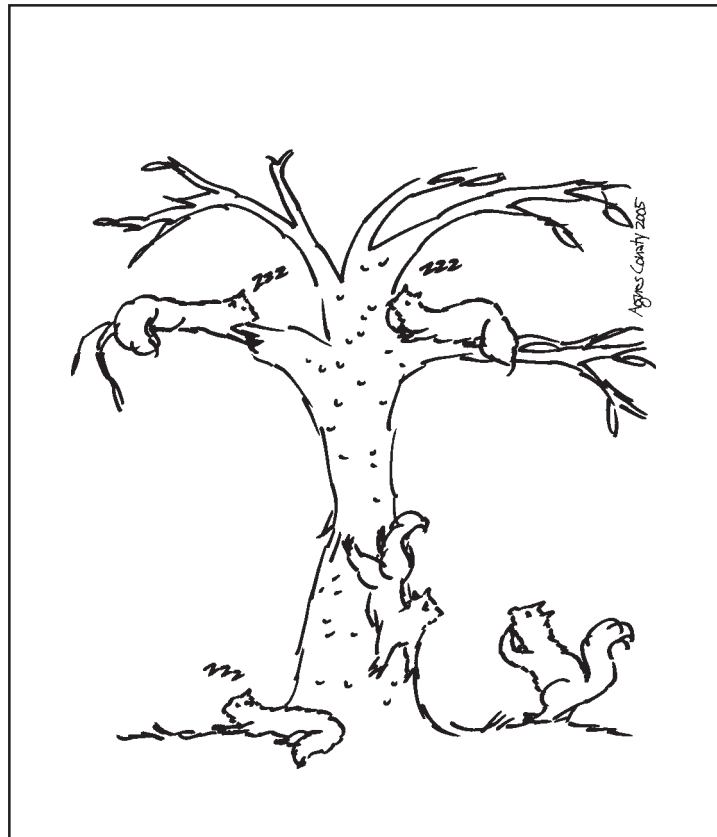
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"I heard that you must minimize outdoor physical activity when the heat index is over 100 degrees."

Free Community Nursing Program

The Greenbelt Community Nursing Program, which began in January in partnership with Bowie State University School of Nursing, will begin its second semester with new students starting in September. This program focuses on bathing, medication management, blood sugar monitoring, health assessment, vital signs monitoring and advocating with health care professionals on behalf of the client – all within the privacy of the client's home.

Students are supervised by Professor Valerie Swan. This semester the program will be able to accept 20 clients. Home visits will begin on September 20 and end November 30. Visits

will be conducted on Tuesdays or Wednesdays between 9 a.m. and noon. Clients will work with nursing students to select an appropriate time. Slots will be filled on a first-come first-served basis. Participants will also be asked to complete a short one page student evaluation at the end of the program year to help the professor evaluate the student's performance.

This program is only open to Greenbelt residents and is free to all participants. If there are any further questions call Christal Parker Batey at 301-345-6660. Space is limited. Open enrollment began Wednesday, August 3.

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Community Events

Greenbelt Seniors Beat Bowie Gold

Greenbelt beat the Bowie Gold, 9-7, at home on Monday, August 1 in the Baltimore Beltway Senior Softball League. Bowie was down 8-7 in the top of the eighth inning with nobody out and their best runner on third. He tagged up on a fly ball to left but Fred Bohle beat him to home plate by a stride with a strike to catcher Burt Kerr.

The double-play killed the Bowie rally and relief pitcher/team manager Ray Reed, who had four hits in four turns, held onto the lead. Bohle, with two hits and a sacrifice fly, drove in three runs and scored one. Eli Flam scored twice and had three hits, with two each for Kerr, Lefty Smith, John Horst-kamp and John Benish. Green-belt has split its first eight games in the season's second half.

Local Democrats Plan Autumn Events

The Executive Board of Greenbelt's Eleanor & Franklin Roosevelt Democratic Club met recently at the home of club First Vice President Stuart Jordan to plan activities and programs for its 2005-2006 year.

As it has since 1976, the club will sponsor a funnel cake fundraising booth at the Greenbelt Labor Day Festival from Friday, September 2 at 6 p.m. until Monday, September 5 at 5 p.m. Workers are needed and volunteers may call Bob and Lyn Doyle, Ways and Means co-chairs, at 301-441-2585.

Members are also needed to help on Saturday, September 3 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the club's Information Table. Voter registration forms, Maryland Democratic Party information and material from announced Democratic candidates for 2006 county and state elections will be available. Call Pat Unger at 301-474-1052 to volunteer.

Program Chair Sandra Eichbaum has scheduled many speakers to give club members and local voters their views on issues for gubernatorial, U.S. Senate and other offices. As of August 1, the club schedule includes Friday, September 16 – Maryland Democratic Party Chair Terry Lierman; Friday, October 21 – Baltimore Mayor Martin O'Malley; and Friday, November 18 – election of club officers and Montgomery Democratic Chair Douglas Duncan.

All agenda meetings are held at 7:30 p.m. in the Terrace Room of the Greenbriar Community Building, 7600 Hanover Parkway at Greenbelt Road. For membership information call Loretta Jurnah, 301-927-1346. Modest annual dues are paid at the September meeting for membership through August 2006.

GHI Notes

Meetings for the week of August 8 include:
 August 9, 7:30 p.m., Marketing Committee
 August 10, 7 p.m., Woodlands Committee
 August 11, 6:30 p.m., Joint Board of Directors/Finance Committee Meeting
 August 11, 8 p.m., Member Input Session
 All meetings are in the Board Room.

Founders Day Event At Greenbelt Park

Join a park ranger and learn the history of the National Park Service at the ranger station near the campground on Saturday, August 13 at 10 a.m. August 15 is Founders Day, celebrating the day the bill was signed that created the National Park Service.

To RSVP or for more information call Greenbelt Park at 301-344-3944 or visit the website at <http://www.nps.gov/gree/>.

GIAC Board Meets

The Greenbelt Internet Access Cooperative (GIAC) open board meeting will be Thursday, August 11 at 7 p.m. at the Greenbelt police station. New and old members are encouraged to attend to discuss and plan for the future.

There is special need for interested people to participate in this all-volunteer organization as officers, members of the board, individual task leaders and helpers throughout the year. If the organization is to continue to thrive, GIAC needs everyone's interest and time. No special technical skills are necessary.

Credit Union Donates SHL School Supplies

The Greenbelt Federal Credit Union is collecting school supplies for students in need at Springhill Lake Elementary School.

There are supply lists and drop-off boxes at the Credit Union and the Co-op grocery store. The Credit Union is urging Greenbelters to help them help students who are in need.

Explore the Canyons Of Bryce and Zion

On Friday, August 12 the summer Explorations Unlimited travel video series concludes with a film about Bryce Canyon and Zion National Parks, Canyons of Wonder.

Bryce Canyon

One glimpse will show why Bryce Canyon's intricately shaped, vibrantly colored rock formations captivate visitors year after year. The film will show the park from unique viewpoints. Watch as the film glides over Bryce Amphitheater by hot-air balloon, then go down into the canyon on a trail ride. Learn from Ranger Maggie McGee about the ancient geological forces that created "hoodoos," the park's famous towers, pinnacles and eerie statues of stone.

