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Greenbelt Is Going Green With Sustainability Plan

by Tami Le

By 2015 more households in the city of Greenbelt will use renewable electricity and have more water-efficient fixtures. Or at least that's what members of GreenACES (Greenbelt Advisory Committee on Environmental Sustainability) hoped as they brainstormed specific goals for the city's sustainability plan at their monthly meeting on June 7. "Our final goal is to reduce our carbon footprint," said Eva Fallon, a volunteer on the committee.

GreenACES has been working since the beginning of this year to develop a sustainability master plan for the entire city. "It's going to take us years to do it and it's going to take even longer to get the city council to go along with it," said GreenACES chairperson John Lippert.

Lippert was to present this plan at the Greenbelt Climate Action Network (GCAN) meeting. "We're going to come up with the goals . . . and see what they're going to go along with and what they're not going to go along with," he said.

The sustainability plan addresses four concerns: healthy

people, the economy, healthy environment and education. The six topics discussed include energy, land use, transportation, waste, water and food systems security.

"This month's meeting we're fine-tuning the goals," said staff liaison Luisa Robles. "We had broader goals established before. Now we're going into the five-year goals."

These goals addressed topics and concerns that were brought up, including lowering water and energy consumption, increasing carpooling and the recycling rate.

The recycling rate for Greenbelt has been steadily increasing over the last few years. It was at 52 percent in 2007, 53 percent in 2008 and 56 percent in 2009. The committee had not yet decided on a specific number for this year's goal.

Once council approves, the committee can expand the plans to include ways the city can reach its goals. "We have to come up with metrics that are going to allow us to measure and

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City Council Approves Financing Of Short-term Debt; Sets New Fees

by Virginia Beauchamp

In these hard times, when bills come in with revenue checks still in the future, most of us pay by charging the amount due to our credit accounts. That is exactly the circumstance for the City of Greenbelt this year.

Until mid-October, when the city expects to receive its share of tax revenue collected by the State of Maryland, sources of income will be tight. So says a memo to the Greenbelt City Council from City Manager Michael McLaughlin. Speaking at the last city council meeting on June 18, McLaughlin said the city has normally had reserves to cover the expenses of the early months of the fiscal year.

What is different this year is the high cost of the recently completed Public Works facility, which required the city to use about \$1 million of the General Fund balance. A source to cover an anticipated short-term debt will thus be needed, McLaughlin said, to tide the city over until October.

He recommended that council "authorize and empower" the

city to issue one or more tax anticipation notes in amounts not to exceed \$3,500,000 "in aggregate" in anticipation of expected revenues. He said the city had received the most favorable terms last year from Old Line Bank for a similar loan, at a total cost of \$2,500. Old Line Bank was offering the same terms this year, McLaughlin said.

In response, council then heard the first reading of the proposed ordinance authorizing a tax anticipation note from Old Line Bank in the amount requested. The issue will come up again for second reading and passage at the next council meeting in July.

Another fiscal issue was more pressing. An unanticipated cost of \$2,500 in interest for additional debt service fund expenditures that had not been included in the recently passed 2010-2011 budget required immediate council action.

"It is recommended," the printed Agenda Comments document reads, "... that the rules [be] suspended and the ordinance adopted at this meeting." McLaughlin

stressed the importance that funds be appropriated "prior to the end of the fiscal year."

Council compliantly took up the proposed ordinance, suspended the rules and passed it unanimously following both first and second reading.

Fee Increases

Another action – a resolution to establish new fees for garbage, trash and recycling collections – was also heard at first reading. The new fees will include a \$3 per quarter increase in the cost of refuse and recycling and a \$1.50 per year increase in the recycling-only fee. The resolution will be heard on second reading at the next council meeting and presumably passed.

Swimming at the Aquatic and Fitness Center will also be more costly – at least for those purchasing passes. Also introduced for first reading was a resolution to increase all pass rates by 5 percent. Daily admission fees, however, will remain the same.

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City Police Issue Rules For Fireworks at Lake

The Greenbelt Police Department wishes everyone a happy and safe Fourth of July and, to enhance holiday safety, issued the following guidelines for the celebration at Buddy Attick Park (Greenbelt Lake). A tent with Police Department employees will be set up in the grassy area by the main parking lot to provide first aid and to help with lost and missing children.

No Alcohol/Fireworks

Do not bring alcoholic beverages to the park. Alcohol is strictly prohibited in all city-owned parks. Violators will be subject to arrest. All pets must be on a leash.

Fireworks are deadly, dangerous and illegal. All forms, including firecrackers, snakes, sparklers and bottle rockets are prohibited by law in Greenbelt and in all of Prince George's County. Those found in possession of fireworks will be subject to arrest. Penalties include a fine up to \$1,000 and/or six months

in jail.

For safety and security reasons, people carrying coolers and packages into the park may be asked to have the contents of those packages inspected.

Parking Lot

The parking lot is reserved primarily for handicapped and elderly individuals. Vehicles must have handicapped or elderly individuals on board. Handicapped tags and/or placards will not necessarily be required nor will they guarantee a parking space.

Temporary "No Parking" signs will be posted on the streets surrounding the park. Vehicles parked in these areas will be towed.

Due to ongoing construction and loose soil, motorists should not plan to park on Kenilworth Avenue to watch the fireworks. Those parking adjacent to Kenilworth should make sure the car is completely off the roadway or

See **JULY 4TH**, page 6

Major Changes in Metro, TheBus Routes Are Now Being Considered

by John Stith

Local bus riders, transit authorities and city officials are accelerating their discussions, now that both Metro and county bus planners expect to finalize changes to Greenbelt-area bus routes in July.

Last week Transit Riders United of Greenbelt (TRU-G) announced it will soon release its own set of route recommendations. These are likely to be more modest than the changes currently proposed by the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA), given that TRU-G also expressed "unanimous support" for the general contours of existing Metrobus service.

Meanwhile Metro planner Larry Glick informed Greenbelt city staff on June 23 that his plan to overhaul local Metrobus routes, first introduced on May 8, would now include additional evening hours of service in some neighborhoods. Glick says this latest version will slightly increase the budget for Metrobus routes serving Greenbelt.

This budget increase will soon be proposed to the Board of Directors of WMATA.

After waiting for Metro's proposal to be nearly complete, the Prince George's County Department of Public Works and Trans-

portation (DPW) released its own plan for a new "Greenbelt Circulator" route. The plan would expand the current loop service in Greenbelt West to central Greenbelt, while reducing service in Greenbelt East.

Riders Speak Out

More than 40 Greenbelt bus riders participated in TRU-G's June decision to support existing service with only targeted changes in the short term. Representatives from TRU-G spoke at the June 2 Advisory Planning Board (APB) meeting, a June 24 meeting with county and Metro planners and several recent homeowner association meetings in Greenbelt.

The group also sent its analysis of Metro's proposal to the APB and city staff and has published a map of the proposal at <http://bit.ly/greenbeltbus>.

Greenbelt advocates joined residents throughout the metropolitan region this spring in calls to protect existing transit services. When WMATA's Board of Directors decided on May 27 to adopt fare increases with "no service reductions," it cited the comments from an "overwhelming majority of riders" against service reductions.

TRU-G points out now in a new flier that Metro's proposal

constitutes a service reduction for many Greenbelt bus riders and calls for a "more effective" plan to be developed. The group has appealed in writing to County Councilmembers Ingrid Turner and Tom Dernoga, as well as to State Senator Paul Pinsky and Delegates Tawanna Gaines, Anne Healey and Justin Ross.

TRU-G is now organizing residents to contact directly those elected officials and the Greenbelt City Council with their concerns.

In a letter to APB, TRU-G called for "more transparent and objective bus planning" by Metro and the county and "more time for community input to create a better plan." As recently as last week, Greenbelt advocates were receiving new information from Metro that had not previously been considered. Until last week there had been no county plan at all.

The call for more time has been particularly voiced by riders in Greenbelt's North End, where Metro proposes to remove Metrobus service from Laurel Hill and Hillside Roads, as well as from much of Crescent Road, in order to provide new service along Ridge Road to Lastner Lane and Ivy Lane in the Boxwood Village

See **BUS ROUTES**, page 10

What Goes On

Sunday, July 4 – Celebration of Independence Day. See City Ad for details on page 5.

Monday, July 5 – City and Greenbelt Homes, Inc. Offices will be closed in observance of Independence Day.

Wednesday, July 7

8 p.m., City Council Worksession re: WMATA Restructuring Plan at Community Center

Letters

Thanks, Goodbye

We will miss Tony and his adorable dog Baby Girl who recently moved out of this area after being a Greenbelt resident for over 10 years. He always had a helping hand for the many elderly at the Co-op and he was always willing to show the children his dog's many tricks. He also poured the wonderful cement replacement at the Co-op Grocery Store. We will miss him and his dog very much and wish him well.

