

## Labor Day Festival Will Offer Sights, Sounds, Tastes for All

by Frank DeBernardo

The smell of fried dough and cotton candy will soon be mixing with the sounds of "oldies" and children's laughter. The Greenbelt Labor Day Festival is almost here!

On the weekend of August 31 to September 3, the parking lot of the Roosevelt Center and the lawn of the Community Center will be transformed into a carnival of fun, food, friendship and frivolity as the citizens of Greenbelt and surrounding areas gather to celebrate their unique community spirit during the 53rd annual festival.

While the festival culminates with Monday's annual parade down Crescent Road, displaying the wide diversity of Greenbelt's organizations and citizenry, the whole weekend is chock full of diverse activities and entertainment designed to attract folks from all areas of the Greenbelt spectrum. In this article, events from Friday and Saturday are featured; next week, an article will feature Sunday and Monday's programs. A complete schedule is included in the insert accompanying this issue.



**The Legendary Orioles will bring traditional pop mixed with gospel and blues to the stage on Saturday, September 1 from 9 p.m. to midnight.**

### Friday

Tradition and novelty mark this year's weekend activities. As a prelude to the opening ceremonies on Friday night, the Greenbelt Concert Band will kick off the program with a concert from 6 to 7 p.m. The opening ceremonies from 7 to 7:45 p.m. will feature the announcement of this year's Outstanding Citizen Award, honoring an individual who, because of extraordinary civic contributions of time and talent, has helped make Greenbelt

great. A reception will follow immediately in the Municipal Center.

As usual, the Miss Greenbelt pageant will run throughout the weekend at the Festival's main stage in front of the Aquatic and Fitness Center. The 38 contestants in three categories (Miss Greenbelt, Junior Miss Greenbelt and Little Miss Greenbelt) will be introduced on Friday night, August 31 at 7:45 p.m. Winners will be announced on Sunday evening at the final presentation of contestants from 6 to 9 p.m.

At the Greenbelt Arts Center, "MacBeth: Life on the Heath," a fresh ½ hour adaptation of Shakespeare's play, will debut at 8 p.m. (The performance will be repeated on Saturday and Sunday at 5 and 7 p.m.)

### Saturday

The evening ends with a performance by "Stoked," a Maryland-based hard rock band featuring the music of contemporary punk and metal bands such as Green Day, Iron Maiden, Aerosmith, AC/DC and Pearl Jam.

Although the entire weekend

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## Buerger Updates Council On Center Police Patrol

by Thomas X. White

Sgt. David Buerger of the Greenbelt Police Department reported to the Greenbelt City Council on the increased patrol activities in and around Roosevelt Center at the council's August 13 meeting. The Center initiative was in response to citizen concerns following an assault that occurred early this summer near the Crescent Road and Gardenway intersection and the likely use of the Gladys Spellman Overpass as an escape route for the fleeing assailants.

Buerger reported to council that the increased police presence has been successful. It has been obvious, he noted, that, "... some of the troublemakers were not hanging out (in the Center) as they would like."

In addition, three people were recently arrested on the Spellman Overpass for distribution and possession of drugs (marijuana) and alcohol.

The Roosevelt Center merchants have given Buerger positive feedback on the increased police presence. However, he qualified these accomplishments with the sense that the "troublemakers" may have just taken their activities into other areas of the city. Some councilmembers suggested that the nearby wooded areas may be alternate locations for such activities.

### Increased Presence

In response to council questions, Buerger said police pres-

ence for the center area has been increased by about 2½ to 3½ additional hours per day. In response to a question from Councilmember Rodney Roberts on how much longer that increased activity could be sustained, Buerger replied, "As manpower allows, balanced against priorities in other areas of the city."

He noted that the emphasis being directed to Roosevelt Center comes after a huge focus earlier this year with arson in the Springhill Lake subdivision. He estimated that the department conducts about four enhanced operations of this nature every year.

### Crime Data

Council also pressed Buerger for better crime statistics and a better analysis of reported crimes or other incidents as to time of day, type of incident, location and possible use of Global Positioning System technology.

Buerger responded that such an analysis would be difficult to achieve with the department's current (mainly manual) system because of time and manpower constraints. Since automating the city's crime tracking system is a priority goal, there may be a possibility for getting such an analysis for part of this year.

The discussion also touched upon current staffing for the department. Buerger noted the

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**Special Labor Day program pull-out inside this issue!**

## Council Revises Election Laws for Next Election

by Thomas X. White

Two charter amendments and an ordinance were adopted by the Greenbelt City Council at its regular meeting on August 13 as a result of recommendations from the city Board of Elections. The Board of Elections recommended in March 2006 that the city code be amended to address the board's authority to decide if an absentee ballot submitted without a "secrecy" envelope should be counted or deemed invalid. It also recommended conditions for runoff elections and city requirements for gift and expenditure reports from organizations working for or against a ballot question both requiring charter amendments.

Council unanimously adopted an ordinance to clarify the authority of the Board of Elections to determine whether an absentee ballot without a sealed "secrecy" envelope should be deemed invalid. The intent is to provide the Board of Elections with the

discretion to determine that an otherwise valid ballot should not necessarily be rejected. This would mean that a violation of privacy would not automatically occur if the secrecy envelope is either omitted or not sealed.

The revised regulation would not weaken the language that warns voters to place completed ballots in a blank sealed envelope and then place that envelope in the absentee envelope provided. The adoption of this ordinance at this meeting allows enough time for the new provision to be effective for the upcoming November city elections.

### Charter Amendment

Also adopted unanimously was a charter amendment resolution to revise the charter by adding language in Section 31 relating to the trigger for a run-off election. The current language reads, "If, however, fewer than five (5)

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### What Goes On

**Friday, August 24**

**8 to 10 p.m.**, Family Swim, Greenbelt Aquatic and Fitness Center

**Sunday, August 26**

**2 to 3 p.m.**, Training Session for Community Liaisons for the Greener Greenbelt Initiative, GHI Office, Hamilton Place

**Monday, August 27**

**8 p.m.**, City Council Work-session re: Civic Associations (Stakeholders), Municipal Building (Live on Channel 71)

**Tuesday, August 28**

**7:30 p.m.**, Forum re: Public Safety Concerns in vicinity of Roosevelt Center, Gardenway and the Spellman Overpass at Greenbriar Terrace Room, 7600 Hanover Parkway. (A second forum will be held Saturday, September 15, 11 a.m., Municipal Building.)

**Friday, August 31**

**6 p.m.**, Labor Day Festival begins with band concert.

## Deasy, Middle School Look Forward to New Addition

by Amy S. Hansen

School Superintendent Dr. John Deasy visited Greenbelt Middle School Monday morning for about 40 minutes. On his first-day-of-school tour, Deasy met briefly with students, walked through the school and listened as architects from Prince George's County Schools described plans for the new building.

### Construction

Construction for the new Greenbelt Middle School is scheduled to start in April 2008. The school will be built on 38 acres of land already belonging to the school system. Previously, the school system was considering an offer to use land from AIMCO, the company that bought Springhill Lake apartments.

But the current plan, Scheme



**John Deasy**

PHOTO BY AMY HANSEN

D, which was approved by the school board last spring, will not involve AIMCO at all, according to Rupert McCrave, Capital Improvement Program Officer.

He explained that the school will be built in phases.

First, they will build a 110,000 square-foot, two-story addition, parallel to Breezewood Drive. Stu-

dents are scheduled to move into that new addition in 2009.

Next, the historic sections of the middle school will be retrofitted and the parts that are not historic will be torn down. Finally, the buses will be moved from the current lot onto the land where the demolished building

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## Letters to the Editor

### THANKS!

A benefit concert for Friends of New Deal Café Arts (FONDCA) last Saturday, August 18 raised over \$475 for new sound equipment for the Café from donations from those who attended. FONDCA would like to thank the performers, all of whom donated their time and musical talent, making the concert possible: Ali Michelle, Rowan Corbett, Andy Luttrell, Adam Day, Ashraf Dawod, Lea and members of iYAIMY. Thanks also to the organizers: Richard McMullin, Rob Hinkal and Ashraf Dawod; to Jeff Sieracki, who donated his work at the sound equipment; and to the FONDCA volunteers and Café staff and volunteers, all of whom worked together to bring off a wonderful concert!

This is the second benefit concert FONDCA has held this year and we wish finally to thank everyone who has come to the concerts. We hope to hold another one this fall!

Barbara Simon,  
President  
Friends of New Deal  
Café Arts

### THANKS!

Thank you. It's quieter now. The Greenbelt Elementary School (GES) PTA would like to thank Lowe's Home Improvement for the \$5,000 grant for school maintenance. The PTA used the grant to acquire and install sound deadening equipment for the school cafeteria. With a project that took over a year to complete, many people participated. A special thanks goes to the school maintenance team, particularly Alexander Johnson and to Vincent Curl and William Dallas of the Prince George's County Schools as well as Yankowsky and Associates of Bowie. These panels not only offer a more pleasant lunchroom but effectively expand the school, offering a place where whole grade levels can meet and listen to speakers.

Amy Hansen for GES PTA

### Concerns about City Animal Shelter

I want to make it clear that I am writing as a pet owner and pet lover and not as a member of GHI's Companion Animal Committee. I feel compelled

to express concerns about the Greenbelt Animal Shelter. My comments arise from my own observations.

The most disconcerting is the recent deadly outbreak of the Parvo Virus. What steps does Animal Control take to prevent the spread of disease among the shelter populations and to prevent potential pet adopters from spreading disease to other pets? What level of veterinary care do the shelter animals receive?

Another matter of great concern is the turnover of employees of Animal Control. What is the explanation for this unusual staff turnover? One hopes that it has nothing to do with conditions at the shelter but with so little public information available, the facts are hard to assess.

More than a year ago, I had become aware that messages left at Animal Control's number 301-474-6124 did not get returned. This is a violation of the department's own mission and values statements. Active steps to find homes for adoption are not vigorously undertaken. The Animal Control website showing adoptable animals does not get updated. Flyers with pictures of adoptable animals do not get posted at the Co-op grocery store, the Greenbelt Community Center nor other local venues. Videos of adoptable animals do not get shown on local Greenbelt Channel 71. Several responsible adult citizens approaching Animal Control as volunteers have been turned down. And there is no outreach to our community that is so rich with animal lovers.

To my knowledge, Animal Control gives no accountability to the community for animals that fall under its care. I cannot find documentation of the number of animals held at the shelter at any one time, the number of new drop-offs and captures, how many animals have been euthanized and how many have been successfully adopted. This data should be available to the public.

I know animal issues are of great interest to all the pet lovers in Greenbelt. People are ready to volunteer their time to help in any way they can. As citizens, we'd like to have the Animal Shelter be more accountable to the community.

Susan Jones

### CIP Meeting Reset To Tuesday, Aug. 28

The Prince George's County Board of Education has announced that the Capital Improvement Program (CIP) worksession scheduled for Tuesday, August 21 at 6 p.m. has been cancelled. The next CIP worksession is scheduled for Tuesday, August 28 at 6 p.m.

Call Sharon Mack, board executive assistant, at 301-952-6129 for additional information.

### Mikulski Adds Staff To County Office

Senator Barbara Mikulski announced that Nichelle Schoultz has been hired as a special assistant to the Senator for Prince George's County.

Schoultz will work out of the Senator's field office in Greenbelt beginning September 4.

### Utopia Film Fest Extends Deadline

As entries continue to arrive, Greenbelt's Utopia Film Festival 2007, slated for the weekend of October 26 through 28, has extended its deadline for submissions until Friday, August 31. Entry forms and more information can be found at [www.utopiafilmfestival.org](http://www.utopiafilmfestival.org).

Utopia, a grassroots film festival sponsored by Greenbelt Access Television (GATE) and chaired by filmmaker/actor Chris Haley, encourages local filmmakers to submit all types and lengths of cinematic art, including features, documentaries, animation, music videos and experimental works.

"The excitement of meeting and promoting new movie makers never gets old," said Haley, who has premiered two of his own short films at previous festivals.

Last year's festival included a number of independent feature-length films and documentaries, including "Plagues and Pleasures on the Salton Sea," "The Pact" and "Invisible Children."

This year's festival will include a new feature: "Docs in Progress," in which documentary filmmakers will screen unfinished projects and receive audience input on their work.

Utopia 2007 will be held in several venues, including the historic P&G Old Greenbelt Theatre, the Greenbelt Municipal Building, the Greenbelt Arts Center and for the first time, will include a special Saturday evening program at the Beltway Plaza Cinemas.

To download an entry form or to learn more about Utopia 2007, see [www.utopiafilmfestival.org](http://www.utopiafilmfestival.org) or call Greenbelt Access Television, 301-507-6581.

### OLD GREENBELT THEATRE

Week of Aug. 24

### Becoming Jane (PG)

Friday

\*5, 7:30, 9:45

Saturday

\*2:30, \*5, 7:30, 9:45

Sunday

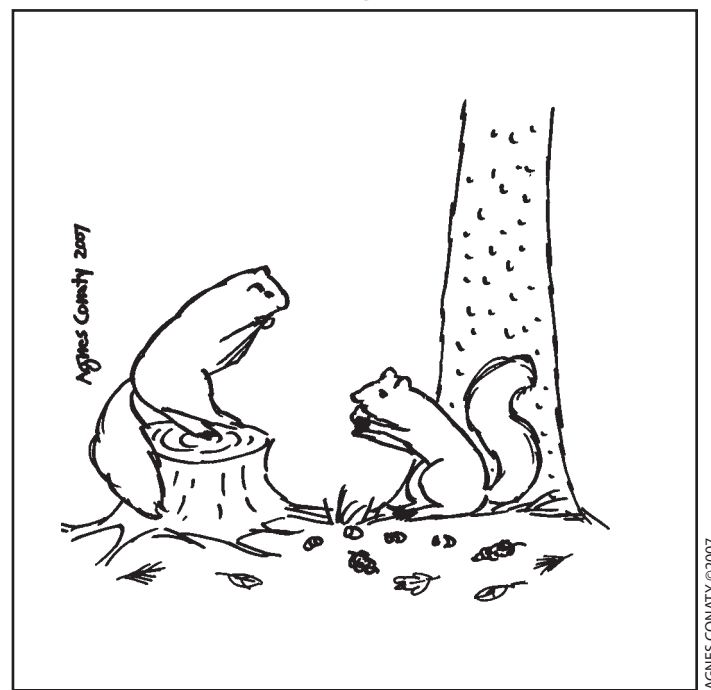
\*2:30, \*5, 7:30

Monday - Thursday

\*5, 7:30

\*These shows at \$6.00  
301-474-9744 • 301-474-9745  
129 Centerway  
[www.pgtheatres.com](http://www.pgtheatres.com)

### Grin Belt



"I know that school started early but I look forward to three holidays in September!"

### Roosevelt Center Site for Jazz Under Stars

Roosevelt Center will be the scene for a free outdoor concert with two groups, Amérique Latine and Jazz for Fun at 6:30 p.m. on Saturday, August 25. Opening for Amérique Latine at 6:30 p.m. is Jazz for Fun, a straight-ahead jazz duo with George Oakley on alto sax and clarinet and Nick Lipkowski on guitar. At 7:30 p.m. the music of Alex Martin's Amérique Latine will blend sounds from the members' native and ancestral lands – France, Brazil and Palestine – with those of the country they now call home, the United States.

Guitarist and composer Alex Martin was born in Rennes, capital of Brittany, France's Celtic

province. Vocalist Lena Seckaly's parents are from Palestine. Brothers Leonardo and Alejandro Lucini (bass and drums, respectively) are natives of the Copacabana neighborhood of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

An open jam rounds out the evening, beginning at 10 p.m., with jazz inside on the New Deal Café stage. The New Deal Café is located at 113 Centerway and can be called at 301-474-5642. The website is at [www.newdeal-cafe.com](http://www.newdeal-cafe.com).