Zion Park

In Zion National Park, explore Zion Canyon and watch hikers on its strenuous switch-back trails. Visit Checkerpoint Mesa, Zion-Mt. Carmel Tunnel, Kolob Arch and the Great Arch of Zion. See Zion through the eyes of early explorers and settlers in photos and dramatic reenactments and then visit the Paiute Indian Clifford Jake, who will tell how his forefathers "got songs from the mountains, the wind and the eagle."

Explorations Unlimited is 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.

Call 301-397-2208 for more information.

Greens Plan Meeting With Full Agenda

Greenbelt Greens will meet on Monday, August 8 at 7:30 p.m. in the public meeting room in the Greenbelt police station, located at the corner of Ridge and Crescent Roads.

Agenda topics include the 60th anniversary of the nuclear bombing of Hiroshima-Nagasaki; Green Party outreach and organizing, election planning, preparations for hosting the 2006 Annual Maryland Green Party Assembly; local environmental action updates (anti-ICC, Indian Creek); and organizing post-CAFTA and peace actions.

All are welcome. Refreshments will be served. For more information call Bob at 202-722-4303 or Anja and John at 301-486-0744.

Poet Laureate Reads at GAC

The Poet Laureate of Maryland, Dr. Michael S. Glaser, will be the guest reader at the Showcase of Prose and Poetry, co-sponsored by the Greenbelt Arts Center and the Greenbelt Writers Group (GWG). The showcase will take place on Sunday, August 7 at 5 p.m. in the Greenbelt Arts Center 123 Centerway.

Glaser will read from his collections of poetry and answer questions from the audience. GWG members will also contribute original prose and poetry readings.

There is a fee, which includes dessert. Call 301-441-8770 for reservations.

Help Remove Invasive Plants

Help protect Greenbelt Park from harmful invasive plants. Join in a hands-on nature preservation activity and learn about native and non-native plants.

Meet on Saturday, August 6 at 11 a.m. at the Sweetgum Picnic Area.

This program will be held the first Saturday of every month. Come rain or shine, wear appropriate clothing and work gloves and bring a lunch/snack. This is a partnership between the Greenbelt Park and the University of Maryland. Greenbelt Park's entrance is located between Kenilworth Avenue and the Baltimore-Washington Parkway at 6565 Greenbelt Road.

For information contact 301-344-3944 or visit the website at <http://www.nps.gov/gree/>.

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Art Show Depicts Nature around the Lake

Agnes Pasco Conaty's first art exhibit at the New Deal Café, "Nature Walks Along Greenbelt Lake," will be held from August 1 to 28.



Agnes Conaty

The opening reception for the art show will be on Sunday, August 7 from 7 to 9 p.m. Composed of watercolor paintings and photographs, it is a result of two years of nature observations and walks in the area where she also does most of her running.

"I had kept nature journals back in the Philippines. My family loved gardening and we had lots of tropical plants and flowers that bloomed most of the year. The sight of bougainvilleas, birds-of-paradise and anthurium was so pretty I had to capture them in sketches and pictures. That's how I started to paint and photograph nature," Conaty said with fondness.

Born to a family of teachers and engineers, she obtained bachelor and master degrees in civil engineering. Conaty juggled between designing high-rise buildings and explaining the Ber-

noulli principle to freshmen college students.

"I got hooked into natural history when I read the works of Jean-Henri Fabre, Rachel Carson and Henry David Thoreau," Conaty recalls. She now has a doctoral degree in environmental science from the University of the Philippines and a passion for teaching and learning.

Philippines and a passion for teaching and learning.

"Now that I live across from Greenbelt Lake, I could spend a lot of time looking under rocks or over the sky to observe the most minuscule object on Earth to the vast expanse of space and just have a great time."

A regular contributing writer and photographer for the News Review, the artist also sketches the "Grin Belt" cartoon. She also works as an educator at the College Park Aviation Museum and as a weekend docent at the Corcoran Gallery of Art.

The Conatys are expecting their first baby in late August. For information about the exhibit contact 301-982-9246 or email agnes@greenbelt.com.

WANTED!



Please help the Outstanding Citizen Committee find the next outstanding citizen. Submit your nomination for that person whose volunteer service to our community has made him or her your choice to be the Greenbelt Outstanding Citizen of 2005.



Greenbelt Labor Day Festival Committee, Inc.

NOMINATION FORM
Greenbelt's Outstanding Citizen

Submit this form or a letter by Monday, August 8, to:
 Robert Zugby, Chair
 94 Ridge Rd., Greenbelt, MD 20770

Name of Nominee _____

Address _____

Nominated By: _____
 Name(s) (please print) Signature(s) Phone

Please attach a statement (preferably printed or typed) which explains why the nominee deserves recognition as Greenbelt's Outstanding Citizen. Possible subjects include a list of organizations or activities in which the nominee has participated, including length of time; specific accomplishments during each period of service; the impact on Greenbelt or on people within the city; and personal qualities which make the nominee special. Award is for volunteer (unpaid) work only. Supporting printed material will be accepted but is not required. Testimonials by others as to the person's good works will be helpful.

The more information you can provide the committee the better. *Note: All nominators must sign. Use separate sheet if necessary.*

Obituaries

Hugh D. Jascourt

Hugh D. Jascourt, a 41-year Greenbelt resident, died at his Maplewood Court home on July 27, 2005.

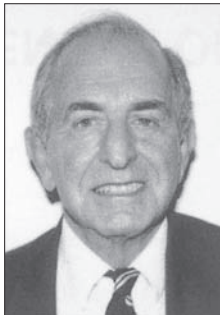
He led three full lives: first, as a labor lawyer with the government from 1960 to 1991, serving in executive positions in a labor union, several federal agencies and law entities too numerous to list with his passions being arbitration and mediation. After retiring in 1991, he founded the Agency for Dispute Resolution and Synergistic Relations, a nonprofit mediation service in Greenbelt. He also served on the Greenbelt Employee Relations Advisory Board from 1977 until his death and had served as chair since 2002.

His second life was a passion born in junior high school – running. He organized the first Road Runners Club in Philadelphia, where he was born in 1935, and in Detroit, where he earned his law degree and was editor of the Wayne State University law journal.

In 1959 he moved to Washington, D.C., founded the D.C. Road Runners and organized races. He ran in his races and helped coach the U.S. track and field team at international games. He set up an international woman's race and helped build inner-city races, especially among high school students. The Hugh Jascourt Race at Hains Point is run by the National Road Runners. In 1986, he was named to the Road Runners Club America Hall of Fame.

A Penn Relays official for more than 30 years, he was a master official honoree of the 2000 races. His goal was to promote fitness; he developed the Master's Race for those over 40 in D.C. He served four terms as National President of the Road Runners Club and he helped with the first Road Runners race in Greenbelt.

His third life revolved around his family and community. Both he and Resa, his wife of nearly 42 years, were involved in school PTAs. Hugh was president of the Mary Bethune Junior High School



PTA and was active at Greenbelt Center School and Eleanor Roosevelt High School. He served as president of the Prince George's County Council of Parent-Teacher Associations.

