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SHL Redevelopment Plans Are Put on Hold with "Continuance"

by Thomas X. White

At its meeting on Thursday, January 11 the Prince George's County Planning Board conducted a scheduled hearing with two possible outcomes. Either they could act on the Apartment Investment and Management Company's (AIMCO) request for reconsideration of its Preliminary Plan of Subdivision (PPS) for the Springhill Lake redevelopment project or, alternatively, they could approve an indefinite continuance of the PPS application pending more definite information from AIMCO.

Two critical issues remain: the locations of the public schools and their capacity to serve the expected increase in population resulting from the development.

By the time of the scheduled hearing, the suspense was pretty much over. Apparently the "indefinite continuance" was on the Planning Board's mind. They had earlier received a Maryland-National Capital Park & Planning

Commission (M-NCPPC) staff report recommending disapproval of the request for the PPS denial (May, 2006) or continuance of the applicant's request until the school-related issues for the property are better defined.

With those options before it and, with little or no definitive information available on the schools situation, the developer's representatives (attorney Andre Gingles and AIMCO local representative Betsy Weingarten) supported the indefinite continuance. Also supporting the continuance were Greenbelt's Assistant Planner Terri Hruby and Norman Rivera representing the developers of Greenbelt Station, the major development taking place immediately west of the SHL property and adjacent to the Greenbelt Metro station.

The unexpected participation in the hearing by the Greenbelt Station developers could possibly add another "to do" item for the

AIMCO representatives before they resume their efforts to resurrect the failed PPS application. In a letter to the M-NCPPC Planning staff, the Greenbelt Station developers suggest an additional condition for the ultimate PPS approval requiring some pro-rata share of the cost for construction of the new full interchange at I-95/I-495/Greenbelt Metro Access Drive and associated ramps.

In effect the Greenbelt Station owners are asking that the SHL development be subject to the same conditions applying to their development regarding transportation improvements needed to serve the developments.

Citizen Comments

The Planning Board also provided opportunity for citizens to comment. Anne Davidson of Berwyn Heights registered strong concern about the lack of good information on the schools issue.

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PHOTO BY BILL CORNETT

Highflying skateboarders christen new facility on Day One. Particularly challenging was the big bowl which only the more skilled dared to try. See full story on page 2.

Mayor and Roberts Spar Over Meeting Comments

by James Giese

On January 10 at the close of a Greenbelt City Council work-session, Mayor Judith Davis quizzed Councilmember Rodney Roberts about his conduct at a January 9 county school board meeting concerning the redevelopment of Springhill Lake and the replacement of the existing elementary school there with one at another location.

The incident at the school board was mentioned in last week's News Review by Alan Turnbull who reported that Roberts was visibly agitated at several points during the meeting and spoke out to assert that statements were being made "that are not true."

Davis expressed her concern that Roberts had spoken at a meeting at which rules had been set forth that no member of the audience would be heard. "If you disrupt a process," she said, "it was your choice. However, it now reflects badly upon council."

Davis also was concerned that Roberts had left the school board members with the impression that he was speaking on behalf of the city council while presenting his personal views. Davis was skeptical of Roberts' responses denying that he had represented himself as speaking for the council, saying at one point that she had heard "other statements made." "I heard what you said is that the city position is the school must be centrally located," she told Roberts at another point. Davis had noted that at a charrette held on the redevelopment of Springhill Lake there had been a consensus that the elementary school should be moved.

Response

Roberts told the mayor, and the other councilmembers who remained silent, that he had been recognized by one of the two chairs of the meeting before he spoke. Roberts said he told the school board that AIMCO (the owners of Springhill Lake) had made "several misrepresentations" of the city's position on the elementary school. He told the council that he felt the school board was very uninformed on the matter and had no way of knowing what was true or not true. Therefore he urged the board to open up the meeting so that it could hear all sides of the issue.

Roberts said his remarks were limited to asking that the meeting be opened to hear others and he did not state any city positions.

He did say that after the meeting he spoke to some members of the school board individually. "When I spoke afterward, I expressly said I was expressing my own opinion," he told Davis. "I don't think it's right for one side to be heard and not the other."

(Roberts has several times voted against motions setting forth city positions relating to the preliminary plans for redeveloping Springhill Lake which is proposed to contain more than twice as many housing units as the present project. He also has advocated keeping the school within the apartment project instead of on Greenbelt Middle School property located adjacent to the project.)

Davis noted that the school board would hold a public hearing.

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Global Warming Draws Many To "Clean Car" Bill Meeting

by Joe Gareri

On Tuesday, January 9 more than 230 residents packed the Greenbelt Elementary School cafeteria to take a stand against global climate change. The Town Hall meeting, convened to build support for the Maryland Clean Car bill, was organized by the Greenbelt Climate Action Network – a local chapter of the Chesapeake Climate Action Network (CCAN).

If enacted the Maryland Clean Car bill would require automakers to develop more fuel-efficient, less polluting vehicles while providing incentives for reduction in carbon dioxide emissions (CO₂). Carbon dioxide in the upper atmosphere is a leading cause of global climate change.

Its levels have been growing at an exponential rate in recent decades. After coal-burning power plants, which Maryland addressed in 2006 with the Healthy Air Act, cars and trucks are the largest producers of CO₂.

The enthusiasm in the room was palpable. There was general consensus that now is the time for action and now is the time for Maryland to join 11 other states in taking the lead against global climate change.

The Town Hall meeting featured speeches by Mike Tidwell, founder and director of CCAN; Jennifer Garman, environmental coordinator for My Organic Market (MOM); Greenbelt Mayor Judith Davis and Brad Keavner, state director with Environment

Maryland. It also featured a surprise speaker, Maryland Senator Paul Pinsky, who threw his enthusiastic support to the cause saying, "We will do anything we can to pass this bill."

Attendees were implored to write a letter to Maryland Governor Martin O'Malley urging his support of the clean car bill. Paper, envelopes, stamps, pens and talking points were provided to make the task easier and more than 100 letters were written during the meeting.

Energetic Speakers

After folk musician Dan Hart set the tone for the night by performing social-commentary songs with an environmental twist and the Reverend Terrance Collins of Prince George's Community Ministries called on a higher authority to guide the gathering, moderator and Greenbelt resident Matt Barres opened the meeting. "I believe it is hope [that brings us together tonight]," he said. "Hope that we as individuals, acting together, can make a difference. Tonight is about optimism. Tonight is about taking steps to turn the tide and chart a course for a more sustainable America."

