

Utopia Film Festival 2008 Offers Utopian Visions and Diversity

by Susan Gervasi

When FDR's New Deal planners designed Greenbelt, they understood the power of cinema to entertain, enlighten and encourage – so they put a movie theater in its town center.

That historic theater – now the P&G Old Greenbelt Theatre – will be part of the fourth annual Utopia Film Festival the weekend of October 24 through 26. Other venues include the Greenbelt Community Center, Greenbelt Municipal Building and Beltway Plaza Mall's Academy Stadium Theatres. More than 40 independent features, documentaries, animations and experimental works will be screened.

"Film has been a part of Greenbelt since it was formed in 1937," said actor and filmmaker Chris Haley, now in his third year as Utopia's executive director. "The Utopia Film Festival carries on that tradition and this year's Utopia offers something for everyone, from love stories to hard-hitting documentaries and programs for kids. Utopia 2008 runs the gamut of subject matter and cinematic styles."

One offering is "Canvas," starring Joe Pantoliano of the "Sopranos" television show and Marcia Gay Harden, who portrays a wife and mother challenged by mental illness. "Canvas" is

being screened in collaboration with the Prince George's County chapter of the National Alliance for Mental Illness. After the film, Annapolis resident Melissa Danielson will answer questions and discuss her own struggle with bipolar disorder.

A different kind of challenge is the subject of "BLAST!," which documents a perilous scientific NASA mission to the Arctic and Antarctic to launch a revolutionary telescope. Two other films – "Alaska Far Away: The New Deal Pioneers of the Matanuska Colony" and "At Home in Utopia" – explore Utopian communities formed during the era when Greenbelt was born. Participants in the making of "BLAST!" and "At Home in Utopia" – about a utopian housing experiment in the Bronx – will attend the screenings and answer audience questions.

A grimmer side of American history is investigated in the compelling documentary "Yokes and Chains," which deals with the legacy of the transatlantic slave trade and focuses on a controversial Annapolis event several years ago that used literal yokes and chains to promote racial reconciliation.

But along with serious subjects, music has always been

part of Utopia. Several films are geared to music lovers, including "Throw Down Your Heart" – about banjo virtuoso Bela Fleck's trip to Africa in search of the banjo's African roots – and "In the Panyard," about steel pan music in Trinidad.

Films on Politics

Meanwhile, with the Presidential election looming, several Utopia films involve politics. "Frontrunner" tells the story of a woman who defied tradition by running for president of Afghanistan. "RFK" examines the 1968 assassination of Robert F. Kennedy and a 40-year-battle to uncover the facts surrounding it. And "American Feud" explores the nation's left-right political schism.

Utopia will also offer the fourth annual urban/rural program of experimental films, this year featuring works from Israel, France and Canada, along with a film shot in China. Another popular Utopia feature returns with a free October 25 screening at the Greenbelt Library of young peoples' animation works. The 1940s African American film "Blood of Jesus" will also be shown free of charge October 25 in the library, followed by a

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Ingrid Reynolds-Lawson Is New Assistant Principal

by Sandra Lange

The school is "amazing," the PTA is "phenomenal" and the principal is "so focused on instruction," exclaims Ingrid Reynolds-Lawson, the new assistant principal at Greenbelt Elementary School (GES). Her radiant smile and energy are infectious. Since she arrived at GES in July she has immersed herself in the life of the school.



Ingrid Reynolds-Lawson

"I love coming to work every day . . . and talking with the parents who come to see me," she proclaims.

Last year Reynolds-Lawson was one of four teachers in Prince George's County, and one of nine in the State of Maryland, to be chosen to attend five weeks of intensive training at Boston University in the New Leaders

for New Schools program. The program places teachers who complete the training on the fast track to become principals.

The primary goal is to change the culture in urban schools, focusing on the tenets that every child can achieve academically and that "if you work hard, you get smart," she states.

Training

Part of Reynolds-Lawson's training included reading the books written by the nation's top educators. The trainees had the opportunity to meet many of these educators and engage them in dialogues about their theories for bringing about positive changes in the school system.

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Council Addresses Issue Of Illegal Road Signage

by Barbara Hopkins

Penalties for posting illegal signage on City of Greenbelt rights-of-way are to become stiffer as a result of action taken by the city council on Monday, September 22. With Councilmember Leta Mach away, council voted four to zero to approve an ordinance introduced by Mayor Judith Davis at council's meeting on September 8 to amend the city code to make posting illegal signs a municipal infraction.

In response to concerns from Joan Falcão that the original text of the ordinance would prohibit residents from advertising such things as yard sales and community events, the language of the ordinance was modified in ways that the city attorney believes are insubstantive. Permission from

the city is required for posting any signs on its property.

The ordinance establishes the fine for the first violation at \$100. Fines escalate to \$200 for the second violation and \$400 for additional violations. Each sign and each day the sign is posted is considered a separate violation.

Discussion at the meeting centered around difficulties of enforcement, since phone numbers on signs may not actually lead to those responsible for posting the signs. As far back as June 2007, a Greenbelt citizen addressed council on at least two occasions asking for increased enforcement of what he termed "roadside spam."

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Greenbelt Elementary Kids Show Walking to School Is Safe, Fun

by Megan Gustafson

The air was crisp and cool last Wednesday morning as students from Greenbelt Elementary walked to their school from four different meeting places around the city.

Accompanied by parents and community representatives and with officers from the Greenbelt Police Department watching out for their safety, the kids arrived at school with energy and enthusiasm, ready to begin another day of learning.

As the children gathered in front of the school for a picture before heading inside, Greenbelt Mayor Judith Davis and Councilmember Leta Mach talked about their participation in two walks – the one to Greenbelt Elementary and the one that took place earlier that morning, to Springhill Lake Elementary.



Kids met at several points before walking together to Greenbelt Elementary School last Wednesday morning. Pictured above is the group that gathered first in Roosevelt Center before heading to school. – photo by Megan Gustafson

"It's fun, especially when it's a social thing," Davis said of walking to school.

"It's always fun to be on the [Spellman] overpass and see a traffic jam" knowing you can, as a walker, keep moving, said Mach.

Eight-year-old Sofie Dabelko and 7-year-old Elizabeth Gardner, both said walking to school was fun.

"We held signs and walked to school. We like to say, 'Drive carefully, school's open!'" Sofie said.

Elizabeth said her "favorite part of the walk was walking past everywhere" and "that lots of people joined us."

A good night's sleep, a good breakfast and a walk to school

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What Goes On

Saturday, October 18

9 to 11 a.m., Lake Park Cleanup. Meet at entrance to Buddy Attick Park.

9 to noon, Shredding Day, behind Credit Union

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

Monday, October 20

8 p.m., City Council Worksession with Clergy (stakeholder), Municipal Building (Live on Comcast 71 and Verizon 21)

Tuesday, October 21

7:30 p.m., Advisory Committee on Trees, Public Works Bldg., 555 Crescent Road

Wednesday, October 22

8 p.m., City Council Worksession re: Visioning Review, Community Center

Thursday, October 23

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

Letters

Memorial Gifts

The Friends of New Deal Café Arts would like to thank the folks who have donated to FONDCA in memory of Eileen Peterson who died this past summer. FONDCA and the Café hope to hold a benefit concert this winter in her memory.

Eileen's friends and family members are arranging for a dogwood tree to be planted at the Greenbelt Library as a memorial. If anyone would like to donate toward the cost of the tree or the plaque which will accompany it, they may contact Barbara Simon at 301-474-2192 or simongava@yahoo.com.

Barbara Simon,
President of FONDCA

Boy Scout Troop 746 Held Court of Honor

Troop 746, of the Boy Scouts of America held their Court of Honor on October 1, awarding badges earned during the summer.

Scoutmaster "Lenny" Wertz presided over the occasion. Eight boys earned 30 badges: Robert Zufka earned three; James Schnurr, three; Joey Loutsch, three; Peter Lomax, three; Stephen Hunt, six; Mark Bailey, four; Marcus Pettak, three; and Devin Gibson, four.

The boys then competed in a test of Scout knowledge conducted by Scoutmaster Wertz. The Court adjourned and refreshments were served.

School Board Holds Community Dialogue

On Monday, October 20 the Prince George's County Board of Education will hold another session of "Taking Your Board of Education to the Community."

The meeting will be held at Largo High School at 7 p.m. and all county residents are encouraged to attend and participate in the exchange sought by board members.

For more details call 301-952-6308.

Montpelier Offers Needlepoint Exhibit

From October 19 through 30 a free exhibit, Needleart 2008, will be presented at Montpelier Mansion. On Sunday, October 19 a reception will be held at 2 p.m. Exhibit hours October 20 to 30 are 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Greenbelt East Now Split Into Two Voting Precincts

Registered voters in Greenbelt have been receiving in the mail voter notification cards providing information on a number of topics. These include the various districts that encompass Greenbelt – the legislative district (22); congressional district (05); school board district (01); and councilmanic district (004). Information is shown in English and Spanish.

Also shown in the middle of the card is the polling place the voter should report to on November 4. For voters in the North End, Center and Greenbelt West (Empirian Village, the former Springhill Lake Apartments), precincts will remain the same as in the previous presidential election.

For residents of Greenbelt East there was a significant change starting with the February 2008 primary when a single precinct was split in two. Half of the voters who had traditionally voted at Eleanor Roosevelt High School will now vote at Turning Point Academy on Good Luck Road. Voters in Greenbelt East should check their registration cards closely for their polling place. How the precinct was divided is detailed below.

Election Precinct 21-13 was split into two precincts with different polling places, thereby creating a fifth precinct within the city, 21-18. The change affects voters living in Greenbelt East – all that part of the city east of the Baltimore-Washington Parkway and the Capital Beltway and north of Good Luck Road.

According to data provided by the county Board of Elections, Precinct 13 contains all of Greenbriar Condominiums, Greenwood Village and Glen Oaks to the north of Greenbelt Road. To the south of Greenbelt Road, the new boundaries of Precinct 13 include everything north of Ora Glen Drive between Hanover Parkway and Mandan Road. The centers of the streets listed are the dividing line between the two precincts. This area includes most of the Windsor Green development and a piece of Greenbrook Village.

The polling place for Precinct 13 remains the same, Eleanor Roosevelt High School.

Precinct 18

Precinct 18 contains the remaining portion of Greenbelt East not included in Precinct 13. The new precinct contains all of the area south of Greenbelt Road except for that part between Hanover Parkway and Mandan Road north of Ora Glen Drive. It includes the developments of Green Spring, Greenbrook Estates, Greenbelt Lake Village, Hunting Ridge and parts of Greenbrook Village and Windsor Green. Although not within the city limits, the Hanover apartments east of Hanover Parkway also are within this precinct.