This concert is sponsored by Friends of New Deal Café Arts and is made possible by support from the City of Greenbelt and Prince George's County.

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Greenbelt Community Center at 15 Crescent Rd.  
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## Give Blood, 1-800-GIVE-LIFE

### Corrections

In a school story on rules and regulations in last week's paper information was given that students in grades 9 through 12 must maintain a grade point average of 2.0 in order to participate in extracurricular activities. What should have been added were the words "with no failing grade in the previous quarter."

On September 21, school will be closed for a teacher in-service day and not for Yom Kippur.

In the July 26 article on Bus Service in Greenbelt, the Call-a-Bus number was incorrect. The correct number is 301-499-8603.

In the page 7 Community Events article "GHI Taxes to Increase, Input Session Set" in the August 16 issue, the percent increase in the 2007 Maryland state appraised value of GHI property was misstated. The increase is 200 percent. The increase reported is about 200 percent, not 250 percent.



# Community Events

## GHI Notes

**Tuesday, August 28, 7 p.m.,** GGI Communications/Stakeholders and Outreach

**Friday, August 31 through Monday, September 3** M&CR Labor Day float and booth activities

**Monday, September 3,** Labor Day, offices closed.

Unless otherwise noted, all events will take place in the Greenbelt Homes, Inc., Administration Building. Committee and board meetings are open; members are encouraged to attend.

## At the Library

### Storytimes

**Tuesday, August 28, 10:30 a.m.,** Cuddletime for newborns to 17 months with caregiver; limit 15 babies.

**Wednesday, August 29, 10:30 and 11 a.m.,** Toddlertime for ages 18 to 35 months with caregiver; limit 15 children.

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

### Rental Fees

The Prince George's County Memorial Library System will no longer be charging a fee for any DVD or video loans. The loan period for entertainment videos or DVDs remains two days and the \$1 per day overdue fine still applies.

On-demand video will be available shortly through the library system, which led the Board of Library trustees to make the decision to eliminate all fees for DVD or video use.

## Menu for Senior Nutrition Program

The Senior Nutrition "Food and Friendship" program provides lunches for seniors Monday through Friday at the Community Center. Meals need to be reserved by 11 a.m. the previous day to assure sufficient quantities of food are ordered. Call 301-397-2208, ext. 4215 for information about the program and to make reservations.

Meals are served beginning at noon. All meals include bread and margarine, coffee or tea and one percent milk. Menus for Monday, August 27 through Friday, August 31 include:

**Monday** – Fruit juice, turkey tetrazzini, sliced carrots, green beans, fruit cocktail.

**Tuesday** – Orange juice, beef patty with gravy, brown rice with peas, okra and tomatoes, purple plums.

**Wednesday** – Apple juice, oven fried haddock, home fried potatoes, mixed vegetables, fresh banana.

**Thursday** – Split pea soup, ham and cheese croissant, sliced cucumbers, bag of popcorn, slice of wrapped watermelon.

**Friday** – Apple juice, baked chicken with gravy, candied sweet potatoes, brussels sprouts, fresh nectarine.

## ACE Meets Aug. 28

The Greenbelt Advisory Committee on Education (ACE) will meet Tuesday, August 28 at 7 p.m. Meetings are now held in the second floor city council room in the Municipal Building unless noted otherwise.

## Larry Noel/Greenbelt Labor Day 15K Run

The 49th running of the 15K race will begin on Northway at 5 p.m. on Sunday, September 2. There is also a 3K event around the lake. Race Day registration will begin at the Youth Center at 4 p.m. There is a fee.

For more information visit [www.dcroadrunners.org](http://www.dcroadrunners.org) or call the DC Roadrunners hotline at 703-241-0395 or Joe Broderick at 301-661-5019.

## Caregiver Support Group Meets Aug. 28

A city-sponsored, free caregiver support group meets Tuesday, August 28 from 2 to 3:30 p.m. in the Greenbelt Municipal Building at 25 Crescent Road.

For more information call Sharon Vanzego, Greenbelt Assistance in Living (GAIL) intern at 240-542-2036.

## Tutoring Begins Again At SHL Rec. Center

With the beginning of the fall school semester, the Greenbelt Recreation Department is again offering two free tutoring programs at the Springhill Lake Recreation Center.

The first program, primarily for elementary school students, is called the Greenbelt Elementary School Tutoring Homework Program. It meets every Saturday during the school year (2007-08) from 9:30 a.m. to noon starting on Saturday, September 8.

The second program, for middle and high school students, is called the Greenbelt Moving Ahead (GMA) program. It meets every Saturday during the school year from 9:30 a.m. to noon, starting on Saturday, September 8.

Students are requested to bring their textbooks. Call Janet Goldberg at 301-397-2212 for more information.

## NAMI 9-week Course On Mental Illness

The National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) of Prince George's County is offering a nine-week course for people living with a mental illness. NAMI will sponsor its first Peer to Peer Recovery Education course for consumers. The course will begin on Saturday, September 15 and will run for nine consecutive Saturdays, ending November 17.

The course is scheduled to be held at the Greenbelt Branch Library and, on certain Saturdays, at the Hanco Building in New Carrollton. Mary and Calvin Johnson and Lisa Rhodes, consumers and NAMI Prince George's County members will be the facilitators for the course. This is a chance to support each other in living well. Call Lisa on 301-218-2297 to register.



## Postal Services Available

Limited postal services are now available in the Municipal Building Tuesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

## Park Program Features Beavers

Join a park ranger to discover the world of beavers. The program will be on Sunday, September 2 at 2 p.m. at the Greenbelt Park Ranger station located near the campground.

RSVP at 301-344-3944. Greenbelt Park's entrance is located between Kenilworth Avenue and the Baltimore Washington Parkway at 6565 Greenbelt Road. The park website is [www.nps.gov/gree](http://www.nps.gov/gree).

## Help to Remove Invasive Plants

Help protect Greenbelt Park from harmful invasive plants. Join in a hands on nature preservation activity and learn about native and non-native plants on Saturday September 1, at 11 a.m. in the Sweetgum Picnic Area.

A partnership between Greenbelt Park and the University of Maryland, this program is held the first Saturday of every month, rain or shine. Wear appropriate clothing and work gloves and bring a lunch/snack.

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 web page at [www.nps.gov/gree/](http://www.nps.gov/gree/).

## Required Meeting For Booth Holders

There will be a mandatory meeting of all organizations participating in the Labor Day Festival. It will be held on the fair grounds on Thursday, August 30 at 7 p.m. At least one representative from every organization should plan to attend. For questions call John or Gloria Winfrey, Booth and Carnival co-chairs at 301-345-3794.

## Labor Day Festival Used Book Sale

Raising funds for:  
Greenbelt Elementary School PTA  
Book donation drop-off at  
Co-op Supermarket  
August 1 to August 31  
Large donation pickup available  
For information call:  
301-474-2041

## Shuttle Bus Drivers Needed for Festival

Be a volunteer shuttle bus driver. The Greenbelt Labor Day Festival Committee is seeking qualified shuttle bus drivers who will operate the shuttle bus system during the holiday weekend, August 31 to September 3.

The buses will run from Eleanor Roosevelt High School, Greenbelt Elementary School and Green Ridge House to the Festival grounds.

For more information call Brian York at 301-474-4610.

## Voter Registration For City Election

Registering to vote is the first step to qualify either to run for office or to vote for a candidate in the November 6 city council regular election. Although the county Board of Elections will handle all registrations, registration forms may be picked up during regular office hours at the Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road or at the Greenbelt Library on Crescent Road. Voters may call the Board of Elections at 301-430-8020 to request a form by mail, or print one from the web at <http://www.elections.state.md.us/citizens/registration/application.html>.

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

For more information contact the election office at 301-430-8020.

## Greenbelt Resident Shows Boxing Art

Greenbelter Linda Siadys will have her photographs on "The Art of Boxing" exhibited at the administration building of the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission (M-NCPPC), 6600 Kenilworth Avenue in Riverdale through October 5.

The Arts and Cultural Heritage Division of M-NCPPC exhibits these photographs in the third floor conference room which is open to the public. For additional information call 301-454-1450.

Siadys is also a photographer on the staff of the Greenbelt News Review.

Share details about your organization's activities for the Community Events page.

## Greenbelt Arts Center announces

Two Free Shows in the Arts Center Over Labor Day Weekend

### One for Children:

Saturday September 1st at 11 AM & 1 PM  
Sunday September 2nd at 11 AM & 1 PM

"The Adventures of Rose Red & Snow White"

### One Not:

Friday August 31st 8 pm  
Saturday September 1st 5 pm & 7 pm  
Sunday September 2nd 5 pm & 7 pm

"MACBETH: LIFE ON THE HEATH"

Greenbelt Arts Center  
123 Centerway, Greenbelt, MD 20770  
301-441-8770  
More information available on the website:  
[www.greenbeltartscenter.org](http://www.greenbeltartscenter.org)

**The Greenbriar Community Association is seeking 100 individuals to participate in a bus trip to Hilton's Resort Casino in Atlantic City, New Jersey.** Metro Bus Tours and Travel will provide two deluxe motor coaches to depart from Greenbriar Community Building parking lot at 7:00am sharp on Saturday, September 15, 2007 and return at approximately 8:30pm the same day.

Hilton's Resort Casino features over 60,000 feet on the main casino floor, plus two state of the art gaming rooms for Poker and Asian Games located on the second floor. If the thought of all that gambling brings out your appetite, don't worry, Hilton's Resort Casino has multiple dining options!

The Greenbriar Community Association plans to make the bus trip to the casino entertaining in itself. Featuring movies, a light breakfast, door prizes and a raffle, this will be a fun filled event!

The fee for this event is \$32.00 with a \$21.00 casino bonus. To reserve your seat you must bring your payment in the form of cash or money order, to the Greenbriar management office ASAP. Tickets are non-refundable and may not be reserved over the phone. \*Please note: If the second bus is not more than half filled by Friday, August 31, 2007, it will be cancelled.

For further information please call Greenbriar's Asst. to the Community Manager, Tiffane' Rose at (301) 441-1096 ext.11.



# Obituaries

## Marsha A. Bray

Marsha A. Bray of Laurel Hill Road died on Monday, August 13, 2007.

She is survived by her daughter Abigail R. Bray and cousins Anna and Jenine Sparks.

Private services were held on Tuesday, August 21 at Memory Gardens Cemetery in Lake Worth, Florida.

A memorial service will be held on Tuesday, August 28 at 1 p.m. at St. George's Episcopal Church, 7010 Glenn Dale Road, Glenn Dale (at the corner of Glenn Dale and Greenbelt Roads).

Memorial donations can be made to Martha's Closet, 5601 Randolph Street, Hyattsville, MD 20784 or to the Washington Animal Rescue League, 71 Oglethorpe Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20011.

## Thomas Brown Hieber

Longtime Greenbelter Thomas Brown Hieber died August 15, 2007. He was 93 years old. His wife Mildred Ressler Hieber preceded him in death on January 9, 1999; they had been married for almost 60 years.

Mr. Hieber was born on May 18, 1914, in Pittsburgh, Pa. He was the fourth of eight children (seven of whom grew to adulthood) born to Dr. Charles and Isabella Hieber.

In 1922 his mother was ill with an unknown malady (possibly complications of childbirth) when his father caught a flu sweeping the region and died within a week. Two years later his mother succumbed to her illness. Thus, by age nine, Tom was orphaned and the family was irrevocably split apart: he, his younger brother and two younger sisters were sent across the state to live at the Scotland School for Orphans of Veterans of Foreign Wars (near York); the youngest, a preschool-aged sister, was adopted by an outside family; and two older brothers (aged 15 and 17, deemed too old by the orphanage) were left on their own.

On the completion of his secondary education, Tom returned to Pittsburgh and entered the job-hunting fray at the height of the Great Depression. Despite, or because of, this and the obstacles he had overcome in childhood, he scrambled to set a course for a secure future. This included such things as working in and managing ice cream stores and going to school to become a secretary.

But it was at the ice cream store where he met Mildred Ressler and his future was to be shaped in unplanned ways. Although Mildred already had a boyfriend, her initial shyness sprang more from the "unusual" things Tom said, e.g., that storm clouds of war were gathering exactly as they had prior to the Great War (WWI) and we were headed for a second world war (in 1936).

Nonetheless, they courted for four years, wed in 1940, honeymooned in Washington, D.C., and within months settled into the area. Tom had accepted a civil service job that paid less than his already modest wages but offered security and greater opportunity for growth. It was a career that began at USDA, transferred to Treasury and spanned 33 years.

After the birth of their first child in 1942, the family settled into Greenbelt. Tom obtained an associate degree in accounting from Southeastern University by attending night classes while supporting a growing family of five, on the salary of a GS-5. Except for brief career relocations to Colorado and Georgia in the 1950s, the family remained in Greenbelt. Federal service began as a grade 2 and topped out as a 15, by which time the family had four children.

Throughout his working years he served in various capacities at the Greenbelt Community Church and always supported Mildred in her many charitable activities.

At age 50, Tom took up golf and, as a southpaw, complained that all of the books were written

by right-handers. At age 66, however, he shot a hole-in-one. And, at age 77, he repeated it.

In retirement, he joined the Lions Club and served as president. He especially enjoyed playing Santa Claus for the club's fundraisers.

As Mildred's health declined, he was her sole caregiver, performing household chores and taking her out every day even after she was termed medically fragile. During all of her hospitalizations, he stayed with her eight hours a day, seven days a week.

Following her death, he moved to Florida briefly, then returned to Greenbelt very glad to be back. He enjoyed going to the New Deal Café, watching Jeopardy, cable TV college courses and visiting with his great-granddaughter.

A son, Thomas W. Hieber, preceded him in death in 2001. He is survived by daughters Marion L. Vaughn, of Halethorpe, Md., and Janet E. Hieber, of Greenbelt; and son James C. Hieber, of Springfield, Va.; three grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. Memorial contributions may be made to the Greenbelt Community Church, 1 Hillside Rd.



**Greenbelt Baptist Church**  
101 Greenhill Road  
Greenbelt, MD 20770 - (301) 474-4212  
[www.greenbeltbaptist.org](http://www.greenbeltbaptist.org)

**Welcome!**

<b>Sunday</b>	9:45 am	Sunday School
<b>Sunday</b>	11:00 am	Worship Service
<b>Wednesday</b>	7:00 pm	Prayer Meeting/ Bible Study

**All are Welcome!**

*"Helping People Connect with Christ and His Family Through Loving Service"*

**ST. HUGH OF GRENOBLE CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
135 Crescent Road, Greenbelt, MD 20770  
301-474-4322

**Mass Schedule:**  
Sunday 8:00, 9:30, 11:00 a.m.  
Saturday 9:00 a.m., 5:00 p.m.  
Daily Mass: 7:15 a.m.

**Sacrament of Penance: Saturday 3:45-4:45 p.m.**  
**Pastor: Rev. Walter J. Tappe**  
**Pastoral Associate: Rev. R. Scott Hurd**



**Mishkan Torah Congregation**  
10 Ridge Road, Greenbelt, MD 20770  
Rabbi Jonathan Cohen Cantor Phil Greenfield

Friday evening services 8:00 PM  
*except first Friday of the month, when children's service begins at 7:00 PM*  
Saturday morning services - 9:30 AM  
Sunday minyon - 9:30 AM  
*Children's Education, Adult Education, Social Action, etc.*  
For further information call 301 474-4223 [www.mishkantorah.org](http://www.mishkantorah.org)  
*Conservative and Reconstructionist*



STOP

STOP, LOOK and LISTEN

As we see the flowers bloom and trees turn green, it reminds us of the one who created the serene nature in perfect harmony. It is our job now to keep this harmony in our dealings as well, as the Creator reminds us: "The sun and the moon follow courses (exactly) computed; and the herbs and the trees bow in adoration. And the skies He (God) has raised high, and He has set up the balance (of justice), in order that you may not transgress due balance. So establish weight with justice and fall not short in the balance!" - *The Holy Qur'an, 55:5-10*

This is the guidance sent forth to mankind by God through the last Prophet, Muhammad (peace be upon him). For more information about Islam, call 301-982-9463 or e-mail [info@searchislam.org](mailto:info@searchislam.org) or visit the website at [www.islamguide.com](http://www.islamguide.com).

