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Council Asked to Finance Road For Greenbelt Station Project

by Thomas X. White

Just two days after being sworn in for a new term, the Greenbelt City Council went back to work at its first scheduled worksession on Wednesday, November 16 for a city staff update on the possible financing of one or more public improvements related to the Greenbelt Station project. Representatives of Greenbelt Station present at the meeting were developer Dan Colton and Ben Burrows, a bond counsel retained by the developers.

The worksession was necessary because details of any public financing scenario would have to be addressed in the proposed annexation agreement between Greenbelt Station developers and the city. Council will be acting on the annexation resolutions for the Greenbelt Station property in the south core and the open space property owned by the state at its November 28 meeting. Because of the very tight time constraints, staff recommended that the not-yet-completed annexation agreement, even as a draft, should be placed in the public record before the public hearing scheduled for November 28 and before

final action on the annexation is taken by council. It is staff's expectation that the annexation agreement, in whatever form council determines, would be approved at the same meeting that the annexation resolutions are approved.

Background

Celia Craze, Greenbelt's director of Planning and Community Development, had outlined in a November 14 background memo how the issue of possible city involvement with public financing for some of the infrastructure necessary for the Greenbelt Station development had come about, why the issue has become related to the annexation of the south core property and the external (county) pressures that are now associated with the financing issues. Although not discussed in her memo, at the meeting Craze and City Manager Michael Mc-Laughlin gave council a range of options the city could use for such financing.

Craze wrote that during the negotiations with Greenbelt Station last year and earlier this year, the annexation of the south core was noted as a significant benefit in the overall develop-

ment agreement. At that time the impact that the city annexation would have on potential county financing through tax increment financing (TIF) was noted but not addressed. If the city annexation is successful, the county revenue from that property would be reduced, due to the municipal tax differential that would then apply to the formerly unincorporated land in the south core. Craze noted in her memo that, "... this time, staff estimates the reduction in the county TIF funds associated with the annexation would range from \$7.5 - \$7.8 million dollars. We are awaiting confirmation of this (estimate) from the county."

At the meeting Craze said the estimated amount the county would lose in revenue happens to equate to the estimated costs for the connector road linking the south core to the north core and the planned Beltway interchange. Craze recommended in her memo that if the city takes on the financing for the connector road, the city should not underwrite more than the cost of that part of the connector road

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Volunteers Commence 69th Year Publishing Greenbelt's Newspaper

The News Review is unique – the longest running, all-volunteer, cooperative weekly newspaper in the United States – and has been featured in numerous books and television programs, as well as graduate theses and other student papers on Greenbelt, planned towns and the cooperative movement. Some of these researchers have focused on the paper's four-year David-and-Goliath struggle against a \$2,000,000 libel suit in which the paper was finally vindicated by the U.S. Supreme Court in 1970. The News Review decision supported freedom of the press and the case is still studied and quoted as a significant legal precedent.

In a town of many co-ops, the News Review is the oldest.

Originally a letter-sized mimeographed publication consisting of 16 pages, then titled the Greenbelt Cooperator, the paper began publication on November 24, 1937 – six weeks after the first families had occupied their homes.

For those who have wondered how the paper gets out each week, the staff is largely volunteer (or at least minimally paid with member dividends) and, in the Greenbelt tradition, organized as a labor cooperative. The paper is unconnected with

the city government, the other cooperatives in the city or with Greenbelt Homes, Inc. (GHI). The paper has been mostly self-supporting and gratefully accepts support from any segment of the community – from the city in the form of advertising and in housing for its operation, from the Co-op grocery in corporate ads and from residents when the financial pinch gets too tight.

History

The early pioneers recognized the immediate need for a news medium to keep people informed of local events and to provide a forum for the exchange of views. They laid down the principles that still guide the actions of the present News Review – a non-partisan, nonprofit cooperative endeavor, whose aims are to print the news accurately and fairly and to respect the Greenbelt "good neighbor" philosophy of life.

Office Space

In January 1938 the federal government (which owned Greenbelt at that time) made space available at the town commercial center free of cost and also loaned much-needed furniture, typewriters (we still have some) and office equipment. The paper moved its office five times before coming to rest in the present quarters in the Com-

munity Center.

With the withdrawal of the federal government from town, GHI, through its wholly-owned subsidiary, Greenbelt Development Corporation, continued the federal policy of providing free office space for decades with the paper reimbursing the corporation for out-of-pocket expenses. For many years the paper operated from offices in the basement of Parkway Apartments.

In February 1996, the News Review moved to fresh, new, above-ground space in the old Center School, newly renovated and opened as the now-familiar Community Center.

Free Delivery

An important development in the history of the newspaper was the decision to deliver the Co-operator free of charge to every home in town, beginning with the issue of September 7, 1939. The policy of free distribution has remained unchanged except for an unsuccessful effort to go to a subscription basis in 1953. Successive boards of directors have considered that the most important thing is to get the paper to each household in the city.

Although some readers may recall when the News Review

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Mayor Judith Davis (right) issues the oath of office to the newly elected City Council. From left are Councilmembers Leta Mach, Edward Putens, Rodney Roberts and Konrad Herling.

36th City Council Sworn In; Judith Davis Is Again Mayor

by Enid Y. Grempler

The mood in the Greenbelt City Council room was jovial and resolute as Judith Davis swore in the new-old members of the city council. Afterward Davis was herself sworn in by Rosalyn E. Pugh, Clerk of the Circuit Court of Prince George's County. On hand to witness the investiture were a few citizens of Greenbelt including campaigners, friends of the members and state Delegate Tawanna Gaines.

Davis and Rodney Roberts, as anticipated, were elected mayor and mayor pro tem respectively by the other councilmembers. Additionally the charter meeting gave councilmembers the opportunity to thank campaigners, family members and the people of Greenbelt. Councilmembers said they appreciated the fact that the November 8 election was run cleanly and smoothly.

The mayor expressed gratitude to the local media for their efforts to supply citizens with comprehensive articles and information about each individual's campaign. During the meeting members also articulated the desire to enhance the quality of life

for Greenbelters. In particular, they spoke of the importance of the growth and expansion of Greenbelt West. "While I realize that change can create concern, this is an opportunity to expand the philosophies of Greenbelt into new areas," remarked Davis. Roberts echoed her sentiment. He said that Greenbelt West would be a "real community and not just a bunch of buildings packed with people."

Pressing Problems

Although Greenbelt West was referenced several times, Davis also spoke about crime, the budget, high taxes, the environment, the homeless and collective bargaining. These were the six most pressing issues that residents had voiced to Davis during her door-to-door campaign.

On the matter of the city budget and taxes, Davis said council would have to get a backbone by saying no to certain projects when it's merited and in the community's best interest. Furthermore, she recognized with regard to this particu-

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What Goes On

Monday, November 28

7:30 p.m., Council Worksession re: Financing for Greenbelt Metropark TIF, Municipal Building Library

8 p.m., Regular City Council Meeting, Municipal Building (Live on Channel 71)

Wednesday, November 30

8 p.m., Council Worksession re: Recreation Department Study, Community Center

Thursday, December 1

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

Friday, December 2

7 p.m., Festival of Lights Opening Ceremony and Holiday Tree Lighting, Community Center Front Lawn

Saturday, December 3

7 to 7:45 a.m., Check-in for Greenbelt Wright Stuff 5K Race, Youth Center

10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Juried Art and Craft Fair, Community Center

Sunday, December 4

11 a.m. to 4 p.m., Arts and Craft Fair, Community Center

Letters to the Editor

GHI Additions

I was shocked and dismayed by the recent article on GHI's proposed new rules on home additions. Changing the size limitation on additions from its current maximum of double the original unit to a maximum one-story, roughly 12 x 17 space, will drive growing families from this wonderful community.

The reasoning behind this proposed change is flawed in many respects. First, to say that now that people are exercising their stated membership rights to build larger additions, we'd better change the rules and stop them is ridiculous. What other member freedoms will be taken away once enough of us start to exercise them?

Second, isn't it strange that the A&E Committee's proposed change would limit additions to roughly 25 percent of the original unit? Sound familiar? This is the same percentage the committee tried to limit building to via a previously unheeded county permitting law – a law which has since been rescinded and which led to the dismissal of the chairs of this committee.