The most enthusiastic speech of the night was delivered by Tidwell of CCAN who provided example after example of why Marylanders cannot put off action any longer. "You have no time left to deal with this issue," he explained. Citing a study by Dr. James Hansen of NASA, who is

best known for his testimony on climate change to congressional committees in the 1980s, Tidwell informed the group that there are fewer than nine years left to stabilize the rising levels of CO₂ in the atmosphere.

Despite these dire warnings, Tidwell also announced good news – the technology already exists to deal with these problems. All that is needed is for everyone to take action by cutting their own emission levels and for governments to develop policies requiring others to make the changes necessary, too.

Tidwell pointed out that when President John F. Kennedy made

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What Goes On

Monday, January 22
8 p.m., Regular City Council Meeting, Municipal Building
Tuesday, January 23
7:30 p.m., Board of Elections Meeting, Municipal Building
Thursday, January 25
7:30 p.m., GHI Board Meeting, GHI Board Room
Saturday, January 27
9 a.m. to noon, Electronics Recycling, Greenbelt Public Works Yard, 555 Crescent Road

A Very Senior Skateboarder Gives New Park Thumbs Up

by Bill Cornett

Well, it's finally happened. After years of activism, months of construction and disruption, thousands of dollars spent and more than a little controversy, the Greenbelt Skate Park has officially opened.

And I have to say that I, for one, am extremely angry.

Am I angry because the skate park cost so much money for a potentially limited number of people who will use it? Nope, that's not it at all. Judging from the number of people who showed up, it looks like it may see a lot of use, both by Greenbelters and by outsiders. What about the location? Doesn't it take up far too much space too close to the Youth Center and make it an inconvenience for pedestrians? Well, maybe a little bit but it's not really that big a deal to walk around.

So why is it that I am in such an agitated state? It's simple. Why didn't they build this thing when I was a kid?

On Tuesday afternoon I am standing in the new skate park with my cameras, looking at that incredibly imposing set of bowls and ramps, watching a bunch of kids and several not-so-kids careen down the slopes, flipping their boards and defying gravity, Newton's third law of motion and common sense. And the thought crossed my mind, "I found one of my old skateboards when I was cleaning up the garage the other day . . ."

As some of you with long memories may know, in my vastly younger days I was a semi-pro slalom skateboarder for the Pro Comp Factory Team and once urethane gets that far into the blood it's hard to get it out. I called my orthopedic specialist on my cell phone. "Doc, they just opened up a new skateboard park not far from my house. It's great, steep bowls, ramps and edges. I was just wondering what you would think about my trying to ride it."

"Let's see, you're 52 years old, if memory serves," the good doctor replied. "My youngest son just got accepted at Harvard. I could make about \$40,000 from your insurance company for a broken hip and that would pay his tuition for a whole year. Yeah, sure, go for it. Just make

sure a medic unit is close by. I won't get anything if you bleed out and die before you make it to the hospital."

They say discretion is the better part of valor and I decided to be discreet. I have, after all, ascended to the heights (or depths, depending on your viewpoint) of old fogey-dom. I am now officially an old fart, a geezer, one foot in the grave. Still, I climbed down into the big bowl and got some pictures shooting up, with the sunset behind the skaters, dodging more than a few loose boards in the process.

As the late afternoon darkened the cold wind whipped up, no one seemed to mind. Then a new car full of boarders arrived "All right!" someone exclaimed, "You're going to see some skating now! Bulldog is here!" It took some time for three older boarders to sign in and get their I.D. cards. They entered the gate, strode to the top of the hill and gave a long, analyzing gaze at the big bowl.

The big bowl is a monster, about a dozen feet deep at the lower end, with sheer vertical walls of smooth concrete all around. It can give you the willies just looking at it from behind the fence, wondering how anybody could even begin to skate it and survive. The younger crowd had been eyeing it warily, with only a couple of the better boarders daring to plunge into its previously untried depths. The big boys lined up at the lip and we all stood around to watch.

Everyone got a show, too. They were skating that bowl like they owned it before long, moving up the walls with smooth ease. Even their wipe-outs didn't look too bad. It might not have been the "X Games" but it wasn't too far off.

If I could have transported my 14-year-old self to that skate park and given my young self a board and a helmet and seen the riding I saw that afternoon, I can tell you my eyes would have bugged out of my head and filled with tears and I never, ever would have left that place. I would have slept out in a tent next to it and chained myself to the fence if they tried to take me away. The thought that

it was so close and open every day that weather permitted – and FREE! – might even have been too much for my heart to bear.

My wife might tell you that while my body still maintains its proper chronological age, my brain may have succeeded in regressing to that 14-year-old state (if, indeed, it ever left it). Just a while ago, I was typing the search term "lightweight body armor for skateboarding" into Google. No hits yet but I'm sure somebody will invent it soon.



Skateboarders quickly showed up, registered and tried out the city's new skate park beside the Greenbelt Youth Center.

— photo by Bill Cornett

Letters

Still Opposed

I read with great interest Devin Gibson's letter entitled "Value of Skate Park." For whatever it is worth, I seriously questioned the City Council about the value of the skatepark back in 2002 and early 2003. I was particularly disturbed about the Council having made a commitment to the project with little or no understanding of the user-base it would serve. I was also disturbed about the obvious lack of responsible preplanning that tax payers should expect before public projects such as this are undertaken. It is encouraging that at least one other resident of Greenbelt is concerned about the skatepark.

John Nichols
Southway

THANKS!

A special thanks to my friends and neighbors for their cards, words of comfort, hugs and attending Joe's memorial service, a day I will always remember.

Greenbelt is great! I love you all.

Ellie Rimar

THANKS!

Once again it is time the residents of Green Ridge House thank our friends and relatives of our town of Greenbelt. We did enjoy the girl scouts and the various choruses who so graciously entertained us at Christmastime.

Now we want to acknowledge the Fire Department. We have been doing well here and have not needed their services on a regular basis. However, recently we have had to call upon them three times, twice when one of our residents who had back surgery slipped from his rolling chair and we "growing older" folks could not lift him.