His son Stephen recalls his father being energetically involved and supportive of his and his younger brother Leigh's activities. Every supper would include Hugh questioning his sons about the day's events. Stephen has a Ph.D. in atmospheric science and works at the National Weather Service in Silver Spring. He is also a runner. Leigh is a physical therapist living in Gilbert, Ariz., with wife Amy and son Austin, who turned one on July 27.

A keen supporter of the environment, Hugh served on Greenbelt's Parks and Recreation Advisory Board from 1965 to 1973 serving as chair five times.

Hugh was laid to rest on Sunday, July 31 on a green hillside in Clarksburg, Md., after a funeral service at the Washington Hebrew Congregation in Washington, D.C., where the Jascourts have been members for more than 40 years. Cousins from distant states, road runner buddies from years ago and a large contingent of Greenbelt friends and neighbors (including the city manager and mayor) attended the funeral.

Donations may be made in Hugh's memory to the American Cancer Society or the Multiple Sclerosis Society, both in Washington, D.C.



Greenbelters were saddened to hear of the death of long-time Greenbelt resident Hugh Jascourt. Our sympathy to his wife and sons.

Condolences to Liz Pels-Nash on the death of her husband, Charlie Nash.

Army National Guard Sgt. 1st Class Scott R. Wilson completed the Army National Guard's two week annual training at Ft. Bragg, Fayetteville, N.C. He is a member of the Maryland National Guard's 3rd Brigade, 29th Infantry Division (Light) headquarters in Baltimore.

The training exercise involved soldiers conducting military operations in urban terrain staged in a village typically encountered by soldiers in Iraq and Afghanistan.

Wilson's wife Natalie is the daughter of George P. and Marlene Matthews of Lynbrook Court.

Drs. Hospital Holds Free Health Fair

Doctors Community Hospital is celebrating 30 years of service to the community by hosting a Health Fair and Festival on Saturday, August 13 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. The festival will take place behind the Medical Office building on the hospital's main campus. The Health Fair portion will be held inside the Medical Office Building.

Everything is free. There will be health screenings for cholesterol, glucose, blood pressure, body fat and more. Tours of the Joslin Diabetes Center, the Sleep Center and the Women's Health Center will also be given.

The Health Fair and Festival is a family event for all ages. There will be games, health experts, free food and refreshments. For more information call Doctors Community Hospital's Community Relations Department at 301-552-8060.

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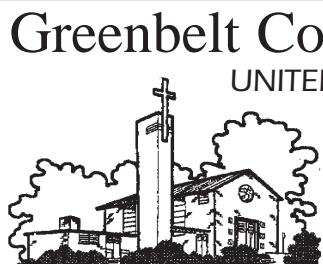
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Mass Schedule:
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Saturday 9:00 a.m., 5:00 p.m.
Daily Mass: 7:15 a.m.
Sacrament of Penance: Saturday 3:45-4:45 p.m.
Pastor: Fr. Walter J. Tappe
Pastoral Associate: Fr. R. Scott Hurd



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Hoeting's exhibit, "Memories and Myth," continues through September 24. The exhibit is open Monday through Saturday from 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. and Sundays from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. whenever the gallery is not reserved for special use. To confirm daily schedules call 301-397-2208.

Dixie Power Trio

At 3 p.m. there will be a free performance by the Dixie Power Trio. All ages will be able to snap their fingers to this band's mix of zydeco, Cajun, New Orleans jazz, funk, street parade and rock. They play a combination of Louisiana-flavored originals and covers with a happy-go-lucky attitude. The band's CD titles include "Out of Control," "Greetings From Gumboville" and "Let's All Go Down to New Orleans." The trio's music has been featured on National Public Radio's "All Things Considered," several television shows and has shared the concert stage with many Louisiana music luminaries including Wynton Marsalis, the Neville Brothers, Dr. John, Terrence Simien, Chubby Carrier, the Dirty Dozen Brass Band, the Olympia Brass Band and Beausoleil.

Poet Laureate

At 3:15 p.m. a creative writing exercise will be led by Dr. Michael Glaser, Maryland's poet laureate, for children to adults. Each month those attending

Artful Afternoon programs can see artists-in-residence at work during the Studio Open House and demonstrations from 1 to 5 p.m. Community artwork is on display throughout the Community Center. Currently on view are three of the giant frog sculptures created by Session I Creative Kids Camp, which some may have glimpsed floating on Greenbelt Lake on the Fourth of July.

For historic perspectives on Greenbelt, from 1 to 5 p.m. there will be guided tours of the historic home at 10-B Crescent Road that serves as the Greenbelt Museum. The museum also has an exhibit at the Community Center, "Living the Healthy Life," which explores the history of sport, health and fitness in the New Deal era. This exhibit is open Monday through Saturday from 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. and Sundays from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Artful Afternoons, outings for families and people of all ages, are held the first Sunday of every month from 1 to 5 p.m. at the Community Center at 15 Crescent Road. The events provide an introduction to the many programs and classes available through the city's recreation department. For additional information visit the web pages at www.greenbeltmd.gov/ARTS or call Barbara Dickey Davis at 240-542-2062.

Mowatt Memorial United Methodist Church

40 Ridge Road, Greenbelt

301-474-9410 www.gbpm-umc.org/mowatt



Rev. Dr. Paul C. Kim, Pastor

Sunday School 9:45 am Worship Service 11:00 am
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Dr. Mark Johnson, Pastor

(starting July 3)
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 Worship Service: 10:15 am
 Weds. Worship: 7:00 pm
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City Information

GREENBELT CITY COUNCIL
Municipal Building - Regular Meeting
August 8, 2005 - 8:00 p.m.

COMMUNICATIONS

- Presentations**
 - CERT Program Kick-Off
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.)

LEGISLATION

- An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 14, A Planning and Development, of the Greenbelt City Code by Adding a New Article IV for the Purpose of Establishing Fees for the Review of Planning and Zoning Applications (2nd Reading, Adoption)
 An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 18, A Streets and Sidewalks, of the Greenbelt City Code for the Purpose of Revising Section 18-48, "Fees," to Provide for Reimbursement to the City for the Cost of the Review and Approval of Plans Associated with Construction Work Within the City Right-of-Way (2nd Reading, Adoption)
 An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 8, "Elections," of the Greenbelt City Code, in Order to Revise Section 8-4, "Absentee Voting" and Section 8-10, "Literature," and to Update and Clarify Other Language in the Chapter (2nd Reading, Adoption)
 An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 8, "Elections," of the Greenbelt City Code, for the Purpose of Changing the Distance from a Polling Place Within Which It Is Unlawful to Conduct Electioneering Activities on an Election Day (2nd Reading, Adoption)
 A Resolution to Repeal Resolution Number 965 and to Provide for the Number of Judges and Clerks of Election, Their Rate of Compensation, and the Rate of Compensation to Be Paid to the Chairperson and Members of the Board of Elections for the 2005 Regular Election (2nd Reading, Adoption)
 A Resolution to Authorize the Negotiated Purchase of Certain Goods and Services from Various Vendors as Enumerated Herein When Total Fiscal Year Purchases from Each Vendor Exceed Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) (2nd Reading, Adoption)
 An Ordinance to Amend the Capital Projects Budget for Fiscal Year 2006 (1st Reading)
 An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 4, "Buildings and Building Regulations," for the Purpose of Revising Article III, Subdivision 5, "Rubbish and Garbage", (1st Reading)
 A Resolution to Authorize the Negotiated Purchase of a Police Trailer (1st Reading)

OTHER BUSINESS

- Acceptance of Annexation Petition – South Core, Greenbelt Station
- Proposed Amendment to County's Metro Planned Community Approval Requirements Related to Greenbelt Station (CB 36-2005)
- Campaign Signs on City Property
- Award of Purchase – Public Works Vehicles

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 10am on the meeting day. Deaf individuals are advised to use MD RELAY at 711 or e-mail kgallagher@greenbeltmd.gov to reach the City Clerk.