Third, the stated reason for allowing even these small additions is to allow the building of a first floor bedroom and bath so that people may "age in place." Why make an exception for oldsters while taking away the rights of youngsters? Are oldsters somehow more valuable to the community? I would like to think that we all are equally valuable, old and young alike. I know my oldest neighbors all look forward to and enjoy the birth of a new baby in the court while I, in turn, look forward to my children growing up in the presence of elders.

Fourth, GHI is not protected under historic preservation laws and I hope it never will be. The most important legacy of GHI is not its buildings. The most important legacy of GHI is its people and its community spirit.

GHI was originally designed in the 1930s to be a place where families could raise their children in a clean, green environment. If our current rights to build additions are taken away, many growing families will be forced to leave GHI and Greenbelt for larger homes in less expensive communities further away. Instead of preserving architecture let's preserve GHI's original ideal and allow 21st century families, with their larger space needs, the ability to remain in GHI and Greenbelt so we may continue to contribute our particular uniqueness to this community.

Debra DeRuyver

Is It Broken?

I read in the News Review that GHI is considering drastically changing the rules of additions. I have lived in GHI for 15+ years and I admit that I am the type of person who is not active in the community. It takes a lot for me to get involved because I usually agree with the rules of GHI and activism is not my middle name. But now the proposal to change the rules for additions has concerned me and I have a few questions I hope someone will answer.

The article states that the rules are being changed because of the number of large additions that have been built lately. How many additions are they talking

about, one, five, or 20? Did the additions follow the current rules or were they based on exceptions granted? Where are the houses that some people object to? I would like to look at them myself so I can form my own opinion.

I have a philosophy of life – if it is not broken don't fix it. So before the drastic step of changing the rules for everyone is passed, give the membership the means to evaluate the issue themselves. Maybe the solution is to enforce the rules we have now and grant fewer exceptions. I don't know what the answer is right now but I do believe that such a major change to the rules must be approved by the GHI membership at the yearly meeting. I know I would attend my first meeting.

Sharon Lefkowitz

Frighteningly Misleading

Each time you drive somewhere in an auto it could possibly be deadly. Walking down steps could possibly be deadly. Having misleading and incorrect information printed in a newspaper is downright frightening.

Publicly accusing anyone of breaking the law when the facts have not been checked and are incorrect is vicious.

In just 30 seconds Kris White could have checked on the legality of having a dog ride in the back of an open bed pick-up truck. I did and the answer I received from the Maryland State Police was that it is perfectly legal to have a dog in the open bed of a pick-up as long as it is tethered.

I tether Pepper using a harness that wraps around her chest and shoulders, not her neck. The goggles are not meant to be cute, they provide protection to her eyes.

I rescued Pepper through German Shepherd Rescue. She's a purebred female German Shepherd that I saved from being destroyed.

To anyone who wants to do something to help dogs, I suggest adopting one off death row like I did. You'll be glad you did.

Monique Jezierski

Opposes Bargaining

In last week's editorial, the News Review stated in the most eloquent manner many good reasons to oppose collective bargaining for city employees. Please allow me to quote it again: "Greenbelt enjoys a steady, loyal and competent work force with little turnover. Regular compensation surveys have kept city salaries and benefits competitive, even with those in neighboring jurisdictions that bargain collectively with employee groups."

I couldn't have said it better. City employees are already treated well and reward the city with their loyalty.

But wait! The News Review is actually advocating extending collective bargaining to more city employees. What is to be gained by this? Does someone think that by putting two sets of lawyers on opposite sides of a table our employees will become more loyal, more competent, with a lower turnover rate?

I fail to see the logic in this. Let us stop the collective bargaining juggernaut right here and now.

Charles P. Hagejans

THANKS

With the election campaign behind us and the holiday season beginning with Thanksgiving this week, I would like to again thank all those who advised me and supported me in my re-election to the Greenbelt City Council. I will strive to always listen, consider and act in the best interests of the city. The spirit of Greenbelt is great and together we can make it better.

Leta Mach

Red Cross Holiday Blood Pleas Begin

The American Red Cross reminds donors and those eligible to donate that the need for blood does not decrease in the holiday season although they are already seeing a decline in blood donor appointments. They need 1,000 blood donations daily to meet the critical need for blood. The Red Cross is kicking off a special limited-edition T-shirt campaign as one way to show appreciation to those who participate in blood drives during the critical holiday season.

Donors must be in generally good health, be at least 17 (or in Maryland, 16 with parental consent), weigh no less than 110 lbs., have not donated in the past 56 days or received a tattoo within the past year.

To schedule a life-saving appointment to donate an hour of time and a pint of blood over the holiday season call 1-800-GIVE-LIFE (1-800-448-3543).

Concert Features Student Composers

On Wednesday, November 30 at 8 p.m. the University of Maryland School of Music presents New Music at Maryland, a concert of new works by University of Maryland student composers. This free concert will take place in Gildenhorn Recital Hall of the Clarice Smith Performing Arts Center.

Correction

In last week's page 12 article "Veterans' Day Ceremony Offers a Solemn Tribute" we bungled the spelling of the name of the American Legion Auxiliary Unit 136 leader in the caption where she was shown reading to those attending the ceremony. As stated in the body of the article, she is Rosita Dietrich. The News Review regrets the error.

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Week of NOV. 25

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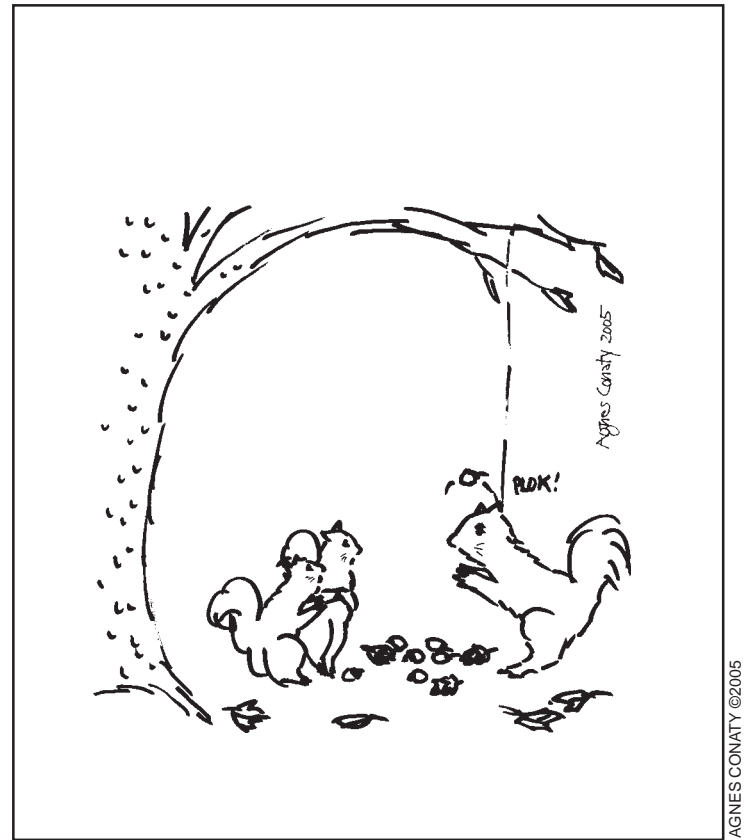
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MEETING OF THE
GHI BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Thursday, December 1, 2005
GHI BOARD ROOM,
7:30 PM**

Key Agenda Items:

- Multiple Membership – Marketing Committee Recommendations
- Rules change – Reconsideration of CLEAR Revision of §VII. Fences & §VIII.
- Rules change – CLEAR Revision of §XX. Exceptions to Regulations
- Rules change – Electrical Load Calculations for Substantial Modifications §X.D.7
- Proposal to Purchase Computer Software – 2nd Reading

Regular board meetings are open to members.

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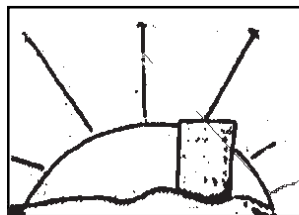
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Community Events



Greenbelt's Business



PHOTO BY LEN ROSENBERG

Three Springhill Lake Elementary School teachers, (from left) Judy Brown, Kathy Carroll and Kim Riley, welcome Greenbelt Rotary Club members Helen Svenson (far left) and Rotary President Jennifer Jones (far right). The boxes on their left are full of new dictionaries for each third grade student in the school, a gift from the Rotary Club.