Lany Brooks

Nature Programs At Patuxent Refuge

Public programs at Patuxent Research Refuge are held at two sites, the North Tract located on Route 198 between the Baltimore-Washington Parkway and Route 32 and the National Wildlife Visitor Center off Powder Mill Road just west of Route 197. All programs are free, although donations to the Friends of Patuxent are appreciated. Advance registration is required by calling 301-497-5887; special needs can be accommodated with advance notice. For more information visit the website at patuxent.fws.gov.

North Tract

Wildflower Wander on Saturday, July 10 and Sunday, July 25 from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m., for all ages. Discover the role that wildflowers play in the ecosystem and learn to identify some common species on this guided walk. Field guide, water and magnifying glass are recommended.

Twilight Tram Tour on Tuesday, July 6 from 7:15 to 8 p.m. for all ages. Enjoy a 45 minute guided tour through the habitats of Patuxent Research Refuge on an all electric, open-air tram. View wildlife and their habitats while discovering the story of how the land has changed over time and how Patuxent is managing habitats for wildlife. There is a nominal fee and space is limited. Bring exact change.

Weed Warriors on Wednesday, July 7 from 9 a.m. to noon for ages 13+. Non-native invasive plants are threatening the wildlife habitat. Help is needed to stop them. Bring gloves and water (and hand tools if available).

Ban Hot Appliances

It sounds simple but it is easy to forget that many household appliances create heat. Make sure all vampire appliances are unplugged.

For example a cell phone charger should be plugged in only when the cell phone is being charged.

Avoid using heat producers such as the oven and the dryer. Let the sun do the work; dry clothes outside on the line. Ditch the blow dryer; find a hairstyle that will look great without the hot air blast. Place the oven on summer vacation; opt for raw foods or downsize to toaster oven.

— Sierra Club

Prospective GMS Parents Check Out School Vibes

by Jim Link

About 14 pairs of parents of incoming students gathered in the cafeteria of Greenbelt Middle School (GMS) June 15 to discuss the joys and challenges awaiting their children this fall when they enter the rapidly changing middle school. A new principal will preside this fall and a new building will open in 2012.

Sponsored by the Advisory Committee on Education (ACE), the "cookie social" provided parents, children and City Councilmembers Ed Putens and Silke Pope, the parent liaison for GMS, a chance to meet and greet, schmooze and nosh.

Amy Hansen, the evening's choreographer, asked students (and parents) to sit at round tables and tell each other about themselves; to pin sticky posts on a poster board under two categories: "What My Ideal School Should Have" and what it shouldn't have; and to munch, Hansen modestly averred, on delicious cookies, compliments of Costco.

Students from five feeder elementary schools participated: Springhill Lake, Greenbelt, Magnolia, Berwyn Heights and Holywood.

Julie Gowin, mother of Jakob Gowin Trangrud, said that Jakob chose GMS rather than Hyattsville Middle School because "it has a solid band, a good music program" and that he prefers to start school at 9 a.m. instead of catching a 6:30 a.m. bus.

Mossaddeque Malik said he was "still checking" middle schools for his son Farhan; "no offense" to GMS he added, smiling.

Brett Goldstein and Darelyn Fung, whose son Sam will attend GMS, said, "It is our neighborhood school." With three children in three different schools "we will be supporting Berwyn Heights Elementary, GMS and Parkdale High School," Goldstein said.

George Fernandez' son Michael graduated from GMS and is hyping it to his younger brother Joe, a Springhill Lake grad.

When asked what GMS should be like, Lorenza Matel, wife of Mario Matel, mother of Leslie, said smiling, "It should be what I like; otherwise, I might have to take her (Leslie) out."

Hansen and Bobby Candey, parents of Scott, said they had been considering Kenmore Middle School, Hyattsville Middle School or a private school but that GMS "has some very good

teachers. No middle school is perfect but there's no reason why it (GMS) shouldn't be a wonderful experience."

Syed Ishaq, father of Tesheen, said he "had not heard a lot of good things about GMS; it has a rating of 3 out of 10 on the Internet when I Googled it."

Under the "Like To See" category on the poster board, suggestions included: "Good communication and contact between staff/teachers/parents," "GMS should offer extra help to needy students," "Be able to take French - Please!" and "more snack machines" (in a distinctly youthful scrawl).

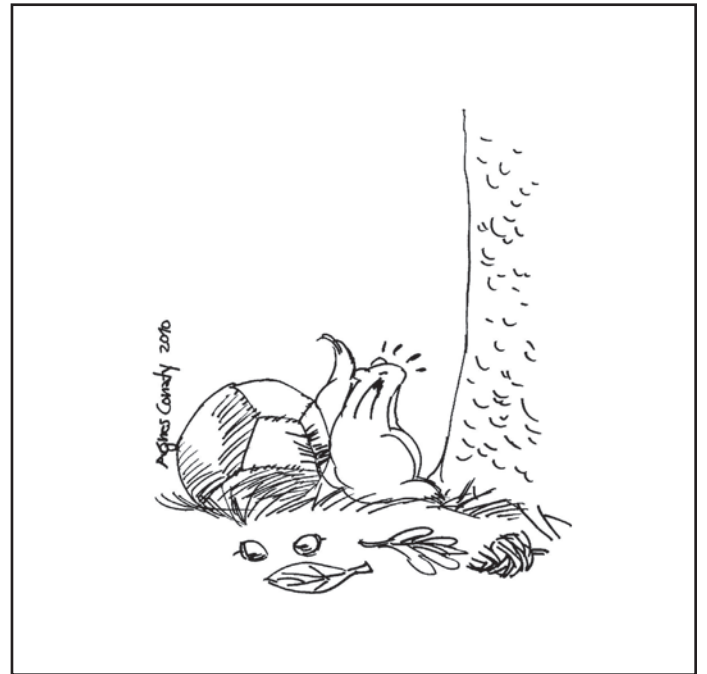
Under "Not Like To See" were "No bullies" and "No homework," both in youthful scrawls.

In order to establish a PTA at GMS this fall, five parents have volunteered to run for election when the complete staff assembles.

The cookie social was the latest in a series of events sponsored by ACE in the past few years to increase communication and clarify issues pertaining to GMS. The faculty of Greenbelt Elementary played a basketball game against the GMS faculty and profiles of selected faculty members of both schools have appeared in the Greenbelt News Review, for example.

"I think the evening went very well," said Hansen as she gathered up the remaining cookies.

Grin Belt



"I am moving on and enjoying my Fourth of July fireworks!"

On Screen

Death of a Salesman

Opening at Old Greenbelt Theatre on Friday, July 2 is "Solitary Man," wherein down-on-his-pluck womanizer Ben Kalmen (Michael Douglas) is cut off from most of his family and friends. His BMW dealership's gone, he's working in the diner of a childhood buddy (Danny DeVito). Though his girlfriend (Mary-Louise Parker) and daughter (Jenna Fischer) have slammed the door on him, his ex-wife (Susan Sarandon) has stayed in touch. The ins and outs of these dis-connections drive the film, directed by Brian Koppelman.

Rated R, for crude language, sexual content and a beating. Running time: 90 minutes.

— Eli Flam

OLD GREENBELT THEATRE

WEEK OF July 2

Solitary Man (R)

Friday

*5:30, 7:30, 9:30

Saturday

*3:30, *5:30, 7:30, 9:30

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Tuesday - Thursday

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Community Events

GHI Notes

Monday, July 5, Offices Closed (Emergency maintenance available, call 301-474-6011.)

Tuesday, July 6, 7 p.m. Web-Site Work Group – GHI Lobby
7:15 p.m. Pre-purchase Orientation – Board Room

Friday, July 9, Offices Closed (Emergency maintenance available, call 301-474-6011.)

Monday, July 12, 7 p.m., Member Activities Committee – GHI Lobby

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

Curt Lucas to Play At Café on July 7

On Wednesday, July 7 at 7 p.m. singer-songwriter Curt Lucas will offer an evening of Gospel-influenced folk and rock music along with songs by Bob Dylan, the Band and Creedence Clearwater Revival. The group also includes Daniel and Tom Rodgers on guitar, Kevin Dolan on bass and Paul Withers on the drums.

More information on the group including sample songs is available at www.curtlucas.com.

Golden Age Club

by Bunny Fitzgerald

At the club's last meeting we were pleasantly surprised by a visit from some of the young members of the summer camp program. They gave out very nice, handmade invitations to their sing-along on Wednesday in the gym. Intergenerational activities are always great for all ages.