Turning Point Academy at 7800 Good Luck Road is the polling place for new Precinct 18. This school lies within the corporate limits of Greenbelt but has a Lanham address.

– Mary Moien

Grin Belt



"If our band makes the big time, we won't have to eat soup any more."

On Screen

Oliver Stone's "W"

The first movie biography of a sitting president, Oliver Stone's "W" opens across the country and in Greenbelt this Friday. Josh Brolin, last seen here in "No Country for Old Men," stars as George W. Bush; also appearing are Jeffrey Wright as Colin Powell and Richard Dreyfus as Dick Cheney. James Cromwell portrays George H. W. Bush, the other half of the fraught father-son relationship at the heart of this story. (Rated PG-13 for sexual references, substance abuse and disturbing images of war.)

– Cathy Jones

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WEEK OF OCT. 17

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Saturday

*2:20, *4:50, 7:30, 9:55

Sunday

*2:20, *4:50, 7:30

Monday - Thursday

*5, 7:30

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

Community Events

Menu for Senior Nutrition Program

The Senior Nutrition "Food and Friendship" program provides lunches for seniors Monday through Friday at the Community Center beginning at noon. Meals need to be reserved by 11 a.m. the previous day to ensure that enough food is ordered. Call 301-397-2208, ext. 4215 for information and to make reservations.

All meals include bread and margarine, coffee or tea and skim milk. Menus for October 20 through 24 include:

Monday – Split pea soup with crackers, chicken with curry sauce, Brussels sprouts, wild rice, strawberry parfait.

Tuesday – Grape juice, sliced ham with fruit sauce, mashed sweet potatoes, broccoli flowers, yogurt cup.

Wednesday – Creamy broccoli soup, Polish sausage on bun with sauerkraut and mustard, warm German potato salad, mixed greens, fresh apple.

Thursday – Orange juice, beef and broccoli, brown rice, mixed squash, fresh banana.

Friday – Cranapple juice, meat lasagna, sliced carrots, green salad with dressing, banana pudding.

GHI Notes

Scheduled Meetings:

Monday, October 20, 6:45 p.m., Communications Committee, GHI Lobby

Wednesday, October 22, 7 p.m., Buildings Committee, Board Room

7:30 p.m., Companion Animal Committee, GHI Lobby

Thursday, October 23, 7:30 p.m., Board Meeting, Board Room

Saturday, October 25, 1:30 p.m., GGI Workshop at Greenbelt Baptist Church, "Topic Roosevelt Center"

Sunday, October 26, 1:30 p.m., GGI Workshop at Greenbelt Baptist Church on "Historic Greenbelt"

Committee and board meetings are open; members are encouraged to attend and participate.

At the Library

Storytimes

A librarian will read age-appropriate stories.

Tuesday, October 21, 10:30 a.m., Cuddletime for newborns to 17 months old with caregiver, limit 15 babies.

Wednesday, October 22, 10:30 and 11 a.m., Toddlertime for ages 18 to 35 months with caregiver, limit 15 children for each group.

Thursday, October 23, 10:30 a.m., Drop-in Storytime for ages 3 to 5 years, limit 20 children.

Caregivers are asked to pick up a free ticket at the Children's Desk.

Film & Video Festival

Saturday, October 25, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. and 1:30 to 2:30 p.m., Greenbelt Utopia Film and Video Festival – movie-making in the utopian spirit.

Disability Connection Meeting Is on Sunday

The Greenbelt Disability Connection will hold its next meeting Sunday, October 19 at 2 p.m. in Room 103 of the Community Center. A spokesperson from WMATA will discuss public transportation for persons who have disabilities. There will be time to socialize.

Applications Open For Holiday Baskets

For those who expect to need help this holiday season with a holiday basket for Thanksgiving or Christmas/Kwanza/Hanukkah, the County Department of Social Services is now collecting applications for Holiday Food Basket Assistance and Toys. Those currently receiving Medical Assistance, Supplemental Security Income (SSI), Food Stamps or Temporary Cash Assistance may be eligible for a basket. Those who would like to apply are asked to call the following City of Greenbelt offices: heads of households age 21 to 59 should call Greenbelt CARES at 301-345-6660; heads of household age 60 and over should call the Greenbelt Assistance in Living program at 301-345-6660, ext. 2012.

Senior Oktoberfest Is Set for Oct. 24

The Greenbelt Senior Center will hold its annual Oktoberfest on Friday, October 24 in the Greenbelt Community Center Gym starting at 1 p.m. The Bavarian and Austrian Dance Company will provide entertainment. Following the entertainment light refreshments will be served for free. Seniors are invited to join in to celebrate fall. Call 301-397-2208 for more information.

Golden Age Club

by Bunny Fitzgerald

The weather smiled on the Golden Age Club and we had our yard sale/bake sale on October 11 at Roosevelt Center. Many thanks to all who worked and baked to make it a success. I would like to say again: it does take lots of work to make a project like this a success.

Wanda Darden will speak on "Money Uses for Seniors" on October 22. We'll play bingo on October 29.

Sorry to report that Mary Chapman and Irene Pavlish are suffering from broken bones and Shirley and Bob Dwyer are on our sick list. Let's keep them in our prayers and send cards.

The Golden Agers, led by Karen Haseley, went on an apple-picking trip to Shaw's Orchard. Had a wonderful day, came home with apples, had a delicious lunch served by the Presbyterian church and visited a local grist mill.

That time of year has arrived again – electing club officers for the next year. Please say "yes" when the nominating committee calls. The club needs everyone to help keep the Golden Age Club active.

Library Offerings During Film Fest

On Saturday, October 25 the GAVA/GATE Animation Program continues its year-long celebration of the its 10th anniversary with a free screening of a video composed of representative animation from its students over the past 10 years. The animation video will be shown twice, at 11:30 a.m. and at 2:30 p.m. The animation video is part of the annual free showcase at Greenbelt Library that is a feature of the Utopia Film Festival and is suitable for family viewing.

This year the library will screen "The Blood of Jesus," a 1941 film about African-Americans living in rural Texas. This film will be screened at 10:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. at the Greenbelt library on October 25. Kent Moore, recently retired as head of the library's film division, will present this film.

The celebration animation video presentation is made possible by the support of the Greenbelt Community Foundation. For more information about the films to be shown at the library, check the website for the Utopia Film Festival, utopiafilmfestival.org or the "Current" publication at the library.

Cultural Festival Delayed until Spring

This year's Greenbelt International Cultural Festival, scheduled for October 11 and 12 has been delayed until next spring, a city spokesperson said. Productions are to take place at the Greenbelt Arts Center and other venues.

This Week's Music At New Deal Café

This Friday, October 17 the Café music feature will be Buck Hill playing tenor sax with Magic Ray's Jazz ensemble from 8 to 11 p.m. On Saturday, October 18, The Meteors take the stage from 8 to 11 p.m.

Weeknight shows from 7 to 9 p.m. are: on Tuesday, October 21 Braden Land performs; on Wednesday, October 22 Bruce Kritt plays classical guitar; and on Thursday, October 23 the Songwriters Association of Washington will hold an open microphone session.

The New Deal Café is located in Roosevelt Center at the corner of Southway and Crescent Roads. For more information about what is happening at the New Deal Café check the website www.newdealcafe.com or call 301-474-5642.

Play Improvements At Windsor Green

The Windsor Green playground next to Ora Glen Drive is scheduled to be renovated. The existing playground equipment will be replaced to meet current safety standards.

The City of Greenbelt will receive \$30,736 in state funding for this project.

The new play area will include 10-foot swings and a custom play structure for children 5 to 12 years old. The structure will be handicapped accessible.

The work is tentatively scheduled for this fall.

City's Electronic Recycling Oct. 25

Electronics Recycling will take place Saturday, October 25 from 9 a.m. to noon at the Public Works yard.

City residents can recycle electronics, including old and/or unwanted computers, cameras, telephones, radios, televisions (not larger than 32") and CFLs and fluorescent tubes 4' and under (residential only).

For more information call 301-474-8308.

More community events can be found on pages 2, 4, 5 and 16.

Academy Stadium Theatres

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ALL SHOWS BEFORE 5 p.m.
Adults/Seniors: \$6.50
Children: \$6.00

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ALL SHOWS AFTER 5 p.m.
Adults: \$8.50
Students/Military: \$7.50
Children: \$6.00
Seniors: \$6.50

R = ID Required

(!) = No pass, (!!) No pass weekend

Week of OCT. 17

FRI. - SAT.

Quarantine, R

11:25, 1:35, 3:50, 6, 8:15, 10:30

Eagle Eye, PG-13

11:40, 2:10, 4:45, 7:20, 10:20

Beverly Hills Chihuahua, PG

11:20, 1:35, 3:50, 6, 8:15, 10:30

Max Payne, PG-13 (!)

11:20, 1:35, 3:50, 6:05, 8:20, 10:35

The Express, PG (!!)

11:30, 2:45, 5:45, 9

The Secret Life of Bees, PG-13 (!)

11:50, 2:20, 4:45, 7:20, 9:45

Sex Drive, R (!)

11:50, 2:20, 4:45, 7:20, 9:45

Body of Lies, R (!!)

11:30, 2:45, 5:45, 9

SUN. - WED.

Quarantine, R

12:30, 3:20, 5:30, 7:45

Eagle Eye, PG-13

12:30, 3, 5:30, 8

Beverly Hills Chihuahua, PG

12:30, 3:20, 5:30, 7:45

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Eleanor and Franklin Roosevelt Democratic Club Meeting

Friday, October 17th at 7:30PM
Greenbriar Community Center Terrace Room,
7600 Hanover Parkway Greenbelt MD

Our guest for the meeting will be
At-Large Board of Education member Amber Waller.

For information please call 301-386-0762 or visit
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Greenbriar Community Fall Yard Sale

Saturday, October 18, 2008
9 a.m. – 2 p.m.

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Obituaries

Patricia Ladnier

Lifetime Greenbelt resident Patricia Bailey Ladnier died Monday, October 13, 2008, after a year-long battle with cancer. She was 51.

Mrs. Ladnier lived in the 11 Court of Ridge Road with her husband Charles, where they raised their three children. She and her husband were very active in St. Hugh's Catholic Church and, for a while, she served on the Labor Day Festival Committee. She worked for UPS in Beltsville.

Mrs. Ladnier attended Center Elementary School, Greenbelt Junior High School and Parkdale Senior High School while living in the family home on Southway.