## Paint Branch Unitarian Universalist Church

3215 Powder Mill Road, Beltsville/Adelphi  
Phone: 301-937-3666 [www.pbuuc.org](http://www.pbuuc.org)



*Welcomes you to our open, nurturing community*



**August 26, 10 a.m.**

"A Beckoning Light"

by Barbara W. ten Hove, co-minister and Carol Carter Walker, trustee with Kathleen Davis, worship associate  
(Summer Fun! Multi-age gathering for children ages 5 and up, Kelley Room)

- Barbara W. and Jaco B. ten Hove, co-ministers

## Mowatt Memorial United Methodist Church

40 Ridge Road, Greenbelt

*Open heart, Open minds, Open doors*

[www.greenbeltumc.org](http://www.greenbeltumc.org) 301-474-9410

Rev. Dr. Paul C. Kim, Pastor

**Sunday School 9:45 am (Recess in July-Aug.)**

**Worship Service 11:00 am Prayer Meeting Sun. 9:45 am**

*Pray conditioned Air conditioned*



## HOLY CROSS LUTHERAN CHURCH

6905 Greenbelt Road • 301-345-5111

### Summer Worship

Sundays at 9:30 a.m.

(Memorial Day to Labor Day Weekend)



Fax 301-220-0694 • E-mail [myholycross@verizon.net](mailto:myholycross@verizon.net)

## Greenbelt Community Church

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST



Hillside & Crescent Roads  
Phone: 301-474-6171 mornings

[www.greenbelt.com/gccucc/](http://www.greenbelt.com/gccucc/)

Sunday Worship

10:15 a.m.

Daniel Hamlin, Pastor


*"A church of the open mind, the warm heart, the aspiring soul, and the social vision..."*

## St. George's Episcopal/Anglican Church

7010 Glenn Dale Road  
(Lanham-Severn Road & Glenn Dale Road)  
301-262-3285 | [rector@stgeo.org](mailto:rector@stgeo.org) | [www.stgeo.org](http://www.stgeo.org)


<b>Sundays:</b>	8:00 am	Simple, quiet Mass
	9:00 am	Christian education for all ages
	10:00 am	Sung Mass with organ and folk music, ASL interpreted
	1:30 pm	Signed Mass (last Sunday of each month only)
<b>Wednesdays:</b>	7:00 pm	Simple, quiet Mass

An inclusive congregation!



Does the Bahá'í Faith have clergy?  
There is no clergy in the Bahá'í Faith. Because the human race has entered upon the age of its maturity, each individual is able to explore the revelation of God and to decide on the issues of life through prayer, reflection and consultation with others. To make this possible, the Bahá'í scriptures have so far been translated into some 800 different languages.

**Greenbelt Bahá'í Community**  
*Come visit our booth at the Labor Day Festival!*  
1-800-22-UNITE 301-345-2918  
[www.bci.org/greenbeltbahai](http://www.bci.org/greenbeltbahai) [www.bahai.us](http://www.bahai.us)




**Hope Fellowship**  
*... living life together*

**Bible Study & Worship**

9:30 "Good Morning!!" Coffee and Snacks  
10:00 a.m. Bible Study 11:00 a.m. Worship  
Greenbelt Youth Center  
99 Centerway (Behind the Community Center)

Pastor Lou Redd  
301-474-4499 410-340-8242 (cell)

*...living life together*



**Catholic Community of Greenbelt MASS**

Sundays 10 A.M.  
Municipal Building



### Vinyl Baby Bibs Lead Paint Recall

The Maryland Attorney General has issued a warning about a voluntary recall of Toys "R" Us store brand vinyl baby bibs that may contain lead paint. The bibs were supplied by Hamco and sold under the labels "Especially for Baby," "Koala Baby" and "Disney." All vinyl bibs have been removed from their shelves to avoid confusion. Consumers should stop using these bibs and return them to Toys "R" Us for a full refund or call 1-800-869-7787 for details.

### Seasoned Volleyball Players Sought

Experienced male and female volleyball players who have played in leagues and/or full day tournaments are wanted for participation on teams in county women's and/or coed fall volleyball leagues. Practice and games begin after Labor Day. To be considered for full-time or substitute play call Diane as soon as possible at 301-776-2805 after noon.

## Academy Stadium Theatres

Beltway Plaza Mall  
Center Court  
301-220-1155

All shows starting before 6 p.m.  
Are ONLY \$5.00

R = ID Required

(!) = No pass, No Discount Ticket

### Week of August 24

FRI. - SAT.

Bourne Ultimatum, PG-13 (!)

12, 2:30, 5, 7:40, 10:10

Superbad, R (!)

12, 2:30, 5, 7:40, 10:10

Resurrecting the Champ, PG-13 (!)

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

War, R (!)

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

The Invasion, PG-13 (!)

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

Illegal Tender, R (!)

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

Rush Hour 3, PG-13 (!)

12:40, 2:50, 5:10, 7:20, 9:50

Underdog, PG (!)

12:45, 3, 4:45

El Cantante, PG-13 (!)

6:45, 9:50

SUN. - TUES.

Bourne Ultimatum, PG-13 (!)

12, 2:30, 5, 7:40

Superbad, R (!)

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Balls of Fury, PG (!)

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



# City Information

### Meetings for August 27-31

**Monday, August 27, 8:00pm, City Council Work Session Re: Civic Associations (stakeholder) at Municipal Building. (Live on Channel 71)**

**Tuesday, August 28, 7:30pm, Public Forum re: Area of the Spellman Overpass at the Greenbriar Community 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.*

### NOTICE OF CHARTER AMENDMENT RESOLUTIONS

At its regular meeting of August 13, 2007, the City Council adopted two resolutions to amend the City Charter. As required by state law, these resolutions will be posted in their entirety for 40 days, until September 22, at the Municipal Building, as well as on the City's Web site at www.greenbeltmd.gov. Copies may also be requested of the City Clerk. Each charter amendment will be come effective on October 2, 2007, unless a proper petition to submit the amendment to the voters on a referendum is filed as permitted by law. This notice is given to provide fair summaries of the two resolutions, as also required by state law.

#### Charter Amendment Resolution No. 2007-1

A Resolution . . . to Amend the Charter of the City of Greenbelt . . . by Amending Section 31, Titled "Election of Council" to Clarify a Certain Requirement for Holding a Runoff Election: Section 31 of the City Charter lays out a number of situations in which a runoff election would be required to determine which candidates had properly been elected to the City Council. It indicates that if fewer than five candidates receive the required minimum number of votes (equal to 40% or more of the number of voters voting in the election), a runoff must be held. The amendment to the charter specifies that this would apply only if more than five candidates are running. In a case where only five candidates were running, no runoff would be required if not all five receive the minimum number of votes.

#### Charter Amendment Resolution No. 2007-2

A Resolution . . . to Amend the Charter of the City of Greenbelt . . . to Empower the City Council to Require Reporting of Contributions and Expenditures Made for the Purpose of Furtherance of or Opposition to Any Ballot Question: Section 21 of the City Charter empowers the City Council to provide for the reporting of contributions and expenditures made either in support of or in opposition to the nomination and election of candidates running for City Council. The amendment to the charter would also allow the City Council to require similar reporting of expenditures made in support of or opposition to any issue, principal or proposition submitted to the voters as a ballot question at an election. It is noted that this is enabling legislation only. It does not legislate a requirement for such reporting. It authorizes the Council to require such reporting if Council later chooses to take action to do so.

*For additional information, contact Kathleen Gallagher, City Clerk, at 301-474-8000 or kgallagher@greenbeltmd.gov.*

### CITY ELECTION INFORMATION NOMINATIONS FOR 2007 REGULAR CITY COUNCIL ELECTION

In accordance with Section 14 of the City Charter, a regular election will be held in the City of Greenbelt, Maryland, on Tuesday, November 6, 2007, to elect the five members of the City Council.

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

**NOMINATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED UNTIL 5:00 PM  
ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2007.**

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

### Greenbelt Municipal/Public Access Channel 71

**MUNICIPAL ACCESS: 301-474-8000: Monday, August 27 at 8pm:** City Council Work Session (live) **Tuesday & Thursday, August 28 & 30: 10am & 6pm** "Ask the Expert", **6:30pm:** ACE Reading Club-Session 4" **7:00pm** "A Grimm Night for Hans Christian Anderson" **8:00pm** Replay of City Council Meeting of 8/27

**PUBLIC ACCESS(GATE): 301-507-6581: Wednesday & Friday, August 29 & 31: 7pm** "DruLore & the Loose Cannons" **7:30pm** Shakespeare on the Green "Henry IV Part I" **8pm** Greg Jackson's "Choices"

**RELOCATION OF ZIPCAR DURING LABOR DAY FESTIVAL:** Due to the Labor Day Festival, the Zipcar in Roosevelt Center will be temporarily moved from the municipal parking lot to the corner of Southway and Ridge Road by Tuesday, August 28. The vehicle will return to the Roosevelt Center municipal parking lot after the festival

### VACANCIES ON BOARDS & COMMITTEES

Volunteer to serve on City Council advisory groups.

Vacancies exist on the:  
**Arts Advisory Board**

**Employee Relations Board**

**Forest Preserve Advisory Board**

**Public Safety Advisory Committee**

**Recycling and Environment Advisory Committee**

**Youth Advisory Committee**

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

THE CITY OF GREENBELT'S: Community Relations Advisory Board, Public Safety Advisory Committee and the Youth Advisory Committee will hold

### OPEN FORUMS

To receive comments on Public Safety Concerns and Solutions to Improve Public Safety in the Vicinity of Roosevelt Center, Gardenway, and the Spellman Overpass

Tuesday, August 28th at 7:30pm

Greenbriar Terrace Room, 7600 Hanover Parkway

Saturday, September 15th at 11:00am

Municipal Building-Council Room, 25 Crescent Road

ALL ARE INVITED TO COME TO THESE FORUMS.

Comments may also be e-mailed to

charris@greenbeltmd.gov or dmoran@greenbeltmd.gov

### FOREST PRESERVE ADVISORY BOARD

At its May 29 Regular Meeting, the City Council adopted changes to the Forest Preserve article of the City Code and approved the formation of a standing Forest Preserve Advisory Board. Residents interested in serving on the new board may call 301-474-8000 for a application form and booklet or find the form and information on the City Web site under "Boards and Committees."



### YOUTH SOCCER LEAGUE

(4-5 Year Olds)

Register now at the Greenbelt Youth Center or through Greenbelt RecLink at

www.greenbeltmd.gov/recreation/reclink.htm

This league is a perfect opportunity for young children to get oriented with the sport of soccer in an atmosphere emphasizing sportsmanship and having fun. Children will be divided into teams based upon their age. Each team will have one practice and one game per week. The season will run for six weeks. Each player will receive a team shirt. All players will also receive a trophy at the conclusion of the season.

When: Wednesday Practices; Saturday Games

(Practices begin Wednesday, September 19)

Where: Braden Field #2 (Outfield Grass)

Fee: Resident \$40 Non-Resident \$50

QUESTIONS? Contact Andrew Phelan, Sports Coordinator,

240-542-2194 or aphelan@greenbeltmd.gov

### Greenbelt Aquatic and Fitness Center FAMILY SWIM NIGHT

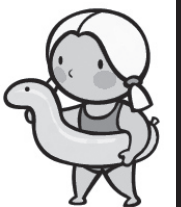
Friday, August 24th from 8-10pm

Bring your pool toys and the whole family for an evening of fun!

Admittance to the pool is \$3.00 per family, residents or non-residents. Entering families must have at least one adult.

Families will be charged \$1 for each additional non-family member, with a limit of 3 non-family members per group. For more information call

301-397-2204



### GREENBELT AQUATIC AND FITNESS CENTER

The GAFC indoor pool will be closed for annual cleaning... August 19th at 8:00pm and will re-open August 27th at 6:00am. During this time the outdoor pool will be open weekdays from 6:00am to 10:15pm and weekends from 8:00am to 9:45pm. We apologize for any inconvenience.

Summer Session III-Adult Water Aerobics Classes ONLY

August 27- September 21-Register NOW until classes fill

Full schedule will resume in the fall



## Dodd's "Magnificent" Mural Graces Voigt Home



"It's simply magnificent," is Marsha Voigt's description of a 9' x 7' art deco mural recently painted for her by Missy Dodd, Greenbelt painter and decorator. Dodd, who painted a beach mural in her own home, enjoys the challenge and is completing a smaller coordinating mural on another wall in Voigt's home.

- photo by Missy Dodd

## Council Recognizes Peters, DeWald and Counselors

by Thomas X. White

The Greenbelt City Council gave a tribute to Greenbelt's former Prince George's County Councilmember Douglas J.J. Peters at its regular meeting on August 13. Peters was elected last November to the Maryland Senate representing the 23rd Legislative District. This was the first opportunity for council to provide official recognition for his efforts on behalf of the city while he was a member of the county council. (From Bowie, Peters' county council district included Greenbelt but his senate district does not.)

For Peters' success in garnering most of the funding for the new Greenbelt Skate Park, council presented him with a commemorative skateboard and an autographed skateboard helmet.

In addition to those tokens of appreciation, council heaped praise on the former county councilmember for all of his efforts. They expressed hope that the city could continue to rely on his support in the Maryland Senate, even though he is no longer an official representative of the Greenbelt area. Peters expressed his gratitude for council's recognition and noted his strong support for Greenbelt, pointing out its strong commitment to the environment, the focus on walkability fostered by the city and the remarkable array of facilities available to Greenbelt citizens in the city center.

### City Employees

Besides this recognition for Peters, several city employees were also praised for their achievements. Among these was Nicole DeWald, the city's arts supervisor, who received a Mary-

land Municipal League Award of Excellence for creating the city's innovative Artful Afternoon program. In addition, council noted that this was also recognized by the National League of Cities.

Later in the meeting City Manager Michael McLaughlin noted that Greenbelt's Resource Advocate Christal Parker Bathey had recently been honored by Maryland Governor Martin O'Malley for her accomplishments in the state's Volunteer Maryland Program.

### CARES Staff

Although not exactly a presentation, Dr. Liz Park, Greenbelt's director of Social Services, introduced to council one of two recently hired Greenbelt CARES Crisis Intervention Counselors (CICs). Glenda Bullock-Willis, a licensed professional counselor, most recently worked for the Prince George's County Board of Education in the After Hours Drop-in Counseling Center and as a drug and alcohol assessment counselor. In brief introductory remarks, Bullock-Willis expressed how impressed she was with the level of caring that Greenbelt has for both its employees and its citizens.

Blanca Brana, also recently hired, was unable to attend the meeting. She is a recent graduate of Argosy University, with a Master's degree in counseling. She is fluent in Spanish.