Beauties and the Beasts Softball Game

FRIDAY, AUGUST 12, 2005
7:00p.m.

Braden Field #2
 (behind the Greenbelt Youth Center)
 All proceeds will go to the family of Prince George's County Police Officer, Steven Gaughan.



Tickets are \$5 each and are on sale at the Greenbelt Youth Center – Monday thru Friday from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., at the Greenbelt Federal Credit Union – Monday thru Thursday 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Fridays 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Tickets are also on sale at the Greenbelt Police Department.

There will be food and refreshments at the field including hamburgers, hot dogs, sodas, etc. Alcohol is not permitted at the game. All are invited to come out to support this worthwhile cause.

GREENBELT AQUATIC AND FITNESS CENTER SUMMER SESSION III

Adult Classes and Adult Swim Lessons
 August 29-September 23
Passholders and Residents Register
 August 8 & 9
Open Registration
 August 10-until classes are filled

FOR INFORMATION ON CLASSES, VISIT
www.greenbeltmd.gov

An Artful Afternoon

Sunday, August 7 ~1-5pm
Greenbelt Community Center
Enjoy this free mini-arts festival featuring a studio open house, art exhibits, projects, Greenbelt Museum tours, etc.



*Welcome to
 Gumboville*

1:45-2:30pm STAGE COMBAT DEMO: The cast of GAC's "Henry IV" teach you how actors control their bodies to create the illusion of combat.

3pm FREE CONCERT: Enjoy zydeco, Cajun, New Orleans jazz, funk, street parade and rock with "The Dixie Power Trio"

3:15pm WRITE CREATIVELY: with Maryland's Poet Laureate **Dr. Michael Glaser**

2-4pm ART EXHIBIT: Meet artist **Chris Hoeting**, exhibiting at the Greenbelt Community Center Art Gallery. Join the artist for an informal reception.

For additional information contact Barbara Dickey Davis at 240-542-2062. Visit www.greenbeltmd.gov/arts

**OPENINGS ON
 BOARDS &
 COMMITTEES**
 Volunteer to serve on City Council advisory groups. Vacancies exist on the:

 Advisory Committee on Education
 Employee Relations Board
 Park and Recreation Advisory Board

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

**GREENBELT MUNICIPAL/
 PUBLIC ACCESS
 CHANNEL 71**
MUNICIPAL ACCESS:
301-474-8000: Monday, August 8th at 8:00pm: City Council Meeting "live"
Tuesday & Thursday, August 9 & 11: 10am & 5:30pm "Ask the Expert~Proper Body Mechanics," **6:00pm** "Camp Pine Tree Talent Show," **7:00pm** Greenbelt Recreation Department presents "Radio WOOF with Bill Wellington," **8:00pm** Replay of City Council Meeting.

**PUBLIC ACCESS
 (GATE): 301-507-6581: Wednesday & Friday, August 10 & 12: 7pm** "Future View"
7:30pm Greenbelt Arts Center presents "Flutar"
9:00pm Greenbelt Arts Center presents "Midsummer Night's Dream"

**FIT 'N FUN
 AEROBICS**
 M, W, F
 9:30am-10:45am
 Class starts August 22nd

 Call Greenbelt Community Center 301-397-2208 for registration information.

 Babysitters wanted for Fit 'N Fun Aerobics Class at Greenbelt Community Center. Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, 9:30am to 11:00am. \$7.25/hour. Call 301-397-2208 for more info.

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NOTICE
 The Greenbelt Community Center will be closing at 7pm on Sundays beginning September 11, 2005.

CITY ELECTION INFORMATION NOMINATIONS FOR 2005 REGULAR CITY COUNCIL ELECTION

In accordance with Section 14 of the City Charter, a regular election will be held in the City of Greenbelt, Maryland, on Tuesday, November 8, 2005, to elect the five members of the City Council.

Any qualified voter of the City may be nominated for the office of Member of Council upon filing a nomination petition with the City Clerk (signed by not fewer than 50 Greenbelt resident voters), a written acceptance of the nomination and other statements that are required by the City Charter or by law. Required forms and information are available in the City Clerk's office, 25 Crescent Road, beginning Monday, August 22 from 8:30 a.m. until 5:00 p.m.

NOMINATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED FROM
 MONDAY, AUGUST 22 THROUGH MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2005.

For additional information, call Kathleen Gallagher, City Clerk, at 301-474-8000, or send e-mail to kallagher@greenbeltmd.gov.

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oper. One had to do with the height limitation relaxation and the other with the timing for the developer's requirement for establishing a continuing funding mechanism for a trolley/tram or similar light transit system to provide a mobile connection within the project area.

AIMCO and the city reached agreement on the height restrictions to permit a maximum height of 12 stories for residential buildings next to the Capital Beltway and 10 stories for residential-only buildings on Cherrywood Lane. If the Cherrywood Lane buildings provide retail space on the first two stories, those buildings also could reach 12 stories.

AIMCO also withdrew their proposed amended language relating to the timing for the local transit system obligations. With those changes, the city, the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission (M-NCPPC) technical staff and the developer were pretty much in agreement on the CSP conditions approved by the Planning Board.

Other Viewpoints

Other speakers included Bob Koontz, director of Planning and Architectural Services for the Prince George's County Board of Education; Anthony Robinson, representing his mother, who is a Springhill Lake tenant; William Orleans, a Greenbelt resident; and Kap Kapistan, representing the Quantum Companies, owners of the Beltway Plaza Shopping Mall.

Echoing a June 28, 2005, letter from Prince George's County Board of Education member Jose Morales to the M-NCPPC technical staff, Koontz noted that the school system has reviewed the CSP and does not oppose the redevelopment plan. However, since several issues remain to be resolved regarding demolition of the existing Springhill Lake Elementary School and its relocation to a site adjacent to the Greenbelt Middle School, the school system cannot fully endorse the plan. The outstanding issues involve the funding, scheduling and (expected) enrollment capacities of the new school.

Kapistan told the Planning Board that Beltway Plaza Mall, while generally supportive of the CSP, wanted to make sure there were opportunities for better integration of the redeveloped Springhill Lake with the rear of the Beltway Shopping Mall. His organization has been meeting with the City of Greenbelt on a proposed concept plan that proposes access across Breezewood Drive to the Beltway Plaza property. The rear section of the Plaza would be redeveloped to provide a public area with theaters and restaurants.