In addition to her husband, Mrs. Ladnier is survived by her three children: Brian Bailey of Greenbelt, Lisa Bernard of Berwyn Heights and Anthony Ladnier of New Jersey; her mother Shirley Bailey of Greenbelt; brothers Richard of Glenn Dale, William of Waldorf, Robert and Earl of Greenbelt and Kenneth of Ellicott City and a sister Karen Flanagan of Greenbelt; six grandchildren; and numerous other relatives. Her oldest brother Ray predeceased her.

Visitation will be held at Gasch's Funeral Home in Hyattsville on Thursday from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. There will be a short funeral service at 8 p.m.

Burial will be at the George Washington Cemetery on Riggs Road. People are asked to meet at Gasch's at 10 a.m. on Friday and travel to the cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, expressions of sympathy may be made to the American Cancer Society, 11331 Amherst Ave., Silver Spring, MD 20902.

Community Church Holds Darfur Service

"Darfur Crisis: Jazz at the Vespers," a special evening worship service, will be held at Greenbelt Community Church on Sunday, October 19 at 7 p.m. Darfur is "the world's worst humanitarian disaster" according to the United Nations. All are invited to this service of prayer and praise seeking the path of justice and peace. Jazz by the Never in Denver Quartet will include work by John Coltrane and original compositions.

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Our sympathy to News Review staffer Joanne Tucker and her husband Carl Kautz on the death of her mother Luzelle Schwartz and her uncle Norman Schwartz. Sympathy also to Joanne's daughter Lynne Chandler on the death of her grandmother and great-uncle.

Greenbelters were saddened to hear of the death of Patricia Bailey Ladnier. Our condolences to her husband Charles of 11 Court Ridge Road and her family and friends.

Congratulations to Kristine and Greg Mangum of Odenton on the birth of their first child, Lucas Gregory Mangum. Luke was born September 23, 2008, and weighed

7 lbs. 11 oz. His grandparents Donna and Randy Mangum and great-grandmothers Eunice Barber and Joyce Mangum are all long-time Greenbelters.

Our best wishes to Councilmember Rodney Roberts and Tara Scholtz, who were married at the University of Maryland Chapel on Saturday, October 11. Tara works at the Greenbelt library.

Best wishes to Irene Pavlish of Ridge Road for a speedy recovery while recuperating at home from surgery for a broken leg. We hope she'll soon be back to her swimming and church groups, where she's known for her delicious home-baked cakes.

- Kathleen McFarland

Pianist Needed:

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10:30 am Worship Service



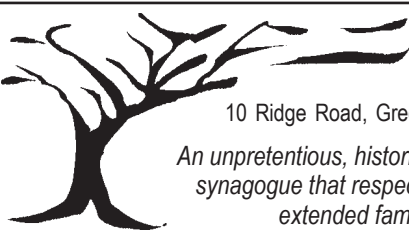
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Bahá'í Teachings: How do we build unity and abolish hatred and prejudice?

We must bring our thoughts and actions in line with a belief in the oneness of humankind. When a thought of war enters our minds, immediately replace it with a thought of peace. When a feeling of hate takes shape in our hearts, replace it with a feeling of love. Do everything possible to overcome prejudices, which are among the greatest obstacles to building a better world. The Bahá'í writings teach us how to walk in the ways of unity and help others take the same path.

Greenbelt Bahá'í Community
1-800-22-UNITE 301-345-2918
www.bci.org/greenbeltbahai www.bahai.us



Congregation Mishkan Torah

10 Ridge Road, Greenbelt, MD 20770 301-474-4223

An unpretentious, historic, welcoming, liberal, egalitarian synagogue that respects tradition and becomes your extended family in the 21st century.

Shabbat services: Friday evening at 8:00 PM, except 1st Friday of the month, i.e. family service at 7:30 PM. Saturday morning services at 9:30 AM. Educational programs for children K-12 and for adults. Combined innovative full family educational program for parents and children. Conversion classes. Concert choir. Social Action program. Opportunity for leadership development. Moderate, flexible dues. High holiday seating for visitors. Sisterhood. Men's Club. Other Social Activities. Interfaith families are welcome.

Historic synagogue dually affiliated with United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism and the Jewish Reconstructionist Federation



GIVE THANKS

Every breath that we breathe is a blessing from God and we learn from the Prophet Solomon (peace be upon him) to recognize these blessings each day. The Holy Qur'an tells us how he never forgot to be thankful to God. He is quoted to have said, "This is by the grace of my Lord, to test me whether I am grateful or ungrateful! And if any is grateful, it is (a gain) for his own soul; but if any is ungrateful, truly my Lord is free of all needs, supreme in honor."
- The Holy Qur'an, 27:40

Count your blessings every day. For more information about gratefulness from an Islamic perspective, call 301-982-9463 or email info@searchislam.org or visit www.searchislam.org.

Paint Branch Unitarian Universalist Church

3215 Powder Mill Road, Beltsville/Adelphi
Phone: 301-937-3666 www.pbuuc.org



Welcomes you to our open, nurturing community

October 19, 10 a.m.

"Education for All"

by Leo Jones, Don Henderson, worship associate with Sylvia Lagerquist and performances by students from the Suitland High School for the Visual and Performing Arts Program Exploring the moral imperative to provide an effective education for all children.



Mowatt Memorial United Methodist Church

40 Ridge Road, Greenbelt

Open hearts, Open minds, Open doors

www.greenbeltumc.org 301-474-9410

Rev. Fay Lundin, Pastor

Sunday School 10:00am Worship Service 10:00am

Prayer Meeting Sun. 9:45 am



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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



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7010 Glenn Dale Road
(Lanham-Severn Road & Glenn Dale Road)
301-262-3285 | rector@stgeo.org | www.stgeo.org

Sundays: 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)
Wednesdays: 7:00 pm Simple, quiet Mass

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101 Greenhill Road
Greenbelt, MD 20770 - (301) 474-4212
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Welcome!

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

ALL are Welcome!

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

Greenbelt Community Church

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Hillside & Crescent Roads
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www.greenbeltucc.org

Sunday Worship

10:15 a.m.

Daniel Hamlin, Pastor

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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

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Greenbelt Youth Center 99 Centerway
(Behind the Community Center)

Pastor Lou Redd

301-474-4499 410-340-8242 (cell)

...living life together

Fire Prevention Open House Next Saturday

On Saturday, October 25 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., a fire prevention open house will be held by the Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad and its Ladies Auxiliary. The open house will be held at the fire house, which is at 125 Crescent Road.

All are invited. There will be games and displays, fire truck rides, live fire exercises, fire/EMS demonstrations and free food and drinks. The Ladies Auxiliary will also hold a bake sale during the open house.

BCWWG Meeting Is Next Tuesday at GES

The next Beaverdam Creek Watershed Watch Group (BCWWG) meeting will be held this coming Tuesday, October 19 at 7 p.m. at Greenbelt Elementary School (66 Ridge Road). Among the topics to be discussed will be upcoming macro-invertebrate samplings, (one of which will be on Sunday on Beaverdam Creek), a future woods walk, the next bird walk, a review of the meeting with the city planner, participation with the Reel and Meal events at the New Deal Café, recent developments on the ICC and more. Everyone is welcome. Come learn more about the Beaverdam Creek watershed.

Next Reel and Meal Is Utopia Sneak Preview

The documentary, "Fury for the Sound – The Women at Clayoquot" (52 min.) will be shown at the New Deal Café on Monday, October 20 at 7 p.m. It is offered by the Reel and Meal at the New Deal, a monthly film series exploring vital environmental and social issues, sponsored by a consortium of Greenbelt organizations interested in preserving the environment. This month's Reel and Meal film is a special preview in advance of the Utopia Film Festival October 24 through 26.

There is no charge for admission to the October 20 preview event. Beginning at 6:30 p.m., an optional vegan buffet meal will be available for purchase from the Café's Chef Karim.

This powerful, inspiring film shows how elderly women and children, aged 8- to 82-years-old were arrested and jailed defending public land. "Fury for the Sound" expresses with passionate clarity how a small group of dedicated activists came together to protest clearcutting of the local rainforest and 15 years later found themselves in the midst of the largest civil disobedience action in Canadian history – the battle to save Clayoquot Sound on Vancouver Island.

After a discussion of "Fury for the Sound" representatives from the Utopia Film Festival will discuss many of the films that will be shown during the weekend and will have passes for the event available for sale.

For more information about this event email sr.kane@verizon.net.

Did You Know . . . ?

Maryland Law prohibits the use of camera cell phones, pagers and computer equipment in the polling place.



City Information

MEETINGS FOR OCTOBER 20-24

Monday, October 20, 8:00pm, **CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION w/ CLERGY (stakeholder)** at the Municipal Building (live on Comcast 71 and Verizon 21)

Tuesday, October 21, 7:30pm, **ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON TREES** at Public Works, 555 Crescent Road.

Wednesday, October 22, 8:00pm **CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION re: Visioning Review** at the Greenbelt Community Center.

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

VACANCIES ON BOARDS & COMMITTEES

Volunteer to serve on City Council Advisory Groups.

Vacancies exist on the: Forest Preserve Advisory Board, Recycling and Environment Advisory Committee, and the Youth Advisory Committee. For more info call 301-474-8000.



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AFFORDABLE PRICES!
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Rise winning apples, cider, apple butter, dumplings and pies
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- SODAS & WATER
- POPCORN, COTTON CANDY
CAREMEL/CANDY APPLES & MORE!

ENTERTAINMENT

BRING A CHAIR OR BLANKET

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- ROVING ENTERTAINMENT
- GREG MAY & the MAGICAL MAYHEM CIRCUS

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 - HAYRIDES
 - RECYCLING GAMES
 - TATOOS & FACE PAINTING
 - FIELD GAMES FOR KIDS
 - VARIOUS INFORMATION TABLES
 - MAKE & TAKE PROJECTS

**SATURDAY
OCTOBER 18TH**

2:00pm - 6:00pm
Schrom Hills Park
6915 Hanover Parkway

For more information: 301-397-2200 Weather Hotline: 301-474-0646

CITY JOB OPENING

Recreation assistants needed at busy community center. Customer service & event set up. Weekend shifts. \$6.55/hr. PT. City of Greenbelt. 301-397-2208. EOE

ELECTRONICS RECYCLING

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25

9:00 A.M. – 12:00 noon

Public Works Yard

City residents can recycle old and/or unwanted computers and other electronic items. Bring your items to the collection bins located at Greenbelt Public Works, 555 Crescent Road.

Accepted items include: central processing units, monitors, keyboards, printers, laptop computers, speakers, scanners, surge protectors, wires and power cords, computer mice, fax machines, recording equipment, cameras, telephones, radios, CFLs and fluorescent tubes 4' and under (residential only).