We practiced our new Club song "I'm Gonna take you to a Club they have in Greenbelt," written by Steve Brodd and Chris Cherry. We also played bingo for prizes.

On July 14 we'll have a return visit from a person in the recreation department. We enjoyed the last visit, so be sure to come and join in.

Our condolences to Karen Haseley, our leader and mentor, on the death of her brother-in-law. We continue to send happy thoughts to Shirley Ann Egenreider and Margaret Smith.

I heard a rumor we may be taking another trip in October thanks to Mary and Barry Moien. There's talk of a yard sale in the fall, too. Come to meetings and find out more about all the activities at the Golden Age Club.

Aquatic Center Offers Half-Price Specials

Those using the Greenbelt Aquatic and Fitness Center at 101 Centerway will receive one free guest admission when they buy one full price admission on Friday, July 23 and Friday, August 20. On Sunday, July 4 military personnel and their families will receive half-price admission. Show the cashier a current military ID to receive the discount. For more information on city events visit <http://www.greenbeltmd.gov/calendar/index.html>.

More
Community Events
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CARES Offers Free Babysitting Course

A free babysitting course will be offered on Monday morning, July 12 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the 2nd floor Council Room of the Municipal Building at 25 Crescent Road. Targeted at students completing grades 5 through 8, the course teaches students responsibility and the health and safety issues of taking care of children, as well as poison control and fire prevention. Students who complete the course will receive a certificate of completion and be eligible to participate in Greenbelt CARES' Odd Jobs/Job Bank program.

For additional information and enrollment call 301-345-6660, ext. 2016 or email jhering@greenbeltmd.gov.

Senior Softballers Vault into 1st Place

A winning streak of seven games has powered the Greenbelters of the Baltimore Beltway Senior Softball League into first place of their division. Highlighting the way were double-header sweeps against Dundalk and Bowie Gold before the streak was broken in splitting two games with second-place Howard Hitters.

Greenbelt beat Dundalk at home on Monday, June 21, 14-3 and 13-4, behind pitchers Ray Reed and Paul Williams. Leading the day's offense with five hits each were Barry Clark (including a homer and a double) and Jasper Pendergrass, who had two triples. Stroking four hits apiece were Fred Bohle, Willie White and David Kerr.

On Wednesday, June 23 Greenbelt took Gold 16-0 and 16-2 as manager Reed and John Streckel pitched in turn. John Benesh and Kerr had five hits each while Tom Howe, Pendergrass and White had four each, including a double and triple by White. Veteran Greenbelter Lefty Smith, recovering from cancer, had two singles in two at-bats in his first game this year. Both teams shared in a post-game picnic.

In a wind-blown, rain-makeup doubleheader on Thursday, June 24 Greenbelt lost to the Howard Hitters 13-11 before winning, 20-12 in Columbia behind Phil Olson in his first pitching turn for the team. Barry Clark hit three singles, a double and two home runs; Willie White followed with four singles, a triple and a homer; Benesh added five hits, and Pendergrass, three singles and a homer.

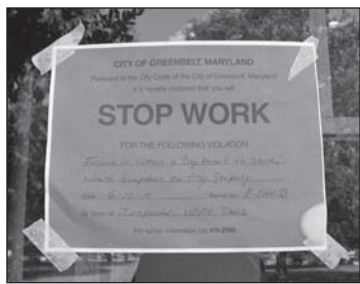


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Library Stop Work Order Taken Down

The Stop Work Order notice at the Greenbelt Library has been removed according to Willie Davis, Greenbelt Code Enforcement supervisory inspector. Davis reports that the renovation work at the library was halted because some city permits were not obtained.

The situation was rectified over two weeks ago and the work order notice at the lower entrance was removed. The notice at the main entrance, however, had inadvertently been left up until late last week, when it also was removed.

Free Senior Movie Is Next Tuesday

The free monthly movie, held at the Community Center on Tuesday, July 6 from 1 to 3 p.m., will be "Random Harvest."

A woman falls in love with an amnesia patient in this romantic drama. Wounded World War I soldier Charles has no memory of his past and when he meets Paula, he's certain she's the one for him. They marry but Charles is hit by a car, regains his memory of his life before Paula and loses all memory of Paula. He returns to his wealthy relatives and a desperate Paula takes a job as his secretary to be near him.

This movie will be shown in the Senior Lounge, Room 111 the Greenbelt Community Center. For questions call 301-397-2208.

Three City Trips Open to Nonseniors

The Greenbelt Senior Center still has seats available for some of its upcoming trips. These seats are now open to any adult interested in taking the trip.

The trips are an Odyssey lunch cruise on Thursday, July 29 from 10:15 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.; a Nationals game against the Marlins on Tuesday, August 10 from 5 to 11 p.m.; and a trip to Lancaster, Pa., on Thursday, August 19 from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. to see the musical "George M" at the Dutch Apple Dinner Theater.

There are fees associated with all three trips and pre-registration is required. Financial assistance is also available for Greenbelt residents. Call 240-542-2054 for more information.

Upcoming Events At New Deal Café

On Thursday, July 1 from noon to 2 p.m. pianist Amy C. Kraft plays mid-day melodies. Evening brings the weekly open microphone session from 7 to 9 p.m. with music, poetry, prose, storytelling and humor welcome.

On Friday, July 2 Piano Man John Guernsey plays from 6:30 to 8 p.m. (Fridays and Saturdays). From 8 to 11 p.m. the Ren Rick band rocks listeners' socks off with soulful blues.

Saturday, July 3 from 4 to 6 p.m. is the regular classical guitar session by "Wonderboy" Bruce Krittr, followed from 8 to 11 p.m. with jazz by the Greg Meyers Quartet.

Next Week

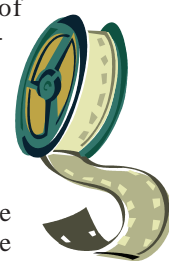
Tuesday, July 6 from 7 to 9 p.m. singer-songwriter Don Walters will host an Americana Music Night with a surprise guest musician. On Wednesday from 7 to 9 p.m. singer-songwriter Curt Lucas will provide songs that are a unique blend of gospel and folk. He also sings a variety of songs by other musicians including Bob Dylan and Creedence Clearwater Revival.

Friday, July 9 from 8 to 11 p.m. will feature "absurdist honky tonk" by the New Deal's home-grown "The Nice Trys." On Saturday, July 10 from 8 to 11 p.m. The Cousin John band plays the blues.

Don't miss the Jazz Jam hosted by the Hot Club of DC gypsy jazz musicians on Sunday, July 11 from 5 to 8 p.m.

Academy 8 Gets 3-D Venue for Toy Story

Just in time for the opening last Friday of Toy Story 3 in 3-D, Beltway Plaza's Academy 8 Theaters got its first 3-D theater. They report they are excited to be able to showcase their new stadium style seating along with 3-D technology.



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Star Party Saturday At Northway Fields

The public is invited to join the Astronomical Society of Greenbelt (ASG) for a star party Saturday evening, July 3 at the City of Greenbelt Observatory located at Northway field. Several members will have set up their personal telescopes and binoculars for the enjoyment of all. Observing will begin as soon as it is dark enough, probably around 9 p.m.

Objects to be observed include planets Venus, Saturn and Mars. In addition, several nice star clusters and nebulae may be seen. ASG members will be available to answer questions and provide advice about getting started in this fascinating hobby.

The star party will be cancelled without notice if it is hopelessly cloudy. Attendees are asked to park in ball field lot, not on the hill.

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Children: \$6.00

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Students/Military: \$7.50
Children: \$6.00
Seniors: \$6.50

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

Week of JULY 2

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The Karate Kid, PG
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Twilight: Eclipse, PG-13 (!)
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The A Team, PG-13
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Shrek Forever After, PG
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Greenbelt Arts Center

This Weekend Only

July 3: Jeff Taylor's Neil Young Tribute Show



Saturday, July 3, at 7:00 PM

Tickets are \$15 general admission, and \$12 for seniors and students.

123 Centerway • Greenbelt, MD 20770 <http://www.greenbeltartscenter.org>
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COMING SOON:

July 11 - Greenbelt Community Foundation Awards
July 16 - Alex Gordon Hi-Fi - A benefit performance for GAC Restroom Rescue

Call for Reservations at 301.441.8770



We were sorry to hear of the deaths of two members of Greenbelt Pioneer families:

Louise Steinle Winker, 80, of Umatilla, Fla., daughter of original Greenbelt residents David and Elsie Steinle, died June 22, 2010, after a short illness. She was a 1947 graduate of Greenbelt High School. A memorial service will be held at Holy Cross Lutheran Church in Greenbelt on Monday, July 19 at 4 p.m.