Last week one of our residents accidentally left something on the stove and then proceeded down to the library to visit with other residents there. A neighbor on her floor heard the constant "beeping" of the fire alarm in her apartment and thoughtfully called 911. They were "johnny-on-the-spot." They came immediately, were able to get into the lady's apartment, turn off the stove, open the windows and had fans put in the hallway to eliminate the smoke – very quickly, efficiently and without anxiety to the residents. This alone is a feat in itself and a definite plus.

Their expedient manner of getting things done and the camaraderie among the firemen is outstanding.

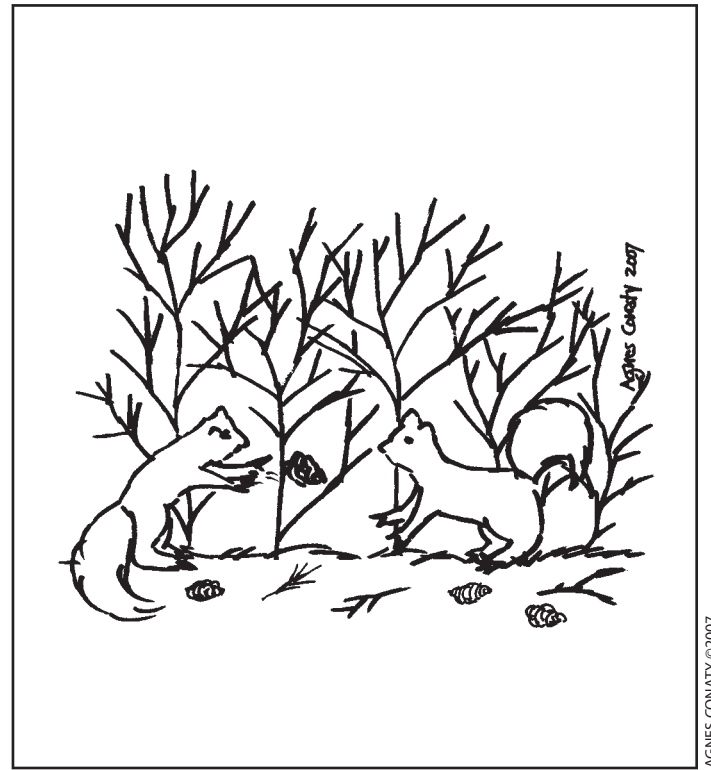
We do have fire drills here every so often but I feel sure the residents are more at ease with their "what ifs" – knowing how well this Fire Department answers the call when needed.

Again, many thanks for your efforts on our behalf. We did want you to know you are greatly appreciated.

Tom Ward,
President
Green Ridge House
Residents Association

For detailed information on skate park hours and registration requirements see the City Information ad on page 5.

Grin Belt



"Where will I get leftover lunches when they close Springhill Lake Elementary School???"

On Screen

Mayan Culture on the Skids

"Apocalypto" opens this week at the Old Greenbelt Theatre. In this film Mel Gibson, director of "Braveheart" and "The Passion of the Christ," presents his vision of a great civilization in decline.

This is the debut performance for most of the cast, many of whom are of Mayan descent. The dialogue is delivered in Yucatec Maya (with subtitles), earning the movie a Golden Globe nomination for best foreign language film. Filmed on location in Mexico, the cinematography has been widely praised as "breathtaking."

The plotline (the hero is kidnapped by a neighboring tribe intent on human sacrifice) guarantees that violence will figure heavily in the story and some have criticized Gibson for ascribing behavior to the Mayans that was more characteristic of the Aztecs. But movies rarely get all the facts right. Viewers who are not squeamish about blood and gore or sticklers for the truth should enjoy an action-packed couple of hours in the theater.

"Apocalypto" runs 139 minutes and is rated R for sequences of graphic violence and disturbing images.

— Cathy Jones

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Greenbelt Community Center at 15 Crescent Rd.
OFFICE HOURS: Monday 2 - 4 p.m., Tuesday 2 - 4, 8 - 10 p.m.

Community Events

Greenbriar Senior Luncheon Tuesday

Greenbriar will hold a Senior Luncheon on Tuesday, January 23 at noon in the Greenbriar Terrace Room. For more information call Tiffane Rose at 301-441-1096, ext. 11.

New Video Equipment Put in Council Room

The City of Greenbelt has installed over \$50,000 worth of new communications equipment in the council meeting room in the Municipal Building. The new equipment was used for a presentation during the city council meeting on January 8. Assistant City Manager David Moran explained that the equipment was purchased with a grant received from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security. It includes new video cameras, a projector, microphones, speakers and screen. The equipment allows the city to link to other jurisdictions for the purposes of communicating during an emergency situation.

Pyrex Lecture At the Museum

On January 23 at 7:30 p.m. the Greenbelt Museum will host a free lecture in the Greenbelt Community Center Multi-purpose room. The lecture entitled "Pyrex: Its Many Phases and Faces" will be given by Veronica Conkling.

Trained as an architect, Conkling is currently working on a Master's Degree in the History of American Decorative Arts through the Smithsonian. Her lecture will focus on Pyrex, an innovative and exotic material developed by Corning Glass Works during the early 20th century. Originally a commercial temperature-tolerant glass, it eventually reached American kitchens as a household product and is still used today.

This talk will introduce people to the creation of Pyrex, its effect on American homemakers, applications and development from science lab to a household product.

Café Annual Meeting To Be Held Sunday

The New Deal Café will hold its annual Members Meeting this Sunday, January 21 at 6 p.m. in the Café. The meeting will be preceded by a members potluck dinner starting at 5 p.m.

The main purpose of the meeting is to elect three officers for the board positions that have expired. There are also a number of proposed bylaw changes that will be brought before the members. The progress of Café improvements and the finances will be discussed and plans for the future presented. Positions are open on most committees.

Annual dues for 2007 must be paid before the start of the meeting in order to vote except for new members who joined since January 15, 2006. One can pay dues at the meeting.

Members who are unsure of the status of their membership should contact the membership committee by emailing Harriette Phelps at hphelps@hers.com or call 301-441-2207.

Widowed Persons Support Group

The next local, six-week support group for widowed men and women will begin February 23. The program is led by trained volunteers from the Patuxent Widowed Persons Service and is co-sponsored by AARP (American Association of Retired Persons) and the Greenbelt Senior Citizens Advisory Committee. It is open to men and women of all ages, races and creeds. There is no fee.