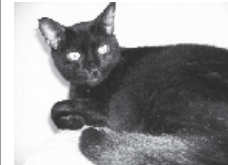
*****Televisions Accepted (32" or smaller)**

SPECIAL ARRANGEMENTS MUST BE MADE FOR DROP-OFF OF MORE THAN 10 ITEMS OR ITEMS OVER 50 LBS. PLEASE CALL IN ADVANCE.

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



Greenbelt Pets of the Month



SCHWARTZ: A three-year old neutered male. Schwartz is a reformed street cat with lots of personality. A friendly and loving cat looking for attention. He would love to go home with you and curl up on your lap.



TIFFANY: An eight-month old, long haired kitten. Very sweet and friendly. Looking for a good home where she will be loved.

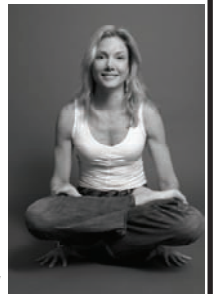
For more information on any of the other wonderful animals at the Greenbelt Animal Shelter, call 301.474.6124

Special Performance: Thursday, November 6, 8pm

"Love Lessons From Abu Ghraib"

Solo production by Philadelphia artist Jennifer Schelter

Based on Schelter's conversations with former detainees at Abu Ghraib prison in Iraq.



A deeply engaging dramatic monologue infused with the beauty of yoga. Schelter provides a unique and humane vantage point on a difficult chapter of recent American history.

Explicit verbal content; not recommended for children under age 16.

Advance ticket purchase recommended

\$10 and up. Available now.

Online sales: www.greenbeltom.com

Telephone orders: 301-397-2208

Performance at the Greenbelt Arts Center

123 Centerway, Greenbelt, MD

Sponsored by: The Greenbelt Arts Center, Greenbelt Om Community Yoga, The Greenbelt Recreation Department, and Amnesty International U.S.A. - Mid Atlantic Regional Office.

LAKE PARK CLEANUP

Volunteers Needed

Saturday, October 18, 2008. From 9:00 am to 11:00 am. Meet at the entrance of Buddy Attick Park. Join members of the Recycling and Environment Committee in removing litter and other debris from the shoreline and path. Bring your work gloves. Wear comfortable clothing and boots or old shoes. Community service hours will be given to students. Bring your forms. Part of Gorgeous Prince George's Day.

SHREDDING DAY

Saturday, October 18, 2008. From 9:00 am to 12:00 noon. In front of the Credit Union at the Roosevelt Center. Residents bring your sensitive documents to shred for free. This is a service of the Greenbelt Credit Union.

For information on these programs, contact the City of Greenbelt Recycling Office at 301-474-8303

GREENBELT RECREATION DEPARTMENT

Teen Bash Costume Party

(13 – 15 Years Old)

Friday, October 24 from 7:00pm – 12 midnight

Tickets: \$10 in advance; \$15 at the door. All participants must wear a costume. Prizes will be awarded to the best costumes of the night. There will be music, inflatables, arcade-style games, contests, prizes, pizza, soda and much, much more.

For more information please call the Greenbelt Recreation Department Business Office at 301-397-2200.

For City Events, Information, Services and More...visit www.greenbeltmd.gov

GREENBELT MUNICIPAL /PUBLIC ACCESS NOW ON COMCAST 71 & VERIZON 21

MUNICIPAL ACCESS: 301-474-8000: Monday, October 20th at 8pm: City Council Work Session (live) Tuesday and Thursday, October 21 & 23: 6pm "Ask the Expert: Credit Counseling" 7:00pm "Meeting on Plans for Greenbelt Middle School" 8:30pm "Replay of Council Work Session" 10:00pm "Greenbelt Labor Day – The Monster Band"

PUBLIC ACCESS (GATE): 301-507-6581: Wednesday & Friday, October 22 & 24: 7pm "Your Body, Your Business Your Health" 8pm "Canticle for Leibowitz" 10:00pm "House Appropriations Hearing on PEG Access"

New Project Manager Joins City Planning Department

by Jon Sham

Jeffrey Thames, the Planning and Community Development Department's new hire who started his position as project manager in July, will oversee completion of many new projects both he and Greenbelt have in mind.



Jeffrey Thames

Thames grew up in Harrisburg, Pa., and attended Temple University in Philadelphia, where he graduated with a degree in electrical engineering. He then moved to this area, began his career at Westinghouse Electric Corporations and worked for Verizon for 12 years as an engineering specialist and project manager, "basically," he says, "what I'm doing right now."

While at Verizon, Thames became a certified project manager and finished a master's degree in business from Johns Hopkins University. He then moved to Greenbelt because, he says, "Greenbelt has a lot of good projects."

The Greenbelt Metro Station is one of those projects. "A massive project of that size and getting involved with developers and getting involved with the city . . . it fits into my background," he says.

At the Metro station, Thames says, they've finished the curbs and gutters, as well as the asphalt for entrances and exits. They have also finished the Greenbelt Sta-

tion Project bridge which connects Greenbelt Road to the station and helps with construction.

His role in this project involves inspection, daily reports and keeping contractors working in accordance with specifications.

And while progress on the station is going well so far, he admits there is no projected date for completion. "It really depends on when the developers get in there . . . start doing the building," he says. "Economic conditions really dictate when things start moving at this point."

Public Projects

Other projects in his sights are renovating the Greenbelt theatre, the parking lot at the police station and a major four-phase WSSC water main project: "We plan on redoing everybody's water, the incoming water into their house - everyone in Greenbelt," he says. He hopes to start monitoring that project sometime next year.

Outside of work, Thames likes to travel. Mentioning the Caribbean Islands, he says he loves beaches and relaxing environments. He also loves basketball and sports in general. He doesn't have a favorite team, but he likes to play "as often as my body will allow me to."

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Although all of her peers are now serving as principals in schools around the county and state, Reynolds-Lawson is thrilled to be at GES. She is enthusiastic about serving with GES principal Kimberly Seidel. She says that Seidel, in her second year at GES, is providing guidance on practical issues related to being a new principal.

Seidel praises Reynolds-Lawson as "a great addition to our staff . . . with a vast amount of experience."

Reynolds-Lawson describes GES as "running like a well-oiled machine." It is important to see "how a good school is run," she states and says that she plans to replicate much of what she is learning at GES in her future school.

She is impressed with the dedication of the GES teachers, whom she describes as "well-prepared" and "collaborative." She also praises the parents, saying they "send their kids to school ready to learn."

Fluent in French

In addition to her specialized academic training, Reynolds-Lawson brings several other skills to GES. She is fluent in Spanish and French. French was her major at the University of Maryland before she switched to education in her senior year. She earned her teaching certificate at Bowie State.

While teaching French to talented and gifted students at the Eugene Burroughs Middle School in Accokeek, she enjoyed coaching the dance team. Her jazz

and pop dance teams competed throughout the country, winning a national championship one year. She also was selected as National Coach of the Year for dance.

Reynolds-Lawson plans to teach dance routines to GES' sixth-grade girls. She says that dance is more than performing; it is also about public speaking, singing and confidence-building.

In 2005 Reynolds-Lawson traveled every weekend with the television star Vanna White and the film crew of Wheel of Fortune auditioning contestants for the show.

With a five-year-old daughter of her own, Reynolds-Lawson appreciates her 30-minute commute from her Capitol Hill home to Greenbelt. She brought her daughter to the Labor Day Festival, participating in the parade with the GES students.

She finds Greenbelt very welcoming. "I love the diversity here," she remarks. She enjoys shopping at the Co-op Supermarket and reading the News Review, looking for and recognizing the names and photos of GES families and children.

"Greenbelt is an amazing community. I have a dream job in a dream school," she says with a broad smile. She hopes she will be able to complete the school year at GES before she receives her next assignment.

WALKING

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are the best things parents can give their children, said Mimi Noorani, a mother of twins who are in the first grade at Greenbelt Elementary.

Physical activity in the morning "opens up the senses, and gets the brain in a healthy state for learning," she said.

Noorani said walking to school is a sustainable activity: "If you didn't do it today, you can do it any day of the year."

And as for safety, "in most neighborhoods, it's safer to walk than drive," Noorani said.

Officer Marty Parker of the Greenbelt Police Department agreed that walking to school is a safe thing to do. "This is a very good, safe community, an easy community to walk through," he said.

The following are some tips from Officer Parker for walking to school safely:

- Have kids walk in groups;
- Wear bright clothing;
- Teach kids to stop and look at intersections before crossing and to listen and keep their eyes open;
- Use rolling backpacks to ease back strain from heavy backpacks;
- Have an adult walk with kids if possible;
- Instruct kids that if they see something that doesn't seem right to tell someone.

**There is an urgent need
GIVE BLOOD 1-800-GIVE-LIFE**

Utopia Film Festival 2008

A Weekend of Great Films in Greenbelt Oct. 24-26

See utopiafilmfestival.org or next week's *News Review* for complete Utopia program schedule

- ★ More than 40 independent features, documentaries, animations and experimental works about love, music, politics, assassination, history, utopian communities, the environment and a multitude of other subjects to entertain and enlighten
- ★ Award-winning films and premieres by local, national and international filmmakers
- ★ Venues include the P&G Old Greenbelt Theatre; Greenbelt Municipal Building, Greenbelt Community Center and Academy Stadium Theaters at Beltway Plaza Mall
- ★ Tickets \$5 at the door for each event or \$25 for an inclusive Utopia Pass good for any and all films
- ★ Passes will be sold Sat. Oct. 18, 10-3, outside Co-op Supermarket; Sun. Oct. 19, 10-2 at the Greenbelt Farmer's Market adjacent to Roosevelt Center; Mon. Oct. 20, 6:30 pm at the New Deal café, with a free screening of *Fury for the Sound*; and Sat. Oct. 25, 10-3 at both the P&G Old Greenbelt Theatre ticket booth on Roosevelt Center, and the Greenbelt Arts Center, lower level, Roosevelt Center
- ★ Free programs for kids and grownups Saturday at the Greenbelt Library

Utopia sponsors include Academy Stadium Theaters, Amtrak, Anacostia Trailways Heritage Area, Annapolitan Bed & Breakfast, API, Beltway Plaza Mall, City of Greenbelt, Greenbelt Access Television, Greenbelt Co-op Supermarket, Greenbelt Federal Credit Union, Greenbelt Homes, Inc., Jasper's Restaurant, Martin's Catering, Maryland Delegate Justin Ross, Prince George's Arts Council, Prince George's County Memorial Library System, Siri's Chef's Secret Restaurant and Tom and Helen White



Utopia's Many Fine Films Include...