Park also introduced Shireen Blair, another licensed professional counselor, noting that she is the longest serving CIC with the city. With the new additions, the city now has a full complement of CICs.

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used to be.

Construction is expected to cost \$41 million, with \$25 million coming from the State of Maryland and \$16 million coming from the county, said McCrave. The new building will house 990 students. (In 2005, the latest figures available, 895 students were enrolled.)

### Uniforms

Greenbelt Middle School starts this year with several changes, including school uniforms for students and a pending new school program of International Baccalaureate (IB).

The impact of uniforms may take a few days to sink in. Wearing khaki pants, eighth-grader Aziza Mansaray of Greenbelt said she liked what she was wearing. On the other hand, Darrius Dancy also of Greenbelt and in the 8th grade, said he didn't like any uniform.

Greenbelt Middle School was designated an International Baccalaureate school at the end of last school year. As yet there are no changes to the curriculum. The school is in the application process along with other schools in the system, according to school Principal Judy Austin and School Board Representative Rosalind



School Superintendent Dr. John Deasy greets Greenbelt Middle School students Darrius Dancy and Aziza Mansaray on their first day of school.

- photo by Amy S. Hansen

Johnson.

Finally, most of the maintenance issues identified last year have been dealt with, according to Prince George's County Public School Facilities Manager Vince

Curl. "We put in carpet, did plastering, replaced windows, fixed urinals," he said, reading off a list. Curl estimated that 95 percent of the items on the list were completed on time.

## The High Cost Of the Iraq War

by Judy Bell

Twelve determined citizens turned out in a drizzling rain at noon on Thursday, August 16 to report the amount of money being spent on the Iraq war. The site of the gathering was outside the Federal Courthouse on Cherrywood Lane.

This demonstration was part of a nationwide effort by MoveOn.org Political Action to let people know that \$456 billion has been spent in Iraq, costing each American household \$4,100. To illustrate the amount that has been spent locally, several people held up a huge handwritten check outside the courthouse, spelling out \$1.3 billion for the fifth district alone. All of the local media was invited but none chose to attend except for this representative from the News Review.

The group stood outside in the rain for about a half hour, then ventured into the building to deliver their message to Congressman Steny Hoyer's office, where two more people joined them to deliver the report.

MoveOn.org Political Action is entirely funded by 3.2 million members. There are no corporate contributors, no foundation grants and no union money.

### NAMI Holds Family To Family Program

The National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) will again offer a free 12-week course for family members of individuals dealing with a mental illness.

The group will meet on Thursdays beginning September 20 from 7 to 9 p.m. in University Park. The classes are taught by a team of NAMI-trained volunteers who who have a family member with serious mental illness.

Call Susan Gervasi on 301-474-7680 or Dori Arbach 301-490-0609 more details.

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candidates receive votes amounting to 40 percent or more of the persons voting in the election, a run-off election shall be held to fill the vacancies remaining."

This provision is modified to read: "If, however, fewer than five (5) candidates in a field of six (6) or more candidates receives votes amounting to 40 percent or more of the persons voting in the election, a run-off election will be held to fill the vacancies remaining."

This provision is intended to make clear that if there were only five candidates on the ballot, then holding a run-off would be unnecessary. This provision would take effect on October 2, 2007, assuming it is not petitioned to referendum.

The final item was a charter amendment resolution to provide the same type of reporting of campaign expenditures and contributions currently required of candidates in city elections for groups or organizations that work for or against any issue, principle or proposition submitted to a

vote at any city election. In the case of this charter amendment, council and the city staff consider it to be enabling legislation only and that it would not affect the upcoming 2007 elections because there would not be sufficient time to develop the appropriate ordinance necessary to change the Election Code to set forth specific regulations.

The intent is that with the approved charter amendment in place, the council, staff and the Elections Board would have until the 2009 election cycle to decide whether actual provisions should be developed to extend the reporting requirements to groups or organizations. The Board of Elections recommendation for the Charter change also recommended that any requirements developed for groups or organizations provide that the amount of expenditures or contributions required to trigger a filing should be high so that the burden would not be placed on small groups. This charter amendment resolution was also adopted unanimously.

### Art Contest Focuses on Local Reservoirs

For those who like to draw nature and wildlife, the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission (WSSC) is sponsoring an art contest with a theme of picturing life at Triadelphia and Rocky Gorge Reservoirs. The two reservoirs are home to wildlife, provide recreational opportunities for the public and are an essential source of water for WSSC customers.

The contest, seeking depictions of life supported by Triadelphia and Rocky Gorge reservoirs, is open to anyone with artistic ability. Each contestant may submit one original work in each of the following categories: animal

life, plant life, recreation and water use by people, each at the reservoirs.

Artists may choose their medium - oil, water colors, pastels, pencil, pen and ink, charcoal, etc. For complete contest rules contact Dawn Forsythe at 301-206-8233 or dforsyt@wsscwater.com.

Contestants must submit entries before October 31, 2007.

There will be prizes in each category; winners will receive \$250 for first place, \$100 for second place and \$50 for third place. In addition, WSSC may use artwork submitted in exhibitions, webpages and educational material.



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is fun for children of all ages, Saturday, September 1 is officially "Kids' Day," with a line-up of events and activities designed especially for the younger generation. A series of fun and age-appropriate competitions will be available for kids between 6 months and 12 years on the Community Center lawn between 9:30 and 11 a.m. A children's pet show will be in the same area from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m.



with gospel style and blues arrangements.

Throughout the weekend local Greenbelt artists will have their works on display in the Community Center in an art show and a photo show. Additionally, the Greenbelt Museum's new exhibit, "Sublime on a Dime - Fashions from the Great Depression to World War II," will be open in the Community Center.

For the athletically-minded the schedule on Friday and Saturday includes kickball games, a horse-shoe tournament, a slow-pitch softball tournament, a home run derby and a table tennis tournament.

Throughout the weekend festival-goers, of course, will have access to all the excitement of midway rides and arcade games. Discount coupons to purchase wristbands (which allow bearers unlimited admissions to midway rides from 11 am to 4 pm on Saturday or Sunday from noon to 4 p.m.) are available for purchase at the Co-op supermarket until noon, Friday, August 31. These vouchers can be redeemed at the Festival.

Greenbelt community organizations will feature food and prize booths at the festival grounds, offering traditional festival fare of funnel cakes, hot dogs, soft drinks, ice cream, as well as raffles and other fun competitions.

**Parking**

While parking at the festival is often challenging, a shuttle service is provided to transport festival-goers. Vans will pick-up at parking locations at Eleanor Roosevelt High School, Greenbelt Elementary School and Green Ridge House and deliver the riders to the Main Stage area. Call Festival Information at 301-345-0147 or visit the Information Booth on the Festival Grounds for more details. The festival is just a 10-minute walk from Eleanor Roosevelt High School.

For more information visit [www.greenbelt.com/laborday](http://www.greenbelt.com/laborday).

**All Weekend**

Throughout the day, other shows and events are designed to entertain the younger citizens: a performance by Joe Pipik and the Backpack Puppets from 3 to 4 p.m., a fun-filled show by Lula the Clown at the main stage from 4 to 5 p.m. and the Mayhem Magical Circus at 5 p.m. Strategy games will be available throughout the afternoon at the Youth Center.

The Greenbelt Arts Center will feature staged presentations of the fairy tale, "The Adventures of Rose Red and Snow White" from 11 to 11:30 a.m. and 1 to 1:30 p.m. (Repeated at the same times on Sunday.)

A highlight of Saturday's events for adults will be the annual Information Day exposition in the Roosevelt Center plaza. Greenbelt's community organizations will be on display, distributing information about their missions, programs, events and resources.

Afternoon music entertainment at the main stage from 1 to 3 p.m. features the Caribbean Island energy of "Sam'O," featuring reggae, soca, calypso, rhythm & blues, gospel and more.

Local talent will be featured on the main stage when ordinary citizens display their musical and performing skills in the annual talent show.

Later in the evening, 9 to midnight, main stage musical entertainment will be by the Legendary Orioles, an a capella group who fuse traditional pop songs



Greenbelters were sorry to hear of the death of Greenbelter Marsha Bray, who died August 13, 2007.

Our condolences also to the family of Thomas Heiber of Northway, who died on August 15, 2007. The Heiber family were original residents of the Woodland Hills community.

**Congratulations to:**

- Navy Seaman Recruit Ebon R. Ngome, son of Regina Mesang, who recently completed U.S. Navy basic training at the Recruit Training Command in Great Lakes, Ill.

- ERHS 2007 graduate Hannah Monroe, who has been awarded a full four-year scholarship at Juniata College, Huntingdon, Pa., including tuition, room and board. The Nomination Scholarship was awarded in Service and Peacemaking. Her honors and accomplishments include National Honor Society, Maryland Distinguished School, Spanish Honor Society, membership in the Washington Pro Musica Youth Orchestra and years of volunteer service since age 6 for her church and community.

- Biruk Ayele, who has graduated from the University of Maryland Eastern Shore with a B.S. in biology.

- Found-object Sculptor Elizabeth Lundberg Morisette, who has been awarded an Individual Artist Grant by the Prince George's County Arts Council. This award was made to Morisette to complete a new body of work (20 pieces) for her solo show "Co/modify," to be shown in the new Brentwood Arts Center in late spring 2008. During the exhibit, Morisette will also teach a free community-based basketry workshop at the center.

- Nora Simon, who is among 30 artists chosen from nationwide entries for the 4th Annual Women's Photo Show, an event in the Bethesda August Art Walk

celebrations. The exhibit at the Washington School of Photography Gallery runs through September 5. Simon of Lastner Lane in her third year at the Savannah College of Art and Design, is the youngest photographer in the show.



- Former Greenbelter Helen Oring Nichols, who will celebrate her 100th birthday on August 30 in Lansing, Mich. She loves to receive mail and would be glad to hear from Greenbelters. Her address is Helen Oring Nichols, Ingham Regional Assisted Living, 6429 Earlington Lane, Lansing, MI 48917. For those who would prefer to call, the phone number is 517-886-3996.

- News Review staffer Peter Curtis, a member of the board of the new Friends Community School across from Westchester Park, who was interviewed in a front page article and photo in the Washington Post "A House Made of What? Straw Finds Niche as Eco-Friendly Building Material" on August 20 about the green building techniques used for construction of the school.

Friends, family and neighbors are happy to know that Gwen Vaccaro is home from the hospital recovering from surgery. Vaccaro is the owner of Pleasant Touch Spa in Roosevelt Center, as well as a longtime Greenbelt resident.

Send us your reports of new babies, awards, honors, etc. to share with our readers. We'd especially like to hear more from our neighbors in Greenbelt East and Springhill Lake. To send information for "Our Neighbors" email us at [newsreview@greenbelt.com](mailto:newsreview@greenbelt.com) or leave a message at 301-474-6892.

- Kathleen McFarland

**Aquatic Gardens Offers Wetlands Web Course**

Kenilworth Aquatic Gardens is launching a new section of the park website for adult learners, teachers and college students who want to explore wetlands through a free on-line course. Known for the spectacular summer blooming of lotus and water lilies, Kenilworth Aquatic Gardens also helps preserve over 70 acres of remnant and restored marsh and wetlands along the Anacostia River in northeast Washington, D.C.

Participants in the class can learn about the definitions and types of wetlands and the roles they play. Students can explore how wetlands impact the atmosphere and their influence on both local and global economies. Users will learn more about biological processes such as photosynthesis, oxidization and reduction and the biochemistry of wetlands.

Kenilworth Aquatic Gardens and the Anacostia River serve as a great case study on the nation's shifting attitude toward wetlands. Before 1610 Nacotchatank Indians camped along the shores of the river, harvesting abundant fish, bird and plant resources, especially wild rice. Descendants of European settlers farmed and grazed the rich soils along the river, reducing the wetland's size and health. As the nation began moving toward industrialization, wetlands were often feared as a source of pestilence and disease and they were drained and filled.

Prior to roads, waterways were key economic drivers. The Anacostia wetlands were filled with dredge spoils taken from the river bottom to improve navigation. After roads and highways were developed, wetlands and rivers became convenient dumping grounds for waste, industrial activity and sewage overflow. Over time, blight and contamination left these areas uninhabitable. Forgotten and impaired areas like the Anacostia River flowing behind the nation's capital, are getting renewed interest in protection and restoration. Students in the course can opt to review a park wetland case study or select a wetland in their area to determine the value of both natural and reconstructed wetlands.

Visit the site at [www.ns.gov/keaq](http://www.ns.gov/keaq) and select the "For Teachers" link and "Distance Learning Opportunities" link or go directly to <http://www.nps.gov/keaq/forteachers/distancelearningopportunities.htm> or call Ranger Bucco at 202-426-6905.

**Parade Check**

Applications for a place in the Labor Day Parade were due on August 15. Check the list at <http://www.greenbelt.com/laborday/Parade.htm>. If your contingent's name does not appear on the list, your application was not received. Contact Linda Ivy at [lindaivy@AOL.COM](mailto:lindaivy@AOL.COM).

**PGCPS Continues Yearly Improvements**

Prince George's County Public Schools (PGCPS) has announced that record levels of student achievement have pulled 11 elementary schools out of "School Improvement" status. Twice as many schools exited School Improvement as occurred a year ago after meeting all federal mandates for Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) for two years in a row.

PGCPS students have raised their scores in reading and mathematics on the Maryland School Assessments (MSA) for four years in a row - reaching the highest achievement levels in the school system since 2003.

Springhill Lake Elementary school is one of 17 Schools-in-Improvement which made AYP and are now in position to exit Improvement status next year.

Overall, there are 56 elementary and middle schools in School-in-Improvement - down from 63 a year ago.

**Family Fun In Old Bowie**

Bring the family to Bowie on Saturday, August 25, 10:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. - spend an hour or spend the day.

A&M Cycle, 13002 Ninth Street, features a free BMX racing clinic and information. Find out more about the sport of BMX bicycle racing to get ready for this new Olympic sport. The clinic is for boys and girls age 6 to 19.

From 2 to 4 p.m. at the Village Green there will be a summer Celtic concert by the Home-spun Ceilidh Band.

The Railroad Museum offers tours of a 1992 caboose from noon to 4 p.m., while visitors also enjoy trains passing by from the observation station. The Old Town Bowie Welcome Center Heritage and Children's Museum is open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

For more information call Michael DeNardo at 301-262-4343.

**Volunteer Coordinator Positions Available**

Make a difference in the community - become a Volunteer Maryland Coordinator: those selected will organize volunteers to meet a critical need such as coordinating youth mentoring programs, providing services for people with disabilities or environmental restoration projects.

This is a one-year commitment as a member of AmeriCorps (the "domestic Peace Corps"). The service year begins September 19 and includes extensive training, a \$13,000 living allowance, health care and a post-service education award of \$4,725. Full- and part-time opportunities are available.

Candidates must possess and demonstrate excellence in the following areas: verbal and written communication, computer skills, problem solving and conflict resolution, leadership, public speaking and commitment to national and community service. Applicants must have access to reliable transportation. People with disabilities are encouraged to apply.

Go to [www.volunteermaryland.org](http://www.volunteermaryland.org) or call 410-767-6231 to apply.

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## Greenbelt Pioneer Returns to 60 Court

by Bill Wilkerson

It was early afternoon on my birthday, August 20, when my wife Dianne called upstairs to say she noticed someone had pulled into 60 Court in a gold colored PT-Cruiser and that two people were taking pictures of our house and our neighbor Elizabeth Kubiczek's house. Being curious, we went out to see what was going on. Maybe they just appreciated our big flowering red Lord Baltimore hibiscus?