During the six-week period the group shares personal experiences and exchanges practical information while discussing published materials prepared by bereavement specialists. Many persons struggling to adapt to their new circumstances after losing a spouse have found great benefits from the insights, emotional support and friendships provided in such groups.

The weekly sessions will be held on Friday afternoons from 2 to 4 p.m. at Rexford Place, 9885 Greenbelt Road. They start on February 23 and last through March 30. Pre-registration is required. For further information, registration and/or directions call Leonie Penney at 301-474-8943 or Kathleen McFarland at 301-474-6892.

Nursery School Holds Feb. 24 Open House

The Greenbelt Nursery School will hold its annual Open House on Saturday, February 24 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. This is the start of registration for the school year beginning September 2007.

The school is a not-for-profit parent co-operative in its 64th year of operation. It is certified by the Maryland State Department of Education and accredited by the National Association for the Education of Young Children. The school offers classes for children ages 2, 3 and 4. Full-day educational programs are available.

Families seeking pre-school programs are invited to attend the Open House, meet the director and teachers, view the classrooms and get information about the classes.

The school is located at 15 Crescent Road, in the Greenbelt Community Center. Parking is available in the lot behind the Greenbelt Public Library. For more information visit the School's website at www.greenbelt.com/gnsk or call the school at 301-474-5570.

Open Transportation Meeting for Seniors

Steve Yaffe, chief of Metro's Community Transportation Services, will talk to Greenbelt residents on Wednesday, January 31 from 7:30 to 9 p.m. in the Senior Classroom of the Community Center. The program, sponsored by the Senior Citizen Advisory Committee, will explore transportation options for personal independence, mobility options for people with disabilities, Metro access and alternatives to Metro.

In case of inclement weather, call 301-474-5525.

At the Library Storytimes

Tuesday, January 23, 10:30 a.m., Cuddletime for newborns to 17 months with caregiver; limit 15 babies.

Wednesday, January 24, 10:30 and 11 a.m., Toddlertime for ages 18 to 35 months with caregiver; limit 15 children.

Thursday, January 25, 10:30 a.m., Drop-In Storytime for ages 3 to 5; limit 20 children.

GAIL Is Seeking Brown Bag Helpers

The City's Greenbelt Assistance in Living, GAIL, Program is seeking volunteers to work with the Brown Bag Program. The program is a partnership with the Capital Area Community Food Bank, which supplements seniors on a fixed income with nutritious non-perishable food items and toiletries. Distribution is on the third Tuesday of each month starting at approximately 1 p.m.

Volunteers are needed to deliver groceries to disabled and homebound residents. Delivery time will be about two hours once a month.

Qualifications needed are a pleasant personality, one's own transportation and pleasure in serving others.

For additional information call Volunteer Maryland Coordinator Valerie Wright at 240-542-2031.

Festival Committee Seeking Volunteers

The Labor Day Festival Committee will begin planning the 2007 festival in February and is looking forward to another year with great food, great rides and great stage entertainment. However, volunteer help is needed to assist with various parts of the festival preparations including administrative, carnival and booth vendor coordination, public relations, community business support donations, parade, technical (electrician, sound, lighting and general help), entertainment coordination, volunteer coordination, general volunteers and Outstanding Citizen.

The Greenbelt Labor Day Festival is a unique event that touches every Greenbelter. The festival strives to make each year better than the last and this is accomplished only by introducing new people with new ideas to the committee. Those who would like to volunteer or have questions about volunteering are asked to email laborday@greenbelt.com or call 301-345-3794.

OLD GREENBELT THEATRE

WEEK OF JAN. 19

Apocalypto (R)

Friday
*4:30, 7:30

Saturday – Sunday
*1:30, *4:30, 7:30

Monday – Thursday
*4:30, 7:30

*These shows at \$5.00

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Legion Dance Is Ransom Benefit

A benefit dance featuring "The Good Guys" will be held at the Greenbelt American Legion on Friday, January 26 from 8:30 p.m. to midnight.

The funds raised will go to benefit the son of Rick Ransom. Former Greenbelter Will Ransom, 36, is in need of a kidney and pancreas transplant. Will has been battling diabetes for nearly two decades and two years ago was diagnosed with end-stage renal failure. Because of this, he is unable to work. Will is married with three children. (See website www.willransomtransplantfund.com.)


Rick, together with Donald Nicholson, John McBride and Richard Patterson, all lifelong Greenbelters, will provide the music. A \$10 donation is requested. Food will be provided by the American Legion.

Benefit Dance
featuring
"The Good Guys"
Friday, January 26
8:30PM - Midnight
Greenbelt
American Legion
\$10 Donation
All are invited.

Girl Scout Cookies Are on Sale Now

The 2007 Girl Scout Cookie Sale will continue through March 24, with a goal of selling 4.3 million boxes nationally. Enthusiastic Girl Scouts will soon entice cookie lovers in the Greater Washington region to select favorite cookies and by doing so, support the many activities of Girl Scout troops throughout the year.

Brownies through Senior Girl Scouts have begun taking orders in Greenbelt this month. (Daisies do not sell cookies) and deliveries will be conducted in February. During March, Girl Scout troops will conduct booth sales at retail locations.




FREE Pizza Night

Jan. 25, 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.
6th -12th graders
Greenbelt Youth Center

Free Pizza and Games!!!
Drop in & join the fun.

SOUL'D OUT Youth Group
More info call John or Jody
(301) 574-2488

St. Columba's Scottish Country Dancers
Open House
Tuesday, January 23, 8-10 p.m.
Dance Studio, Greenbelt Community Center
Come join the dance or just watch.
No charge.
Beginner class starts January 30
More information: ellenter@comcast.net



PRELIMINARY AGENDA
MEETING OF GHI
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Thursday, January 25, 2007
GHI BOARD ROOM, 7:30 PM

Key Agenda Items:

- Unpermitted Satellite Dish on Flat Roof, 41A Ridge Road
- Yard Line Certification, 55 Ridge Road
- Yard Line Recommendation for Encroachment Resolution
- 2007 Committees
- Woodlands Quarterly Report
- Greener Greenbelt Update
- 2007 Waste Removal Contract – 2nd Reading

Regular board meetings are open to members.