Local Rotary Club Donates Dictionaries

On Thursday, November 17 members of the Greenbelt Rotary Club, including President Jennifer Jones, Helen Svenson, Bob Kim and Len Rosenberg delivered 150 dictionaries to the third graders of Springhill Lake Elementary School. Every third grade student attending the school received a dictionary.

Last year the Rotary Club of Greenbelt, as a part of a district-wide (all Rotary Clubs in the Baltimore-Washington area) project, delivered dictionaries to third grade students of Springhill Lake Elementary School and Greenbelt Elementary School. The Rotary Club of Greenbelt hopes to make this an annual project so that every third grade student attending Springhill Lake Elementary School will have his or her own dictionary.

The club also donated 153 previously-read books to the Springhill Lake Elementary School library for use by all the students.

Craft Show Trip Still Has Openings

The Greenbelt Senior Center still has seats available for a trip to the Pennsylvania Christmas and Gift Show in Harrisburg on December 1. This trip is not limited to senior citizens. Anyone who would like to join may register at the Community Center. The fee for Greenbelt residents includes entrance to the show and transportation. Lunch is on one's own.

The bus leaves from the library parking lot at 8:30 a.m. and will return at 6 p.m. Registrations will be accepted until the trip is filled. For more information call 301-397-2208.

Greenbriar Board Meets Nov. 30

On November 30 the Greenbriar Community Association Board meeting will be held at 6 p.m. in the Commons Room.

Invasive Plant Removal at Park

Help protect Greenbelt Park from harmful invasive plants. Join in a hands-on nature preservation activity and learn about native and non-native plants on Saturday, December 3 at 11 a.m. in the Sweetgum Picnic Area.

This program will be 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 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 more information, call Greenbelt Park at 301-344-3944 or visit the park's web page at <http://www.nps.gov/gree>.

Greenbriar News

December 1 to 16: Holiday Toy Drive – Make a child's holiday brighter this year by bringing a new or gently used toy to the Greenbriar office. Help a child have a great Christmas.

December 11: Share cookies and juice with old St. Nick at 4 p.m. in the Greenbriar Terrace Room and enjoy face painting, a coloring contest and the chance to make a reindeer craft. The kids will take home a small bag of reindeer food to feed Santa's mighty team. This event is free but pre-registration is required by December 1.

December 11: Enjoy carols and hot chocolate in the Greenbriar Terrace Room at 6 p.m. as residents celebrate the holidays with a grand tree-lighting ceremony. This is a free event for the entire family. Register by December 1.

There are no meetings scheduled for the month of December.

At the Library Children

Tuesday, November 29, 10:30 a.m. – Cuddletime for newborns to 17 months with caregiver, limit 15 babies.

Wednesday, November 30, 10:30 a.m. – Toddlertime for ages 18 to 35 months with caregiver, limit 15 toddlers.

Thursday, December 1, 10:30 a.m. – Drop-in Storytime for ages 3 to 5, limit 20 children.

Writers Group Holds Holiday Party

Writers will gather at the New Deal Café for their annual holiday bash on December 9 starting at 7 p.m. with buffet dinner at 7:30.

Bring a holiday reading to share. To reserve a spot, call Amy Hansen 301-441-8312 or email amy.hansen@nasw.org.

Atlanta Bread Co. Adds Third Store

by Eileen Farnham

When Arnold Belasco opened the Greenbelt Atlanta Bread Company Bakery Café across Cherrywood Lane from Beltway Plaza in May of 2003, his goal was to grow to three stores and his timetable was three years for the expansion. When he took over a second store in Severna Park in the fall of 2004 he was ahead of schedule. Now the third store is in sight, with ground broken in Columbia for an Atlanta Bread Company store in McGaw Plaza, a new moderate size shopping center under construction near Snowden River Parkway. The new location will be across from Loyola and near the University of Phoenix, Apple Ford and the Gateway Center office district.

Scheduled to open in the spring, this will be the first Atlanta Bread outlet in Columbia and the fourth in Maryland. It will serve omelettes to focus on breakfast, pizza, calzone, pasta, and beer and wine in addition to the traditional sandwich, salad, soup and pastry fare Greenbelt diners find at the store here. It will also have the familiar decor and light classical music, a fire place and seat 130.

Belasco says he is gratified to be thriving and enjoying the Greenbelt location and able to grow because of it. The new store will be close to Belasco's home in Columbia.

Adam Belasco, 12, who often works on weekends with his dad at the Greenbelt store, says he is excited about the new store. Adam is comfortable talking about the business and appeared on television in a "take your kids to work" feature. He is especially looking forward to pizza as an addition to the menu. Asked about the new location, Adam says it now has dirt where the walls will go and the start of plumbing fixtures. He reports they have poured the first layer of concrete and are building fast, working on weekends, so he expects the store to be ready in the spring as promised. Adam says there will be restaurants in the new mall and their Atlanta Bread will be in the second largest building in McGaw Plaza.

Arnold Belasco, meanwhile, has amended his goal to five Atlanta Bread locations in five years and is casting his sights on other nearby locations.

Giant Begins Bonus Program for Schools

Giant Food is encouraging area residents to help provide cash grants to local public or private schools by participating in their A+ BonusBucks program for the 2005/2006 academic year.

Consumers may designate schools by signing up at their local store or on the web at www.giantfood.com. Whenever they use their BonusCard, shoppers will earn points which are converted into cash grants for their selected schools. Customers who designated schools last year must redesignate for the new program.



Learn about Diabetes With Help from GNC

November is National Diabetes Month and General Nutrition Centers, Inc. (GNC) is helping combat the disease by educating consumers about diabetes and supporting the special dietary needs of diabetics through GNC's Diabetic Nutrition Plan.

According to the American Diabetes Association, diabetes is the fifth-deadliest disease in the United States. An estimated 20.8 million people in the U.S. have the disease and each day approximately 4,110 people are diagnosed with it.

Diabetes is a group of diseases characterized by a shortage of insulin or a decreased ability to use insulin. In general, diabetes affects the body's ability to use glucose for energy.

While anyone can develop diabetes, it is most common in adults over the age of 45 who are overweight or lead sedentary lifestyles. Other risk factors include family history, high blood pressure, history of gestational diabetes and low HDL cholesterol or high triglycerides. People with diabetes are at increased risk for other health problems. Up to a third of people with diabetes are not aware that they have it.

Good nutrition is important to the health of diabetics.

The GNC Diabetic Nutrition Plan offers access to an online Diabetic Nutrition Health. Using the planner, consumers can track their daily dietary intake of carbohydrates, cholesterol and sugar, log blood glucose readings, get health tips and information and learn about the benefits of regular exercise and proper dietary choices – all key factors in controlling diabetes.

There are General Nutrition Centers at Greenway Center and Beltway Plaza.

X-Ray Technology Goes Digital at CRA

Community Radiology Associates, P.C. (CRA), a provider of diagnostic imaging services in Maryland, will now be equipped with digital radiography (DR) technology. CRA is installing the DR technology at its Greenbelt location.

DR technology significantly advances conventional radiography by digitizing X-ray images, offering noticeable improvement in image detail. Digital images can be easily manipulated and enhanced to show more detail than a traditional X-ray. Digital technology allows for decreased exam room time, faster results for referring physicians and the elimination of lost films.

Community Radiology Associates is located at 7501 Greenbelt Center Drive, #200.

Co-op Shopping Is Constant from 1937

by Natalie McGill

Residing in the center of historic Old Greenbelt, a cooperative grocery and pharmacy have served the Greenbelt community since 1937. Called Greenbelt Consumer Services, the first cooperative closed in 1984, to be replaced by a new co-op, the Greenbelt Consumer Cooperative Supermarket and Pharmacy. Many members of the original co-op organized to form the second and to make the same services available in the heart of the community.

"Running a fair-sized community-owned supermarket is an achievement in itself in a competitive environment," General Manager Bob Davis said. "We're competing against the Giants, the Safeways, the Shoppers [Food Warehouses] of the world and we're a nonprofit so that makes it a little more complicated."

Greenbelt residents can create an account for \$10 to become cooperative members, which buys them a share in the business and chances to earn cash vouchers for shopping. However, no one needs to become a member to purchase groceries.