We quickly learned that the lady in the PT-Cruiser was Ruth Morgan Raffaeli, who grew up as part of the original Morgan family who had occupied Kubiczek's house in 1937. Raffaeli was taking pictures with her son on her way back home to Strongsville, Ohio near Cleveland. She had been visiting another son who lives in Port Republic in St. Mary's County, Md.

We talked for over an hour about her recollections, what had happened since we arrived in 1979 and what court favorites Dora and Dick White (formerly of Unit G) had told us about the court history they knew of since they moved around 1967. Raffaeli is a pleasant person with whom to talk.

### Family History

Raffaeli recalled that her family, the Morgans, moved into Unit G on October 17, 1937, when she was nine years old. She said they were the 25th family to move into Greenbelt. They moved from Edenburg, Texas to D.C. for one year and then to Greenbelt. How she remembered the date they moved in is beyond me.

Raffaeli had the small bedroom facing the service-side that Kubiczek uses as a guest bedroom/reading room. Raffaeli lived in the house for about 13 years until around 1950 when she got out of college. While she was in college she lived at home during breaks from college dorm living and in the summer when she was home from the University of Maryland College Park.

One interesting memory she relayed was that her father used to have a vegetable garden where Kubiczek's parking space is now located. I have always theorized from cracks in the pavement that the parking lot had been enlarged in the past on both sides to its existing configuration with 12 parking spaces. She recalled everyone in the court had low privet hedges.

Raffaeli also said that she still owns some of the original Scan-like furniture her family bought at the Co-op. She recalled that the kitchen had a black counter top. We told her Penny Koines has the only original kitchen left in the court, but its black counter is gone.

She said that the brick and block walls in Unit D, E and G's service side yards were built after her family moved away. She said that Unit G had a maple tree similar to the tree in Alice Mitchell's yard and as described to us by Dora. We had a service-side maple as well, which was taken down in the 80s after its roots blocked a storm drain.

Raffaeli told us her parents were Eva and Arja. She had a brother Earl now deceased. This is the first coincidence that came out of the conversation. Kubiczek's daughter Eva lived with her before going off to college.



Ruth Morgan Raffaeli and her son came back to Greenbelt recently to visit her childhood home. — photo by Bill Wilkerson

Neighbors, Ghosts

Raffaeli next related the occupants of each unit from her era as follows (if I have it correctly). I am guessing most of these families did not decide to purchase their units when the Federal government got out of the rental business and the housing co-op was formed in 1953. Names of ghosts who once played in the yards, ran up the steps from school, laughed in the park, or helped mothers with laundry, were uttered that had perhaps not been heard in the court for over 54 years. Four more coincidences came to light during this discussion.

The Brennans lived in Unit A, where Penny Koines now resides. Jimmy, one of the boys, got infantile paralysis, supposedly from the swimming pool. Raffaeli met him (in his wheelchair) at a reunion.

The Benefiels lived in Unit B with their two sons, Le Grande (now deceased) and Harry (who Raffaeli met at one of the reunions), where Peter and Cathy Brady now live. Mrs. Mitchell lived with two daughters in one of the honeymoon cottages, Unit C, where Bill Wrigley now lives. This is the second coincidence because Alice Mitchell (no relation) lives in Unit E now. The Fickes, a mother and son, lived in Unit D, where Emma Yang lives. The Thomases lived in Unit E, where Alice Mitchell lives now.

Anne Childress lived in Unit F (our house). We had met Anne's older brother Larry during a specially arranged visit by pioneers in 1987 (coincidence #3). He came to tour his old (our) house from Silver Spring with his wife. Raffaeli ran into Anne in Alabama and may have her email address. Anne now lives in Florida.

The Morgans lived in Unit G as related above. The Domchicks lived in Unit H where Ray Pauley lives. Mr. Domchick was an in-law of the Gussios, a pioneer family who lived nearby at 62A Crescent until her death about ten years ago and his (Salvadore) death two years ago.

This is another coincidence because I recall that a Donna Domchick had power of attorney for Howard Slaymaker (owner of Unit F before us) to sign documents relating to the sale of his MOU to us in 1979, since he had moved to Arizona with his daughter before the settlement.

The Burkes lived in Unit J where Nancy Solomon and her two boys, Aaron and Isaac, live now. Raffaeli met Bobby Burke

at the last reunion of the pioneers. Ellen Gussio had organized the reunions but is doing so no longer. Raffaeli said she feels that apparently there will be no more pioneer reunions.

The Greens lived in Unit K where Jennifer Green lives now with her daughter Sara. Apparently this is yet another coincidence because Jennifer is not related to the Greens whom Raffaeli grew up. Raffaeli did not know Jennifer's grandmother, Mrs. Drennen, who lived in the house up until about 1977 or so.

### Goodbyes

We showed Raffaeli the 50th Anniversary of Greenbelt History Book (1987) and she said she had not seen it before. She said perhaps next time she would contact us ahead when she gets to the area and maybe request a tour by Kubiczek. We took a few pictures and we all felt uplifted by the nice talk. Raffaeli enjoyed meeting someone with talk about her memories. We felt lucky to have been able to meet her by chance and hear about our court history from 1937 to 1950. She said it felt like it was just yesterday that she lived here. Time flies.

### City Notes

Animal Control staff transported several puppies to the vet for examination; cared for an injured baby squirrel; placed one dog for adoption and responded to a citizen's complaint of a pit bull running at large at Springhill Lake.

The public works staff collected 36.36 tons of refuse and 14.85 tons of co-mingled recyclable materials.

Arts staff announced that a new exhibition will open August 18 at the Greenbelt Community Center Art Gallery. "Formed and Transformed" features work by current and former participants in the Recreation Department's artist-in-residence program celebrating the inspiration which the artists provide one another. This project was developed by Loraine DiPietro, a current artist-in-residence, with the support of the arts program staff.

### CARES

Summer Book Club offered through the Greenbelt Recreation Department and organized and facilitated by the ACE Reading Club's Program Coordinator Liz Murray completed its eight weeks of programming on August 10. Seventy children participated in the Summer Book Club programs which ran in conjunction with the Greenbelt Recreation Department's summer camps.

## Wildlife on Virginia Trail Also Found in Greenbelt

by Don Comis

When I read an article in The Washington Post about springtime birds and other fauna and flora that could be seen driving from Alexandria to Virginia Beach following Virginia's new statewide Birding and Wildlife Trail, I bet myself that almost every animal or plant mentioned in the article could be found without ever leaving Greenbelt.

Sure enough, on close examination, I found we have all five of the birds shown in photos in the article, starting with my noisy friend, the red-bellied woodpecker who has the cover shot. We have the Canada geese, the hermit thrush, the northern flicker and the great white egret pictured in the article.

### Birds

As far as the other birds mentioned in the article, we have the yellow bellied sapsuckers the article leads off with, as well as the: yellow rumped warblers, killdeer, meadowlarks, blue grosbeaks, indigo buntings, eastern bluebirds, swallows, eagles, ospreys, crows, tufted titmice, mallards, red winged blackbirds, red-headed woodpeckers, hairy woodpeckers, pileated woodpeckers, great blue herons, red tailed hawks, cormorants and seagulls.

And we have the dickcissels, grasshopper sparrows and peregrine falcons, at least on the Beltsville Agricultural Research Center (BARC).

Doug Bolt, who leads monthly bird walks at BARC, says he has seen the American bittern mentioned in the article at Lake Artemesia. "However, I think I recall someone seeing one around Greenbelt Lake," Bolt says.

It is only the brown-headed nuthatch that we might be missing.

That would mean that 30 of the 31 birds mentioned or photographed in the article can be seen in the Greenbelt-Beltsville area.

In fact, we have at least 112 more bird species not mentioned in the article: A U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) list of birds in Greenbelt Park lists 139 birds, many of them just occasional to rare visitors to the park or just "flyovers." (<http://www.mbr-pwrc.usgs.gov/id/framlst/Nps/grbe.htm>). And Peter Blank has recently counted 128 species in Greenbelt woods, 18 of which were not included in the USGS list. This brings the total bird species in Greenbelt to at least 158, counting the egret which was not on either list.

As far as plants are concerned, while we don't have the cypress swamps mentioned in the article, we have plenty of the shaded woodlands mentioned. In fact, Greenbelt Park constitutes one of the largest tracts of forest inside the Washington Beltway, not to mention the extensive Greenbelt Homes, Inc., city forests, forests on BARC and other government lands outside the Beltway. The Greenbelt Park forest includes Virginia pine and oaks, often with an understory dominated by American holly, mountain laurel or blueberries.

### Bees

But we don't have to go to Greenbelt Park to see Mountain Laurel of course – the native plant also grows on "Parcel 1" woods owned by the City of Greenbelt and in yards such as that of Suzanne Batra in Old Greenbelt.



Meadowlark

Batra, a bee scientist now retired from BARC, recently gave me a tour of her yard with its native plants and homes for native wild bees. "Greenbelt may have about 200 wild bee species," Batra said. For insects, the Post article whimsically mentioned only two butterflies named for punctuation marks, the comma butterfly and the question mark butterfly, both of which are found in Greenbelt, along with thousands of species of other insects, including beetles, flies, ants, wasps, moths and other butterflies.

Batra suggests that while insects aren't as conspicuous as birds, for example, they rule the world, starting with beetles. She suggests checking out the "gorgeous green tiger beetles" in the woods of Parcel 1.

As for the spring peepers mentioned in the Post article, we have them and at least nine other species of frogs and toads in the Greenbelt-Beltsville area, according to Linda Weir, coordinator for the North American Amphibian Monitoring Program at the USGS Patuxent Wildlife Research Center in Laurel.

### Turtles

Weir says she expects that this area would also have the red-eared slider turtle pictured in the article, as well as the Eastern painted turtles mentioned. "I'm not sure about spotted turtles, though they are found at Patuxent." We also have species not mentioned such as the box turtle and snapping turtle.

Snakes? We have black, garter and other snakes.

For mammals, the article mentions beaver, rabbits and deer. As shown on its website, Greenbelt Park has deer, beaver and rabbits as well as 11 other mammals including skunks, flying squirrels and little brown bats. Lutz Raestaetter, who leads bat walks around Greenbelt Lake, said that he has seen at least two species of bats flying around the lake. "In all there are eight species in this area out of 47 in the entire country," Lutz says.

We also have raccoons, red and gray foxes, opossums and various mice and shrews.

With coyotes in every county in Maryland, we may have to add coyotes as possible mammals in Greenbelt.

### Fish

We have all of the fish mentioned in the article: largemouth bass, bluegill, American eel and catfish. In fact, according to Phong Trieu, an environmental planner with the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments in Washington, D.C., we have 21 species of fish in Still Creek which flows mainly in Greenbelt Park, as counted by biologists between 1998 and 2000. There are 31 fish species in Beaverdam Creek and 36 in Indian Creek, both of which are partly in Greenbelt.



**9-11am KIDS' GAMES**  
Greenbelt Community Center front lawn. (Rain location Community Center gym.) A true carnival-style setting, a variety of games will be take place with break out games:

Time	6m-1yr	2-4yrs	5-9yrs	9-12yrs
9:30	Diaper Derby	Bucket Fill	Hula Hoop	Big Bubble
10:00	Diaper Derby	Foot Race	Big Bubble	Hula Hoop
10:30	Diaper Derby	Peanut Race	Water Balloon	Water Balloon

*Sponsored by: Greenbelt Recreation Department*

**9am-10pm GREENBELT MUSEUM EXHIBITION**  
Community Center. See entry at 9 am Friday.

**9am-10pm ANNUAL LABOR DAY SLOW PITCH TOURNAMENT**  
Greenbelt Softball Fields. Men's top area teams; first class competition. Pre-registration required. For more information contact Andrew Prielan at 301-397-2200.  
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**9am RICHARD "REDS" ROLAND MEMORIAL HORSE-SHOES TOURNAMENT**  
Horseshoe Pits (adjacent to Aquatic Center). Registration from 9-9:30am; competition begins at 9:30am.  
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**9:30-10:30am CHILDREN'S PET SHOW**  
Community Center Lawn. All kinds, types, sizes of pets. Registration 9:30am. Judging 10am. Awards 10:30am. Greenbelt's greatest pets get some well-deserved attention. Rain or Shine!  
*Presented by Teen Girl Scouts of Greenbelt.*

**10:30am- INFORMATION DAY AND COMMUNITY EXHIBIT 4pm**  
Roosevelt Center. Visit the information display tables set up by local organizations and learn about your community!

**11am-11pm CARNIVAL MIDWAY OPENS**  
Midway. Rides by Rosedale Amusements. See page 2 for pricing information.

**11-11:30am THE ADVENTURES OF ROSE RED & SNOW WHITE**  
Greenbelt Arts Center. Two young women meet a friendly bear, an extremely cranky grasshopper and other fantastic beings that live in the forest. Repeated at 1pm and Sunday at 11am and 1pm. FREE.  
*Sponsored by Alchemy Children's Theater and Greenbelt Arts Center*

**Noon-10pm AMATEUR RADIO**  
Midway. Contact other stations throughout North America or even around the world! Also open Sun. Noon-9pm.  
*Sponsored by the Central Maryland Amateur Radio Club and the Prince George's Amateur Radio Club*

**12:15-1:30pm HOME RUN DERBY**  
Braden Field #2. Registration 9am - Noon. 8 pitches or 6 swings. You provide your own pitcher, balls provided. Entry fee \$5.00. Winner receives 40%; 2nd Place 10%; David Craig Memorial Fund 50%.

**1-3pm SAM'O**  
Stage. Groove to the Island energy and cool Caribbean sounds of Sam'O. His repertoire includes reggae, soca, calypso, rhythm & blues, dance music, gospel and more.

**1-1:30pm THE ADVENTURES OF ROSE RED AND SNOW WHITE**  
Greenbelt Arts Center. See entry at 11am.

**1-4pm STRATEGY GAMES**  
Festival Area & Youth Center Game Room. Demonstration and instruction on playing strategy games by Beltsville Strategy Games Club. Over a dozen games will be on hand.  
*Sponsored by Greenbelt Recreation Department*

**1-6pm ART SHOW**  
Community Center. See works by Greenbelt artists of all ages.

**1-6pm PHOTO SHOW**  
Community Center. Come see a display of the best photographs taken by your neighbors. Vote for your favorites!

**3-4pm JOE PIPK AND THE BACKPACK PUPPETS**  
Stage. A high-energy, humorous, interactive puppet show.

**4-5pm LULA THE CLOWN**  
Stage. Lula charms the audience with her sweet nature and physical comedy.

**5-6pm MAYHEM MAGICAL CIRCUS**  
Stage. Guitar music, wire walking, juggling and more!

**5-5:30pm MACBETH: LIFE ON THE HEATH**  
Greenbelt Arts Center. See entry at 8pm Friday. Repeated at 7pm and Sunday at 5pm and 7pm.

**6-7:15pm TALENT SHOW**  
Stage. Dancers, violinists, pianist, guitarists, singers, poets, comedians, you-name-it, of all ages put on the show of their lives for their friends and neighbors.

**7:15-8:30pm MISS GREENBELT PAGEANT**  
Stage. The 1st Princess Program. Hosted by all three 2006 Misses Greenbelt queens.

**7-7:30pm MACBETH: LIFE ON THE HEATH**  
Greenbelt Arts Center. See entry at 8pm Friday. Repeated Sunday at 5pm and 7pm.

**9pm- Mid. THE LEGENDARY ORIOLES**  
Stage. Rock and Roll Hall of Fame, the Legendary Orioles fuse traditional pop songs with gospel and blues to create smooth harmonies. This a capella group is as refreshing and unique as when they started singing more than 50 years ago.