Kapistan believes such a plan would make the rear of the mall more inviting. He envisioned no increase in the current square footage for retail on the mall property but foresaw a "modest" residential development opposite the Springhill Lake project facing

Breezewood Drive.

Planning Perspective

Orleans, a Greenbelt resident, urged the board to review the three Greenbelt West projects together from a planning perspective. He hoped the Planning Board would carefully review all three of the development projects being considered in Greenbelt West so that the projects are "integrated as a whole."

Elizabeth Hewlett, chair of the Planning Board, assured Orleans that the board was aware of all three areas. She said that the proposed Metroland development and the Springhill Lake redevelopment were not being reviewed in a vacuum. However, the ability to do such developments together was dependent on the individual property owners and was beyond the authority of the board.

Anthony Robinson, the only speaker listed in opposition to the CSP, said his mother has resided in the complex for the past seven years and lives on a very limited income. He wanted the board to assure that the redevelopment proposal included provisions for affordable housing as part of the concept. His concern was that his mother would be priced out of the development if there were no requirements for affordable rents for existing tenants. Hewlett thanked Robinson for his remarks but noted, again, that under current county law the board is not empowered to address such economic issues as part of its review.

After making some minor modifications to the findings, recommendations and conditions contained in the technical staff report, the Planning Board unanimously approved the Conceptual Site Plan.

Future Action

With that action by the Planning Board, more hard work is ahead for AIMCO representatives, the city and county planning departments and the Board of Education to move the CSP toward a Detailed Site Plan and a Preliminary Plan of Subdivision. Although action on those planning requirements might be scheduled this fall, the developer needs to reach agreements: with the City of Greenbelt and the Prince George's County Board of Education on unresolved issues associated with the elementary school relocation; with the city on planning/design issues and resolution of the issues associated with the Springhill Lake Recreation Center (either replacement or expansion); and other issues arising on the way to developing the site plan.

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Social Security number and resident address.

3. Financial Disclosure Statement – This form lists business entities and real estate interests held by the nominee and family and sources of specified income or debt. The statement covers the period January 1, 2004, through December 31, 2004. Candidates who have had changes in their financial status are required to file a supplemental report for the period of January 1 through June 30, 2005. The filing period starts Monday, August 22.

The deadline for filing to be a candidate in the November 8 regular election is Monday, September 26 at 5 p.m.

The city clerk verifies that nomination petitions meet the requirement of the city charter. A drawing will be held by the Board of Elections in the Municipal Building on Monday, September 26 at 7:30 p.m. to determine the order in which names shall be placed on the ballot. This meeting is open to the public. Candidates, their families, supporters and interested citizens may attend to witness the draw.

Candidates must appoint a treasurer. They are also required to file a notarized interim report of campaign contributions and expenditures no later than 5 p.m., October 24. A final campaign contribution and expenditure report must be filed no later than 5 p.m. Monday, November 14. These reports shall list the name, address and amount donated by every contributor (other than the candidate or a member of his or her family, who has contributed more than \$25 in furtherance of the candidate's nomination and election); and a detailed description of every expense.

Election of Council

The five candidates each receiving at least 40 percent of the total number of votes cast and the highest number of votes cast will be elected. If fewer than five candidates receive at least 40 percent of votes cast, a runoff elec-

Voter Registration for City Election

Registering to vote is the first step to qualify either to run for office or to vote for a candidate in the November 8 city council regular election. Although the county Board of Elections will handle all registrations, registration forms may be picked up during regular office hours at the Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road or at the Greenbelt Library on Crescent Road. Voters may call the Board of Elections at 301-430-8020 to request a form by mail or print from the web at <http://www.elections.state.md.us/citizens/registration/application.html>.

All completed forms must be received by the Board of Elections in Upper Marlboro by 4 p.m. October 10. Residents may also register to vote at Motor Vehicle Administration offices from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. or at the Board of Elections, 16201 Trade Zone Ave., Suite 108, Upper Marlboro from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Qualifications

In order to vote in Greenbelt and to be registered with Prince George's County one must be a citizen of the United States of America; at least 18 years of age as of November 8, 2005; domiciled within the corporate limits of the City of Greenbelt as of the date of registration; not convicted more than once of an infamous crime and not currently under a sentence imposed pursuant to a conviction of an infamous crime; and not under guardianship for mental disability. All questions about these requirements should be directed to the election office at 301-430-8020.

2005 Election Calendar

Mon., Aug. 22	First day to obtain papers and file nomination petition
Mon., Sept. 26	Last day to file nomination petition (by 5 p.m.)
Mon., Sept. 26	Date of drawing for placement on ballot – 7:30 p.m.
Mon., Oct. 3	Last day for council to adopt resolution adding referendum questions to ballot (6th Monday before election)
Mon., Oct. 10	Last day to register to vote
Wed., Oct. 19	First day to receive an absentee ballot
Mon., Nov. 7	Last time to request regular absentee ballot; first time to request emergency absentee ballot – noon
Tues., Nov. 8	Election 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.
Tues., Nov. 8	Absentee ballots must be submitted by 6 p.m.
Mon., Nov. 14	Charter Meeting for Swearing-in of 36th City Council

tion will be held on Tuesday, November 15. A runoff has not been necessary in more than 20 years.

Greenbelt does not have provisions for election of the mayor by the electorate. At the organizational meeting on the Monday following the election (Monday,

November 14) the newly elected council will elect the mayor and mayor pro tem. Traditionally, the new council has elected the highest vote-getter to be mayor and second highest vote-getter to be mayor pro tem for the ensuing two-year term.



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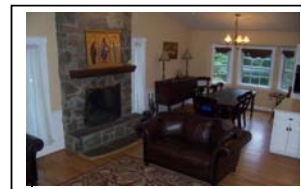
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POLICE BLOTTER

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

Robberies

July 23, 11:33 p.m., 6100 block of Breezewood Drive, a food delivery person was approached by six men when inside the apartment building to deliver an order. One of the men displayed a handgun and the others took money from the delivery person's pockets. The suspects then ran out of the apartment building. They are described as black males, ages 18 to 20; one had short black hair and was wearing a black shirt and another was wearing a red shirt.

July 27, 4:12 p.m., 5900 block Cherrywood Terrace, the victim and a friend were in a wooded area near the swimming pool when they were approached by three men. The men began punching and kicking the victim. The victim's friend fled the area on a bicycle. The suspects took a cell phone, money, an ID card and a set of keys, then fled on foot. The suspects are described as three black males, one was in his early 20s, approximately 5'9", 160 lbs., wearing a white tank top and black pants. The other two were in their teens with thin builds, black hair, one was wearing a white T-shirt.

July 28, 2:52 a.m., 6900 block of Hanover Parkway, a man was walking up the stairs in a condominium building when he heard talking behind him. When he got to the fourth floor landing, one of two men opened the interior stairwell door, pointed a silver handgun at his head and ordered him to the ground. The men went through his pants pockets and removed his wallet. They then fled with the victim's wallet, miscellaneous papers, books and a laptop computer in a black carrying bag. The suspects are described as two black males, 25 to 30 years of age, 6'0" with thin builds. The armed suspect was wearing a black T-shirt, skullcap and mask.