Robert M. Plackett, 77, of Bozeman, Mont., and Palm Harbor, Fla., died June 13, 2010. He was the son of original Greenbelters Arthur and Margaret (Peg) Plackett. His mother was a public health nurse in early Greenbelt. He is survived by his wife Joy, four children, six grandchildren and his only surviving sibling, Patricia Piedmont of Cornelius, N.C.

Congratulations to:

– the entire Greenbelt Barracudas swim team, which won its meet against the New Carrollton Recreation team by over 100 points. A special note of the accomplishment of Michael Stevens, 13, who broke a 12-year New Carrollton pool record for the 13-14 age group in the 50M backstroke with a time of 31.66 (for a 25.7 meter pool – a record held since 1998). This Saturday the Barracudas swim in a home meet against the Northridge Swim Team at Greenbelt's outdoor pool.

– Alice C. Murphy, who was named to the Dean's List at Boston University for the spring semester.

Happy Birthday to all the new 80-year-olds! Two we have heard of recently are Magdalene Fuchs of Lakeside and Margaret Bowen of Westway. Both women were honored at big family celebrations.

To send information for "Our Neighbors" email us at newsreview@greenbelt.com or leave a message at 301-474-6892.

– Kathleen McFarland

Desider Viktor Is Ordained Deacon

Desider L. Viktor, resident of Greenbelt East, was ordained a Permanent Deacon by His Excellency, the Most Reverend Donald W. Wuerl, bishop of the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Washington, at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception on June 26. Deacon Viktor completed a five-year program of formation in preparation for his ordination to the diaconate. Permanent deacons are ordained ministers in the Catholic Church and are typically married men.

On Sunday morning, June 27 Deacon Viktor assisted at his first Mass as a deacon at St. Hugh of Grenoble Church where he has been a parishioner for many years. At the luncheon that followed Deacon Viktor was accompanied by his wife Marlene and his son Nicholas.

– Paul Sobol

75th Logo Contest Deadline Extended

The deadline has been extended to August 6 for submissions in the contest for best logo and best slogan for use in Greenbelt's 75th anniversary celebration, the Anniversary Committee has announced. Fourteen high-quality submissions have been received thus far and are being given careful consideration by committee members.

The logo and slogan should be appropriate for use in posters, banners, T-shirts, hats and more. It must contain the word "Greenbelt" and should use the 1937-2012 designation as well. All areas of Greenbelt will be celebrated and submissions that incorporate this idea are especially encouraged.

The contest winner will receive a \$75 gift certificate to the Greenbelt Co-op grocery store. By August 6, entries no larger than 11" x 17" may be emailed in PDF format to Greenbelt Museum Director Megan Searing Young at museum@greenbeltmd.gov or submitted in hard copy to the museum office in the Community Center, 15 Crescent Road, Greenbelt, MD 20770.

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 must be reserved by 11 a.m. two days ahead so that enough food is ordered. Call 301-397-2208, ext. 4215.

All meals include bread and margarine, coffee or tea and skim milk. Menus for July 7 through 9:

Monday – Closed for Independence Day holiday.

Tuesday – Grape juice, Cuban chicken, yellow rice, mixed vegetables, fruit yogurt

Wednesday – Orange juice, sliced roast beef with mushroom gravy, baked potato with sour cream, green beans, fresh pear

Thursday – Chicken rice soup with crackers, sliced ham with fruit sauce, mashed sweet potatoes, broccoli flowers, lemon parfait

Friday – Cranberry juice, egg salad sandwich on wheat bread, black eyed pea salad, bag of pretzels, slice of watermelon.

Free Folklife Festival Continues on the Mall

The Smithsonian Folklife Festival is an annual international exposition of living cultural heritage produced outdoors on the National Mall. This year's festival features

Mexico, Asian Pacific Americans and Smithsonian Inside Out.

The free festival runs through July 5 from 11 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Use of Metro is recommended.

BERWYN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
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 Berwyn Heights, MD 20740
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Summer Schedule
 Worship : 10:00 am
 Office Hours : M-F 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

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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

St. George's Episcopal Church

Join us around a table where all are welcome!

Services

• Sundays

8 a.m. simple, quiet service (no music)

10 a.m. main service

(music includes a mixture of acoustic guitar, piano and organ music)

• Wednesdays

7 p.m. service with healing prayers (no music)

7010 Glenn Dale Road (Lanham-Severn Road & Glenn Dale Road)
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 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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 1-800-22-UNITE 301-345-2918
 Greenbelt.Bahai.Info@gmail.com www.bahai.us

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

Friday evening services 8:00 PM except first Friday of the month, when children's service begins at 7:30 PM

Saturday morning services - 9:30 AM
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Wednesday 7:00 pm Prayer Meeting/Bible Study

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City Information

4TH OF JULY FANFARE!



Bring the family and enjoy the 4th at Buddy Attick Park!

FREE KIDS CRAFTS TENT: 2:00-5:00pm, Kids of all ages will

have fun making musical instruments from recycled materials. Guests may also enjoy the playground and walking the beautiful, wooded trail that winds about one and one quarter miles around the lake. Refreshments will be available for purchase courtesy of Greenbelt Babe Ruth Baseball. (No additional concession permits can be granted at this time).

COMMUNITY DRUM CIRCLE: 5:30-7:00 pm. Bring your own percussion instrument or use one of ours. Facilitated by Katy Gaughan, back by popular demand.

GREENBELT CONCERT BAND: 7:30pm Enjoy a free patriotic concert at the bandstand by the Greenbelt Concert Band right before the fireworks.

FIREWORKS: Following concert at dusk (about 9pm)

ATTENTION ALL RESIDENTS: Please inform all members of your household about this scheduled event. We do not want anyone to be alarmed by the explosions and flashes of light from the fireworks.

In case of inclement weather call the Weather and Information Hotline at 301-474-5525. For traffic tips and 4th of July safety information, visit www.greenbeltmd.gov

GREENBELT ANIMAL SHELTER

The shelter has adorable kittens and other pets ready to become part of your family! Visit the shelter at 550-A Crescent Road. Open visitation on Wednesdays, from 4-7pm and on Saturdays from 9am-12pm or by appointment. 301.474.6124.



The shelter is in need of cat litter, canned cat food, and detergent. Please bring all donations to the shelter. The box at the Co-op is not for the Greenbelt Animal Shelter. Become a fan of the Greenbelt Animal Shelter on Facebook!

HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

City Offices will be closed Monday, July 5th in observance of Independence Day. The Greenbelt Connection will not be operating.

REFUSE/RECYCLING SCHEDULE

Week of July 5

Monday Route – Collected Tuesday
 Tuesday Route – Collected Wednesday
 Wednesday Route – Collected Thursday
 Thursday Route – Collected Friday

There will be no appliance or yard waste collections on Friday, July 9th.

MEETINGS FOR JULY 5-9

Wednesday, July 7 at 8pm, CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION re: WMATA Restructuring Plan at the Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Road.

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

NEW OPERATING HOURS FOR THE GREENBELT AQUATIC AND FITNESS CENTER

Effective Thursday, July 1st, 2010, the new operating hours of the Greenbelt Aquatic & Fitness Center will be as follows:

Monday through Friday – 6:00am – 10:00pm**
Saturday and Sunday – 8:00am – 9:00pm**
Summer Holidays – 8:00am – 8:00pm**

**** Please note that the pools are cleared 15 minutes prior to the closing of the building**

The hours of the Outdoor Pool are:

Monday through Friday – 11:00am – 8:00pm
 Saturday and Sunday -- 10:00am – 8:00pm

On the 4th of July and Labor Day, the outdoor pool will be open from 10:00am – 8:00pm**

**** Please note that on holidays the pools are cleared 15 minutes prior to the closing**

Other facility information to note:

- The hot tub is drained and cleaned every other Wednesday starting at 12:00pm with re-opening at approximately 8:00pm. Please note the temperature may still be lower than normal upon re-opening.
- The Greenbelt Municipal Swim Team (GMST) has a swim meet scheduled in the outdoor pool on July 3rd. The outdoor pool will open at approximately 12:30pm that day.
- The schedule for the indoor pool is available at GAFC.

GREENBELT SENIOR CENTER TRIP OPENINGS FOR ALL ADULTS

The Greenbelt Senior Center still has seats available for some of the upcoming trips. These seats are now open to any adult interested in taking the trip. The trips are the Odyssey Lunch Cruise on 7/29; 10:15-3:30pm; George M musical at the Dutch Apple Dinner Theater in Lancaster, PA on 8/19, 8:30am-4:30pm; and the Nationals Ball Game against the Marlins on 8/10, 5:00pm-11:00pm. There are fees associated with all these trips. Financial Assistance is also available for Greenbelt Residents.