Though not nearly as large as the neighboring Giant Food and Safeway markets on Route 193, the cooperative provides customers with a "home-like" feeling one might not get with larger chains. Mary Tipton, Greenbelt resident since 1965, said she hardly ever goes to Safeway or Giant.

"It doesn't have to do with the prices, it has to do with comfort level," Tipton said. "It's like going into a larger living room of my own."

Despite its central location, the cooperative cannot fulfill every citizen's needs. Greenbelt resident Paul Commins said his wife does most of their family's shopping at Giant or Safeway because they like the produce better.

"The weekly shopping is [done] at Giant and if we need something we just run down here," Commins said.

Michael Rall, a Greenbelt Public Works employee, said he shops at the cooperative because of its convenient location but still wishes it had the products bigger chains provide.

Davis acknowledges the influence larger chains have on customers but said business remains consistent. "We've seen our growth [rate] slow at times but we've never seen business slow one year from the previous year," Davis said.

Healer's Arts Opens

Healer's Arts, a new wellness/healing office will have an open house on December 4 from 2 to 6 p.m. Come and see the new store and try five-minute free sessions of massage or Reiki or reconnection healing and more.

The store, owned by Greenbelter Izolda Trakhtenberg, is located at 5411 Berwyn Road, Berwyn Heights (in the building near the Lake Artemesia parking lot). Call 301-437-2730 for more information.

Greenbelt businesses
are asked
to share their news
on the
Business Page.

Berwyn Presbyterian Holds Concert Dec. 4

The award-winning Dramon String Quartet, formed by doctoral candidates of the University of Maryland, will be featured at Berwyn Presbyterian Church on Sunday, December 4 at 3 p.m. The concert is free, though a free-will offering will be collected to support the grand piano fund.

Berwyn Presbyterian Church is located at 6301 Greenbelt Road. For more information call 301-474-7573.

Festival of Lights At LDS Temple

The 28th annual Festival of Lights at the Washington, D.C. Temple Visitors' Center for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints (LDS) in Kensington opens on Friday, December 2 and will run through January 1. The center is open from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. daily at 9900 Stonybrook Drive. There are nightly musical performances in the Visitors' Center theater at 7 p.m. and 8 p.m. each night featuring a different musical group. Additional artists perform in the Visitors' Center lobby on weekends.

Included are over 450,000 Christmas lights illuminating the temple grounds from dusk until 10 p.m., 17 decorated Christmas trees inside the Visitors' Center – four trees exhibiting dolls donated by over 100 embassies – and a creche exhibit featuring nativity scenes from around the world.

Admission is free. A schedule of musical performances and events can be found at www.lds.org/dccalendar or by calling 301-587-0144 for more information.

World AIDS Day

On Thursday, December 1 at 8 p.m., "Would You Harbor Me?, an Evening of Art and Advocacy for World AIDS Day," will be presented. Join others from the campus and local community for informal performances, readings and personal reflections. Discover ways to take action in the continuing world AIDS crisis. This free event will take place in the Kogod Theatre of the Clarice Smith Performing Arts Center at University of Maryland. This production is presented in collaboration with the Lesbian and Gay Chorus of Washington and the University of Maryland Health Center.

Solidarity Exhibit At Cultural Center

An exhibit on the Polish trade union Solidarity, sponsored by the Polish Embassy, will be on display at the Pope John Paul II Cultural Center from November 29 to December 15.

The multimedia exhibit "Roads to Freedom" marks the 25th anniversary of the Solidarity movement and the Gdansk shipyard workers' strike that sparked the demise of Communism in Eastern Europe. Led by Lech Walesa, the future president of Poland and Nobel Peace Prize winner, Solidarity catapulted into a massive, 10-million-member nationwide movement that gathered steam through the 1980s, eventually toppling the Communist government in Poland.

The dramatic black-and-white photographs capture these historical events that helped change the political climate of the last decades of the 20th century. They include the uprising in the Gdansk Shipyard and Pope John Paul II's pilgrimages to his homeland that inspired and brought hope to people throughout Eastern Europe, as well as scenes of everyday life in post-war Communist Poland.

Admission to the Pope John Paul II Cultural Center is by donation. For group information call 202-635-5475. Hours are

Drug Plan Help Offered by GAIL

For those overwhelmed by the thought of having to choose a Medicare Part D Prescription Drug Plan, Greenbelt's Assistance in Living (GAIL) program is offering help in making an informed decision. Those who have been to presentations, read articles and listened to friends and are still confused may benefit from a meeting with GAIL staff to help sort out their options for this important benefit.

GAIL is offering Greenbelt-resident seniors personalized Medicare Part D appointments during December, from Thursday, December 1 through Friday, December 16. These free sessions are designed to help resident seniors and their families make informed decisions related to the senior's specific medications and insurance coverage issues.

Appointments are to be offered on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Wednesdays from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Call 301-474-8000 ext. 2012 now to schedule an appointment.

Tuesday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Sunday noon to 5 p.m. Parking is free. For more information call 202-635-5400 or visit www.jp2cc.org.

Gathering in Roosevelt Center for a Friend



Friends and sympathizers gathered in Roosevelt Center for a candlelight service in memory of Justine Ellen Shoop on Monday, November 14. The homeless woman was killed on November 9 as she was crossing Greenbelt Road. Friends plan for a plaque in her name in Roosevelt Center and are now contributing to a fund for Shoop's daughter who lives in Pennsylvania with her grandparents. Rev. Bobbi Troyer, minister to the homeless, will be coordinating this fund and can be reached at 301-633-5654.

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A Review

GAC's "Changing Hands" Prompts Audience Participation

by Carol Griffith

"Changing Hands – A Murder Mystery," a local guest-company production held at the Greenbelt Arts Center, is the story of five friends who grew up together and whose adult lives remain entangled, with tragic results. This high-energy, well-written and well-acted play operates on two levels. The first is the "murder mystery" aspect: trying to guess who murdered Dave, the main character, portrayed by Akil Taffe. Dave has cheated his friends of money, stolen from them, been unfaithful to his wife, taunts a character with a physical disability and has had an affair with the wife of a friend, inspiring each of the other characters to threaten him in the course of the play. Even the one unselfish deed he performs results in a death threat by the person most affected by it.

On a deeper level, it is a psychological study and commentary on today's culture. Since the play shows the characters first as children and then as teenagers before the story unfolds in their adult lives, there are numerous opportunities to try to understand Dave's behavior. His "Where was God . . . ?" speech is the best example. Domestic violence, drug addiction, gambling addiction and the "gangster" lifestyle are portrayed. (The play is recommended for those over the age of 13.)

The play opens with a "policeman" sternly warning that the playgoers are about to see the re-enactment of a murder and asking

for help in identifying the murderer. From there, each scene moves quickly, aided by frequent set changes, and the action builds well, creating the suspense which culminates with the "murder." It is easy to follow each character from childhood to adulthood and envision how their life has unfolded. The denouement, the selection of the murderer by the audience and his/her "arrest," seemed too short though, especially considering the length of the play up to that point.

"Changing Hands – A Murder Mystery" is written by Mary Weeks of Columbia and directed by Toni Monteiro of Washington, D.C. It is produced by Ella Darby of C'City Productions in Clinton, who has been working with local talent since 2000 in order to provide showcase opportunities onstage and on camera. All cast members, child and adult, perform very well, especially considering that these are first-time actors. Darby is correct in declaring, "Their amazing performances will wow you!"

The play is showing at the Greenbelt Arts Center, 123 Centerway, located next to the post office. Tickets are available in advance from the Arts Center box office at 301-441-8770. Performances will be Friday, November 25 at 8 p.m.; Saturday, November 26 at 8 p.m.; and two shows on Sunday, November 27 at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m.



City Information

GREENBELT CITY COUNCIL

Regular Meeting-Municipal Building
Public Hearing on Annexations
November 28, 2005 - 8:00 p.m.

COMMUNICATIONS

Presentations

Recycle Right Awards

Public Hearing on Proposed Annexation Resolutions

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.)