OPEN HOUSE
JANUARY 30 and 31, 2007
Between 9 and 11 a.m.
St. Hugh of Grenoble Catholic School,
an Elementary and Junior High School
Grades K – 8

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Open Registration begins: February 9
for the 2007-2008 school year

Share the news of your organizations meetings, activities and achievements with your neighbors.

Obituaries

Janet S. Brown

Janet S. Brown, 71, of Martinsburg, W.Va., formerly of Greenbelt, died Saturday, January 13, 2007, at Martinsburg City Hospital. Mrs. Brown and her husband Roger had lived in Greenbelt for 45 years. They were members of the Greenbelt Golden Age Club.

Born June 15, 1935, in Timberville, Va., she was the daughter of the late William and Effie Southerly Staub.

She is survived by her husband Roger Brown; son Ervin Riddle of Arkansas; daughter Linda Riddle of Hedgesville, W.Va.; eight granddaughters, two great-granddaughters and one great-grandson; two brothers, Robert Wine of Virginia and Garland Staub of Tennessee and one sister, Violet Sherman of Virginia.

Graveside services were held Thursday, January 18, 2007, at 1 p.m. at Fort Lincoln Cemetery in Brentwood.

A memorial service will be held Sunday, January 21, 2007, at 5 p.m. at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints in Martinsburg, with Bishop George Speis officiating.

Arrangements were by the Brown Funeral Home, Martinsburg.

Luis A. Gonzalez

On Tuesday, January 16, 2007, the Greenbelt Police Department lost one of its members.



Corporal Luis Adrian Gonzalez, 34, died suddenly at his home near Glen Burnie. He had been with the Greenbelt force for 7 1/2 years.

Gonzalez was selected as one of two Police Officers of the Year in 2001 for his outstanding work pursuing the identity of a major narcotics trafficker who was a fugitive from justice in three states. He was seen as an outstanding police officer and led his squad in overall statistics. He was also the department's on-call Spanish language interpreter.

He is survived by his parents.



Catholic Community of Greenbelt MASS

Sundays 10 A.M.
Municipal Building

Baha'i Faith

"The one whose heart is purest, whose life and character are highest and nearest to the divine standard, is most worthy and excellent in the sight of God."

—Abdu'l-Bahá

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A Review: "Marigolds" at the Arts Center Is a Must-see

by Carol Griffith

The Greenbelt Arts Center (GAC) has a long history of staging great productions with very talented performers, directors, producers and staging support. "The Effect of Gamma Rays on Man-in-the-Moon Marigolds," the current offering, sets the bar even higher. Directed by Sheilah Crossley-Cox and produced by Stephen Cox, it is an excellent show in every respect.

"The Effect of Gamma Rays on Man-in-the-Moon Marigolds" was written in the 1960s and won a Pulitzer Prize for Drama. It was then made into a movie in 1972 starring Joanne Woodward. The play revolves around the lives of a single mother, Beatrice, and her daughters Ruth and Tillie. Beatrice is bitter about

the way her life has unfolded, in spite of her grandiose dreams and pretensions. She takes out her unhappiness on those around her – her daughters; Nanny, an elderly woman for whom she is caretaker; and even her daughters' rabbit. Beatrice is particularly cruel to her daughter Tillie, whose love of learning and rich interior life Beatrice doesn't understand at all. Tillie enters the high school science fair with a project that tests the effects of gamma radiation on the growth of marigolds and the crisis of the play occurs when she is chosen as a finalist.

Amitayah Elayne Hyman in the role of Beatrice is excellent. This performance is her first at GAC though she has performed in many productions in the Washington-Baltimore area. Hyman

has captured the frustrations and unhappiness of Beatrice in her role of mother and caretaker, Beatrice's thwarted dreams and her attempts to understand and deal with the outside world and Hyman beautifully portrays Beatrice's mood changes and even a drunken scene.

Danielle Dernoga, in her second play at GAC, has uncommon talent for a 13-year-old. She sensitively portrays teenage idealism and sense of wonder at the world as well as frustration with adults. Her speech at the science fair, in which it is obvious that the marigolds she has grown – some stunted from radiation, some large and beautiful – represent her hopes and dreams, is very

touching and well done.

Ruth is portrayed well by Mary Miller, who has been involved with the theater since the age of nine. She performs the role of chatty teenager believably and portrays the emotional turmoil of her character very well.

Judy Holland, as Nanny, Beatrice's boarder, portrays a believable character without uttering a line. Speechless apparently from a stroke, she painfully shuffles her walker through scenes in which she is verbally, and occasionally physically, abused by Beatrice.

A bit of comic relief is provided by Janice Vickery, another

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

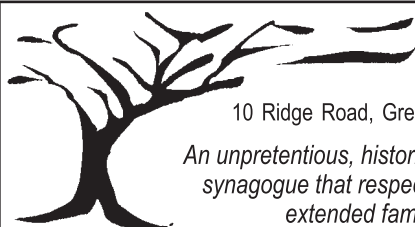
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— The Holy Qur'an, 27:40

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Greenbelt Youth Center

99 Centerway (Behind the Community Center)

January 21 Sermon: You May Appoint, But God Anoints

Pastor Lou Redd

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...living life together



Greenbelters were saddened to hear of the death of former Greenbelter Janet S. Brown of Martinsburg, W. Va., on January 13, 2007. Mrs. Brown had lived on Research Road for over 40 years. Our sympathy to her husband, Roger, family and friends.

Condolences are also extended to the family and coworkers of Greenbelt Police Corporal Luis Gonzalez who died suddenly on January 16, 2007.

A smart salute to the Greenbelt Armory-based Maryland Army National Guard Battery B of the 2nd Battalion 110th Field Artillery, one of three artillery units firing the 19-gun cannon salute at yesterday's gubernatorial inauguration in Annapolis.

School Board Hosts Open Meeting Thurs.

The Prince George's County Board of Education will hold an open meeting on Thursday, January 25 at 7:05 p.m. in the Board Meeting Room of the Sasscer Administration Building, 14201 School Lane in Upper Marlboro. Public participation is encouraged. Interested persons may speak for up to two minutes. To speak, register by 4 p.m. the day of the meeting by calling 301-952-6308.