"Sam'O" will bring cool Caribbean sounds to the stage on Saturday afternoon from 1 to 3pm.

**9am-10pm ANNUAL LABOR DAY SLOW PITCH TOURNAMENT**  
Greenbelt Softball Fields. Continuation of double elimination tournament. See entry at 9am Saturday.

**9am-7pm GREENBELT MUSEUM EXHIBITION**  
Community Center. See entry at 9am Friday.

**11-11:30am THE ADVENTURES OF ROSE RED AND SNOW WHITE**  
Greenbelt Arts Center. See entry at 11am Saturday. Repeated at 1pm.

**11am-11pm CARNIVAL MIDWAY OPENS**  
Midway. Rides by Rosedale Amusements. See page 2 for pricing information.

**Noon-8pm AMATEUR RADIO**  
Midway. See entry at noon Saturday.

**1-4pm JOHNNY SEATON as ELVIS!**  
Stage. His name is Johnny Seaton, but you will swear it's Elvis!  
*Sponsored by DC Road Runners*

**1-1:30pm THE ADVENTURES OF ROSE RED AND SNOW WHITE**  
Greenbelt Arts Center. See entry at 11am Saturday.

**1-5pm GREENBELT MUSEUM HOUSE**  
10-B Crescent Rd. The Greenbelt Museum's house is restored and furnished with objects from the period 1936-1946. Open to the public for viewing. Admission fee charged on Sunday. Open for FREE on Monday 1-5pm.

**1-4pm STRATEGY GAMES**  
Youth Center Game Room. See entry at 1pm Saturday.

**1-6pm PHOTO SHOW**  
Community Center. See entry at 1pm Saturday.

**1-6pm ART SHOW**  
Community Center. See entry 1pm Saturday.

**1-5pm ARTFUL AFTERNOON: STUDIO OPEN HOUSE**  
Community Center. See the Artists in Residence in action during a studio open house; many will have items for sale.  
*Sponsored by Greenbelt Recreation Department*

**1-3pm ARTFUL AFTERNOON: FABULOUS FASHIONS WEAR-ABLE ART WORKSHOP**  
Community Center. Join Artist in Residence Gina Mai Denn to create festive accessories to show off on the midway. All ages welcome. FREE.  
*Sponsored by Greenbelt Recreation Department*



"Wayne Brown & Second Conspiracy" are back with a rockin' performance on Sunday from 9pm to Midnight.

**2-4pm ARTFUL AFTERNOON: PRINT A SOUVENIR PHOTO!**  
Community Center Darkroom. Print your own souvenir photo with artist/instructor David Ashman using our black and white negatives or your own. No experience needed. Workshop times: ages 10-13, 2pm and 3pm, ages 14-adult, 2:30pm and 3:30pm. FREE.  
*Sponsored by Greenbelt Recreation Department*

**4-6pm MARY SHAWER BAND**  
Stage. This sweet soul and blues band will soothe you with a soft ballad or rock you with traditional hard-core blues standards.

**5pm ANNUAL LARRY NOEL 15K FOOT RACE**  
Required Entry Fee. Packet pick up and late registration at Youth Center from 4-4:45pm. Starting line is on Northway at Woodland Way. For details and registration see: <http://www.dcroadrunners.org/> call DC Roadrunners Hotline: (703) 241-0395 or email [larrynoel15k@verizon.net](mailto:larrynoel15k@verizon.net)  
*Sponsored by DC Road Runners*

**5-5:30pm MACBETH: LIFE ON THE HEATH**  
Greenbelt Arts Center. See entry at 8pm Friday. Repeated at 7pm.

**5:10pm 3K FUN RUN**  
Required entry fee. Packet pick up and late registration at Youth Center from 4-4:45pm. Starting line is at Braden Field Tennis Courts.

**6-6:30pm MISS GREENBELT PAGEANT**  
Stage. Presentation of Little Miss, Junior Miss and Miss Greenbelt contestants in formal wear and public speaking competition. Crowning of Little Miss, Junior Miss and Miss Greenbelt. Host: Rich Lee. Sign language interpreter on stage.

**7-7:30pm MACBETH: LIFE ON THE HEATH**  
Greenbelt Arts Center. See entry at 8pm Friday.

**9pm- Mid. WAYNE BROWN & SECOND CONSPIRACY**  
Stage. Rock and Roll Oldies at its absolute best! This great band returns to the Festival to rock the stage.



"Mary Shaver Band" will perform Sunday late afternoon from 4 to 6pm.





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### Shuttle buses will pick up and drop off Festival goers from:

#### At convenient times all four days:

Friday 6 to 11pm  
Saturday 10am to 11pm  
Sunday Noon to 11pm  
Monday Noon to 4pm

#### At three convenient locations:

Greenbelt Elementary School  
Green Ridge House  
Eleanor Roosevelt High School

During the parade, the shuttle bus schedule has been amended to accommodate street closings.  
**From 9am until Noon, the shuttle will leave from Eleanor Roosevelt High School at 9, 10 and 11am.**  
After the parade, the shuttle will depart from in front of the library and return to Buddy Attick Park.



# 53rd Annual Greenbelt Labor Day Festival

Friday, Aug. 31 through Monday, Sept. 3, 2007

*"Unity through community involvement"*

Dear Festival Visitor:



Greenbelt City Councilmembers standing from left, Leta Mach and Konrad Herling; sitting from left, Ed Putens, Judith Davis and Rodney Roberts

Welcome to the 53rd Annual Greenbelt Labor Day Festival! The City of Greenbelt is honored to host this unique community celebration, which is the largest event of its kind in the State of Maryland and provides so much enjoyment to all its citizens. Many family and friends reunions occur during this special weekend. The Festival also provides a wonderful opportunity for many of our city's non-profit, service and religious organizations to participate and make themselves known to our residents and visitors.

This Festival is organized and conducted by an independent volunteer group, the Greenbelt Labor Day Festival Committee. These dedicated citizens have worked long hours this past year to ensure that we all have a wonderful time. We are grateful for their efforts and those of all the other community volunteers and City employees who make this event possible.

We hope you enjoy this weekend's festivities. Plan to come to all four days and take full advantage of the wide range of activities being offered, from the opening ceremony and concert Friday evening to the Labor Day Parade on Monday. If you have any questions about the City of Greenbelt, please call us at 301-474-8000.

Best wishes for a great weekend!

*John F. Davis, Mayor*

*Rodney Roberts, Mayor Pro Tem*

*Leta N. Hering, Member of Council*

*Edward V. J. Pinsky, Member of Council*



### Miss Greenbelt Pageant

**2007 Miss Greenbelt contestants:**  
Stephanie Archibald, Allie Claytor, Danielle Davis, Ciara Dinh, Lauren Decker, Danielle Douglas, Michelle Foster, Gellia Mestiri, Kwei Parek

**2007 Junior Miss Greenbelt contestants:**  
Emily Biery, Nathalie Denham, Arienne Goolsby, Julie Houchens, Nandi Howard, Sarah Larkin, Tinka Long, Eboni Onuoha, Briana Singletary, Alexis Thompson, Allison Thompson, Tiffane Tingle, Katie Truske, Jodi Wildoner, Kayleen Yermal, Kimberly Zevallos

**2007 Little Miss Greenbelt contestants:**  
Kristen Beauchamp, Alana Graves-Bey, Kacia Davis, Olalade Ihaiza, Keristen Keiffine, Victoria Kerdock, Jade Kienas, Elizabeth Leishear, Callyn Mathis, Hope Micallef, Alama Rali, Kathleen von Stein, Krystal Zevallos

### Information Day & Community Exhibits

Saturday, September 1 from 10:30am to 4pm

Our local merchants, civic and community groups will be on hand to greet you and introduce you to their organizations and activities. Come to **Roosevelt Center**, learn a little, meet some great people and enjoy an afternoon at the Festival.

See a full list of exhibitors on page 6.

### Parade

There will be floats, bagpipes, firetrucks, color guards, community organizations and the Miss Greenbelt participants.

The Grand Marshal is Greenbelt's Outstanding Citizen. Sign language interpreter at the reviewing stand across from the Municipal Building.

Parade Route: Down Crescent Rd. from Greenhill to Centerway. See shuttle schedule on page 8.



# Why Cook?

Relax Over the Weekend . . . Eat Out at the Festival!

Booths in the Carnival Midway include:

- **Funnel Cakes, Lemonade** – Eleanor & Franklin Roosevelt Democratic Club; **Pizza** – Greenbelt American Legion; **Hamburgers, Cheeseburgers, Hot Dogs** – Boy Scout Troop #746; **Pit Beef/Ham/Turkey** – Adult Education; **Italian/Polish Sausage** – St. Hugh's Knights of Columbus; **French Fries, Sweet Potato Fries, Iced Tea** – Mishkan Torah Men's Club; **Otis Spunkmeyer Cookies** – ERHS Class of 2008; **Korean Vegetable Dumplings, Fruit Cups, Nachos** – Mowatt United Methodist Church; **Shaved Ice, Frozen Candy Bars** – International Student Volunteers; **Philly Steaks, Potato Pancakes, Fried Shrimp, Corn Dogs, Butterfly Potatoes, Candied Almonds** – Astronomical Society of Greenbelt; **Ribs, Chili Dogs, Half Smokes, Veggie Burgers, Assorted Desserts by Chef Lou** – Greenbelt Cultural Arts Center; and **Fortune Cookies, Almond Cookies, Rice Krispie Treats** – ERHS Band

Sodas and Beverages Available at Many Booths

## Carnival Midway Booths and Activities

Ride tickets – \$1.00; .25 for \$20.00 unlimited rides from 11am to 4pm Saturday or Noon to 4pm Sunday. No charge for entertainment, shows or events unless noted. The "All You Can Ride Wristband" vouchers are available for \$8.00 at Co-op until Noon on Friday, Aug. 31. These vouchers can be redeemed at the Festival for the \$20.00 "All You Can Ride Wristband." Prices subject to change without notice; no refunds. Prices subject to change without notice; no refunds.

### Carnival Discount Coupons

Special Matinee Prices for Carnival Rides

WEATHER PERMITTING

Sat., Sept. 1 from 11am to 4pm

Sun., Sept. 2 from Noon to 4pm

All you can ride wristbands – \$20.00

\$17.00 with discount coupon

Discount coupons are now available from: Greenbelt Consumer Co-op, Greenbelt Library, Aquatic Center, Municipal Finance Office, Youth Center, Springhill Lake Recreation Center, Rental Office and Community Relations Office, Community Building & Pool at Greenbriar & Windsor Green, GHI, Good Luck Rd. & Hanover Parkway 7-11, Greenway Liquors, Cipriano Liquors, Generous Joe's, Police Station, Greenbelt Video, Community Center Office and Greenbelt Mini-Mart.

Crafts – Greenbelt Nursery School

Used Books – Greenbelt Elementary PTA

Face Painting – Greenbelt Baptist Church

Button Making – Greenbelt Bahai Community

Zoo Dip – Boxwood Civic Association

Information Booth – GHI

Bingo – United Cerebral Palsy

Crime Prevention, Traffic Safety, Dare – Greenbelt Police Dept.

Information Booth – Greenbelt Department of Planning & Community Development

Fire Prevention, First Aid – Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Dept.

Games, Make Rockets, Sun Pictures, Coloring Books – Astronomical Society of Greenbelt

Temporary Tattoos, Body Strokes, Glow Necklaces Bracelets – ERHS Pom Squad

Dunkin' Booth – Hope Fellowship

Rides by Rosedale Amusements.

Booths constructed and wired by Greenbelt Public Works Department.

## The Greenbelt Labor Day Festival offers a unique opportunity for local residents to display their talents and creativity.

### Art Show

Pre-registration for the art show is not required; bring your art-work to the Community Center between 6 and 8pm on Thursday, 9:30am to Noon, or 5 to 7pm on Friday. Participating artists must live, work, or go to school in Greenbelt. Adult artists are limited to 4 entries, and children & teens are limited to 3 entries. Viewing will be Saturday and Sunday 1 to 6pm. Awards will be presented on the stage Monday at 1pm. Viewing will take place Monday Noon to 4pm, and pick-up will run from 4 to 5pm. The committee is not responsible for unclaimed work. For information see: <http://greenbelt.com/laborday/Art.htm>, or contact Barbara Simon at 301-474-2192.

#### Categories:

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|----------------------------|-----------------------|
| <b>ADULT</b>               | <b>CHILDREN</b>       |
| • Oil and Acrylic Painting | • Pre-School to age 6 |
| • Watercolor Painting      | • Ages 7 to 10 years  |
| • Drawing                  | • Ages 11 to 14 years |
| • Graphics/Mixed Media     | • Ages 15 to 18 years |
| • Fine Crafts              | • Painting            |
|                            | • Drawing             |
|                            | • Sculpture           |

The Cipriano Award is given each year to one adult winner and one child for art depicting "Americans at Work."



#### Art Exhibition:

Throughout the festival weekend visit the Community Center Art Gallery. On exhibit is "Formed and Transformed: Works by the Greenbelt Community Center Artists in Residence." This collection by current and former Artists in Residence reflects the ways in which they have inspired one another. Ceramics, fiber arts, paintings and more. Coordinated by Loraine DiPietro, current Artist in Residence. Viewing times are Friday from 9am to 10pm, Saturday from 9am to 10pm, Sunday from 9am to 7pm and Monday from 9am to 6 pm. Many of the artists will also have their works available for sale. FREE. Sponsored by Greenbelt Recreation Department

### Photo Show

Pre-registration for the photo show is not required; bring up to two photos per person to the Community Center between 5 and 7pm on Friday, August 31. Viewing will be Saturday and Sunday 1 to 6pm, Monday Noon to 4pm. Viewers can vote for the "Community Favorites" on Saturday and Sunday. Awards will be presented on the stage Monday at 1pm. Pick-up will run from 4 to 5pm on Monday. For information see <http://greenbelt.com/laborday/Photo.htm>, or contact Keith Zevallos at 301-474-5542.

#### Categories:

- NEW for 2007! Green Living in Greenbelt
- Those Who Serve and Protect Us
- My Greenbelt/Greenbelt Memories
- Produced in Greenbelt Darkroom
- Proud America
- Landscapes – Sunrise/Sunset
- Landscapes – All Other
- People – Photos of Children
- People – Photos of Adults and Families
- Flowers
- Wild Animals and Nature
- Buildings and Architecture
- Still Life/Pictorial/Abstract
- Sports/Photo Journalism/Events
- Pets
- Travel



#### Check out the darkroom:

On Sunday you can try your hand in the Community Center darkroom. Print your own souvenir photo with artist/instructor David Ashman using our black and white negatives or your own. No experience needed. Workshop times: ages 10-13, 2pm and 3pm; ages 14+adult, 2:30pm and 3:30pm. FREE. Sponsored by Greenbelt Recreation Department



# LABOR DAY Monday, Sept. 3

**9am-7pm**

**ANNUAL LABOR DAY SLOW PITCH SOFTBALL FINALS**  
Braden Field #2 if needed. See entry at 9am Saturday.  
*Sponsored by Greenbelt Recreation Department*

**9am-6pm**

**GREENBELT MUSEUM EXHIBITION**  
Community Center. Se entry at 9am Friday.

**9:30am**

**LIONS CLUB BIKES & TRIKES**  
Roosevelt Center. All contestants meet at the Mother & Child statue.

**10 am-Noon**

**53rd ANNUAL GREENBELT LABOR DAY PARADE**  
Crescent Rd. The 53rd Annual Labor Day Parade will entertain you with a variety of groups, demonstrate our community spirit and accentuate our diverse cultural backgrounds. The Grand Marshall is Greenbelt's Outstanding Citizen. Sign language interpreter at the Reviewing Stand across from the Municipal Building. Parade Route: Down Crescent Road from Greenhill to Centerway. Parade is marshalled by the Central Maryland Amateur Radio Club (CMARC) and Prince George's Amateur Radio Club (PGARC) of MD. See shuttle schedule pn page 8/

**1-5pm**

**GREENBELT MUSEUM HOUSE**  
10-B Crescent Rd. The Greenbelt Museum's house is restored and furnished with objects from the period 1936-1946. Open to the public for viewing. FREE.  
*Sponsored by the Greenbelt Museum*

**Noon-4pm**

**ART SHOW**  
Community Center. See page 7 for details.  
Exhibitors pick up art works at 4pm.

**Noon-4pm**

**PHOTO SHOW**  
Community Center. See page 7 for details.  
Exhibitors pick up photos at 4 pm.

**After Parade**

**LUNCHEON ON THE LAWN**  
Greenbelt Community Church, Hillside & Crescent Rd.

**After Parade**

**CARNIVAL MIDWAY OPENS**  
Midway. Rides by Rosedale Amusements. See page 2 for details.

**1-2pm**

**AWARD PRESENTATIONS**  
Stage. Presentation of awards for the Art Show, Photo Show, Best Decorated Booth, Best Entry in each Parade Category and Best in Parade.