July 28, 10:12 p.m., 7800 block of Hanover Parkway, two women were getting out of a vehicle when a man approached, pointed a gun at them and demanded money and purses. One gave the man her purse and the other gave him some money. He fled on foot toward a vehicle a few spaces away with its lights on. Both women ran into the building and didn't see if the man got into the vehicle. The suspect is described as a black male, 15 to 25 years of age, 6'0", clean shaven with a thin build, black short or pulled back hair, brown eyes, wearing a long white T-shirt and blue jeans, armed with a dark colored automatic handgun.

Assault

July 20, 7:21 a.m., Eleanor Roosevelt High School, a resident youth was arrested after he struck the victim in the head and face with a closed fist. The youth was charged with second degree assault on a juvenile petition and released to a parent pending action by the juvenile justice system.

Weapons

July 22, 2:27a.m., Greenbelt Road and Kenilworth Avenue, a nonresident man was arrested on an open felony warrant and charged with transporting a handgun in a vehicle and theft under \$100 as a result of a traffic stop for an equipment violation. A computer check revealed that the temporary registration tag had

been reported stolen and that the driver had an open felony arrest warrant. A search of the vehicle revealed a loaded .9mm handgun, which a computer check revealed had been reported stolen. The man was released to the Department of Corrections for service of the warrant.

July 25, 10:41 p.m., 7200 block of Hanover Parkway, a non-resident man was arrested and charged with concealed deadly weapon, two counts of false statement and theft under \$100 after police stopped a vehicle for a registration violation. A computer check revealed that the temporary tag on the vehicle had been reported stolen and the driver had no identification on his person or in the vehicle. Located in the vehicle was a 15-inch knife. A fingerprint check identified the man and a computer check revealed that he had two open warrants for violation of probation for distribution of a controlled dangerous substance. He received a citation for driving while suspended and was transported to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner.

Drugs

July 21, 3:21 p.m., Eleanor Roosevelt High School, a youth was arrested when baggies of suspected marijuana were found in his possession. The youth was charged with possession of a controlled dangerous substance on a juvenile petition and released to a parent pending action by the juvenile justice system.

July 26, 12:55 a.m., 5800 block of Cherrywood Terrace, a nonresident man was arrested and charged with possession of paraphernalia after police stopped a vehicle for disregarding a stop sign and the front passenger of the vehicle exited and ran from the vehicle. A search of the vehicle revealed drug paraphernalia. The man was released from the scene on a criminal citation, pending trial and was also issued a citation for disregarding the stop sign.

Theft

July 23, Beltway Plaza, a non-resident woman was arrested and charged with motor vehicle theft, theft over \$500 and unauthorized use of vehicle after police observed a suspicious, occupied vehicle on Kenilworth Avenue at the Beltway. A computer check revealed that the vehicle, a 2000 Plymouth Breeze, had been reported stolen in Ohio. The vehicle was stopped in the front lot of the mall and the woman was taken into custody. She was transported to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner.

July 26, 6000 Breezewood Drive, a resident woman was arrested and charged with theft under \$500, traffic citations, failure to attach plates to front and rear, displaying a registration plate issued to another, operating an unregistered vehicle and driving an uninsured vehicle after a traffic stop for a registration violation. A computer check on the one tag on the vehicle revealed two tags had been reported stolen and a search of the vehicle revealed the second tag behind the passenger seat. The vehicle was unregistered and uninsured. The driver was placed under arrest and found to have two open warrants for failing to appear on an assault charge and a mali-

cious destruction charge. She was transported to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner.

Disorderly Conduct

July 21, 7:41 p.m., 20 Southway, a resident man was arrested and charged with resisting arrest, disorderly conduct and malicious destruction of property under \$500. The man, who was intoxicated, was attempting to assault another person and was being restrained by two other men when police responded. The man was extremely loud, yelling profanities and would not calm down after repeated requests by the police. He resisted being placed under arrest. He continued to act violently in the patrol car and began kicking the back door and window. The man was transported to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner.

Trespass

July 24, 11:50 a.m., Roosevelt Mall, a nonresident man was arrested and charged with trespass when he was located in the center after having been permanently banned for a previous alcoholic beverage violation. He was released on citation pending trial.

Counterfeit Bill

July 25, 11:02 a.m., Beltway Plaza, a man entered a business and asked for change. He presented a \$100 counterfeit bill and received change.

Fraud

July 27, 9:40 a.m., 6300 block Greenbelt Road, a man reported losing his wallet containing a credit card on July 13. By the time he contacted the credit card company, it had been used at six stores in Beltway Plaza.

Burglary

July 26, 11:45 p.m., 9000 block of Breezewood Terrace, a nonresident man was arrested and charged with fourth degree burglary. Police responded to a report by a witness who saw the man open a sliding glass door and walk into a vacant apartment. He was located inside the apartment, arrested and transported to the police station, where he was investigated and released, pending a criminal warrant.

Vehicle Crimes

Two vehicles were stolen: a blue and silver 2000 Suzuki motorcycle, model GSXR600, with no tags from the 7800 block of Hanover Parkway; and a green 2005 Chrysler 300C, 4-door, Maryland registration LPV577 from the 6900 block of Hanover Parkway.

Four vehicles were recovered by other police departments with no arrests made. Two sets of stolen tags were recovered by Greenbelt police with no arrests.

Vandalism to, theft from, attempted theft from and attempted theft of vehicles were reported in the following areas: 7700 block Jacobs Drive (two incidents), 7600 block Mandan Road, 7800 block Mandan Road, 7900 block Mandan Road, 8000 block Mandan Road, 7800 block Emily's Way (two incidents), 6900 block Hanover Parkway, 7800 block Hanover Parkway (two incidents), 7300 block Sunrise Court, 7400 block Greenway Center Drive (two incidents), 100 block Westway, 7800 block Belle Point Drive, 6000 block Breezewood Drive, 9000 block Breezewood Terrace, 5800 block Cherrywood Terrace and 9300 block Edmonston Road.

Comptroller Warns of Phone Tax Scam

Comptroller William Donald Schaefer warns taxpayers to be careful when speaking to anyone asking for personal information in the guise of a state official collecting taxes. This past week-end Marylanders began receiving phone calls claiming they are delinquent on their income taxes. The calls lead in by claiming a taxpayer owes thousands of dollars in back taxes and then asks the individual to confirm his or her social security number and other personal information to verify that, in fact, they do not owe any money to the state.

"Calling tax debtors at their homes is one of our last resorts," said Schaefer. "Be suspicious of anyone who calls asking for personal information. Don't reveal anything sensitive and ask them to be the ones to verify your personal information."

Initially the Comptroller's Office sends a letter to a delinquent taxpayer or business, listing any unpaid charges incurred for taxes, interest and penalties and asking for return correspondence. At that point, should the taxpayer fail to reply, pay the debt or provide a reason for not pay-

ing or enter into a payment plan, the Comptroller's Office can then file a lien, attach assets (including bank accounts), intercept state and federal tax refunds, garnish wages, file an estimated assessment for taxes due in unreported periods, issue a summons to appear at a hearing to revoke a sales tax license or initiate other legal processes, suspend state payments if the taxpayer does business with the state, prevent renewal of state business licenses or list the delinquent taxpayer on the comptroller's "Caught in the Web" site.