City Information

GREENBELT CITY COUNCIL

January 22, 2007 - 8:00 p.m., Municipal Building
Regular Meeting

COMMUNICATIONS

Presentations

- Presentation of CALEA Accreditation Certificate

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

Legislation

An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 13, "Personnel," of the Greenbelt City Code for the Purpose of Adding a New Article VIII, "Labor Code" (2nd Reading, Adoption)

OTHER BUSINESS

- Greenway Village Redevelopment
- Pending State Legislation
- Request for Technical Assistance from COG's Transportation/Land Use Connections Program
- * Reappointments to Advisory Groups

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.

Meetings for January 22-26

Monday, January 22, 8:00pm, Regular City Council Meeting, Municipal Building.

Tuesday, January 23, 7:30pm, Board of Elections, Municipal Building

This schedule is subject to change. For confirmation that a meeting is being held call the number listed above, or contact the City Clerk at 301-474-8000 or kgallagher@greenbeltmd.gov.

VACANCIES ON BOARDS & COMMITTEES

Volunteer to serve on City Council advisory groups. Vacancies exist on the: Arts Advisory Board, Advisory Committee on Education, Advisory Planning Board, Employee Relations Board, Public Safety Advisory Committee, Recycling & Environment Advisory Committee, Youth Advisory Committee
For more information, please call 301-474-8000.

ELECTRONICS RECYCLING

Saturday, January 27, 2007
9am-12noon

Public Works Yard

City residents, businesses and organizations can recycle old and/or unwanted computers and other electronic items. Bring your items to the collection bins located at

Greenbelt Public Works, 555 Crescent Rd.

Accepted Items Include: central processing units, monitors, keyboards, printers, laptop computers, speakers, scanners, surge protectors, wires and power cords, computer mice, fax machines, recording equipment, cameras, telephones and radios.

NOT ACCEPTED: TELEVISIONS

Special arrangements must be made for drop-off of more than 10 items or items over 50lbs. Please call in advance.

For further information, contact the City of Greenbelt Recycling Office at 301-474-8308.

GREENBELT RECREATION DEPARTMENT and GREENBELT ARTS CENTER present THE 2007 WINTER YOUTH MUSICAL

AS YOU LIKE IT

By William Shakespeare~Music by Christopher Cherry

February 16, 17, 18, 23 and 24 at 7:00 pm

and February 18 at 2:00 pm

Tickets \$5. Buy tickets now at the Community Center or charge them by phone: 301-397-2208.

Featuring more songs than any other Shakespeare play, As You Like It is a witty, gender-bending musical romp in the Forest of Arden, where a banished duke maintains his court in exile, and love wears many guises. For this production, director/composer Chris Cherry has shortened the script and created new songs. Come see twenty-two talented teenagers in one of the world's favorite plays -- a funny, romantic, lovely story that truly sings.

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Public Works Maintenance-Worker II: \$11.88/hr. F/T w/ benefits. To perform a variety of tasks requiring strenuous manual labor for extended periods often under varying weather conditions; knowledge in use of hand tools and small equipment; previous experience in public works, grounds maintenance; valid driver's license; ability to understand and follow oral and written instructions; ability to walk for long periods of time and ability to lift 50 pounds. **Positions open until filled. Apply: City of Greenbelt Personnel, 25 Crescent Road - call job line 301-474-1872 or visit www.greenbeltmd.gov for required application. EOE.**

The Greenbelt Skate Park is now OPEN!!!

Designed by Wally Hollyday and constructed by California Skateparks, the Greenbelt Skate Park is a 7,000-square-foot concrete park with a variety of street and vert elements including a 10 ½ foot deep bowl with diamondback ceramic pool coping from Federal Stone. Landscape design for the park was done by Bradley Site Design.

The Greenbelt Skate Park is open to registered members 7 days a week from 9:00 a.m. to sunset

- The park is closed at all other times and during inclement weather or when the surface of the park is wet or slippery.
- All users are required to register to the use the park. Adults must present ID when submitting their completed form. Parents of minors (under 18 yrs of age) must complete the registration/waiver form in the presence of a classified recreation department staff person.

Registration/Waiver forms will be accepted at the Recreation Department Main Business Office located at the Youth Center during the following hours:

Mondays 9 to 5 p.m.

Tuesday thru Friday 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Saturdays 9 to 5 p.m.

- If a parent is not able to complete the form in person during these times the signed form must be notarized and submitted to the Greenbelt Recreation Department Main Business Office at the Greenbelt Youth Center during the times noted above.
- Upon receipt of a completed registration/waiver form members will be issued a membership card and a sticker that must be put on their skate helmet.

Forms are available online. For more information, check the link at www.greenbeltmd.gov, call the Greenbelt Recreation Department at 301-397-2200 or drop by the Greenbelt Skate Park in front of the Youth Center and check for notices on the bulletin board outside the park.

FIT & FUN AEROBICS CLASSES NOW UNDERWAY!

High/low impact aerobics, kickboxing, toning, step, and weights. Babysitting service available to registered participants only. SPACE IS LIMITED!!! For more information on schedule and registration download the Recreation Brochure from www.greenbeltmd.gov or call 301-397-2208.

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Week of January 19

FRI. - SAT.

(!) Stomp the Yard PG-13

12:50 3:45 6:45 10:20

(!) Night at the Museum PG

12:15 2:40 5:10 7:40 10:10

(!) Hitcher R

12:30 2:40 5:20 7:50 10:20

(!) Primeval R

7:40 10:30

(!) Freedom Writers PG-13

12:45 3:30 6:45 10:00

(!) Code Name: The Cleaner PG-13

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(!) Dreamgirls PG-13

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SUN.

(!) Stomp the Yard PG-13

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(!) Night at the Museum PG

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MON. - THURS.

(!) Stomp the Yard PG-13

5:00 7:40

(!) Night at the Museum PG

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(!) Hitcher R

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(!) Dreamgirls PG-13

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Police Blotter

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

Assault

January 9, 10:06 p.m., 9100 block Springhill Lane, a resident man was arrested and charged with assault on a law enforcement officer and resisting arrest after police responded to a report of a family disturbance. As police were attempting to investigate the matter, the man attempted to assault another person in the room. An officer attempted to step between the two combatants, at which time the man assaulted the officer, grabbing his arm and taking a fighting stance. The man had to be pushed off and he was advised that he was under arrest. He then resisted attempts to be placed in custody. He was transported to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner.