Advisory Committee on Education, Report #3-05 (Springhill Lake Redevelopment & School Needs)

Advisory Planning Board, Report #05-06 (Greenbelt Crossing – Detailed Site Plan)

LEGISLATION

Two Resolutions to Amend Section 2 of the Charter of the City of Greenbelt by Annexing Properties in Greenbelt West (2nd Reading, Adoption)

A Resolution to Amend the Charter of the City of Greenbelt by Amending Section 3, Titled "General Powers" to Add a New Paragraph 22 to Empower the City to Provide a Labor Code to Recognize the Right of Certain City Employees to Organize and Bargain Collectively (1st Reading)

OTHER BUSINESS

- Awards of Bid – Dump Truck & Truck Chassis
- Livable Communities
- CDBG Application for PY 32
- Proposed 2006 Legislative Program
- Appointment of Councilmembers to Boards and Committees
- * Award of Contract for Financial Services
- * Employee Special Holiday
- * Reappointment to Advisory Group

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.

LEAF COLLECTION

Public Works will collect loose leaves with the leaf vacuum from November 7, 2005–January 20, 2006. Residents should rake leaves to the curb, but not onto the street. Make sure to remove all sticks and stones from the piles as these can damage the machinery. Areas will be posted prior to collection. The schedule for the next few weeks is as follows:

- November 28-December 2:** Lakewood
- December 5-9:** Lakeside, Greenspring I & II
- December 12-16:** Boxwood

Meetings for November 28-December 2

Monday, November 28, 7:30pm, COUNCIL WORK SESSION, re: Financing for Greenbelt Metropark TIF, Municipal Building Library.

Monday, November 28, 8:00pm, REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING, Municipal Building (live on Channel 71)

Wednesday, November 30, 8:00pm, COUNCIL WORK SESSION, re: Recreation Department Study, Community Center.

The Temporary Skate Park is now closed for the season. Look for it to re-open in the spring!

VACANCIES ON BOARDS & COMMITTEES

Volunteer to serve on City Council advisory groups. Vacancies exist on the: Employee Relations Board, Recycling and Environment Advisory Board, Youth Advisory Committee (Openings for adult & youth positions.) For more information, please call 301-474-8000.

GREENBELT MUNICIPAL/PUBLIC ACCESS CHANNEL 71

MUNICIPAL ACCESS: 301-474-8000: Monday, November 28 at 8:00pm: Regular City Council Meeting (live), **Tuesday & Thursday, November 29 & December 1 10am & 6:00pm** "Ask the Expert," **7pm "ACE Reading Club-Greenbelt Elementary 7:15pm** "Greenbelt Concert Band," **8:30pm** Replay of Council Meeting. **PUBLIC ACCESS (GATE): 301-507-6581: Wednesday & Friday, November 30 & December 2: Call for Schedule,**

COMMUNITY MEDIATION BOARD TRAINING

Prince George's County Office of Community Relations, Community Mediation and Conflict Resolution Collaborative (CMCRC) is sponsoring training for the Greenbelt Community Mediation Board (CMB). Training is being extended to residents interested in learning conflict resolution techniques for personal and/or professional development. Training is free for Greenbelt residents and will consist of 50 hours of training. Six slots are available on a first come basis. Please call 301-345-7203 if you would like to enroll.

FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS

Join your family, friends and neighbors in celebrating the holiday season through the many events that make up Greenbelt's "Festival of Lights." Save the full schedule that is printed in this paper or visit www.greenbeltmd.gov

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within the new city limits. That would exclude that part of the road crossing Branchville Road and intersecting with Greenbelt Road. The staff estimate for the project without the southernmost 200 feet of road would be approximately \$8.0 million.

In addition to the annexation timing issue, Craze also noted that the county is waiting for the city to approve a TIF agreement before the county would act on its TIF for Greenbelt Station. This timing is critical because if the city does not fund the construction of the connector road the county will not agree to finance other public infrastructure improvements serving the entire Greenbelt Station development, including necessary improvements off-site. Craze is characterizing the county position as based on the county's belief that, "... with the annexation reducing projected county revenue from the development, the city should provide some public financing to support economic development of the area."

Affordability

Based on financial projections by the developer, the net property tax revenues expected from the south core over a 20-year period would be approximately \$51,325,000. Those estimates do not include revenues from income and personal property taxes that the city also will receive. The annual debt service costs to the city for the financing would range between \$600,000 and \$1 million, depending upon the repayment schedule with a total cost for principal and interest estimated at \$24 million.

The concern with assuming a public debt of nearly \$8 million is not the long-term affordability but rather the burden of the debt repayment in the initial years when the tax revenues would very likely be less than the debt service and costs. The city's financial advisor, Sam Ketterman of Davenport & Company, has advised that this problem could be addressed by borrowing more money than required and then using it to pay the early years of debt service. A second mechanism that could be utilized to protect the city's financial security in the early years of the bond financing would be to establish a special taxing district (STD). The STD would impose a fee (on the property owners) in addition to the property taxes, which would help offset the debt service. When revenues begin to cover all of the annual costs of the financing, the city would reduce the fee or eliminate the STD.

Financial Details

At the worksession staff took some time to distinguish for council the several different mechanisms that are traditionally used to provide public financing for infrastructure associated with development projects that are deemed of benefit to the community. The easiest financing method is the use of General Obligation Bonds, such as those used to finance capital projects in Greenbelt for converting Greenbelt Center School into a community center and to build the indoor swimming pool and fitness center complex. Because such financing is guaranteed against the full faith and credit of the city, it is not ideal for financing development-related improvements because the city (all taxpayers) would be ultimately re-

sponsible for any default in the bonds for such uses.

TIF, on the other hand, is a financing tool that would not put the city's finances at risk nor count against the Greenbelt City Charter limit on bonded indebtedness. It is based upon an agreement that a portion of the funds coming from increased taxes generated by a particular development would be dedicated to the financing of specified public improvements. Another mechanism is a special taxing district where an SDT fee is levied to raise funds to complete improvements in a proscribed area. This type of financing was used for Roosevelt Center improvements in conjunction with an agreement with the center building's owner.

McLaughlin and Craze noted that most of the details associated with the structure, length, term, amortization, sale administration and dispersal of bond funds have not been discussed. Should council agree to finance a portion of the Greenbelt Station public infrastructure, those details would need to be provided to council for approval at a later date.

North Core Development

The county insistence on the city going forward first with its financing agreement for the connector road presents another dilemma for the city, according to the staff memo. Public financing of the type being considered is usually undertaken to encourage commercial development such as that planned for the north core. Since residential development (as is planned for the south core) is usually not considered as economic development, TIF financing is rarely associated with such developments. While Greenbelt Station as a whole would be considered an economic development project, the true tax benefit will be associated with the north core development. Since the north-south connector provides major access to the project and is necessary if the south core is to have any transit relationship, the entire connector is being built in conjunction with the south core.

The staff memo points out that this poses some risk to the city (if the city is involved in the financing for the connector) because the north core developer could abandon the project and the city would be left with the debt for the connector road without the anticipated economic benefits from the north core development. Craze emphasized that, "... Staff has included provisions in the (proposed) annexation agreement which would make the developer financially responsible for the city's road development costs, if the north core does not proceed at a certain pace. The [Greenbelt Station] developer has objected to these conditions and there may be much more discussion about protection to the city in the weeks to come."

First to raise a question was Councilmember Rodney Roberts. He asked Colton, "Why the development could not utilize private financing?" Colton responded that for a project of this size (approximately \$260 million) a public/private partnership is necessary to make the project viable. Roberts noted to Colton and to his council colleagues that he continues to have a problem with the lack of active recreational facilities to serve this new residential area and ques-

tions why the city should participate further.

Other council members discussed the relative benefits associated with the city annexation of the south core property and its potential tax revenue benefits; the benefit of the city having control over the development of the north-south connector road and having that road built to city standards rather than less appealing county standards; and not knowing just what the county would do if the city balked on the help it was expecting with a portion of the public improvements.

By the end of the meeting, council agreed to direct staff to prepare a draft annexation agreement to place in the record before the scheduled public hearing on the proposed annexation resolutions on November 28. The thinking is that once the annexation resolutions are approved, the 45-day interim period by which the developer would have to petition the annexation of the south core property to referendum, would be used to resolve the issues and better define the risks and uncertainties in the annexation agreement.

Botanic Garden Seeks Help

The U.S. Botanic Garden is looking for volunteers who love plants. Opportunities are available in horticulture, visitor services, children's activities and public programs.

For more information contact Mary Chor, volunteer coordinator, 202-226-1047, mchor@aol.com.