At Home in Utopia, about a community experiment in creating a racially-integrated apartment building in the 1930's Bronx - MARYLAND PREMIERE

Canvas, about the impact on her family of a woman's struggle with mental illness - PRINCE GEORGE'S PREMIERE

Yokes & Chains, about a controversial contemporary effort to chart the legacy of the transatlantic slave trade - WORLD PREMIERE

BLAST!, about a perilous NASA expedition to the Arctic and Antarctic to launch a revolutionary telescope - D.C. - AREA PREMIERE

Throw Down Your Heart, about the journey of American banjo virtuoso Bela Fleck to Africa - GREENBELT PREMIERE

RFK, about the 1968 assassination of Robert F. Kennedy and a 40-year battle to have the case reopened - D.C. - AREA PREMIERE

American Feud, about political divisions - GREENBELT PREMIERE...

AND MANY OTHERS! See utopiafilmfestival.org for full schedule

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discussion with Kent Moore, recently retired head of media collections for the Prince George's County Memorial Library system.

These events are co-sponsored by the Greenbelt Association for Visual Arts (GAVA) and the county library system.

Programming

Utopia programming chairperson Erica Ginsberg is a filmmaker who moved to Greenbelt in part because the city had preserved its historic movie theater.

"Even as Utopia continues to grow and attract submissions from around the world and festival-goers from throughout the D.C. area, it never strays from Greenbelt's ideals," she said. "Even the way that we select the films – by committee vote rather than selections by a single programmer – is something you'd probably find in few other places."

Documentaries – as well as features – can focus attention on what keeps people down as well as what lifts them up. This year for the first time, the festival will give a Utopian Vision Award to the work which best reflects the ideals of Greenbelt by telling a story which looks at issues of community-building, promoting diversity, bettering social and economic conditions or preserving the environment.

The environmental film "Fury for the Sound" documents a



Dr. Massounda Jalal, who ran for president of Afghanistan, is the subject of the film "Frontrunner."

protest about clear-cutting of the British Columbia rainforest and – as a special pre-Utopia event – will be screened free at 7 p.m. at the New Deal Café on Monday, October 20.

Pass Sales

That evening, starting at 6:30 p.m., all-weekend Utopia passes will be on sale at the New Deal. Although tickets for each Utopia event – which may include more than one film – will be available at the door of each venue, the all-weekend passes cover all Saturday and Sunday film events.

Weekend passes are also available online through utopiafilmfestival.org and will be sold Saturday, October 18 from 10

a.m. to 3 p.m. outside the Co-op Supermarket; Sunday, October 19 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Greenbelt Farmers Market adjacent to Roosevelt Center; and Saturday, October 25 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at both the P&G Old Greenbelt Theatre ticket booth in Roosevelt Center and the Greenbelt Arts Center on the lower level.

All information about the festival can be found online at utopiafilmfestival.org and a full program will appear in next week's Greenbelt News Review. Utopia's sponsors include Academy Stadium Theaters, Amtrak, Anacostia Trailways Heritage Area, Annapolitan Bed & Breakfast, API, Beltway Plaza Mall, City of Greenbelt, Greenbelt Access Television, Greenbelt Co-op Supermarket, Greenbelt Federal Credit Union, Greenbelt Homes, Inc., Jasper's Restaurant, Martin's Catering, Maryland Delegate Justin Ross, Prince George's Arts Council, Prince George's County Memorial Library System, Siri's Chef's Secret Restaurant and Tom and Helen White.

Susan Gervasi is a journalist and filmmaker whose "On the Trail of Jack Thorpe," about an early collector of cowboy songs, will be shown in the festival. She serves the Utopia Film Festival as publicity chairperson.



Pioneer settlers, a publicity shot for the film "Alaska Far Away: the New Deal Pioneers of the Matanuska Colony."

SIGNAGE

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The mayor pointed out that the law must be on the books before any enforcement at all can occur.

The city's Public Works Department has been removing the signs for years. Davis noted that the city has permission from the state to also remove illegal signs from state property within the city limits. She suggested pursuit of a similar agreement with county officials. City Solicitor Robert Manzi suggested adding Pepco's rights-of-way to the list as well.

Postal Services Available



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

Silk Painting Workshop with Diane Tuckman

At the Old Parish House, 4711 Knox Road, College Park
Saturday, November 8, 11 am – 4 pm
 (bring a lunch)

Send your check for \$12 by Oct. 30 to
 COLLEGE PARK ARTS EXCHANGE,
 PO Box 784, College Park, MD 20741
www.cpae.org • 301-927-3013 • info@cpae.org

NOTICE TO GHI MEMBERS

PRELIMINARY AGENDA

GHI BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING

Thursday, October 23, 2008

GHI BOARD ROOM, 7:30 PM

GHI Key Agenda Items:

- Request for Exception: Existing Privacy Screen/Fence, 13X Hillside Rd
- Bidding Out Auditor Services
- Greenhill Outfall Stabilization Project Contribution
- Policy on Restricting Construction of Structures in WSSC Rights of Way



Regular Board meetings are open to Members
 For more information, visit our website - www.ghi.coop

Radio Personalities at Bowie Museum

On Saturday, October 18 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., local radio celebrities will visit Bowie's Radio and Television Museum.



At this free program radio and television personalities Ed Walker and Mac McGarry will address the group and reminisce about their years in broadcasting. Walker, host of WAMU-FM's "The Big Broadcast," worked with famed NBC broadcaster Willard Scott in the 1960s on WRC and WWDC. They were known as the "Joy Boys of Radio." McGarry is host of the long-running television program "It's Academic" on WRC-TV, now in its 48th year on the air.

The Museum

The Radio and Television Museum takes visitors through the evolution of broadcasting. See a Marconi spark-gap transmitter, identical to the one aboard the Titanic. Listen to working crystal sets from the 1920s. Push buttons and hear clips from historic news events and entertainment programs of the 30s and 40s. Watch early TV programs on working black and white televisions.

The museum is located at 2608 Mitchellville Road, a couple of miles from U.S. Route 50 exit to Route 197. See the website www.radiohistory.org for directions. For more information call 301-390-1020.



Greenbelt Federal Credit Union
 Will hold its Annual
Community Fall Shred Day
 Saturday, Oct 18,
 9am – Noon.

Bring your personal papers to be shredded to protect yourself from identity theft. Look for the Shredding Truck behind the Credit Union
 112 Centerway, Greenbelt, MD
 301-474-500 • www.greenbeltfcu.com

NOTICE TO GHI MEMBERS

LEAF BAGS ARE NOW AVAILABLE

FREE paper leaf bags are again available to GHI members at the GHI main office during regular business hours on a first-come, first-served basis.

NOTE: SPECIAL SATURDAY HOURS: Bags will be distributed from GHI garage #21 on Parkway Road on the following Saturdays: October 18 and 25; November 1 and 8, from 9am to 1pm.

Curbside leaf removal by the City is not available to GHI members. Leaves must be placed in paper bags or bins labeled YARD WASTE and placed in members' service side yards along with regular trash and recycling materials.



GREENBELT



FARMERS MARKET

Supper under the Stars
 October 26th, 6:30 pm

\$45 Greenbelt Community Church
 a portion of this ticket is tax deductible

Purchase your tickets at the market or at
www.greenbeltfarmersmarket.org

Labor Day Kids' Games Winners

On Saturday, August 30 Mother Nature cooperated, allowing a group of excited kids to participate in the Greenbelt Labor Day Festival Kids' Games sponsored by the Greenbelt Recreation Department. The carnival-style games were held from 9 to 11 a.m. on the Community Center front lawn with individual age group competitions held every half hour.

The youngest competitors were the 6-month to 1-year-old category. Each competitor participated in the ever-so-popular Diaper Derby. The winners included:

- 9:30 a.m., Ginseppe "Gus" Colandrea and John McBride

- 10 a.m., Francis Commins and Turner Leatham

- 10:30 a.m., Avik "Speedy" Grover and Turner Leatham

Youngsters in the two through four age group competed in three different contests: the bucket fill relay race, foot race and Koosh ball toss.

- 9:30 a.m., Bucket Fill: Jessica Zhou and Kevin Tu

- 10 a.m., Foot Race: Kevin Tu

- 10:30 a.m., Koosh Ball toss: Jessica Zhou, Kevin Tu, August Hao, Kevin Qi, Ruby Colandrea, Olivia Xia, Samaya Flanigan, Leah Liu, Mateo Idler, and Addison Leatham

The five through eight age group competed in the hula hoop contest, the biggest bubble and water balloon toss. The winners included:

- 9:30 a.m., Hula Hoop Contest: Macy Granzow

- 10 a.m., Biggest Bubble: Mackenzie Lepage

- 10:30 a.m., Water Balloon Toss: Walter Commins and Sean Dabbs

For the final individual group competition, kids aged nine through 12 participated in a biggest bubble contest, hula hoop contest and water balloon toss. The winners included:

- 9:30 a.m., Biggest Bubble: Lauryn Turnage and Jerry Li

- 10 a.m., Hula Hoop Contest: Jerry Li

- 10:30 a.m., Water Balloon Toss: Walter Commins and Sean Dabbs

Local NAMI Support Group Meets Monday

The National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) New Carrollton Area Family Support Group will meet at the Hanco Building at Beckett Field, 8511 Legation Road in New Carrollton on Monday, October 20 from 10 a.m. to noon.

This supportive work group prepares the mailing and provides other volunteer tasks while sharing their mental health experiences and each other's challenges and solutions.