Vandalism

January 3, 12:23 a.m., 9100 block Edmonston Court, unknown person(s) threw a rock through the living room window of a residence, shattering it.

January 10, 8:13 a.m., New Deal Café, unknown person(s) broke out the front door glass of the Café.

Burglaries

January 7, 8:34 p.m., 9300 block Edmonston Road, unknown person(s) may have entered a residence by way of an unsecured kitchen window. A semi-

automatic handgun and a shotgun were taken.

January 11, 3 p.m., 6100 block Breezewood Court, unknown person(s) attempted to enter a residence by prying the balcony door. Entry was not gained.

Vehicle Crimes

The following vehicles were reported stolen: a 1998 Ford Crown Victoria 4-door from the 9100 block Springhill Lane; a 1987 Dodge Aries 4-door from the 6000 block Springhill Drive; a red 1999 Acura Integra 2-door, Maryland tags 8CCS21 from the 100 block Westway; and a 1999 Toyota Camry 4-door from the 6100 block Springhill Terrace.

Four vehicles were recovered, one by Greenbelt police and three by outside departments with no arrests in any of the recoveries.

Theft from, attempted theft of and vandalism to vehicles were reported in the following areas: Beltway Plaza (three incidents), 9000 block Breezewood Terrace, 5800 and 5900 blocks Cherrywood Terrace, 6200 block Springhill Court, 9100 block Springhill Lane, 8100 block Lakecrest Drive, 4 Court Ridge Road, 7 Court Plateau Place, 7500 block Greenway Center Drive, 7700 block Hanover Parkway, 7100 block Mathew Street and 8000 block Mandan Road.

CLASH

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ing the next week. Councilmember Leta Mach told the council that it needed to make a statement as to what the city council's position is and is not. Councilmembers agreed to provide the school board with such a statement for its public hearing. City Manager Michael McLaughlin noted that the school board members had already been copied with the city's letter to the Planning Board stating its position on the schools.

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finalist in the science fair, played by Heather Martin. Her enthusiastic speech about her rather macabre science fair project is not to be missed.

The set aids the action of the play well. Accompanying music, thoughtfully assembled by Trix Whitehall, evokes the 60s and may bring smiles and memories to the viewers.

"The Effect of Gamma Rays on Man-in-the-Moon Marigolds" will play on the Friday and Saturday evenings of January 19 and 20, 26 and 27 and February 2 and 3, at 8 p.m. Sunday matinees are scheduled for January 21 and 28 at 2 p.m. Reservations may be made through the box office at 301-441-8770 or at the Greenbelt Arts Center at 123 Centerway, located beneath the Co-op supermarket.

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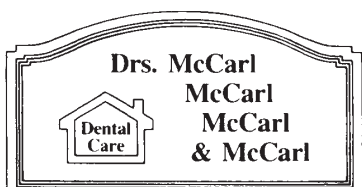
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Hop aboard Metro to Mt. Rainier



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ON-SITE PROPERTY MANAGER – needed for residential rental property in old Greenbelt. For details, send an email to manager@greenbelt.biz.

NOTICES

COME JOIN US – several performances coming up – We need your voice – Auditioning now ongoing. Prince George’s Choral Society. Call Dottie @ 301-336-8539 or Llyn @ 301-441-1947.

REAL ESTATE – SALE

FOR SALE – 18H Ridge Road, 2 bedroom frame unit. Recently renovated; all new appliances, updated bathroom, refinished hardwood floors. Back porch addition; storage addition in front and storage shed in rear. Steps away from the Center. Move in ready! Realtors welcome. \$183,500. 301-367-1048

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43F RIDGE ROAD – 2 bedroom block end, attached garage, new kitchen with new appliances, freshly painted with new carpet down stairs. Contact Kathie Linkenhoker, 301-474-4161, ext. 146.

14A HILLSIDE ROAD, GHI area – 2 bedroom frame end unit with 1 bath for \$188,900. Newly re-finished hardwood floor, 2 new storm doors, well-maintained home, shed. GHI Orientation on Saturday, January 20, Open House from 12:30 to 4 p.m. Come and visit the home! Contact Jennifer Willigan – 410-804-6371.

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CHILD CARE TRAINING – 90-hr. course starts Jan. 29 at Greenbelt Children’s Center. M/W 6:30 - 9 pm; Sat. 9 am - 2:30 pm. \$400 incl. text. Early registration: \$360 by Jan. 22. Deborah Wood. 301-576-3423.

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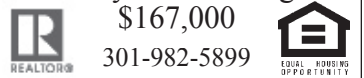
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33-B Ridge Rd.
2 BR Block \$235,500

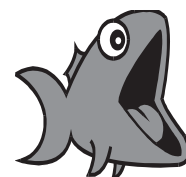
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There will be plants for the door prize table and refreshments after the meeting.

For more information call Louise DeJames at 301-890-4733 or visit the website at www.beltsvillegardenclub.org.

Glenn Dale Holds Craft Show Sat.

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Based upon what little information is available, there appears to be a considerable difference between what AIMCO is willing to provide for the adequacy of schools serving their development and the projected actual expenditures facing the Prince George's County Board of Education to adequately serve the development.

Brenda Brooks, a resident of the SHL apartment complex, related to the Planning Board her frustration at the infrequent and sparse information on the proposed redevelopment that SHL residents have received from AIMCO. She asked the Planning Board to require the developer to keep current residents informed of the status of the development, its timing, when demolitions might occur and the status of the schools currently serving the community.

Although Planning Board members were sensitive to these citizen concerns, they noted that such a requirement may be beyond their authority. They noted that positive action on the "continuance" would provide more time for the development process and help in obtaining the necessary information.

Andre Gingles, who was asked to respond, said that one of the agreed conditions, as part of an approved PPS, would require a transition plan to be available at a certain stage of the development. He volunteered that a start for any relocation plan would realistically be at least a year away.

Joan Falcao of Greenbelt also spoke at the hearing. She continued to urge disapproval of the PPS. She did not favor granting a continuance and asked why the community should have to give up the existing SHL Elementary School site in the middle of the development. Agreeing with the other citizen speakers, Falcao told the Planning Board that AIMCO should be encouraged to "rethink" their plan.