Please call 240-542-2054 for more information or email khaseley@greenbeltmd.gov. Pre-registration is required.

SATELLITE POST OFFICE CLOSING

The satellite Post Office located at the Greenbelt Municipal Building, will be closing indefinitely on July 1, 2010.

Please visit the Greenbelt Post Office at 7600 Ora Glen Drive, Greenbelt, MD 20770

75th ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE

The celebration of the City's 75th Anniversary will occur in 2012. Applications are being accepted from residents interested in serving on this volunteer planning committee. For information call 301-474-8000.

VACANCIES ON BOARDS & COMMITTEES

Volunteer to serve on City Council Advisory Groups. Vacancies exist on: Advisory Committee on Education, Arts Advisory Board, and Board of Appeals. For information call 301-474-8000.

GREENBELT CARES PROGRAMS...

SELF-ESTEEM WORKSHOP:

Held on Mondays from 5pm-6:15pm from July 12-August 23rd. Meets at the Greenbelt Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road. Build your self esteem and challenge your inner critic. You will learn new techniques to better handle your mistakes and respond to criticism, set and achieve positive life goals, and most importantly learn self-acceptance. Participation is free, but workbook is \$13. Workshop is for adults.

FREE BABYSITTING COURSE:

Monday, July 12 from 10p.m. - 1p.m., at the Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road. Targeted toward students completing grades 5-8. Students will learn responsibility and health and safety issues of taking care of children, as well as learning about poison control and fire prevention. Students who complete the course will receive a certificate of completion and be eligible to participate in Greenbelt CARES' ODD JOBS/JOB BANK program.

SUMMER MINI-SESSION OF GED:

July 6-28. Registration will be held on July 6th at the Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road at 10:30am. Classes are held on Tuesdays and Thursdays GED I: 10:30a.m.-12:30pm and GED II: 1pm-3pm. Course is free for Greenbelt residents but textbooks and calculator must be purchased. Course is \$175 for Non-Greenbelt residents.

TUTORING CAMP:

For Greenbelt students completing grades 2-6. Wednesdays, July 7-28th from 9a.m.-12 p.m. at the Greenbelt Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road. Space is limited. Students participating in the program are required to fill out a registration form. Greenbelt residents have first priority. There is a \$15 charge for the program, to cover the cost of tutoring materials. There is great demand for this program and space is limited. Therefore, students must be registered in advance.

FOR REGISTRATION/GENERAL INFORMATION ON THESE PROGRAMS CALL 301-345-6660 OR VISIT THE GREENBELT CARES SECTION AT

www.greenbeltmd.gov.

For Greenbelt news and information visit www.greenbeltmd.gov. Join the City of Greenbelt on FACEBOOK!

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Council also agreed to a request from a graduate student at Cornell University, Dorothy Wong, to provide her with a letter of support in her effort to establish preservation guidelines for the seven Clarence Stein Garden Communities, which include Greenbelt. (Stein was an early city planner whose design for Radburn, New Jersey, had influenced the Roosevelt administration to undertake the design and development of the three New Deal greenbelt towns.)

Wong's proposal concerns disaster recovery and special funding of the Stein Communities as National Historic Landmarks. Apparently her research, according to the city memo, "could help Greenbelt's historic resources qualify for Federal assistance in the event of a disaster."

Smoking Policy

What looked like an uncontested issue concerning a new anti-smoking policy recommended for Green Ridge House turned otherwise when Councilmember Rodney Roberts objected.

No smoking has been allowed in the public areas of the structure for many years. Unfortunately, however, the ventilation system circulates smoke from tenants' units through the building into other units, creating a second-hand smoke situation which can be especially dangerous for tenants requiring oxygen support.

The city is also concerned about smoke-related accidents caused by careless or drowsy tenant smokers. Staff thus recommends that the facility become a smoke-free building. Smoking would be allowed in two designated areas outside the building. McLaughlin called in-house

smoking expensive as well. He said that one previous smoker's unit had to be painted five times and the carpet shampooed to get rid of smoke odor. He said that inspections would be made monthly of the residences of known smokers with the possibility of eviction for non-compliance.

This suggestion of inspections specific to smokers drew Roberts' wrath. He called such an action "discriminatory."

Councilmember Leta Mach felt management would have a right to make such an inspection "upon complaint."

"Upon complaint," Roberts emphasized.

Since the issue had become contentious, McLaughlin suggested that the issue be delayed until the July meeting.

Funds Transfer

Because of the record snow-storm this year, funds that had been budgeted for Public Works were exceeded. In addition, because the city council was now larger by two new councilmembers, general government expenses were greater as well. In Social Services, funding for the juvenile delinquency initiative had also been exceeded.

Thus McLaughlin requested – and council complied – that a resolution be adopted to transfer funds among departments within the General Fund. This action required suspension of the rules to allow for both first and second readings.

Council also approved the transfer of Program Open Space funds in the amount of \$50,836.80 to be allocated to improvements to the lake park described in the Buddy Attick Park Master Plan.

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risk being required to move. The roadway must remain clear for passage of emergency vehicles.

Traffic Regulations

Fireworks will begin at dusk (approximately 9 p.m.) and last 20 to 30 minutes. At the end traffic will be redirected outbound on Crescent Road toward Kenilworth Avenue. Inbound traffic entering Old Greenbelt from Kenilworth Avenue will not be allowed onto Crescent Road until most of the cars have left the area.

Motorists exiting the Beltway will not be allowed to proceed north on Kenilworth Avenue. I-95 traffic will be directed onto southbound Kenilworth Avenue. Motorists who need to go to the Old Greenbelt area can then turn left onto Greenbelt Road and make another left onto either Lakecrest Drive or Southway.

If the fireworks begin on time and no problems develop, these temporary changes in traffic patterns should not last longer than from about 9:45 to 10:30 p.m.

Registered boaters, for safety reasons, will need to remain behind the temporary buoys that will be in place. Boats not registered with the city will not be allowed on the lake.

Calls for Information

The most commonly asked question by those who call the police dispatcher on the Fourth of July is "What time are the fireworks?" Everyone is asked to remember that police telephone lines must be kept open for those with emergencies or other police-related concerns. Those needing additional information for any recreational event should call the Greenbelt Recreation Department at 301-474-0646.

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then we're going to have to come up with actions to how we reach that," said Lippert.

GreenACES

GreenACES, consisting of about a dozen members, advises the mayor and city council on ways to help make Greenbelt more environmentally sustainable. The group, formerly known as REACT (Recycling and Environmental Committee), shifted its focus from recycling only when Lippert became chairperson a few years ago. "I've been wanting to . . . broaden it," he said. "So it's not just recycling but it's everything dealing with sustainability."

Over the past year GreenACES has promoted residential purchase of wind-generated electricity and environmentally friendly caterers and vendors at city-sponsored events. Currently the committee is working to develop guidelines for vendors and the community to recycle at the upcoming Labor Day Festival.

Efforts of GreenACES have led the city to agree to educate new employees about recycling and to follow guidelines that encourage pesticide-free plant pest care.

Committee members agreed it would take a lot of time, education and volunteers for them to reach any of their goals. "If we start doing the things we're talking about now," said Lippert, "it's gonna require a bit of money, so it's gonna be hard. It's gonna be an upward fight."

Festival Notes

Volunteers

The Labor Day Festival Committee is seeking volunteers to help with the 2010 Festival. The next committee meeting is Tuesday, July 13 at 7:30 p.m. in the Community Center.

Shuttle

The committee is looking for shuttle drivers. Shuttles run throughout the Festival weekend. Visit www.greenbeltlaborday.com for more information.

Outstanding Citizen

The search is on for Outstanding Citizen 2010. Nomination forms are available online at the website and must be mailed to Robert Zugby, 94 Ridge Road, Greenbelt, MD 20770 by August 2.

Parade

Applications are being accepted for parade entrants. All applicants must be pre-registered by August 15. Visit www.greenbeltlaborday.com for an application.

Miss Greenbelt

Register now for the Miss Greenbelt Pageants – Princess, Little, Junior and Miss Greenbelt 2010 information is available at www.missgreenbelt.com.

Entertainment

Come see The Reagan Years on Saturday, September 4, the CPR Band on Sunday, September 5 and The Fabulous Hubcaps on Monday, September 6. Watch for updates on performance times and more in Festival Notes or on the Labor Day website.

Contestants are needed for Greenbelt Idols. For more infor-

mation email greenbeltidols@yahoo.com. One winner receives \$500.