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Leaders program," said Elrod. "I survived, but I can't say it was a good presentation."

For his dedication and effort, Elrod will receive scholarship money and academic credit. However, these rewards are small compared to what he calls "substantive work experience."

"Compared to other internships I've had this is definitely the most relevant experience I could hope to gain," said Elrod, who has come a long way since the beginning of summer, familiarizing himself with Greenbelt's council-manager form of government.

"It's a progressive-era idea where the mayor serves on the council with the same power as any other councilmember," he explained, calling it the "last major development in local government structure in the 20s and 30s."

Elrod admitted he knew nothing about the city of Greenbelt or its council-manager government prior to his summer stint at the City Manager's office. In fact he had not even been to Greenbelt before his initial interview with McLaughlin.

But Elrod did come to Greenbelt knowing something about public policy. While attending George Washington University, where he would receive his bachelor's degree in philosophy, Elrod worked for D.C. Central Kitchen as well as a non-profit environmental group.

"It's one thing to discuss an issue in a classroom, but it's another thing to confront it and deal with it," said Elrod.

Local Level

He recalls his freshman year as the onset of his drive toward civil service, though he could not pinpoint his aspirations to one particular occurrence. His thoughts on service were ecumenical at first but after leaving George Washington University he became more provincial-minded, by passing the global and national levels and focusing on the local political spectrum instead.

After working for a non-profit conflict resolution organization, he came to the conclusion that too many abstract theories came from the federal level where politicians often did not stay focused on getting the results they wanted. He found that the politicians would cause political conflict rather than work to accomplish common goals.

"[I felt that] more good could probably be done at the local level," Elrod said.

Elrod will try to do some good of his own someday – as a city manager.

"He's expressed to us that one of the reasons that he's interested in the internship is to get experience in city management as a possible career opportunity and based on everything that we've seen, he'd be an excellent candidate once he completes his [master's] degree down the road," said City Manager McLaughlin. "He's obviously very bright. He was able to grasp quickly what we were doing here at the city and then apply the analytical skills both at the university as well as in previous careers to figure out how to handle the vari-

Berwyn Heights Considers Financial Agreement with Metroland Developers

At their August 10 meeting, the Berwyn Heights mayor and town council will consider an offer from the Metroland developers to mitigate the impact of the proposed Greenbelt Station project on the Town of Berwyn Heights, according to the Berwyn Heights Bulletin.

The developer has proposed to build a 169-acre mixed use, transportation-oriented development consisting of a 95-acre commercially oriented North Core (current site of the Greenbelt Metro Station) and a 74-acre residentially-oriented South Core (the A.H. Smith property north of Branchville Road along the railroad tracks). They would be tied together by a connector road that will also link the Capital Beltway with Greenbelt Road west of 57th Avenue.

On the 74 acres in the South Core, 27 acres will be open space, five acres will be used for roads and the remaining 42 acres will be developed with townhouses, apartments, condominiums and an 110,000 square foot neighborhood retail center.

According to the Bulletin, the developer is offering the Town of Berwyn Heights \$1 million to

mitigate the traffic and public safety impact on the town. The money would be paid in two installments as the project meets certain milestones. The town would also be granted some approval rights for any development proposal that requests direct access to Branchville Road.

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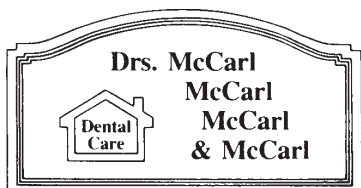


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PCAB members must be nominated by an established and viable parent or community organization. All nominees must be residents of Prince George's County. It is preferred that PCAB members are parents or guardians of current students enrolled in PGCPS. Organizations or individuals interested in nominating members to the PCAB should contact Sheila Jackson, director, Department of Family and Community Services and PCAB liaison, at 301-552-4294.

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County Council Oks Bill Authorizing GHI Additions

by Diane Oberg

On Tuesday, July 26 the Prince George's County Council, on an 8-0 vote, approved CB-042-2005 that clears the way for the county planning staff to resume issuing building permits for additions in Greenbelt Homes, Inc. and elsewhere in the core of Greenbelt. Meanwhile, former GHI Architecture and Environment Committee co-chairs William Wilkerson and John Nichols have asked County Executive Jack Johnson for a formal investigation of the county's failure to enforce the previous law.

County Legislation

A 1988 law (CB-134-1988), passed as part of an effort to preserve the city's Residential Planned Community (RPC) zoning, required a detailed site plan review for all additions increasing the size of a building by more than 25 percent of the property's original gross floor area. However, until earlier this year this provision had not been enforced.

The new county legislation exempts from this requirement properties owned by a cooperative housing corporation with at least 1,000 residential dwelling units and an internal review process for additions and alterations. The legislation also eliminates requirement for a detailed site plan review for single family residential units and public buildings within a municipality in an RPC zone. Although not specifically so worded, these provisions apply only to Greenbelt. The legislation will become effective on September 12.

Investigation Requested

In a July 17 letter to the county executive, Wilkerson and Nichols had requested "a formal investigation into the facts and circumstances of the failure to enforce CB 134-1988, to identify the responsible public officials

and to determine if any criminal or civil penalties are warranted." Wilkerson told the News Review on July 30 that he has not yet received a response to his letter.

Wilkerson and Nichols charge that "failure of developers to obtain site plan approval and the government's failure to enforce the law have damaged the historic district." They estimate that up to 100 additions exceeding the 25 percent threshold have been built since 1990 and that without enforcement of this law issues such as setbacks, yard coverage, green area, parking and stormwater management have not been reviewed by county officials.

Wilkerson and Nichols also raise questions about the conduct of various city and county officials. They question statements of several city, county and GHI officials that they were not previously aware of this law. In addition, the two men expressed concern over the new county legislation, calling it "spot zoning by text amendment and the worst kind of special interest legislation."

Wilkerson and Nichols conclude that "the county, city and others knew about the DSP [detailed site plan] requirement of CB 134-1988. It appears that of those who knew about it, someone apparently decided the DSP requirement was 'onerous' and the implementation of the law was thwarted by an extra-legal agreement to ignore it. If the facts support this conclusion, something must be done. County and city employees and elected officials cannot be allowed to determine personally which laws should be enforced and which should not. Allowing government officials to pick and choose the laws they intend to implement is a dangerous precedent."

Greenbelters Mostly Support CB-42

by David Morse

Greenbelt residents and community officials attended the Prince George's County Council meeting and spoke at the July 26 public hearing on CB-42-2005 to eliminate a recently rediscovered provision of zoning law that would have required GHI members to file detailed site plans (DSPs) with a county agency for larger additions to their homes.

The bill, sponsored by District 4 Councilmember Douglas J.J. Peters, also removed that requirement for non-GHI homes and City of Greenbelt projects that were previously covered by the old law, passed in 1988 but not previously implemented. After the hearing the county council unanimously approved the legislation.