At that, the Planning Board Chair commented, "That's where we are."

Planning Board member Jesse Clark then moved for an indefinite continuance for the applicant's request. The motion was seconded by Board Member Sylvester Vaughns and unanimously approved.

Considering the work that AIMCO representatives need to accomplish during a continuance in order to satisfy the conditions in the CSP and now the PPS, regarding definitive information on the location(s) and adequate capacity for schools to serve the development, it is unknown when the matter will again be brought before the Planning Board.

After the meeting, hallway conversation showed a range from 12 weeks to longer. Even if the information requirement is satisfied, there would still be another public announcement of a scheduled hearing.

The Science Show At Aviation Museum

The College Park Aviation Museum in association with the Smithsonian Institution presents John Hadfield's "The Science Show" on Saturday, January 27 at 11 a.m., 1 and 2:30 p.m. Music and magic make science fun! There is a fee. Call 301-864-6029 for details.

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his 1960 promise for Americans to walk on the moon within ten years, the computing power, rocket power and life support systems did not exist, yet the country rallied around the cause and achieved the goal ahead of schedule. The irony with reducing global CO₂ levels is that the technology already exists but the vision and the plan do not, opined Tidwell. It will take bold leadership to turn the tide and reduce the effects of global climate change. Tidwell reminded the audience that one way or another this generation is going to be remembered for what it did or failed to do about global climate change.

Bill Coverage

Another speaker at the meeting was State Director Brad Keavner of Environment Maryland – a statewide environmental advocacy organization. Keavner outlined the particulars of the Maryland Clean Car bill, which is modeled on a similar bill passed in California, New York and nine other states.

The bill would:

- * raise the pollution standards on new cars registered in Maryland,

- * stimulate the market for low-emission vehicles, resulting in an estimated 5 percent of new cars utilizing hybrid technologies and

- * provide incentives for research and development of new low-emission and zero-emission technologies, such as fuel cells or electric cars.

Jennifer Garman of MOM, a regional grocery store with a College Park location, spoke about the challenges of running a successful company and the innovative steps that MOM has taken to be a good corporate citizen. Garman pointed out that every business could operate in a sustainable way and still be successful. She challenged other businesses to look at their environmental impacts and to take measures to reduce them.

Clearly thrilled with the level of attendance and the excitement of the evening, Mayor Judith Davis said, "I am amazed and in awe at how many people turned out tonight." The mayor spoke about the myriad things the Greenbelt municipal government and its citizens have done environmentally. It was an impressive list of nearly two dozen initiatives from recycling more than 50 percent of household waste to a geothermal heating and cooling system in the new public works garage and offices. Davis pledged to bring the clean car bill before the city council and encourage the council to write a letter supporting the bill. The clean car bill will be on the January 22 city council meeting agenda.

In his introduction, Barres discussed the mayor's environmental credentials. She is the city's representative to the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG) Board of Directors, an appointee to COG's Chesapeake Bay Policy Committee and Greenbelt's representative to the Energy, Environment and Natural Resources Policy and Advocacy Steering Committee for the National League of Cities. On a personal note Davis told the

gathering that she is now walking the walk (well, driving) as she recently purchased her own hybrid car.

After the panelists spoke, the audience was invited to write a letter to Governor Martin O'Malley, view displays by several organizations dealing in their own way with global climate change, speak to the many elected officials in the room and listen to songs by folksinger Dan Hart and activist songwriters Pat Humphries and Sandy O of Emma's Revolution.

Organizers were thrilled with the evening, which according to Tidwell broke records for attendance and letter-writing success at similar town hall meetings in Maryland.

In the question and answer period at the end of the meeting Davis remarked that, "this activity reminds me of the Earth Day movement back in the 70s, how the work of grassroots organizations became a national groundswell which resulted in many changes in attitudes and policy throughout the country. I hope that organizations such as CCAN will be instrumental in promoting a similar groundswell of public response and action."

Action Needed

According to organizers of the Town Hall meeting, although there is momentum to get the clean car bill passed, citizens face a tough fight from the opposition – the multi-billion dollar auto industry. It successfully thwarted the legislation two years ago and is mobilizing to do the same this year.

Keavner listed arguments that will be made by the auto industry, including that the cost of implementing the clean car bill will make cars more expensive for consumers and will drive dealers out of business. While it is true that cars will cost more at the dealership, according to Keavner the cost of operating the vehicle will be significantly less and will result in the car actually costing less to own and operate.

Keavner noted if Greenbelters are to believe the auto industry's prediction of widespread closures of auto dealerships with the passage of the clean car bill in Maryland, one would have to wonder why this fate has not befallen auto dealers in the 11 other states that already have these standards.

All the speakers reminded the audience that something must be done to stop global warming and it is going to take efforts by everyone around the world to make a difference. The most important thing for Marylanders to do right now is to write a letter to Governor O'Malley urging him to sign the Maryland Clean Car bill. [See sidebar for instructions, an address and talking points provided by Greenbelt Climate Action Network.]

Tidwell summed up the meeting this way, "In all my years of global warming activism, rarely have I seen such a large and passionate and motivated crowd as the Greenbelt citizens who turned out for the January 9 town hall meeting. A sense of revolution was in the air – a clean-energy revolution to save our life-giving climate."

Write Letters to State Officials

Greenbelt Climate Action Network provided the following information at the recent town hall meeting in support of the Maryland Clean Car bill. Send letters to elected officials to make the following points:

- * Request support for the Maryland Clean Car bill.
- * The Maryland Clean Car bill has been implemented in states with some of the biggest economies in this country including New York and New Jersey.
- * The Maryland Clean Car bill will help clean up air pollution and global warming in Maryland.
- * The Maryland Clean Car bill will mandate that cleaner vehicles are sold in Maryland, spurring sales and development of low-emission technology and creating a stronger market for cleaner cars.
- * Smog from automobiles is a cause of asthma, which now afflicts 150,000 children in Maryland.
- * Global warming is not only an environmental problem, but a serious threat to public health. Children and the elderly are most at risk in excessive heat.
- * Maryland is particularly susceptible to the effects of global warming because of its location and economic reliance on the Chesapeake Bay.

Address letters to:

* **Governor Martin O'Malley**, State House, 100 State Circle, Annapolis, MD 21401

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