Invasive Species Is Lecture Topic

The Library of Congress will present a lecture on "Invasive Species in the U.S.," by Jeff Morissette, senior scientist, Hydro-spheric and Biospheric Sciences Laboratory, NASA Goddard Space Flight Center, on Tuesday, October 21 from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

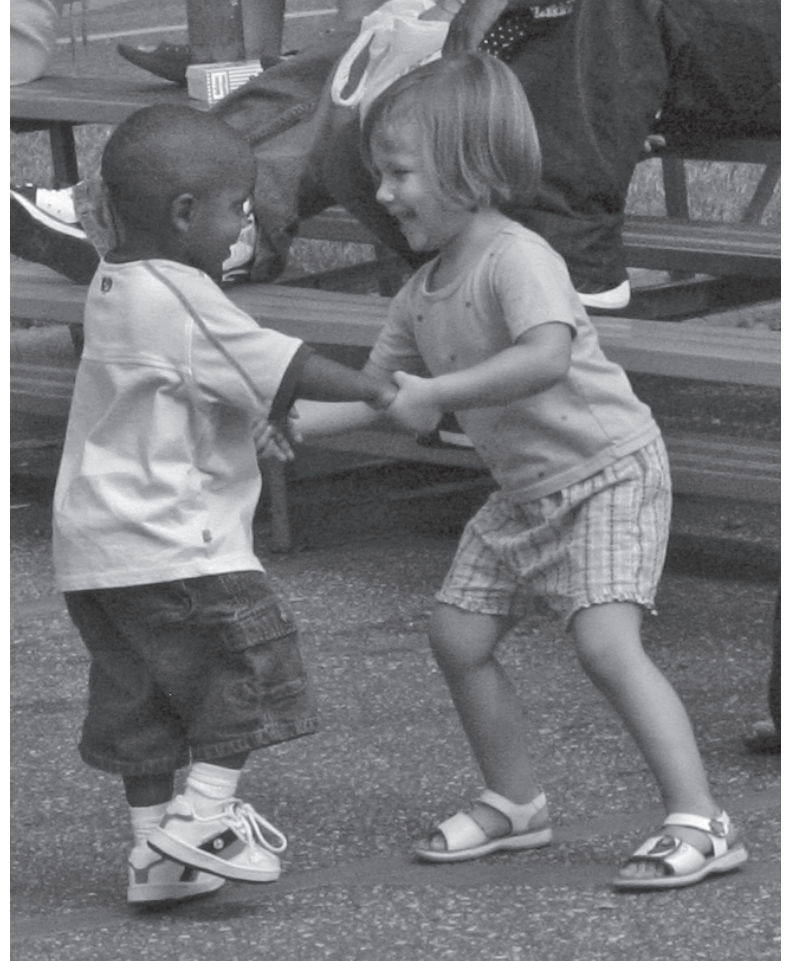
Drawing on NASA's observations of Earth from space, Morissette will give the latest news and discuss cutting-edge research on invasive species in the U.S.

This free event will take place in the Madison Building, Pickford Theater, 3rd floor. For more information call 202-707-5664.



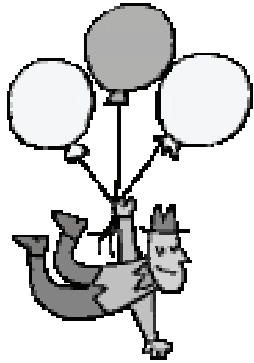
Ransom Staszak, 2.5 years old, the grandson of Barbara Lee and Rick Ransom paints a picture at the Greenbelt Nursery School and Kindergarten booth.

photo by Rick Ransom



Deontae Higgs, age 3 of Landover, dances with Hailey Boggs, age 3 of Greenbelt.

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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.

Dates and times are those when police were first contacted about incidents.

Attempted Robbery

September 30, 12:55 a.m., 6000 block Springhill Drive, a man, who is known to the victim, attempted to rob him at gunpoint. When he refused to cooperate, the man fled the area on foot. The suspect is described as a black male, 5'10" with a slender build, black hair and brown eyes, wearing a black shirt and jeans. Investigation is continuing.

Attempted Carjacking

September 29, 9:32 p.m., 6400 block Ivy Lane, a young man approached a man from behind as he was walking to his vehicle. The young man displayed a handgun and demanded the victim's wallet and car keys. He attempted to take the victim's car but could not disengage the emergency brake. He then got into a waiting vehicle and fled the scene. The suspect is described as a black male, 18 to 20 years of age, 5'7", 180 pounds with black hair in short plaits, wearing a white T-shirt and jeans. The driver of the suspect vehicle, a light-colored Cadillac, is described as a black male, 18 to 20 years of age with black hair and brown eyes.

Assault

October 4, 5:28 p.m., 6000 block Springhill Drive, as two people left a basketball court they were assaulted by three youths who punched and kicked them for unknown reasons. Two suspects are described as a black male, 14 to 16 years of age, 5'4" to 5'8" with black hair, wearing a white shirt with blue letters and blue jeans; and a black male, 14 to 16 years of age, 5'4" to 5'8" with black hair, wearing a black hooded sweatshirt.

Drug Arrest

October 1, 9:16 p.m., 8900 block Edmonston Road, a non-resident woman was arrested and charged with possession of heroin, two counts of possession of a controlled dangerous substance, two counts of possession of paraphernalia and possession of a hypodermic syringe. Another non-resident woman was arrested and charged with possession of crack

cocaine. They were transported to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner.

Disorderly Conduct

October 8, 7:15 p.m., Roosevelt Center, a nonresident youth was arrested, charged with disorderly conduct and released to a guardian pending action by the Department of Juvenile Services.

October 9, 10:11 p.m., 5900 block Cherrywood Terrace, a resident man was arrested, charged with disorderly conduct and released on citation pending trial.

Thefts

October 3, 11:51 a.m., 200 block Lastner Lane, a witness observed a young man take a blue Trek brand mountain bike from a backyard. The suspect is described as a black male, 15 to 18 years of age, 5'10", 150 pounds with black hair, wearing a black shirt and red shorts.

October 8, 11:40 p.m., 9100 block Springhill Court, a resident man and two nonresident men were arrested and charged with theft over \$500, theft under \$500, malicious destruction over \$500 and malicious destruction under \$500. All three men were transported to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner.

October 9, 7:48 p.m., 7500 block Greenway Center Drive, a laptop computer was taken from an office suite. A man seen entering the office after hours is described as a black male, 30 to 35 years of age, 5'10" with a stocky build, wearing a black skull cap, a blue shirt and blue jeans.

Unattended Children

September 29, 10:08 p.m., Greenway Center, a resident woman was arrested for unattended children in a motor vehicle and was released on citation pending trial.

Vandalism

October 4, 7:42 p.m., 100 block Westway, a youth threw a rock at an apartment window, breaking it. The youth fled the area on foot with a second youth. They are described as a black male, 10 to 13 years of age, wearing sweat

GPS Theft Alert

There has been a recent increase in thefts of portable GPS units from unattended vehicles. The Greenbelt police advise people to not leave these items in view; either secure them out of sight or take them out of the vehicle.

pants and carrying a skateboard; and a black male 10 to 13 years of age, wearing blue jeans.

October 6, 7:32 p.m., 5800 block Cherrywood Lane, it was reported that unknown person(s) threw a rock through the kitchen window of a residence, shattering it.

Vehicle Crimes

Three vehicles were reported as stolen: a gray 1992 Mercury Sable, no tags from the 1 Court Hillside; a 1995 Honda Accord 4-door from the 5700 block Greenbelt Metro Drive; and a purple and black 2004 Suzuki GSX1300 motorcycle, Maryland tag 457M58 from the 7900 block Mandan Road. An attempt was made to steal an auto from the 5700 block Greenbelt Metro Drive.

Two vehicles were recovered, one by Greenbelt police and one by an outside department. No arrests were made.

Vandalism to vehicles was reported in the following areas: 9100 block Edmonston Road (broken side window); 6900 block Hanover Parkway (two punctured tires); 7800 block Good Luck Road (broken rear window); Beltway Plaza (damaged door lock); and 5900 block Cherrywood Terrace (damage to side mirror, driver's door, brake lens).

Theft from vehicles was reported at: 66 Ridge Road (purse); Beltway Plaza (GPS); 6000 block Springhill Drive (airbags); 9100 block Edmonston Court (rear tag); 6900 block Hanover Parkway (registration sticker); 7700 block Greenbelt Road (catalytic converter); Greenway Center Drive (two incidents – catalytic converters).

City Is Working to Solve Rat Problem in Center

by Leslie Riddle

Recently users of Roosevelt Center have noticed the presence of rats in the Center. The city is working on addressing the problem. For years, the City of Greenbelt has contracted with an exterminator firm to address rats and other pests. However, sometimes more intensive and, in this case, more visible measures are necessary.

As humans we are often amused by four-legged furry friends and may find ourselves humanizing their behavior. Sit in the park for an hour or so and you can be thoroughly entertained by those bushy-tailed pint size bundles of energy we call squirrels. We also have our resident chipmunks, beaver, muskrats and groundhogs – species that we have learned to live with and tolerate within our urban environment.

We have also learned to tolerate rather than appreciate less desirable creatures in the rodent family: rats and mice. They invade homes and businesses, causing considerable destruction and financial loss. Rats are the most common pest in cities; they are not native to the United States and have only a few predators.

While rats can be a significant problem within urban environments, they are also living creatures and need to be dealt with in a humane manner. An arsenal of ways have been developed to quell these creatures, but it is important to realize the impact of these controls on our environment and other living things.

As noted above, the city has a current problem with rats around Roosevelt Center. Many residents have informed the public works official about the problem. The department recognizes that it is imperative to reduce the rat population and is implementing trapping and other controls.

Some controls, such as snap

traps, will not be set outside where they are accessible to children or adults, chipmunks or squirrels. If this type of trap is employed, it will be set in secure locations, such as the basement of the movie theater, accessible only to the rats and pest control professionals.

So that everyone is well informed, here are some steps being taken to mitigate the current rodent problem:

1. Ground cover in the beds surrounding the center has been trimmed down.
2. Plants that provide cover for rodents have been trimmed or removed.
3. All trash receptacles will be covered and secured.
4. Exterminator visits have been stepped up to twice a week.
5. Snap traps may be placed in areas that are secure from the public.

6. All businesses are requested to secure their food products and garbage containers so they are not accessible to rodents.

The most critical issue with rodents is good sanitation and removing their food source. Doing so will also require the cooperation of all who visit Roosevelt Center. It is important to refrain from feeding other furry friends, as this well-intentioned act may also provide food for the unwanted guests. People should not leave food out for feral cats as this food will also attract rodents.

With the public's assistance, Public Works is confident that these actions will reduce the rat population significantly. If there are questions call Greenbelt Public Works at 301-474-8004 Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Leslie Riddle is the Superintendent of Operations for the Greenbelt Public Works Department.

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Roosevelt Center, Historic City Topics for Next Two Workshops

by Frank DeBernardo

Two separate workshops on Saturday, October 25 and Sunday, October 26 will explore new ideas about Roosevelt Center and the historic central part of the city. The ideas, generated at the Greener Greenbelt Charrette in September 2007, include the following:

- Providing for more diversity of uses and using a "green" approach at Roosevelt Center;
- Considering incorporating residential spaces above and around the center to make it more active throughout the day;
- Providing more retail options such as a consignment or thrift shop or a hardware store. Take advantage of the slope behind the Mother and Child statue to create an amphitheater and rain garden; and
- Providing for the ecological health of Greenbelt Lake.