**1-4pm**

**STRATEGY GAMES**  
Youth Center Game Room. See entry at 1pm Saturday.

**2-4:30pm**

**THE FABULOUS HUBCAPS**  
Stage. Rock-n-Roll is Alive-n-Well! One of the nation's most sought-after oldies show bands. A real treat!

**6pm**

**Festival ends . . .** See you next year!



"The Fabulous Hubcaps," one of the nation's most sought-after oldies show bands, will perform on Monday from 2 to 4:30pm.

## Information Day and Community Exhibits

Maryland Insurance Administration  
**CONCERN** • Greenbelt Pride • Curves of Greenbelt  
 The Church of Latter-day Saints • NASA Credit Union  
 Register of Wills • Touch Point Church Ministries  
 Friends of Still Creek • Al-Huda School  
 Beaver Dam Watershed Group  
 Citizens to Conserve and Restore Indian Creek  
 Plumbers Local #5 • Greenbelt Disability Connection  
 Greenbelt Safety Advisory Committee  
 Greenbelt Mediation Board • Utopia Film Festival 2007  
 Greenbelt Cub Scout Pack 202  
 Thompson Financial Group • Physicians Family Practice  
 Greenbelt Homes, Inc. • Re/Max Rewards Realtors  
 Chesapeake Education Arts Research Society (CHEARS)  
 Liska Group, LLC, Realty Executives

Exhibits will be set up from on Saturday from 10:30am to 4pm

## 2007 Greenbelt Labor Day Festival Committee

Patti Brothers	Robin Pitts
Frank DeBernardo	Suzanne Plogman
Gene Dietz*	Rick Ransom
Kathy Fominaya	Barbara Simon
Tony Fominaya	Jim Tilton
Jon Gardner	Greg Varda*
Linda Ivy	Ken Voigt
Kelly Ivy	Lenny Wertz
Natasha Jewell	Lester Whitmer
Christina Kavanagh	Wayne Williams
Tom Kemp*	John Winfrey
Dennis Lewis	Gloria Winfrey
Marthea Lewis	Brian York
Rachel McMullin	Keith Zevallos
Dave Pitts	Bob Zugby

\*City liaisons to the committee

# OPENING NIGHT Friday, August 31

All events will take place in the Roosevelt Center parking lots unless otherwise noted. No advance registration is required unless stated. No alcoholic beverages will be sold at the festival. City ordinances prohibit the consumption of alcoholic beverages in city parks, buildings and in the festival area. In case of rain, stage events and some booth activities will be moved to the community center and the youth center. Carnival rides may close without refunds. For Festival Information and a Schedule, check SHL cable & cable channel 71. Carnival Directory Signs are located at the Information Booth, Upper Lot Entry and Southway/Crescent Road entrance.

This schedule is subject to change without notice.

Avoid parking problems, ride the FREE Festival shuttle. Vans will pick-up at parking locations at Eleanor Roosevelt High School, Greenbelt Elementary School and Green Ridge House and deliver the riders to the Main Stage area. Questions? Call Festival Information at 301-345-0147 or visit the Information Booth on the Festival grounds. The festival is also just a 10-minute walk from Eleanor Roosevelt High School.

**9am-10pm**

**GREENBELT MUSEUM EXHIBITION**  
Community Center. "Sublime on a Dime - Fashions from the Great Depression to World War II." FREE.  
*Sponsored by the Greenbelt Museum*

**7-8pm**

**ROVING CLOWN**  
Midway. Notlim the Clown will greet children.

**9:30am-Noon, 5-7pm**

**ART SHOW ENTRIES ACCEPTED**  
Community Center. See page 7 for more details.  
*Sponsored by Greenbelt Association for Visual Arts*

**7-8pm**

**KID'S KICKBALL GAME**  
Braden Field #2. All children are welcome to play.  
*Sponsored by Greenbelt Recreation Department*

**5-7pm**

**PHOTO SHOW ENTRIES ACCEPTED**  
Community Center. See page 7 for more details.

**7:45pm**

**RECEPTION FOR 2007 OUTSTANDING CITIZEN**  
Council Meeting Room, Municipal Building. Public is invited.

**5pm**

**TABLE TENNIS TOURNAMENT**  
Youth Center. Open to anyone 12 years and older. Trophies to winners. Singles and Doubles. FREE.  
*Sponsored by: Greenbelt Recreation Department.*

**7:45-9pm**

**MISS GREENBELT PAGEANT - OPENING NIGHT**  
Stage. Opening night of the Miss Greenbelt, Junior, and Little Miss contest. Host: Rich Lee. Sign language interpreter on stage.

**6-11pm**

**CARNIVAL MIDWAY OPENS**  
Midway. Rides by Rosedale Amusements. Games, food, sale and information booths organized by Greenbelt organizations. Booths constructed and wired by Greenbelt Public Works Department.

**8pm**

**ADULT KICKBALL GAME**  
Braden Field #2. All adults are welcome to play. The under-30 crowd will square off against the over-30 crowd.  
*Sponsored by Greenbelt Recreation Department*

**6-7pm**

**GREENBELT CONCERT BAND**  
Stage. Kick off the festival with the sound of trumpets, trombones, drums and rousing marches.

**8-8:30pm**

**MACBETH: LIFE ON THE HEATH**  
Greenbelt Arts Center. This adaptation of Shakespeare's tragedy is so fresh, it's liable to get you slapped! Directed by P. Ryan Anthony and produced by Gretchen Jacobs. FREE. Repeated Saturday and Sunday at 5pm and 7pm.  
*Sponsored by Greenbelt Arts Center and Celtic Dog Productions*

**7-7:45pm**

**OPENING CEREMONIES**  
Stage. Introduction of dignitaries. National Anthem. PRESENTATION OF OUTSTANDING CITIZEN AWARD, the major civic event in Greenbelt each year, honoring all the outstanding citizens who make Greenbelt great. Sign language interpreter on stage.  
*Sponsored by Greenbelt Rotary*

**9pm-Mid.**

**STOKED**  
Stage. "Stoked" will rock the stage with hard-driving songs from the 70s to now. If you like Aerosmith, Van Halen and AC/DC, you'll love band from Frederick, Md.!



2006 Miss Greenbelt Kimberly Wynkoop  
2006 Junior Miss Greenbelt Jazmin Kienas and  
2006 Little Miss Greenbelt Molly Jankowski

"The Legendary Orioles" will be on hand Saturday night from 9pm to Midnight.



## Police Blotter

Based on information released by the Greenbelt Police Department, <http://www.greenbeltmd.gov/police/index.htm>, link in left frame to "Weekly Report" or [http://www.greenbeltmd.gov/police/weekly\\_report.pdf](http://www.greenbeltmd.gov/police/weekly_report.pdf). Dates and times are those when police were first contacted about incidents.

### Robberies

August 11, 12:30 a.m., 7701 Greenbelt Road, a woman reported that she had just made an ATM transaction in the lobby of the Sun Trust Bank when a man entered the lobby and demanded the woman's PIN number while displaying a knife. The woman gave him the number, at which time he withdrew money from her account. The man fled the lobby and was observed getting into a gold Toyota passenger vehicle with Maryland tags. A non-resident, this suspect was arrested and charged with robbery, first-degree assault and second-degree assault. The suspect is being held without bond pending trial.

August 12, 10:05 p.m., Beltway Plaza, the victims reported that four young men entered Wendy's Restaurant, three of them armed with handguns and one armed with what appeared to be a shotgun. A robbery was announced and after obtaining money from the safe all four young men fled the area on foot. The suspects are described as a black male in his twenties, 5'9", 160 pounds with black hair and brown eyes, wearing a white T-shirt, jean shorts, and a black and white bandana; a black male 16 to 18 years of age with black hair and brown eyes, wearing a white T-shirt and a mask; a black male 16 to 18 years of age, wearing a white T-shirt and a mask; and a black male 16 to 18 years of age, wearing a black T-shirt and a mask.

August 16, 5:42 p.m., 6100 block Breezewood Drive, a man reported that he and the suspect (who is known to the victim) were engaged in a verbal argument that became physical. The suspect punched the victim in the face, took money from him and fled the scene. The victim was transported to the hospital for treatment. Investigation is continuing.

August 16, 11:33 p.m., 9000 block Breezewood Terrace, the victims reported that they were walking into an apartment building when they were approached from behind by three men. One of the men motioned as though he had a weapon; the other two men punched the victims and knocked them to the ground. The men took one of the victims' wallets and fled the scene on foot. The suspects are described as a black male 18 to 20 years of age, 5'5" with a thin build and a dark complexion, black hair in braids and brown eyes, wearing a black T-shirt and black jeans; a black male 18 to 20 years of age, 5'5" with a medium to heavy build, close cropped black hair and brown eyes, wearing a white muscle type T-shirt and white shorts; and a black male 18 to 20 years of age, 5'5" with black hair, brown eyes, wearing a black T-shirt and black pants.

### Assault

August 10, 10 p.m., 6900 block Hanover Parkway, a man

reported that he was sitting on a fence with two other people when two men approached them. One of the suspects produced a shotgun and threatened them. The victims ran from the scene but did not report the incident until August 13. The suspects are described as two black males, one of whom was 6' tall and weighed 220 pounds.

### Drug Arrests

August 13, 8:46 a.m., 6900 block Hanover Parkway, a non-resident woman was arrested and charged with possession of paraphernalia and driving while suspended after police stopped a vehicle for a traffic violation. A computer check revealed that the driver had a suspended license and was found to be in possession of paraphernalia commonly used to ingest "crack" cocaine. The woman was released on citation pending trial.

### Trespass

August 13, 8:42 p.m., 9200 block Springhill Lane, a resident youth was arrested for trespass when he was observed on the grounds of the shopping area after having been told to leave by agents of the property. He was released to a parent pending action by the juvenile justice system.

### Vandalism

August 13, 2:22 p.m., 8000 block Mandan Road, unknown person(s) used unknown means to break the sliding glass door of a residence.

### Burglaries

August 13, 9:24 a.m., 6300 block Ivy Lane, a commercial burglary was reported.

August 13, 9:38 p.m., 5800 block Cherrywood Terrace, unknown person(s) used unknown means to enter a residence. Money was taken.

### Vehicle Crimes

The following vehicles were reported as stolen: a gray 1997 Dodge Grand Caravan, Maryland tags 774M120 from the 9300 block Edmonston Road; a blue 2006 Hyundai Sonata 4-door, Maryland tags 2XBG14 from the 9200 block Springhill Lane; a gray 2001 Dodge Stratus 4-door, Maryland tags 7CZZ33; from the 9300 block Edmonston Road; a brown 2005 Ford Explorer, Maryland tags 91133A from the 6200 block Breezewood Court; a yellow 2006 Suzuki GSZR750 motorcycle, Pennsylvania tags SCD18 from the 7900 block Mandan Road; and a black over gray 1989 Chevrolet Caprice 4-door, Maryland tags 8CYM62 from the 6000 block Springhill Drive.

Vandalism to, theft from and attempted theft of vehicles were reported in the following areas: 5900 block Cherrywood Terrace, 6200 block Springhill Drive, Parkway, 20 Court Southway, 7700 and 7800 blocks Hanover Parkway (14 incidents of vandalism) and 7800 block Mandan Road.

## POLICE

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department is down five officers from its approved complement and that he expects a dispatcher will leave in the near future.

Mayor Judith Davis announced the scheduled dates for two upcoming Open Community Forums on public safety concerns and solutions focused on Roosevelt Center, Gardenway and the Spellman Overpass. The forums will be held August 28 at 7:30 at the Greenbriar Terrace Room and September 15 at 11 a.m. in the Municipal Building.

The two forums will be conducted by representatives of the city's Community Relations Advisory Board and the Public Safety and Youth Advisory Committees. Davis emphasized that the focus should be on the general area of the Center and Gardenway and not necessarily the overpass itself. McLaughlin agreed. He said the focus will be a broader look at crime and public safety issues.

### Greenway Shooter Now Apprehended

The Greenbelt Police advise that the March 17 shooting that killed 33-year-old Emmanuel Reginald Etheridge of Laurel has now resulted in an arrest.

Keon Effen Francis, 19, of New Carrollton was charged with first-degree murder, use of a handgun in a crime of violence and first-degree assault. Francis is being held without bond pending trial.

### Rocky Gorge Ramp Closes for Year

The Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission (WSSC) has announced that car and truck access to boat ramps at its Supplee Lane and Scott's Cove Recreation Areas will be closed effective Monday, August 27 for the year because of low water levels at the WSSC Duckett Reservoir (also known as Rocky Gorge). Kayaks and canoes that can be carried to the water's edge will still be allowed.

People who need to remove boats from mooring areas can call the WSSC Brighton Dam Visitor's Center at 301-774-9124 to gain temporary access to the ramps. Car and truck access to boat ramps at the Triadelphia Reservoir remains open.



Avrio Systems contractors work to install one of the new video security cameras at the Roosevelt Center. When the work is completed there will be one stationary camera and three with pan/tilt/zoom capability. According to City Manager Mike McLaughlin, the cameras are expected to be operational in about one week.

— photo by Bill Cornett

**COLLEGE PARK FARMERS' MARKET**  
**Saturdays: 7 a.m. until Noon**  
 Through November 17  
 5211 Paint Branch Parkway  
 College Park, Maryland

Local farmers and market gardeners offering fresh fruits and vegetables, fresh cut flowers, herb plants, bedding plants, pesticide free garlic, honey, fresh baked goods, herbal products and more!

Weekly entertainment including performances by the Eleanor Roosevelt Band and "Night Bird," a singer specializing in oldies.

## Dress for Safety

# Wear White

# At Night

# so drivers can see you

The Department is offering a reward of up to \$500 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of a suspect in any of the unsolved crimes reported in the blotter. People may anonymously report suspected drug activity by calling the Drug Tip Line at 301-507-6522.



# Windsor Green Celebrates Its 30th Anniversary

by Marat Moore

On August 7 residents of Windsor Green celebrated 30 years of community with food, awards for their numerous volunteers and longtime residents and a Moon-Bounce for the kids. The event, held at the Windsor Green Community Center, was combined with the National Night Out that focuses on crime prevention. Greenbelt police praised the community's neighborhood watch program – now in its 14th year – as a model program.