Speakers included representatives of the City of Greenbelt and GHI, both of which had previously decided to support the bill, as well as a number of GHI members.

Speaking for GHI were four members of the Board of Directors, President Julia Eichorst, Treasurer Sylvia Lewis, Chuck Hess and Dorothy Lauber. They argued that requiring a DSP was unnecessary since GHI has a longstanding concern for the impact of additions on the community and a rigorous process for

evaluating applications for them. They outlined that process and added that GHI was currently reviewing its policies regarding additions.

The board members said the DSP requirement would cause hardship for members because complying with it would be expensive and time-consuming and especially burdensome for some members whose additions have already been approved under GHI rules and procedures. (Monica Mische, a GHI member caught in that bind, spoke later in the hearing.) They also pointed out that GHI units are quite small and mentioned a number of reasons why its members might desire additions.

City Testimony

Greenbelt Assistant Planning Director Terry Hruby briefly mentioned points made by Mayor Judith Davis in a letter to the County Council explaining the city's support of the bill. Hruby said that DSPs were impractical to administer in the GHI neighborhood because, unlike more traditional townhouse developments, it had no subdivided lots, which precluded measuring compliance with such standards as setbacks and green space. She added that the city thought it would be inequitable not to exempt non-GHI single-family homes covered by the old law.

The 51st annual Labor Day Festival is less than one month away and the committee is promising great weather this year – no rain! In the meantime festival fundraising continues.

Pre-Festival Fundraising

There will be four more bake sales before the festival, one each weekend and all on Saturdays on the Co-op ramp. Commemorative festival T-shirts in both the green tie-dye and grey version are still available in most sizes. Raffle tickets for \$200 worth of Co-op groceries are being sold as are raffle tickets for a 50/50 drawing. The above items can also be bought by calling Patti Brothers.

Festival Fundraising

Fundraising activities will continue through the festival, based at the Information Booth along with grocery raffle tickets, 50/50 drawing raffle tickets and commemorative T-shirts.

On Stage

The festival stage will be the setting for some of the area's (and world's) finest entertainment. Both "Hermans Hermit's" and "Shoe Suede Blues" are returning to provide world-renowned sounds on both Sunday and Monday afternoons. "Diamond Alley" will open the entertainment on Friday night with their great sounds including "Queen." On Saturday the stage is the home for great entertainment for people of all ages. "24U" starts the day with their sounds spanning all types of music. They're great easy listening.

Then the kids' entertainment begins with the Good Life Theater featuring a return engagement from ever-popular "Joe Pipik and his Backpack Puppets," to be followed by the truly amazing "Amazing Lula." "Magic Mike" (also popular at the New Year's Eve celebration) will amaze the

Speaking against the bill were William Wilkerson and John Nichols, former volunteer co-chairs of GHI's Architecture and Environment Committee, whose split with GHI's Board of Directors over this bill had led to their dismissal. Wilkerson and Nichols recapped criticisms of GHI they had made in letters to the County Council and the city of Greenbelt.

They argued that GHI has no site plan for long-term development, no architectural standards or expertise to ensure maintenance of architectural style and no procedure for evaluating the impact of additions. They said that these defects had had adverse impacts on GHI's appearance and livability and portended more to come. They stated that over 100 additions had been built since 1990 in violation of existing law and that claims that requiring site plans for new additions would be burdensome were exaggerated. They also said that changing zoning rules by a law aimed at a particular community was unwise because it lent itself to abuse by special interests.

Todd Turner, a spokesperson for Peters, said later that Peters appreciated working with the city and GHI in developing the bill.

David Morse, a GHI member, spoke in support of the bill.

Festival Notes



Greenbelt Labor Day Festival

Friday through Monday
Sept. 2, 3, 4 and 5
in and around
Roosevelt Center

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Labor Day audience with his wonderful magic.

The Saturday nighttime stage will host the return of "The Nighthawks" with their rhythm and blues, always a treat for festival-goers. The Sunday stage entertainment begins at 1 p.m. with "Herman's Hermits" featuring Peter Noone returning for an encore performance that is not to be missed. John Hill from up-north returns with his easy-listening sounds. "Wayne Brown and the 2nd Conspiracy" will fill the last night of the festival with great rock and roll that is sure to get everyone moving.

Entertainment on Monday will start an hour early, at noon, with the return of "Shoe Suede Blues" (featuring Peter Tork) with their great rhythm and blues. They will be followed by "The Zach Sweeney Band" with their wonderful blues sounds and "The Billy Coulter Band" with great original tunes.

Art Show

Two Labor Day Art Shows take place at the Community Center, sponsored by the Greenbelt Association for the Visual Arts. One is for adults and one for children and teens. This is the 43rd year for this popular event, which gives Greenbelt artists of all ages and abilities the chance to acquaint the community with their work. Entries will be accepted on Friday, September 2 from 5 to 7 p.m. at the Community Center. Fliers with information are available at the Community Center and the Greenbelt Library. Barbara Simon, Labor Day Art Show chair, can be reached at 301-474-2192.

Photo Show

Entries for the Photo Show will also be accepted on Friday, September 2 from 5 to 7 p.m. at the Community Center. Call Keith Zevallos at 301-474-5542 for additional information. It costs nothing to enter and recognition will be given to winners in various categories.

Information Day

There are still a few spots for groups to take part in Information Day and share their cause, mission or product though no sales are permitted. Call Dave Pitts at 301-345-9605 for more in-

formation and an application, which also is available at the festival website at <http://www.greenbelt.com>.

Craft Show

There are still spots for individuals who would like to take part in the Craft Show, which will be Sunday, September 4 in Roosevelt Center. Email the festival committee or call Patti Brothers for more information.

Talent Show

Call now to reserve a spot in the Greenbelt Labor Day Festival Talent Show on Saturday, September 3 at 6 p.m. Auditions/rehearsals are August 23 and 30 at 7 p.m. at the Community Center. Call Dennis Lewis at 301-577-1718 for more information.

Parade

Parade Chairperson Linda Ivy is still accepting applications for this year's Labor Day parade. Marching bands, majorettes, dancers, dogs, horses and groups of all types are invited to take part. Ivy can be reached by email at Lindaivy@aol.com.

Shuttle Buses

Again this year there will be shuttle bus service to the festival from various points in the city. Vans will run from satellite locations. Shuttle drivers are still needed. Call Lester Whitmer at 301-345-8897 or Hannah Gould at 301-345-2259 to sign up. The back of the festival pullout (which will be in the August 25 edition of the News Review) will contain the shuttle schedule.

Donations

Businesses interested in supporting the Festival can contact Patti Brothers at 301-982-2312. Donating businesses will be recognized at the festival itself and also in the festival pullout.

Ticket Sellers/Volunteers

Those interested in being ticket sellers and volunteers in general are needed in all areas. This is a great opportunity for students in grades 7 through 12 who need community hours to fulfill that requirement. Ticket sellers must be at least 15 years old. Volunteers who are not students also are more than welcome to come help out. Call Lenny Wertz at 301-864-0254 for ticket seller positions. There will be a mandatory meeting for ticket sellers on Tuesday, August 30 at 7:30 p.m. at the Greenbelt Community Church.

Labor Day Festival Used Book Sale

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