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lar topic that "folks have reached their limit."

Mentioning the recently passed police referendum, each councilmember, especially Davis, wanted to make sure they could live up to the promise, as well as appropriately set down the right steps to help collective bargaining along.

Greenbelt Middle School

One of the few members to address the issue of Greenbelt Middle School and traffic concerns was Leta Mach. Mach acknowledged residents' frustration with the current state of the aging school and their desire for a renovated and rebuilt Greenbelt Middle. While she had no immediate time frame for construction, Mach is hopeful that in the next couple of years this project will get underway.

She also spoke of voters' gratefulness for the new traffic light at Lakecrest Drive and Greenbelt Road. However, residents had also voiced to her a need for more speed bumps in certain areas of the city. It is an issue she promised to discuss in future council meetings.

Instead of just thanking the usual people, both Ed Putens and Konrad Herling expressed their gratitude to Kelly Ivy for entering the election this year. Herling specifically saluted Ivy for bringing to light issues affecting seniors that may have not been examined before.

In this, his 13th term as a councilmember, Putens declared that Greenbelt had come far as a city. But he also added, "We ain't done yet, we've got a long way to go."

Wildlife Art Lesson Offered to Students

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service announces it will hold a wildlife art workshop, "Conservation on Canvas, Student Edition," for students in grades 6 to 12 on Saturday, December 10 from 9 a.m. to noon at the Patuxent Research Refuge's National Wildlife Visitor Center in Laurel.

The workshop will include presentation and hands-on assistance by three professional wildlife artists - Steve Oliver, Debra Trent and John Mullican. Each artist will give a brief presentation and assist the students with drawing.

The workshop will also present information about wetlands, waterfowl and the importance of conservation. Live birds will serve as models for the students' drawings.

Space is limited and reservations must be made by December

3. There is no fee and all art materials will be supplied. Reservations may be made by calling 301-497-5887. Advise the refuge of any special accommodations needed.

The National Wildlife Visitor Center is located off Powder Mill Road between the Baltimore/Washington Parkway and Maryland Route 197. For additional information call 301-497-5763 or visit <http://patuxent.fws.gov>.

Free Concert Sat.

The UM Collegium Musicum with Michael Holmes as music director will present a free concert on Saturday, December 3 at 6 p.m. This performance will take place in Gildenhorn Recital Hall of the Clarice Smith Performing Arts Center.

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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.

Assaults

November 11, 6:16 p.m., 6100 block Breezewood Drive, a man reported that he was walking down a sidewalk when he was approached by several young males who punched and kicked him and then fled on foot. The man declined medical attention. One suspect was a young black male wearing a red and white striped, hooded shirt.

November 15, 2:56 p.m., 5900 block Springhill Drive, a nonresident man was arrested and charged with first degree assault, second degree assault and theft; a resident woman was arrested and charged with first degree assault and second degree assault. Investigation revealed that the two were involved in a verbal altercation when the man allegedly took the woman's wallet. During the altercation, the two assaulted each other and threatened each other with a knife and a pair of scissors. The woman allegedly cutting the man in the abdomen, resulting in a minor wound. Both suspects were released to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner.

Robberies

November 11, 10:07 p.m., 5900 block Cherrywood Lane, a nonresident man was arrested and charged with attempted robbery, conspiracy and accessory after the fact. A woman, a food delivery person, flagged down an officer and advised him that she was the victim of an attempted robbery. The woman stated that she was attempting to make a delivery when she was approached by a man who had his hand in the pocket of his jacket as though he had a weapon and who demanded money; two other men were standing nearby. Before the woman could respond, the two other men ran from the area, followed by the first man, to a vehicle and fled the scene. She provided a description of the vehicle and suspects to police. A short time later police observed a vehicle matching the description in the area of Springhill Drive and Edmonston Road. When they attempted to stop the vehicle, two of the occupants exited the vehicle and fled the scene on foot. The vehicle was stopped in the area of Springhill Lane and Springhill Drive. The driver was positively identified as one of those involved in the attempted robbery and was arrested. He was released to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner.

November 12, 10:07 p.m., 7800 block Mandan Road, two men reported that they had parked their vehicles and were walking through a parking lot when they were each individually approached by two males who both displayed handguns and announced a robbery. After robbing the first man and taking his wallet, the suspects approached the second man and took his cell phone and money. The suspects then ran to a vehicle and drove from the scene. They are described as two black males, both

6'1" and wearing dark clothing. One had on a green coat and a dark ski mask and the other was possibly wearing a gray shirt and a dark ski mask. Their vehicle is described as a champagne-colored Honda Civic with unknown Maryland tags.

November 13, 8:46 p.m., 7400 block Greenway Center Drive, a man reported that he had just parked his car and was walking through a parking lot when he was approached by another man, who produced a handgun and announced a robbery. After obtaining keys, money and a cell phone from the man, the suspect fled the area on foot toward Hanover Drive. He is described as a black male, 18 to 20 years of age, 5'7", 150 to 160 pounds with black hair, wearing dark pants and a dark sweatshirt.

November 14, in reference to a robbery reported October 3 in the 9000 block of Breezewood Terrace, a warrant has been obtained charging a nonresident man with armed robbery, use of a handgun during the commission of a violent crime, first degree assault and second degree assault.

November 14, in reference to a robbery reported October 30 in the 6200 block of Springhill Court, a resident youth was arrested for armed robbery. The youth was released to a parent pending action by the juvenile justice system.

DWI Arrests

November 7, 6:43 a.m., Walker Drive and Greenbelt Road, a resident woman was arrested and charged with driving while impaired, driving under the influence, failure to reduce speed to avoid a collision and other citations as a result of the investigation of a traffic accident. She was released on citations pending trial.

November 12, 8:48 p.m., 9100 block Springhill Lane, a resident man was arrested and charged with driving while impaired, driving under the influence and leaving the scene of an accident as a result of the investigation of a traffic accident. He was released on citations pending trial.

Drug Arrests

November 12, 10:56 p.m., Lastner and Ivy Lanes, a resident man was arrested and charged with possession of paraphernalia after police stopped a vehicle for an equipment violation. Upon approaching the vehicle, the officer detected the odor of what he believed to be marijuana and located in the vehicle was paraphernalia commonly used to smoke and store marijuana. The man was released on citation pending trial.

November 13, 12:13 a.m., 5800 block Cherrywood Terrace, a nonresident man was arrested and charged with possession of paraphernalia after police observed a suspicious-acting person in the hallway of an apartment building. The man advised the police that he was in possession of paraphernalia commonly used to smoke and store "crack" cocaine. He was released on citation pending trial.

Disorderly Conduct

November 14, 12:53 a.m., T.G.I.Friday's Restaurant, a nonresident woman was arrested and charged with disorderly conduct. She became disorderly inside the restaurant during a dispute over the bill, shouting profanities and attempting to push past police to

Park Police Seeking Volunteer Trainees

The Maryland-National Capital Park Police, Prince George's Division has a successful Park Police Volunteer Association (PPVA) which is now seeking new members. The association's purpose is to assist the Park Police with their mission to ensure public safety on park property. A six-week training class is held one night per week from 7 to 9:30 p.m. Classes include: problem-oriented policing, traffic control, search and rescue, judgmental shooting and CPR. The next class starts Tuesday, January 10.

Participants are encouraged to ride along with an on-duty patrol officer during the program. Following completion of the program, graduates may join the PPVA and volunteer in various capacities with the Park Police. Training may be conducted at Park Police Headquarters or other locations.

Call the PPVA information line at 301-429-5623 and enter 607# to hear more about the opportunities available to PPVA members.

get to an employee. The woman was arrested when she refused orders to cease her actions. She was released on citation pending trial.

November 14, 7:53 p.m., 5800 block Cherrywood Lane, a resident man was arrested and charged with disorderly conduct. Police responded to a report of a person passed out in the bushes in front of an apartment building. He was located and refused to leave the area and was shouting at police. He was released on citation pending trial.

Burglaries

November 12, 8:35 a.m., 6900 block Legion Drive, a commercial burglary was reported.

November 15, 9:18 p.m., 7700 block Hanover Parkway, it was reported that unknown person(s) forced open a storage shed and removed several wine cases and two brass bird statues.

November 16, 6:02 a.m., 7600 block Ora Glen Drive, a commercial burglary was reported.