Both workshops will run from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. at Greenbelt Baptist Church at the corner of Crescent and Greenhill Roads. The workshop on Saturday, October 25, will focus on the Roosevelt Center, while the workshop on Sunday, October 26 will focus on the neighborhood of Historic Greenbelt.

Each workshop will begin with a slide show which will demonstrate innovative ideas and designs. Following the Roosevelt Center workshop a panel will discuss the ideas from a variety of perspectives: Kim Kash, president of the Roosevelt Center Merchants Association; Margaret McFarland, director of the University of Maryland's Real Estate Development Program; Celia Craze, director of Greenbelt's Planning and Community Development Office; and Brian Kelly, professor of architecture at the University of Maryland, who facilitated the Roosevelt Center focus group at the charrette.

"The panel discussion will help those interested in a brighter future for Roosevelt Center 'get real' about the challenges and opportunities of revitalizing the center," says Jim Cohen, co-chair of the Greener Greenbelt Initiative. "The retail ideas and the design options are appealing, but is there a sufficient market for the suggested stores? What about financing for redevelopment? Cooperation of the owners? Popular support for adding density to the Center? The October 25 discus-

sion will help us get clarity on what the next steps need to be."

Sunday's Workshop

The workshop on Sunday, October 26, with a similar format, will examine the neighborhood of Historic Greenbelt. Following a slide show, leaders from local environmental, naturalist and transportation organizations will respond to the feasibility of the charrette proposals.

The topics will include historic trees and forest cover, stormwater management, Greenbelt Lake, pathways and their lighting and enhancing transit, and bicycle and pedestrian options.

"In discussing the Roosevelt Center and the city's historic core, the Greener Greenbelt Initiative needs the perspectives of a wide variety of Greenbelt citizens," Cohen stated. "We hope to find workable solutions that will help Greenbelt continue to be a model community for the nation."

The fourth and final workshop of this series, focusing on the Greater Greenbelt Region, will take place on Sunday, November 2 from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m., at Greenbelt Baptist Church.

Minor Construction Delays Slow Greenbelt Road Traffic

by Christian Kloc

Orange cones that mark continuing construction at the intersection of Hanover Parkway and Maryland. Route 193 will remain until November, a State Highway Administration (SHA) official said. A few "minor setbacks" in the \$1.7 million project kept crews from finishing sooner, David Buck of the Maryland SHA communications office said.

Four sections of unfinished sidewalk are obstructed, including a dirt area pedestrians must walk through to cross Greenbelt Road, while two sections are completely blocked off with metal rods sticking out of the ground. The entire project was originally due to be finished last summer.

In an email to the News Review, Greenbelt resident Deborah Bustin said the delay has left the asphalt uneven and full of holes, impeding her daily commute. "[Drivers] have to really concentrate to avoid the many pits and holes," Bustin wrote, "while at the same time trying to watch out for the buses [merging] back into main traffic after picking up passengers at Gre-

enway Center."

Crews from Omni Excavators in Bladensburg hope to finish curb and gutter installation in the next few days, then lay wire for a traffic signal, Buck said. After the electrical work, they will start repaving, which requires at least 50-degree temperatures, he said.

"I don't know what they're doing," said Melanie Adams, an employee at Wells Fargo Financial on Greenbelt Road, who called work on the project "sporadic."

Others who live and work near the intersection also had no idea why the construction was happening.

An October 2007 press release said construction was designed to relieve traffic congestion in the intersection by adding a dual left turn lane from eastbound Greenbelt Road to northbound Hanover Parkway. Other tasks included drawing of new pavement markings and repair of concrete medians, drainage systems and sidewalks. The contractor for the road work is Omni Excavators, Inc. of Washington, D.C.

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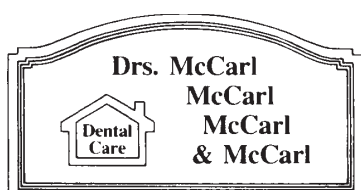


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Ladybugs – Find Them, Photograph and Send Them

by Don Comis

After learning that the Lost Ladybug Project (www.lostladybug.org) is enlisting the public's help to find disappearing ladybugs, I decided to add ladybugs to my inventorying of Greenbelt wildlife. I had seen a pale orange ladybug in my house weeks before knowing about the project but I didn't think much about it.



Ladybugs are critical to all kinds of wildlife and have been added to a list of other insects that are disappearing from our midst.

After learning about the project, I was thinking about building a net to catch some and photograph them, when "plop," a ladybug landed right next to my bathroom mirror one morning.

I took a really close look this time, counting 15 or more black spots on the ladybug, noting the pale orange color, and a yellow "neck," which I found out later is called a pronotum.

I took that information to a link at the Lost Ladybug Project site and used their guide to guess it was an Asian lady beetle. I only wish I had known that the Asian lady beetle is the only ladybug with an "M" or "W" on its pronotum (depending on how you look at it).

Mine was a good guess because Asian lady bugs have a habit of trying to spend the winter hibernating in people's homes.

So join me in going to the Lost Ladybug site, making a net, capturing some ladybugs, photographing them and sending their photographs to Cornell University for identification. We only have through the end of October before the ladybugs try to hide to hibernate all winter. Then in the spring we can once again take pictures of ladybugs, as well as count bees and disappearing lightning bugs as part of other citizen science projects, also found in links at www.lostladybug.org.

The Lost Ladybug Project is modeled after other citizen science projects begun by the National Audubon Society, such as eBird, launched in 2002 by the Cornell Lab of Ornithology and the National Audubon Society.

The projects mentioned in this article invite people of all ages to participate with or without related skills, education or experience. They are a great way to introduce young people to nature and science, as well as for the rest of us to stay young while helping the planet.

Service Families Offered Legion Blue Star Banner

American Legion Greenbelt Post 136 and the Prince George's County Council of the American Legion are bringing to readers' attention the Legion's Blue Star Service Banner program that shows the world the nation's pride in courageous men and women in American uniform overseas.

Banners can be displayed in the front windows of homes of families who have loved ones serving in the armed forces, including activated members of the National Guard and Reserves. The family member could be a son, daughter, brother, sister, cousin, husband, wife or grandchild. Displaying a banner in a front window shows pride for a loved one serving in the military.

History

Blue Star Service Banners, sometimes called Blue Star Flags, have long been a part of the nation's wartime history. They have been hung in the windows of the families of service men and women since World War I. These

banners first became a way in 1917 for households to indicate they had family members in the service.

At that time, in World War I, Army Capt. Robert L. Queissner designed this symbol in honor of his two sons who were serving on the front line.

It quickly became traditional for a gold star to represent a soldier who had died serving his country. Theodore Roosevelt's family had a banner with a gold star in honor of their son who was shot down over France in 1918.

The American Legion is rekindling the tradition of providing banners to families in communities across the country.

Those who have a loved one in the service and would like to obtain a banner or learn more about the Blue Star Banner program are asked to call the Legion at 301-345-0136 ext. 3 or pick up a banner at the Post, which is located at 6900 Greenbelt Road.

City Notes

Recreation staff is participating in the National Recreation and Park Association "National Congress in Baltimore" from October 13 to 18. The topic is "Historic Preservation: A Model of Town Planning from the 1930s." Many recreation staff members have served on the planning committee for the past year and will be actively volunteering and assisting the City of Baltimore in this large national event.

CARES

Shireen Blair and Glenda Willis attended the 20th Annual Suicide Prevention Conference: "Building a Culture of Hope," presented by the University of Maryland Department of Psychiatry Mental Health Services Training Center.

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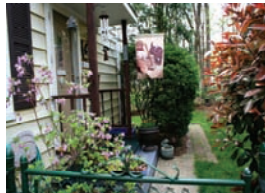
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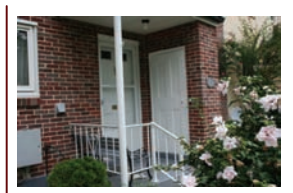
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Arboretum Holds Bonsai Exhibit

From October 25 through November 16 the U.S. National Arboretum presents an autumn bonsai exhibit daily from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Experience the beauty of the colorful fall season as it occurs in bonsai at the national Bonsai and Penjing Museum. The bright red maples, yellow ginkgos, fruited persimmon tree and more from the museum's permanent collection will be on free exhibit. No registration is required. Visit www.usna.usda.gov or call 202-245-5898 for information.

Botanic Garden Gives Free Tour

The U.S. Botanic Garden will offer a free tour on Wednesday, October 22 from noon to 1 p.m. Join Bill McLaughlin, plant curator, in a walk through the Conservatory's courtyard garden, Southern Exposure. McLaughlin, designer of the Southern Exposure garden, will share stories and tidbits of information about the North American native plants featured in the garden. Discover why he chose these plants and how his knowledge of their natural habitat influenced the garden's design. The tour is outside and will be canceled if it rains. Reservations are required; call 202-225-1116.

Smith Center Hosts Katrina Program

On Tuesday, October 21 at 5:30 p.m. in the Kogod Theatre of the Clarice Smith Performing Arts Center, Jose Torres Tama will give a free presentation of "The Cone of Uncertainty: New Orleans after Katrina," a performance, lecture and community conversation. A writer and visual/performance artist, Torres Tama will give a 30-minute excerpt from his solo multimedia presentation. "The Cone of Uncertainty" recounts his escape from flooded New Orleans on a stolen school bus with "a magical-realist Latino voodoo aesthetic."

Following the performance, Torres Tama will explore with the audience the role of the performance artist as a social provocateur and take up issues concerning race and class in the United States, the historical context of the storm and the displacement of thousands of Latinos.

Belair Mansion Shows Ogle Landscape Art

The Belair Mansion's currently displayed art exhibit, "A Polite Recreation: Landscape Drawings by the Ogle Family," offers visitors a rare opportunity to enjoy a glimpse of one of the early 19th century's most popular leisure activities.

The creation of artistic drawings was a popular pastime for both men and women in the late 18th and early 19th centuries. While ladies generally confined their work to flowers and other "feminine" subjects, gentlemen favored landscapes and architectural subjects. The exhibit brings together 17 drawings by Benjamin Ogle, II, the owner of Belair from 1815 to 1844.

The exhibit is open to the public during the Mansion's hours Tuesday through Sunday from noon to 4 p.m. Admission is free. Belair is located at 12207 Tulip Grove Drive in Bowie. For details call 301-809-3089 or email museumevents@cityofbowie.org.



Karan Temple True gets a smooch from a friendly dolphin.