Sports, Recreation

The annual table tennis, kickball and softball events are just a few of the sports activities that will take place throughout the weekend. Watch for additional items to be added to the recreational calendar.

PTA Book Sale

The Greenbelt Elementary School PTA runs a used book sale every year as part of the Greenbelt Labor Day Festival. There will be more than 20,000 books for sale, all donated by members of the community. Bring donated books to the Greenbelt Co-op during the month of August. (The PTA has no place to store donated items before August 1 and asks that donors wait to make donations.)

Art Show

Pre-registration for the art show is not required. Bring artwork and completed registration form to the Community Center at the following times: Thursday, September 2 between 5 p.m. and 7 p.m.; and Friday, September 3 between 10 a.m. and noon and 5 and 7 p.m. Entries will be on display Saturday and Sunday from 1 to 6 p.m. Awards will be presented on the stage Monday at 1 p.m. All entries can be viewed Monday from noon to 4 p.m. except during the awards ceremony. Participants may pick up their artwork from 4 to 5 p.m. on Monday. The committee is not responsible for unclaimed work.

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Montpelier Summer Free Concert Series

On Friday evenings the South Laurel Recreation Council presents the annual Montpelier Summer Concert Series on the west lawn of the Montpelier mansion grounds located at 9652 Muirkirk Road, off Route 197 in Laurel.

On July 9 at 7:30 p.m. BG & The Mojo Hands will present a free two-hour concert of blues, swing and rockabilly music. This band performs a diverse mix of feel-good music.

Bring a blanket or chair and a picnic. Reservations and tickets are not required. For further information call 301-776-2805.

Children's Garden Keys in on Plantings

A free tour on Tuesday, July 6 at 10 to 11 a.m. of the outdoor U.S. Botanical Garden's Children's Garden will key in on ideal plantings for a children's garden of one's own. Wear sunscreen, protective clothing and bring water. The tour is canceled if it rains. Pre-registration is required.

Botanic Garden Outdoor Tours

Outdoor tours of the U.S. Botanical Garden will be held Monday, July 5, 12, 19 and 26 from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. on the National Garden Lawn Terrace. The tour is canceled if it rains. Free; no pre-registration is required.

Botanic Garden Indoor Tours

What do manila folders, Chanel No. 5, vanilla and fossil fuels have in common?

The answer is that they all come from plants on permanent display in the U.S. Botanical Garden Conservatory. A guide will connect the exotic plant world to everyday life on Mondays, July 5, 12, 19 and 26, noon to 1 p.m. at the Conservatory Garden Court. Free; no pre-registration is required.

Don't Get Burned

Some 60 million Americans fire up the grill on Independence Day, consuming enough energy in the form of charcoal, lighter fluid, gas and electricity to power 20,000 households for a year and releasing about 225,000 tons of carbon emissions.

To reduce the output, opt for an electric or propane grill, both of which are cleaner-burning than units powered by charcoal. If using coal, choose briquettes made of invasive tree species or derived from sustainably managed forests.

— Sierra Club



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JULY 17 9:30 am-3:30 pm
JULY 18 1:00 pm-5:00 pm

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Fresh Value Pack Split Chicken Breasts	\$1⁹⁹ lb.	Fresh Value Pack Bone-In Rib Eye Steaks	\$5⁹⁹ lb.
Fresh Value Pack 93% Super Lean Ground Beef	\$2⁹⁹ lb.	Fresh Lean Beef Boneless Flank Steak	\$5⁹⁹ lb.
		Fresh Value Pack Center Cut Boneless Pork Chops	\$2⁹⁹ lb.
		Hatfield Meat Franks Assorted 1 lb.	BUY ONE GET ONE FREE
		Fresh Lean Beef Boneless Top Round London Broil	\$3⁹⁹ lb.
		Hillshire Farms Smoked Sausage Links Assorted 14-16 oz.	BUY ONE GET ONE FREE

Dairy	Deli	Frozen
Dannon Assorted Yogurt Assorted 6 oz.	Deli Gourmet Roast Beef	Breyers Ice Cream Assorted 48 oz.
BUY ONE GET ONE FREE	\$6⁹⁹ lb.	\$2⁵⁰
Keller's Pure Butter Quarters 16 oz.	Deli American Cheese	Stouffer's French Bread Pizza Assorted 2 pk.
\$2⁵⁰	\$3⁹⁹ lb.	\$2⁵⁰
Borden American Cheese Yellow/White 16 oz.	Deli Gourmet Oven Roasted Chicken Breast	Lean Cuisine Classic Entrees Assorted 7-11.75 oz.
\$2⁵⁰	\$6⁹⁹	\$2⁵⁰
Shurfine Cottage Cheese Assorted 24 oz.		Lindy's Italian Ice Assorted 6 pk.
\$2⁴⁹		BUY ONE GET ONE FREE

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Shurfine Apple Juice 64 oz.	Bumble Bee Solid White Tuna 5 oz.	Rice-A-Roni or Pasta-Roni Assorted 4-7 oz.	Shurfine Family Size Canned Tomatoes Whole/Stewed/Crushed 28 oz.
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Coors Beer 12 pk. - cans	\$9⁹⁹
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Robbery Attempt

June 21, 11:22 a.m., 6900 block Hanover Parkway. Three males approached a man and tried to rob him.

Burglaries

June 22, 10:36 p.m., 9100 block Edmonston Terrace. A TV, DVD and money orders were taken.

June 23, 3:50 a.m., 7000 block Megan Lane. Car keys were taken and the car to which they belong, a tan 2000 Toyota Camry with MD tags.

Vandalism

June 21, 8:06 p.m., 9100 block Edmonston Road. A rock was thrown through a window.

Vehicle Crimes

Two vehicles were reported stolen. A gray 1992 Pontiac Sunbird with MD tags was stolen June 22 from the 6700 block Village Park Drive. A red 2002 Dodge Caravan stolen June 20 from the 5900 block Springhill Drive was recovered the next day by Maryland Park Police with no arrests made.

Two additional vehicles, both reported stolen by Prince George's County Police, were recovered with no arrests made. A gold 2001 Dodge Caravan was recovered June 21 in the 6000 block Springhill Drive and a blue 1998 Ford van was recovered June 23 in the Greenbelt Metro Parking lot.

Two stolen tags were recovered. A MD tag reported stolen through Metro Transit Police was recovered in the Greenbelt Metro Parking lot with no arrests made. A stolen DC tag was recovered in a traffic stop June 24 in the 6500 block Greenbelt Road at which time a 35-year-old non-resident was arrested and charged with theft under \$100 and two alcohol-related violations. He was released on citations pending trial.

Seven reports of thefts from autos were received: Beltway Plaza Parking Lot (light bar), 6900 block Hanover Parkway (set of tires and rims), 7800 block Emily's Way, two incidents (currency), 7200 block South Ora Court (set of tires and rims), 7600 block Greenbelt Road (rear MD tag), 8100 block Bird Lane (briefcase). Attempted thefts from autos were re-

Chambers' Murder Suspects Arrested

Police announced they have arrested two suspects in the May 31 shooting of 16-year-old Jericka Chambers in the 5900 block of Cherrywood Lane. Chambers, of Landover, was shot in the head and died two days later at Prince George's Hospital Center.

After a four week investigation into the homicide, arrest warrants were obtained for Rydell Lee Estep and Darnell Lee Estep, both age 20, of 9201 Springhill Lane, charging them with first and second degree murder. Both were arrested on Friday, June 25.

Police indicate no further arrests are expected and that no further information is available at this time.

DEA, Police Serve Narcotics Warrant

On June 4 Greenbelt Police Department Emergency Response Unit officers and local Drug Enforcement Agency Task Force agents successfully served a high risk narcotics search warrant in the 7800 block of Mandan Road here.

The residence was entered and the warrant was served with no injuries and only minor damage to the premises. One adult male, Kevin Johwan Grace, was located in the residence and was taken into custody without incident. He was charged with possession with intent to distribute illegal drugs; it is believed he was selling illegal drugs both from the residence and in areas adjacent to the residence. A quantity of crack cocaine was located and seized from the location during the search warrant service operation.

Bond was set at \$45,000 at the time of his initial court appearance.

For further information call the DEA Washington Field Office at 202-616-4740.

ported in the 7600 block Mandan Road, 8100 block Burkart Court and 7400 block Morrison Drive

Two reports of vandalism were received. In the 7900 block Mandan Road a car was scratched and windows were broken. In the 9100 block Springhill Court a car window was broken.

Police Seeking Cell Phones to Distribute

"Secure-the-Call" is providing 911-only cell phones to the Greenbelt Police Department for distribution to the community.