Vehicle Crimes

Three vehicles were stolen: a 1994 Plymouth Acclaim 4-door from the 7400 block Greenbelt Road; a black 1995 Nissan Maxima 4-door, Maryland tags GLM699 from the 7800 block Hanover Parkway; and a 1994 Ford Taurus 4-door from the 9000 block Breezewood Drive.

Four vehicles were recovered, two by Greenbelt police and two by other departments. There were no arrests in any of the recoveries.

Vandalism to, theft from and attempted theft of vehicles were reported in the following areas: 5800 block Cherrywood Lane, 5800 block Cherrywood Terrace, 9100 block Edmonston Road (two incidents), 9200 block Edmonston Road, 9300 block Edmonston Road (two incidents), 6400 block Ivy Lane, 8100 block Lakecrest Drive, 2 Court Westway, 7500 block Greenway Center Drive, 7800 block Hanover Parkway (two incidents) and 7800 block Hanover Park-

Seniors Alerted to Medicare Scams

With the launch of what promises to be a fever-pitch marketing campaign for the new federal prescription drug benefit, Attorney General J. Joseph Curran, Jr., warned seniors and others on Medicare to watch out for scam artists bent on identity theft and sales pitches that could result in bad decisions.

While the new drug benefit, known as "Medicare Part D," will be of considerable help to some seniors, Curran cautions that the marketing campaign by the 18 companies offering 67 different plans in Maryland is also full of potential pitfalls.

Seniors should be extremely careful to protect themselves when they begin to get mailings and phone calls and remember two things: some of those callers may be scam artists trying to steal and the salespeople representing plans are being paid to persuade people to sign up.

Seniors should make sure they are dealing with a Medicare-approved plan and should check the company's name, address, phone number and website by calling 1-800-MEDICARE. When contacted by telemarketers or sales representatives, seniors should not give out their Social Security, Medicare, credit card or bank account numbers.

When actually enrolling in a plan Medicare participants will

have to provide Social Security and Medicare numbers but precautions are still very important. When ready to sign up seniors should call the plan and not give out credit card or bank account numbers. They should have the plan send a bill.

As for dealing with legitimate plan marketers, people should educate themselves and decide first whether or not they should enroll in a Part D plan. Second, they need to learn about the differences in the drugs covered, pharmacies used and costs imposed by the 67 plans which will charge different premiums, deductibles and co-payments.

Also, seniors should get unbiased assistance from experts who are not being paid to enroll people. The attorney general's website, www.oag.state.md.us, provides basic information about how to navigate this confusing process and directs people to agencies, phone numbers and websites where they can get expert, unbiased help.

Curran urged people to call the Consumer Protection Division at 410-528-1840 if they think they have been a victim of fraud or improper sales practices. In addition, if people want to avoid telemarketing calls, they may register their phone number by calling 1-888-382-1222 or online at www.donotcall.gov.

City Notes

The facilities maintenance crew rewired a flashing light near St. Hugh's School and worked with a contractor who replaced seven broken windows in the Community Center and one window at Schrom Hills Park.

The parks crew picked up two and a half tons of ice melt for sidewalks.

The horticulture crew landscaped the front entrance of the new Animal Control Facility with 27 perennials, 14 shrubs and one tree.

The arts program coordinated the establishment of the Mary Purcell Geiger Scholarship to support arts and senior programming sponsored by the Recreation Department. The fund was established at the request of Mary and Al Geiger and their friend Marjorie Bergemann.

Gingerbread House Workshop Dec. 10

A gingerbread house-making workshop will be held at 1:30 p.m. on Saturday, December 10 at Berwyn Presbyterian Church, 6301 Greenbelt Road. The workshop is co-sponsored by the church and is part of the College Park Arts Exchange seasonal program "College Park Celebrates the Seasons." There is a fee.

Participants can make a tasty seasonal sculpture. Gingerbread house parts, icing and a variety of candies will be provided. Pre-registration and prepayment are required. Send name, number attending and payment for the cost of materials to the College Park Arts Exchange, P.O. Box 784, College Park, MD 20740. Call 301-927-3013 or email info@cpae.org for more information.

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Wall of Honor at Greenbelt Elementary School Commemorates Service of Veterans

by Natalie McGill

Military personnel past and present are currently represented on the Greenbelt Elementary School Wall of Honor in commemoration of Veterans' Day. The wall lists personnel related to students and faculty who have served in wars ranging from the Civil War to those currently stationed in Iraq and Afghanistan.

The exhibit consists of hand-painted paper bricks with each person's name and the dates of his or her time of service. The display case also contains artifacts like uniforms and pictures with notes of historical reference.

Music teacher Dara Case came up with the idea for the wall while looking at the

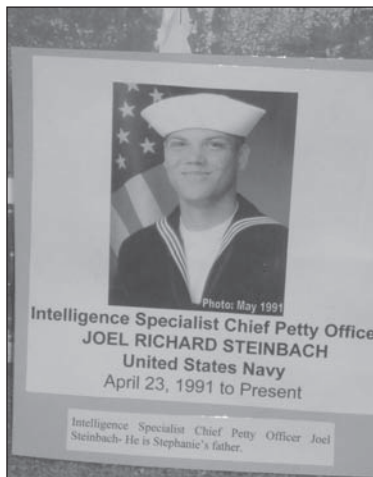
website, www.musick8.com. Case, whose husband served in the Gulf War and whose cousin, Jason DiGiacomo, is currently serving in Iraq, sought out students and faculty whose family members were part of the military.

"I think we got a pretty good representation of who is in the military," Case said.

More than 100 bricks of those who have served and continue to serve our country line the wall of the display case. Case said she believed the American troops could always use more support.

Showing Support

"I felt this was an easy way to show support for our military family," Case said. She said students with no military family his-



Joel Steinbach, the parent of a Greenbelt Elementary School student, is currently serving in the United States Navy.

tory made connections with the wall she was not anticipating.

"[A sixth grader] was reading the wall and saw someone on the beach of Normandy and asked if it was the same as the [situation] in 'Saving Private Ryan,'" Case said.

Case said anyone in the community is welcome to take a look at the wall and that faculty and students are impressed overall with the display.

"There's been some emotional response, which of course makes me tear up," Case said. "There was a woman that didn't know anyone on the wall but still got very emotional."



Greenbelt Elementary School displays the Wall of Honor.

PHOTOS BY NATALIE MCGILL

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had only two pages, the standard size today is 12 or 16 and may be as large as 28 pages. The deciding factor each week is the number of inches of advertising, which determines the number of pages that can be paid for.

At present 10,000 free copies of the News Review are distributed weekly to homes in Greenbelt including Greenbriar, Greenbrook, Windsor Green, Greenspring, Hunting Ridge, Belle Point, the Lakes of Greenbelt Village, Springhill Lake Apartments and Greenbelt office buildings and shopping centers. We are attempting to find a means to deliver to Greenwood Village and to return to delivery in University Square Apartments.

New Style

In 1995 the paper had joined the modern era when it moved to a cold type-computerized process. This change enabled us to return to the longer page which allows more space for stories and photos. We also added green ink. The paper looked good, our readers told us.

Then in 2001 we contracted the pre-print process to a graphic artist who has updated the look of the newspaper while making the process entirely electronic. At some time the paper should become available on our website.

Staff

There have been 39 changes in editorship during the paper's 65 years. For the last 33 years,

the position has been held by Mary Lou Williamson. There are more than 68 staff members, most of whom have joined the paper as their contribution to their community. Some, like Williamson, Elaine Skolnik and Virginia Beauchamp, have been volunteering with the paper for well over 40 years.

An ongoing project, augmenting the staff through an agreement with the Departments of English and Journalism of the University of Maryland to accept placement of student interns, is continuing to the News Review's advantage. Students have participated in the regular work of writing and editing copy for this paper. The program is sponsored by the Alfred M. Skolnik Memorial Fund. This fund also provides for a yearly \$100 Savings Bond to be awarded to an outstanding Eleanor Roosevelt High School graduate who lives in Greenbelt and is proficient in the field of writing.

As the paper enters its 69th year, it remains primarily a volunteer effort - without fail by neighbors for neighbors, from the editor to young carriers delivering the paper. Unchanged is the fact that contributions of time and effort are always needed from Greenbelters to assure the paper continues to serve the community. The current special need is for volunteers willing to visit local merchants to sell them on the importance as well as the benefits of purchasing advertising in our community paper.