Greenbelter Gets a Wet Smooch

Greenbelt resident Karan Temple True got a kiss from a dolphin last summer in Roatan, an island off the coast of Honduras and Guatemala. True was there for a week and a half on a scuba diving trip with friends. Between dives, they visited an area where people can swim with, pet and feed dolphins. They're warm and smooth, True says, and they do all sorts of squeaking and squawking

to interact with people. True has been diving for 12 years. She learned by taking classes at the Greenbelt pool and from a friend. She's taken trips to the North Carolina coast, the Florida Keys, the Cayman Islands and elsewhere in the Caribbean. Her next trip will be in October, when she'll head to Cozumel, off the coast of Mexico near Cancun.

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The Beltsville Garden Club will meet on Wednesday, October 22 at 7:30 p.m. in the cafeteria of the James E. Duckworth School, 11201 Evans Trail in Beltsville. Nick Weber will talk about his experience with heritage roses.

Infatuated with old garden roses, Weber bought 5.5 acres of land in 1985 to devote to caring for and displaying roses. Rose gardens now surround the house, including two main display gardens, each with a lily pond, one of which has an elevated pavilion to view its half-acre of old and new roses. He currently has 600 to 700 varieties of roses. Other smaller specialty gardens include a kitchen garden, children's garden, climber garden and the bride's garden.

There will be plants for the door prize table and refreshments after the meeting. Open to the public; admission is free.

For details call Louise DeJames at 301-890-4733 or visit www.beltsvillegardenclub.org.

Fall Bird Walk Sat., October 18

At 7:30 a.m. on Saturday, October 18, the Prince George's Audubon Society will host a half-day fall bird walk at the Governor Bridge Natural Area in Bowie. Walkers should see woodland and field birds, waterfowl and have good chances for raptor flyovers at this forested floodplain of the Patuxent River. This walk is suitable for beginners and experts. Wear waterproof footwear and bring binoculars. Meet at the parking lot.

The Governor Bridge Natural Area is on Governor Bridge Road in Bowie, one mile east of Route 301.

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New Deal Café Offers Good Food, Good Entertainment

by Lori Martin

I moved to Greenbelt five years ago. After living in Glasgow, Scotland for two years I longed for a place with a similar sense of community, walkability and culture. Greenbelt fit the bill, in large part because of the many co-operatives in this community.

My favorite cooperative is the New Deal Café. I am proud to be a member and I visit the Café frequently. Stop by some time and you'll probably find me there.

This comfortable restaurant has provided me with a place to feel at home, to be connected to others, to be creatively stimulated and entertained, as well as to eat great food and now and then enjoy a beer with friends.

Often I think about how grateful I am that the Café continues to exist and has not been squeezed out by nearby impersonal and mundane chains. The New Deal Café is unique and vibrant and only possible with the joint efforts of many people doing what they are able to contribute.

Since December 30, 1995, the Café has served as living room, dining room and family room for our community. We are a non-stock, cooperative membership corporation with over 200 members financially supporting the café and taking part in annual meetings, committees and other volunteering.

A board is elected and manages the Café. Right now our hardworking board members are Bill Wilkerson, Peter May, Terry Rutledge, Don Comis and Pat Brent. It is not only a place to get excellent Mediterranean food but also a place for the community to grow and deepen through this unique model of cooperation.

A few of the outstanding dishes served up at the Café include falafel, tabbouleh, shawarma, kabab, salmon and lamb. My favorite is the fatayer – or cheese, meat or spinach pies.

Delectable desserts such as chocolate mousse, caramel crunch cake and crème brulee satisfy the sweet tooth. Along with Zeke's coffee and a selection of hot teas and cold beverages, the Café also serves many microbrew beers,

both bottled and on tap, as well as international wines by the glass and bottle.

Arts Offerings

Among the wide variety of arts and entertainment at the New Deal are art displays that change monthly, wine tastings, cook-offs, movie nights and almost nightly music performances. One such performer is the famous Buck Hill, a living legend, who has been dazzling audiences for over 40 years. He has played his tenor saxophone with Dizzy Gillespie, Miles Davis, Charlie Byrd and Shirley Horn. Hill's performances and recordings have received great acclaim in the New York Post and the Village Voice.

Eric Brace of the Washington Post said of his latest record, "Uh Huh! Live at Montpelier," that it contains "eight original compositions that are so melodically complete and so structurally satisfying that I wonder if they might become standards someday." Buck Hill performs monthly with the Magic Ray Jazz ensemble. Their next collaboration will be Saturday, November 15 at 8 p.m. Hill is just one of the many excellent musicians who grace the stage at the New Deal Café.

In all cooperatives the more we cooperate, the better we are. Come visit the Café and support us by dining. You'll meet chef Karim, his wife Maria, who makes excellent soups and desserts, and friendly staff members like Aliu, Jose and Pat, to name a few.

To find out more about upcoming events, performances and food specials visit our website, www.newdealCafe.com, or stop by and ask the staff. Consider becoming a member of the New Deal Café or if you are already a member, consider joining one of our committees or running for the board. We need everyone's input for this exciting venture. You are always welcome at the Café.

Some of this article is reprinted from the website: www.allaboutjazz.com.

Lori Martin handles publicity for the New Deal Café.

Two New Discussion Circles Now Forming

Two Discussion Circles are now forming to help Greenbelters "walk lightly on and take action on behalf of the Earth." "Menu for the Future" will explore the connection between food and sustainability. Topics include local versus organic, a more just food system and the impacts of big industrial farming on society and the environment. This eight-session circle will begin on Tuesday, October 21 from 7 to 9 p.m. in the Greenbelt Community Center, Room 112/Gallery.

"Global Warming: Changing CO2urse" will explore the history and science of global warming, personal values and habits as they relate to climate change and personal actions to curb the effects of global warming. This six-session circle will begin Thursday, October 23 from 7 to 9 p.m. in Room 103 of the Greenbelt Community Center.

These courses provide an enjoyable, supportive setting in which to examine personal values and habits, engage in stimulating conversation, create meaningful community and consider ways to take action toward creating a more sustainable future.

Participants should just show up at the first meeting and will decide days and times to meet thereafter. These discussion circles are peer-facilitated and each will be composed of from 8 to 12 people who commit to meeting together for six or eight sessions. A volunteer mentor will get group sessions started.

Discussion guides, which provide short readings and action components will be provided free of charge for use during the circle. For more information contact Simplicity Matters Earth Institute at lore@simplicity-matters.org or 301-345-2234 or Greenbelt Climate Action Network at sr.kane@verizon.net or 301-441-3809.

— Steve Kane

Patuxent Wildlife Festival Saturday

The annual Patuxent Wildlife Festival will be held from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, October 18 at the Patuxent Research Refuge's National Wildlife Visitor Center in Laurel. This free event is for all ages and will include live animals, nature hikes and other hands-on activities. For more details call 301-497-5950.

Greenbelt Credit Union First Co-op in New Town

by Cindy Comproni

There were no banking facilities when the first families moved into Greenbelt, so a group of pioneer residents put their heads together and decided to organize a credit union. The charter for the Greenbelt Federal Credit Union was issued on December 13, 1937. It became the first community credit union in the area, the first financial institution and one of the first two co-ops in Greenbelt.

A federal credit union is a nonprofit, cooperative financial institution owned and run by its members. Organized to serve, democratically-controlled credit unions provide their members with a safe place to save and borrow at reasonable rates. Members pool their funds to make loans to one another. The volunteer board is elected by its members and runs each credit union through its general manager. "Not for profit, but for service" is a credit union motto.

The new organization thrived and steadily increased in size, assisted later by the Co-op store operations, which provided space without charge for the expanding credit union.

During the early years, the credit union was considered the stork's right-hand man in Greenbelt. The Credit Committee was frequently called upon for emergency meetings to provide funds for a new arrival, and, it was hoped, a new member in the future.

Greatest Challenge

In 1952, Greenbelt Federal Credit Union was faced with its greatest challenge. The Public Housing Administration, which was selling the Greenbelt project, announced that down payments on at least 500 of the homes must be made by the end of the year in order for the resident-formed corporation to buy the project. The majority of the required

down payments were financed through the credit union.

In 1970 the National Credit Union Administration was created to charter and supervise federal credit unions and the National Credit Union Share Insurance Fund (NCUSIF) also was organized to insure credit-union deposits. In the independent credit-union spirit, the NCUSIF was created without tax dollars, capitalized solely by credit unions.

The Greenbelt field of membership was expanded through merger acquisitions including one with the Consumer Co-op Federal Credit Union. Eligibility now includes all residents of Greenbelt, persons employed in Greenbelt, members of Greenbelt Consumer Co-op, those who worship or attend school in Greenbelt and their family members.

Service Expansions

Expansion of services accompanied the expansion of membership. Today the wide range of services offered by the credit union include Regular Share Savings Account, Share Certificate, Money Market, Individual Retirement Account (IRA), Roth IRA, Educational IRA, and Share Draft Checking Account. Other services include online banking, audio-response system, VISA gift cards and travel cards, ATM machine, VISA credit card and VISA Check Card and loans.

The Credit Union recently joined the Co-op Network, a network of credit unions which allows its members access to surcharge-free ATMs located at credit unions and 7-Eleven stores.

For more information on the Greenbelt Federal Credit Union go to www.greenbeltfcu.com

Cindy Comproni is the general manager-treasurer of the Greenbelt Federal Credit Union.

Wells Ice Rink Opens New Season on Sat.

The Wells Ice Rink in College Park will open its doors for the season on Saturday, October 18. Sessions are from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. and from 8 to 10 p.m. The rink, located at 5211 Paint Branch Parkway in College Park, will also offer a figure-skating program, hockey instruction program, adult hockey league, pickup hockey and broomball.

This season Wells will introduce "Give it a Shot," a program designed for kids with an interest in ice hockey. The newly developed program is designed for children ages 7 to 12. No skating skills are necessary. Students will be taught basic hockey skating techniques and rules and gain confidence on hockey skates. Hockey equipment will be supplied during the class including rental skates, helmet with face mask, pants, hockey stick, hockey gloves and a jersey.

Classes

The Wells facility will also offer a range of "land" fitness activities, including "Cardio Workout," on Tuesday and Thursday nights from 6:15 to 7:15 p.m. A program for those looking for a serious workout, the focus will be on increasing heart rate, muscle toning and strength.

A dance class will be held on Saturday mornings from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. featuring various styles of dance. Massage therapy will also be offered on-site by appointment.

Self Defense Plus classes for children age 8 to 12 years old will be held on Monday and Wednesday from 6:15 to 7 p.m. Classes for those 13 years old and up are on Monday and Wednesday from 7 to 7:45 p.m.

There are fees for these programs. For more information call 301-277-3717.