Secure-the-Call is a Greenbelt based, nonprofit volunteer organization that refurbishes donated phones for 911 emergency use only. These phones are being returned to the Greenbelt Police Department and other law enforcement agencies, who provide them free of charge to victims of domestic violence, seniors or any person with a disability to obtain emergency assistance.

The Greenbelt Police Department has been working with Secure-the-Call since April 2004 and the program has proven extremely worthwhile; as a reminder:

Secure-the-Call phone donation boxes are located at the Greenbelt Police Department, at the Aquatic and Fitness Center and at the Community Center.

For further information call the Greenbelt Police Department at 301-507-6500 and ask for Jackie Curley.

Wildlife Refuge Summer Exhibits

The Hollingsworth Gallery at the Patuxent Research Refuge's National Wildlife Visitor Center will offer summer exhibits of three outstanding Maryland artists – Robert Bealle in July, Mark Ratner in August and Jim and Pat Lada in September.

This year's Federal Duck Stamp, a permit to hunt waterfowl, features an American wigeon painted by Bealle of Waldorf, Md. After 27 years of entries, Bealle finally took top honors in an annual event sponsored by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

The public is invited to a celebration honoring Bealle and his winning Duck Stamp on July 31 at the National Wildlife Visitor Center.

Human Evolution Is Discussion Topic

A free, informal discussion primed by the latest research on human evolution will be held on Friday, July 30 from 3 to 4 p.m. at the David H. Koch Hall of Human Origins (First Floor) of the National Museum of Natural History. Dr. Rick Potts, curator of the Hall, and Dr. Jim Miller, co-chair of the Human Origins Program's Broader Social Impacts Committee, will lead the way.

Middle Schoolers Create And Print Book of Verse

by Altoria Bell Ross

If poet Langston Hughes, author of "Dream Deferred," could have seen and heard the students from Greenbelt Middle School recite their poetry on June 15, he might have "exploded" with pride because these students made their dreams reality by writing and publishing their work in a collection entitled "Stone Unturned: Greenbelt Middle School Students Will Not Remain Hidden."

Students, parents, teachers and advisers from Book-in-a-Day celebrated the accomplishment by throwing a book release party at Borders Book Store in Largo, where 7th and 8th grade students not only read from the book but also signed the 49-page book of poems. Empryss Tolliver, who loves to play the piano and viola, authored "Drawing." She also worked on the team that designed the color book cover that illustrates a stone-laden shore shared with a lighthouse in the distance accompanied by the setting sun.

Empirian Village resident Tolliver, said about her poem, "Reflection," "I wrote the way I saw myself." The 13-year-old 8th grader, Tolliver said she enjoyed the project because it was different from the normal English lesson and she had an opportunity to see inside the world of publishing as a writer.

Creating the Book

The 21 students also fashioned the book by working on other teams: editorial, production management, proofreading and marketing through the Book-in-a-Day program, whose motto is "One School. One Day. Thirty Students. One Book." The teenagers, who were recommended by teachers, crafted the project for two days each in May and June. Published writers helped turn their poetry rough drafts into works of art.

City Notes

Planning staff report Empirian Village was re-inspected for completion of various code violations. During the re-inspection, the cooling plant for section six lost electrical power for two days, which resulted in no AC for section six and \$6,300 in citations issued for non-abatement of code violations.

Horticulture/Parks/Playgrounds picked up a rainwater storage tank for use at Public Works, saving the city close to \$500 in shipping fees.

*What happens to a dream deferred?
Does it dry up –
Like a raisin in the sun?
Or fester like a sore
And then run?
Does it stink like rotten meat?
Or crust and sugar over –
like a syrupy sweet?
Maybe it just sags
like a heavy load.
Or does it explode?
– Langston Hughes*

The school converted the library into a publishing house where the cover was designed, the poems proofread and the foreword written, followed by the poetry itself divided into three sections, "Life," "Love" and "Hopes and Dreams."

Book-in-a-Day is a nonprofit educational services company that fosters literacy skills by providing one-day workshops on writing and publishing. The focus is on student-run publications with students taught the fundamentals of creative writing through poetry and book publication.

Tricia Blackman, the instructional literacy coach at Greenbelt Middle School who contacted Book-in-a-Day, said that half the funding for the project came from the City of Greenbelt's Advisory Committee on Education and the balance from Greenbelt Middle. Proceeds from the \$10 book will reimburse the middle school for its expenses. As of last week's party, customers had purchased 37 copies of the paperback.

The tome includes two poems, "Gun," and "Fire," created by Emmanuel Barrow, a 13-year-old 7th grade poet who pens blogs and enjoys other online entertainment. In addition to his poetry, Barrow also designed the book cover. The Empirian Village resident said, "Before, I had no dreams. This project made me have dreams again. It made me like writing more. This made me want to be a better me."

"Terrific Tuesday" At Watkins Park

Have a "Terrific Tuesday" in the Park on July 6, 13, 20 and 27 from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. at Watkins Regional Park, 301 Watkins Regional Park in Upper Marlboro. Enjoy unlimited rides on the train and carousel and unlimited rounds of mini-golf, for a fee. Stay and watch a free family movie in the park starting at dusk.

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neighborhood.

In May Glick had invited the Greenbelt community to choose between those two service options but allowed a few weeks before a final decision. Lacking any direction from an official Greenbelt body, he intends to choose the Boxwood option.

APB planned to reconvene on June 30 to further consider Metro's proposal and to hear a presentation from the county about the Circulator plan. Council has scheduled a worksession on this topic in the Community Center on Wednesday, July 7 at 8 p.m.

Metrobus Investments

According to Glick, who is currently finishing details and cost calculations of the Metrobus plan, approximately \$150,000 per year would be added to Metro's future budgets by the proposed changes. One additional monetary investment would go toward improving the on-time performance of the R12 Metrobus, which currently provides 2,700 rides each day from Deanwood and Riverdale Park to Greenbelt and New Carrollton.

Another new investment would result from providing later evening service from the New Carrollton Station. Several sections of Metrobus routes are replaced by other routes in Metro's plan, with such changes inevitably altering the times when first and last buses of the day pass by any particular stop.

Following advocacy concerning evening service by TRU-G, Metro planners have decided that evening service times may be added but none removed.

The biggest beneficiaries of the later-evening service would be residents of Princess Garden Parkway and Hanover Parkway south of Greenway Center. More than 150 riders have been counted on a weekday traveling from the New Carrollton Station to this neighborhood.

Currently the last bus from New Carrollton to this neighborhood leaves the station at 7:55 p.m. In order to keep service running as late as 9:45 p.m. at Greenbelt Station, it appears that buses will leave New Carrollton past 9 p.m. under the current version of Metro's plan. This change would also add evening service for residents elsewhere in Greenbelt East and Lanham.

Glick said Metro may also cut the first morning run from Greenbelt Station to Roosevelt Center which, when it last checked, had no riders.

C2 Bus

Another on-time performance improvement would occur on the C2 bus, which would run a shorter route from Wheaton through Langley Park and College Park to Beltway Plaza and Greenbelt Station. In order to accomplish this, the C2 service to central Greenbelt would be replaced with a less-frequent Metrobus. Some riders would face an additional transfer.

Metro's plan combines these additional investments in on-time performance and evening service - improvements spread across the region from Wheaton to Deanwood. Cost savings and service reductions will occur mostly within Greenbelt.

In a year when no significant budget increases are expected by Metro or the county, a key question for elected local officials is whether transit service should

be changed at all when improvements for some neighborhoods have to be paid for by reducing service for other riders.

The idea of a "Greenbelt Circulator" route has long been discussed among local transit riders but with few specifics as to the nature of the service. The county Department of Public Works and Transportation (DPW) plan calls for a circular route starting at Greenbelt Station, serving the Federal Courthouse on Cherrywood Lane and then traveling along Crescent Road to Roosevelt Center.

From there the route would pass the Greenbelt Public Library, turn left on Westway, then left on Lakeside and left on Lakecrest to reach Greenbelt Road near the American Legion. The route would then return to Greenbelt Station via Greenbelt Road and Cherrywood Lane.

While one bus drives this route, another bus would be doing the same loop in reverse. Thus there would be buses in both directions every 30 minutes along the route. The Circulator would operate on weekdays from 6 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Discontinued Buses


To free up funds for the new Circulator, the county would discontinue TheBus 11 and TheBus 15, routes which are among those least-utilized of any in Prince George's County. Springhill Lane would lose one route with the discontinuation of TheBus 11; several Greenbelt West parking areas would lose bus service altogether.