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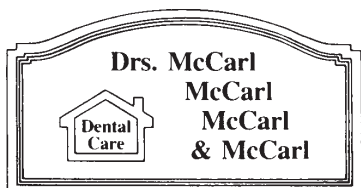
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Sint Niklaas Invites Children to Celebrate

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Riversdale House Museum, a National Historic Landmark, is located at 4811 Riverdale Road. For more information and reservations dial 301-864-0420, TTY 301-699-2544 or visit the website: www.pgparcs.com.

Holiday Shows At Planetarium

The Howard B. Owens Science Center Planetarium, 9601 Greenbelt Road, Lanham presents a children's program, "Terrible Teddy," on Friday, December 2 at 7:30 p.m. Santa made a Teddy Bear too big to fit in the sleigh. But Teddy doesn't want to be in a department store. Come learn how Teddy uses the stars to find his way back to Santa. A tour of the current night sky will follow the presentation.

"Terrible Teddy" will be repeated from 10:15 to 11:15 a.m. on Saturday, December 3 and another children's program, "Rudolph's Flu," will be presented immediately following from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. All shows have a fee. Call 301-918-3750 during school hours for more information.

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Festival of Lights Opens at Watkins

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Friday, 12/2, 7:00pm, Community Center Front Lawn
Music, refreshments, Santa and festive fun! Entertainment by Greenbelt Elementary School 6th Grade Chorus, the St. Hugh's School Choir, and the Greenbelt Concert Band Brass Choir.



Pancake Breakfast

Saturday 12/03, from 8:00am to 11:00am, American Legion Post #136 – Greenbelt, Open to all ages

Adults: \$6.00 (At the Door), \$5.00, (Advance Sales)
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Start a busy day of community fun with a hearty home-style breakfast of pancakes and sausage. Santa will be in attendance!

Information: Linda Varda/301.474.8964; Patti Brothers/301.910.0050

Hosted by: *The Greenbelt Lion's Club & The American Legion Post #136*

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Saturday 12/03, from 10:00am to 5:00pm, FREE

(All Ages Wreath Workshop: 11:00am-1:00pm)

Sunday 12/04 from 11:00am to 4:00pm

(All Ages New Year Decoration Workshop: 1:00pm-3:00pm)

Our annual fair offers a wonderful opportunity to find unique hand crafted gifts, available directly from the artisans. Concessions, provided by the Greenbelt Arts Center, will also be available for purchase. Children under the age of 10 must be supervised by an adult caregiver.

Greenbelt New Year

Friday 12/31, 7:00pm till after midnight, Open to all ages, Advance sales: \$5, At the door: \$7, Children 5 and under: FREE

Join your friends and neighbors for a hometown, alcohol-free New Year's Eve celebration featuring entertainment for all ages at several venues in the heart of historic Greenbelt. Advanced tickets are available at Co-op Supermarket, the Community Center and the Youth Center from November 28 through December 30 at 4:30pm.

Hosted by: *The Greenbelt New Year Committee and The Greenbelt Recreation Department.*

CHILDREN & FAMILY EVENTS



North Pole Calling

Tuesday 12/13 through Thursday 12/15, 6:00pm to 7:30pm
Preschool through Grade 2, FREE

Santa and his helpers will make a special phone-call to your home to chat with your child! To be contacted by Santa, complete and return the registration flier available at the Youth Center and online at www.greenbeltmd.gov

Santa's Visit

Saturday 12/17, from 10:30am to 12:00pm, Youth Center
Preschool and up, FREE

Santa has fit a visit to Greenbelt into his busy holiday schedule! All children will receive a picture with Santa. Plenty of activities to take part in while you wait. Bring a VHS tape and have your visit professionally taped. The Greenbelt Elementary School 5th Grade Chorus will entertain you as you wait.

Lunch with Santa

Saturday 12/17, from 12:30pm to 2:30pm, Youth Center Multi Purpose Room
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Creative kids will enjoy this craft room, offering a variety of holiday activities, lunch and a quick visit with Santa. Pre-registration is required by Wednesday December 14.

Music Amongst Friends "A Celebration of Christmas"

Sunday, 12/18 beginning at 7:30pm, Greenbelt Community Church,
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New Year's Day: Artful Afternoon

Sunday, 1/01/06, 1:00pm to 5:00pm, Open to all ages, FREE

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Holiday Hours: Greenbelt Recreation Facilities

	GCC	GAFC	YC/SHLRC
December 24	9am - 5pm	8am-5pm	12- 5pm
December 25	12-4pm	12-4pm	12-4pm
December 31	9am-1pm	8am-5pm	12- 5pm
January 1	12-4pm	12-5pm	12-5pm

GCC - Greenbelt Community Center
GAFC - Greenbelt Aquatics and Fitness Center
YC - Youth Center SHLRC - Springhill Lake Recreation Center

ARTFUL AFTERNOON~DECEMBER 4TH

Festival of Lights Art and Craft Fair

11:00am-4:00pm, Community Center, FREE

Greenbelt New Year Decorations Workshop

1:00pm to 3:00pm, Community Center-Rooms 113 & 116, Open to all ages, FREE

Join Artist-in-Residence Janice Bauer to create festive decorations for Greenbelt New Year. Children must be with a teen or adult caregiver.

Artists-in-Residence Studio Open House

1:00pm to 5:00pm, Community Center, Open to all ages, FREE

Tour the studios of the Community Center's Artists in Residence working in a wide range of media.

Songs for the Season of Light

2:30pm, Community Center-Multi Purpose Room, Open to all ages, FREE

Sondra Holland (piano) and her students invite you to join in a program of seasonal music and song.



SOUNDS OF THE SEASON



Holiday Musical Interlude featuring The Fleastompers

Friday, 12/16, from 1:00pm-3:00pm, Community Center Gym, All ages, FREE

Holiday Lights Concert

Sunday 12/18, beginning at 3:00pm, Community Center Gym. Open to all ages, FREE

Featuring the Greenbelt Concert Band playing a selection of seasonal favorites.

COMMUNITY CENTER ART GALLERY EXHIBIT

The Creation Game: Paintings by Donna Marshall

Through December 31, 2005, Monday through Saturday: 9am-9:45pm

Sunday: 9am-6:45pm. Open to all ages, FREE

Colorful shaped paintings informed by concepts from quantum physics.

Living the Healthy Life: Sports, Health and Fitness in the New Deal Era

Ongoing, Monday through Saturday 9am - 9:45pm, Sunday: 9am to 6:45pm

Open to all ages, FREE Hosted by: *The Greenbelt Museum*

GREENBELT MUSEUM

Greenbelt Museum Tours

Every Sunday, 1:00pm to 5:00pm, 10-B Crescent Road, Open to all ages

Adults: \$2, Senior Citizens: \$1, Students: \$1, FOGM: Free

Tour Greenbelt's historic house museum while it is decorated with holiday items from the 1930s and 1940s.

Hosted by: *Friends of the Greenbelt Museum*

GREENBRIAR COMMUNITY EVENTS

Share Cookies and Juice with old St. Nick

Sunday 12/11, 4:00pm, Greenbriar Terrace Room, FREE

Cookies and juice will be served and children will have the opportunity to meet with Santa while also enjoying face painting, a coloring contest and crafts. Information: 301.441.1096

Greenbelt-East Tree Lighting

Sunday 12/11, 6:00pm, Greenbriar Community Building, Open to all ages, FREE

Enjoy carols and hot chocolate as Greenbriar's tree is lit.

Information: 301.441.1096



FUN RUN & WALK

Greenbelt Wright Stuff 5k

Saturday 12/03, 8:00am, Pre-Registration Fee: \$20, Day of Registration Fee: \$25

Check In: 7:00am to 7:45am / Youth Center

Come and run in the Third Annual Wright Stuff 5K. Runners and walkers will enjoy a route through scenic Greenbelt. Information: Austin Conaty/301.982.9246

Hosted by: *The Prince George's Running Club www.pgrc.org*

2006 WINTER BROCHURE

The Greenbelt Recreation Department's seasonal brochure will be available soon. Take a gander at the fantastic programs, services and facilities we have to offer! You may also download a copy at www.greenbeltmd.gov.

Season's Greetings from the City of Greenbelt!