“We’re the eyes and ears of the community and we’re working to make Greenbelt a safer place,” Randall Evans, head of the mobile watch neighborhood patrols, told the group gathered outside as a soft dusk fell.

Mayor Judith Davis and Councilmembers Ed Putens and Konrad Herling, along with several police officers, participated in the awards ceremony, which honored the 33 households who have lived in Windsor Green more than 25 years and 46 residents who have volunteered for five years or more. Davis read a proclamation passed by the Greenbelt City Council to mark the community's anniversary.

Windsor Green is a 654-unit residential community in Greenbelt East located off Greenbelt

Road across from Eleanor Roosevelt High School at the intersection of Greenbelt Road and Frankfort Drive. The first residents arrived in July 1977. Now Windsor Green – with diverse styles of townhomes – has around 1,700 residents and 52 acres of common area. It also has a very large swimming pool and a wading pool.

Derrick Thompson, a member of the Windsor Green Board of Directors, moved into the development in 1980 and noted that 33 homes have been occupied for more than 25 years.

“We’re much more demographically diverse than we were in 1980,” he said, adding that he enjoys the physical environment – “the open spaces, playgrounds, trails, tennis courts and the children.”

The five-person board of directors has developed a five-year plan for recreation and the grounds. They rely on volunteer committees in the areas of architectural control, finance, landscaping and grounds and recreation. One project, Thompson said, is an azalea walk that will be accessible to people using wheelchairs. It's due to open this fall. New trails are also being constructed.



At left, Randall Evans, head of Windsor Green's neighborhood watch patrols, speaks at the National Night Out event, held in conjunction with Windsor Green's 30th anniversary celebration. From left, Sheldon Goldberg, Derrick Thompson, Evans and Captain Thomas Kemp.

At right, Windsor Green residents look on as awards are presented.

– photos by Marat Moore



At left, Claire Parkinson, left, who works at NASA, was honored for living in Windsor Green for more than 25 years. Councilmember Ed Putens bestowed the award.

**Now is the time to get active in your local community!**

## Some People Don't Smile in Pictures . . .

Ask yourself if any of these areas may be affecting the beauty of your smile:



- The color or shape of your teeth
- Spaces or missing teeth
- Noticeable cavities or old dental work
- Uneven or unhealthy gums



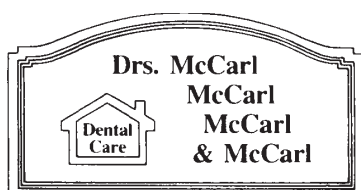
If so, come into the offices of the McCarl Dental Group for a complete and comprehensive evaluation.

Nicole Burgess of Severna Park had severely discolored teeth from a very early age. Throughout her life, Nicole had been self-conscious of her smile. In just three short weeks, the McCarl Dental Group gave Nicole a beautiful smile and a new start in life! Call the McCarl Dental Group to see if a smile makeover could change **your** life.



It's never too late to give yourself a beautiful smile. For over three generations the McCarl family has provided a full range of dental services to Greenbelt and the surrounding communities. In the past, cosmetic dentistry was only for the wealthy. Today, however, cosmetic dentistry is affordable and available to everyone. Give someone you love the gift of a smile!

Call us today for an appointment!  
301-474-4144



Polishing and Cleaning  
**\$40<sup>00</sup>**  
After Complimentary Initial Dental Exam (Value up to \$192) Includes necessary X-rays on day of examination.  
New patients only.  
Expires: 8/31/07

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A view of an art teaching studio in the Greenbelt Community Center. Community art will be on display here during the Labor Day Weekend Artful Afternoon. — photo by David Ashman

## Artful Afternoon Focus Is On Photos, Jewelry Making

The city's regular Artful Afternoon for September falls during the big Labor Day Festival weekend, from 1 to 5 p.m. on Sunday, September 2 at the Community Center. Featured this month will be a wearable fashions art workshop with Artist-in-Residence Gina Mai Denn who will help participants create festive accessories to show off on the festival midway.

The second feature is the Community Center's version of a "dark ride," allowing people to print their own souvenir photo in the darkroom with artist/instructor David Ashman. Also offered are the Artful Afternoon open studios with artists-in-residence, Art Gallery and historical exhibits. This will be a chance to cool off at the Community Center during the Greenbelt Labor Day Festival while enjoying free community art shows and cool hands-on arts.

### Art-Fun

From 1 to 3 p.m. Denn will lead a crafts program to create wearable art. All ages are welcome.

There will also be a workshop led by artist/instructor Ashman where attendees will make a souvenir photo in the Community Center darkroom. No experience is needed for participants to use the black and white negatives that will be provided or bring their own to create the photos. Workshop times are by age with workshops for ages 10 to 13 at 2 and at 3 p.m.; and age 14 to adult at 2:30 and at 3:30 p.m. This "dark ride" is guaranteed not to cause motion sickness!

The Community Center Art Gallery features the exhibit "Formed and Transformed: Works by the Greenbelt Community Center Artists-in-Residence," which will be on display through Sep-

tember 27. Current and former artists-in-residence exhibit work reflecting a benefit of working in a community studio: the inspiration the artists find in one another's works. The show is coordinated by Artist-in-Residence Loraine DiPietro. The Gallery is open from 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. Monday through Saturday and 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Sunday whenever the room is not reserved. To confirm access call 301-397-2208.

### Reception Sept. 18

A reception for the show will be held on Tuesday, September 18 from 6 to 7 p.m. The reception will be followed at 7:30 p.m. by a Greenbelt Museum lecture on "Cooperative America" with Leta Mach as the speaker.

The historical exhibit space in the Community Center will display the Greenbelt Museum's new show, "Sublime on a Dime: Fashions from the Great Depression to WWII." The show illustrates the ingenuity of Greenbelters in creating style during hard times.

Additional Artful Afternoon activities continuing from 1 to 5 p.m. include an afternoon of open studios and whimsical sculpture displays scattered throughout the Community Center. Tours of the historic 1930s home operated by the Greenbelt Museum at 10-B Crescent Road are available for a nominal fee.

For more information on the Greenbelt Labor Day Festival, including the Community Art show sponsored by Greenbelt Association for Visual Arts (GAVA) and the Community Photo Show, visit <http://greenbelt.com/laborday/Schedule.htm>.

Artful Afternoons are held the first Sunday of every month from 1 to 5 p.m. at the Greenbelt Community Center, with hands-on art projects, performances, open studios and more.

## Auditions Aug. 26-28 For Maryland Chorus

The Maryland Chorus will hold community auditions on August 26 to 28 at the University of Maryland College Park. The 2007-08 season will include Choral Collage, October 7; anniversary programs on December 1 and 2; a spring classics showcase on April 6; and Haydn's "The Creation," on May 2. Rehearsals and concerts take place at the Clarice Smith Performing Arts Center. Call 301-405-5571 or email [umchoirs@umd.edu](mailto:umchoirs@umd.edu) for details.

## Botanic Garden Talk Highlights Key Plants

On Friday, August 31 from noon to 1 p.m. Dr. W. Hardy Eshbaugh, ethnobotanist, will give a lecture on "Ten Plants that Changed the World." The program will take place in the Conservatory Classroom of the U.S. Botanic Garden. Visitors are invited to join a journey through time considering plants that have changed human life. Domesticated plants have been here for no more than 12,000 years but without them civilization as it is known today would not exist.

Looking to the future, modern science and scientists are transforming some domesticated plants into new forms that hold even greater promise for the future. This program is free. Pre-registration is required and may be made by calling 202-225-1116.

## Wildlife Refuge Offers Public Programs

The Patuxent Wildlife Refuge Visitor Center will host two public programs in the coming week. On Sunday, August 26 everyone 10 or older is invited to join in "Earth Walk," a guided hike that focuses on the ecology of the Patuxent River.

Children ages 5 to 7 are invited to "Metamorphosis" on Tuesday, August 28 from 1 to 2:30 p.m., to explore how animals change or "metamorph."

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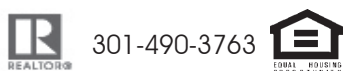
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## Camp Fire USA Hosts Greenbelt Youth at Camp

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Campers spent six weeks living those values and exploring the five Camp Fire USA Trails: Trail to Knowing Me, Trail to Family and Community, Trail to Creativity, Trail to the Environment and Trail to the Future. Older youth also participated in Points of Light Leadership Training, Teen CERT Training and Camper in Leadership Training.

All campers learned by doing. They camped out in the woods, created art masterpieces, went swimming, visited local natural and historical sites, honed their writing and reading skills, used math in everyday activities, learned about themselves and their communities, developed friendships and became self-reliant in many new situations.

The youth were assisted by teens from Camp Fire USA Teens in Action from Bishop McNamara High School and from "Young Neighbors," a program of the Center for Ministry Development that teaches teens the importance of community service by giving them hands-on experience with programs in their community.

These older teens provided one-on-one contact with the children, providing assistance with reading, building friendships and just being there for them. The children worked side by side with their young

neighbors in community service projects at United Communities Against Poverty (UCAP) in Capitol Heights. UCAP provided the host site for the camp and partnered with Camp Fire USA to make sure the children had an amazing summer.

When asked about her camp experience, 16 year old Jessica Smith stated, "This was the best summer of my life. I learned a lot about me and I built my self-confidence." Smith and her high school friends participated in the camp as Campers in Leadership Training.

Jean Lanier, age 10, commented, "Camp was the best! I liked reading and swimming."

Even the teen counselors were impressed by the camp program. Counselor Jaleesa Johnson of Crofton stated, "I came to camp expecting to help the children. Yet what really happened is that they gave me the best summer of my life. They taught me so much and I will really miss the kids." Philip Dupree of Bowie, a recent graduate of Bishop McNamara High School, was not sure about how he would do with the children. But after six weeks of day-to-day time with them, he is now dealing with his own emotions about not seeing them every day.

On the last day, campers begged Rosemary Pezzuto, executive director of Camp Fire USA and Camp WoHeLo camp director, to keep Camp Fire going all year. Pezzuto will work with community leaders in Greenbelt to find funding to make sure the children's request is answered.

## Local Teens Complete CERT Training

Some very ambitious teens from Greenbelt and Bowie completed 40 hours of emergency readiness training during their time at Camp Fire USA's Camp WoHeLo this summer. Participating in the special training were Springhill Lake residents Jessica Smith, Antonio Harrison, Patrick Bostic, Onterio Lowery, Kendrick Bostic and Aron Mason.

The Teen Community Emergency Response Team (Teen CERT) program educates students about disaster preparedness for hazards that may impact their area and trains them in basic disaster response skills, such as fire safety, light search and rescue, team organization and disaster medical operations. Using the training learned in the classroom and hands-on exercises, Teen CERT members can assist others in their schools, neighborhood or workplace following an event when professional responders are not immediately available to help. Teen CERT members also are encouraged to support emergency response agencies by taking a more active role in emergency preparedness projects in their community.

The program was sponsored by Camp Fire USA under the direction of Executive Director Rosemary Pezzuto in collaboration with Calvin Hawkins from the Prince George's County Office of Emergency Management. Instructors from local police, fire and medical communities assisted with the training. "It was amazing to watch these young people who had no training in emergency intervention take the informa-



Greenbelt teens celebrate their success as Teen CERT graduates. Left to right from the top: Onterio Lowery, Antonio Harrison, Jessica "Jay" Smith, Aron Mason, Kendrick Bostic, Counselor Jaleesa Johnson and Patrick Bostic.

tion that they learned in the Teen CERT program and apply it to mock emergency situations," said Pezzuto during a recent conversation. The teens used their skills in a real life situation when they helped with a camper who was injured while running. "They knew right away what to do and did it with the highest level of expertise. We are very proud of these young people and their accomplishments."

During their training, the teens attended classes at the Prince George's Fire Academy, learned

how to triage injured individuals in an emergency, rescue individuals from a collapsed building, use and maintain fire extinguishers, extinguish fires and administer basic emergency first aid before the arrival of emergency personnel.

During a drill at Elks Camp Barrett in Crownsville, the teens were able to recognize signs of terrorism, evacuate victims from a remote area, display first aid skills and much more.

Camp Fire USA has scheduled a number of Teen CERT courses for the fall and winter.

### Want To Help?

Many Greenbelt families and youth enjoy a meaningful relationship with Camp Fire USA where they develop work skills, a helping attitude and love for themselves, others and the environment.

Camp Fire USA provides after-school and out-of-school time programming. The programs include small groups, camping and environmental education, child care and service-learning, confidence building in younger children and hands-on, youth-driven leadership experiences for teens and young adults.

Additional community support and participation is always a benefit.

To help sponsor these activities or to participate in any way, call Patuxent Area Council Executive Director Rosemary Pezzuto (301-346-7860) or visit the website [www.campfireusa-patuxent.org](http://www.campfireusa-patuxent.org).



## New Lighting System Installed At Greenbelt Arts Center

by Joan Jacobs

Not quite two years ago, a Greenbelt Arts Center (GAC) supporter proposed to the theater's board of directors a matching fund campaign to raise a total of \$16,000 to bring a new lighting system to the theater. The board, aware of the need for the improvement, accepted the offer immediately. On March 31 GAC Treasurer Sandy Irving of Greenbelt announced at the annual membership meeting that the goal had been reached.

### Donors

Over 100 donors including a number of Greenbelt businesses had responded to the need to replace the venerable but failing lights which had served the theater and its patrons for many years. Donors from as far away as Illinois and Alaska remembered the theater and gave their support. Chief among the donors were Gilbert and Jaylee Mead who for many years lived in Greenbriar and worked at the NASA installation in Greenbelt. After retiring and moving to Washington, D.C., the Meads continued an interest in Greenbelt and its theater.

The new equipment, boasting

32 channels, replaces a 24-channel system of which seven channels were no longer functional. The new system was installed in July, just in time for the opening of the musical *Oliver!* The versatility of the new system was evident from the first performance, adding to the quality of this and all future productions. *Oliver!* closes its run on Sunday, August 26 after a 2 p.m. performance.

### Private Reception

In celebration of this major improvement, GAC is hosting a private reception on Saturday, August 25 to thank those who contributed their time, talents and treasure to make Greenbelt's community theater better than ever.

Next up the Arts Center will offer two shows free to the public over the Labor Day weekend: A short, saucy adaptation of *Macbeth* and "The Adventures of Rose Red and Snow White," a play for children. Performance times for *Macbeth* are Friday, August 31 at 8 p.m., Saturday and Sunday, September 1 and 2 at 5 and 7 p.m. *Rose Red and Snow White* will be performed Saturday and Sunday, September 1 and 2 at 11 a.m. and 1 p.m.



Campers from Springhill Lake share a moment with counselors at the Catoctin Wildlife Zoo in Thurmont. Campers include Patrick Bostic, Antonio Brunson, Marquise Buyck, Kae Braga Enoch, Antonio Harrison, Kayvon Harrison, Naije Harrison, Christopher Hicks, Jessica Hicks, Zakayla Kent, Jean Lanier, Omari Lowery, Onterio Lowery, Ontonio Lowery, Aron Mason, Jessica Mason, Dimitri Nichols, Joshua Reigle, Sabrina Reigle, Jessica Smith, Benancio Vasquez, Darome Williams and Daron Williams. Campers not pictured include Timothy Brunson, Amani Buyck, Tyler Corson, Amber Fenwick, Brittany Fenwick, Leslie Fenwick, Rendell Fenwick, Jalonte Phillips and Preston Thomas.

**Make plans to spend the holiday weekend at the 53rd Annual Greenbelt Labor Day Festival. A special Labor Day program pull-out is included in this issue. With the program in advance you can check out your favorite games, activities and food choices and make sure you enjoy them all!**