TheBus 15 currently serves many sections of Greenbelt and Lanham. With its elimination, Greenbrook Drive would lose its only bus route, Greenbelt East would lose its only Prince George's County TheBus route north on Greenbelt Road and service to Goddard's South Gate would be decreased. TheBus 16 runs south on Hanover Parkway.

The county also plans to increase service on TheBus 15X, which serves Goddard and could potentially stop in Greenbelt neighborhoods as well. No such plans have yet been released.

At the meeting where the plan was released, DPW planners Carl Schuetler and Kevin Thornton expressed their department's concern that if no change to Greenbelt's TheBus service is adopted this summer, funding could be greatly reduced in the coming year's budget process. Much of the funding for the county's transit services comes from the state of Maryland and DPW planners have previously noted that state authorities expect higher ridership than has been shown by TheBus 11 and TheBus 15.

Prince George's County's DPW will soon announce a public hearing, which Thornton said would occur by mid-July, where residents can comment on these planned changes to TheBus routes.



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Safe Summer is open to all county residents ages 12 to 24 with a valid M-NCPPC Youth ID card. Youth who do not yet have a card may receive one at any M-NCPPC community center or facility in the county with their parent or legal guardian.

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The Old Town Bowie Welcome Center is open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. A 1992 caboose can be seen starting at noon at the Railroad Museum. Passing trains can be viewed from an observation station.

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The Great Smokies Show Trip with Mary and Barry Moien

by Kathleen McFarland

Early on June 7, a Monday morning, 38 excited people boarded a Diamond Tours bus at the Greenbelt Library and set out for a trip to the Great Smoky Mountains of Tennessee. The trip, which came to be known as the "Mary & Barry" tour, was organized and led by Greenbelters Mary and Barry Moien and included members of the Golden Age Club as well as other friends.

After a pleasant bus ride with frequent stops, lunch at a Cracker Barrel restaurant and a dinner waiting for us at Ryan's Family Steakhouse, we arrived at our hotel in Pigeon Forge, Tenn. This was our home base for the next four nights.

The hotel was high on a hill, mountains in the distance and the parking lot ringed with mimosa trees in bloom. Some of our group took walks around the building each morning before breakfast.

From our balcony on the last day we were there, we witnessed the phenomenon that gives the Great Smokies their name: the early-morning mist rising first in the valleys, then up and up to the top of the mountains, like smoke.

This tour was a "Show Trip." Every day we saw a show, sometimes two in a day. When we were not at a theater, other activities were planned. One of the most anticipated outings was the tour of Great Smoky Mountains National Park. Some days we went by bus to places in the local area where we could explore on our own, visiting the Old Mill in Pigeon Forge one day and shopping in Gatlinburg another day.

Much eating went on each day, at brunches and dinner-theaters, and lunches on our own in small groups. We enjoyed the Southern-style cooking – sweet iced tea, fried okra, chicken and dumplings – and the Southern hospitality that went along with it.

The National Park

On Wednesday, our second



Frank Pearlman points out the sign at Newfound Gap on the North Carolina-Tennessee border.

full day in Tennessee, we went by bus through the Great Smoky Mountains National Park, built in 1926 with the help of over 2,000 CCC (Civilian Conservation Corps) workers. The tour guide who rode the bus with us decided we should tour the park first, before seeing the movie at the Visitors Center, since rain was forecast and he wanted us to see the beautiful views at the top of the mountains before the clouds arrived.

His decision proved to be wise. We stopped and got off the bus at two points, "Chimney Tops," with its spectacular view of two special mountain peaks, and "Newfound Gap," where one can stand with one foot in Tennessee and another in North Carolina and walk a bit on part of the Appalachian Trail, which follows the top of the mountain. After we had descended the mountain and were visiting the gift shop, we were caught in a sudden heavy downpour. Many of us bought ponchos at the shop to protect us on the run to our waiting bus.

The Shows

The very first day after we arrived at our hotel in Pigeon Forge, we were treated to two shows, the Patty Waszak mu-

sic and comedy show in the morning and the Temptations Revue at a different theatre that night. In the morning show, several members of our group were selected to take part in a hilarious rendition of "Old MacDonald Had a Farm." We'll not soon forget Joanne Kellaher and Olive Blue clucking like chickens and Frank Pearlman's imitation of a horse's neigh. Frank's prior experience as an actor at the Greenbelt Arts Center served him well.

That night after dinner at Damon's Restaurant, we attended the Temptations Revue, led by Nate Evans, who had performed with the original Temptations group. Dressed in their white suits, the five guys sang and danced to "Just My Imagination," "Papa Was a Rolling Stone" and other songs made famous by the original group. It was a fabulous show.

The next day was also a double-header, with the Black Bear Jamboree in the afternoon (at the same time being served a delicious country-style dinner) and at night the Andrew Lloyd Weber production of "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat" – as good, or better, as any Broadway show.

Our last full day there, we had a country brunch and show featuring members of the Blackwood family; the Blackwoods were a country singing group which had been well known on radio in the 1940s and 50s. That evening there was a buffet dinner at the Smith Family Theater with hundreds of other visitors.

The Smith Family troupe put on a wonderful show of comedy, dance and song, including country, rock-and-roll and gospel music. Every theatre we attended was full, mostly with other visiting "senior" groups.

We got to know the Virginia folks and the two bus groups from Iowa by the end of our time in Tennessee. Performers at all these shows were friendly and talented people, religious and patriotic.



The Mary and Barry Moien Tour with Greenbelt's Golden Agers took in some mountain top views and many musical shows in Pigeon Forge, Tenn.

Coming Home

The four busy days in Tennessee flew by. On Friday June 11 we boarded our bus early in the morning for the ride home to Greenbelt. Barry had dived into his reserve stash of water and snacks – and jokes – for the return trip. We watched "Mama Mia" on the TV and stopped once again at Cracker Barrel for lunch.

As we neared home, we broke out the campfire songbooks Chris Cherry had furnished us ahead of time and Sandy Smith led us in a sing-a-long. The first tune we tried was "Getting to Know You," an appropriate choice. We had, indeed, gotten to know and like each other on this trip.

Our bus driver, Philip, who'd started out unsmiling and reticent at the beginning of the trip, had been won over by our friendly group, especially when we learned it was his 40th birthday and surprised him with a card and a Happy Birthday song on the bus. Later he gave a little thank-you speech.

Now, almost home, there was a mix-up in directions which actually turned into a blessing. We ended up on the GW Parkway and had to travel through the heart of D.C. to reach our destination. The bus traveled along the Potomac River, past Georgetown, then past the museums, the government buildings, the White House and the Monument.

By this time the sun was going down and shadows were being cast from the graceful old trees. Our beautiful capital city had never looked so lovely. It was nice to see the young interns and business people playing pick-up soccer and softball games on the Monument grounds.

Soon we were back on familiar highways and pulling up again to the library parking lot, hugs abounding. Philip told everyone he'd never had such a nice birthday nor met such nice people. I left laden with mountain-music CDs, good memories and, like the others, asking for another "Mary & Barry" trip in the near future.

Extreme Heat Can Be Very Dangerous

The recent heat wave has contributed to five Maryland deaths in the past week, the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene has announced.

Heatstroke is a serious illness characterized by a body temperature greater than 105 degrees. Symptoms may include dry red skin, convulsions, disorientation, delirium and coma. Onset of heatstroke can be rapid: a person can go from feeling apparently well to a seriously ill condition within minutes. Treatment of heatstroke involves the rapid lowering of body temperature, using a cool bath or wet towels. A heatstroke victim should be kept in a cool area; emergency medical care should be obtained by dialing 911.

Heat exhaustion is a milder form of heatstroke that may develop due to a combination of several days with high temperatures and dehydration in an individual. Signs of heat exhaustion include extreme weakness, muscle cramps, nausea or headache. Victims may also vomit or faint. Heat exhaustion is treated with plenty of liquids and rest in a cool, shaded area. Those on a low-sodium diet or with other health problems should contact a doctor.

On days of excessive heat, follow these tips for preventing heat exhaustion and heat stroke:

Drink plenty of fluids such as water and fruit juices to prevent dehydration. Be aware that alcohol can impair the body's sweat mechanism, as can fairly common medications such as antihistamines and diuretics. Wear loose-fitting, lightweight and light-colored clothes. Avoid direct sunlight by staying in the shade or by wearing sunscreen, a hat and sunglasses and stay in air-conditioned areas when possible. Those whose home is not air-conditioned should consider visiting a shopping mall. Contact the health department to ask about heat shelters in the area. Never leave pets or young children in a car, even with the windows cracked, check on elderly relatives or neighbors at least daily and schedule physical activity during the morning or evening when it is cooler.



Yoshiko Waeldner and Mary Ann Baker rest on a rock outcropping at Chimney Tops.

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