



## County Redistricting Plan Could Put Greenbelt into New District

by Barbara Hopkins

As a result of the 2010 census, lines for county council districts and congressional and state legislative districts will be redrawn to reflect population shifts exposed by the census. The Greenbelt City Council has gone on record in the past to say that district lines should respect municipal boundaries. At its regular meeting on June 20 council considered this position and other aspects of the redistricting process.

### County Redistricting

At a public meeting on June 7 the County Redistricting Commission displayed a draft map showing Greenbelt in District 3, whose representative is at present Eric Olson. Currently Greenbelt is in county district 4, represented by Ingrid Turner.

The map was presented as an example and the commission expects to finalize a draft plan in

August and hold a public hearing on August 13. The commission's plan will become law unless the county council enacts some other plan by November 30.

According to a memo to council from Assistant City Manager David Moran, the county charter requires council districts to be compact, contiguous and of equal population. Based on the latest census, each district should have a population of 96,125, with a five percent deviation allowed. The current population of District 4 is 94,231.

Staff had prepared a letter to the County Redistricting Commission asking that municipal boundaries, including undeveloped areas, be honored when district lines are drawn.

Mayor Judith Davis said she wanted to include Greenbelt Park and unincorporated areas.

Council agreed unanimously to

send the letter, with copies to its county representatives.

### Congressional Districts

Staff anticipates public hearings on redistricting this summer. The Maryland General Assembly may hold a special session this fall to consider Congressional redistricting proposals. In the past, the governor has appointed a Redistricting Advisory Committee to develop redistricting recommendations. Such a committee, however, has not yet been established.

Council's desires for the city to remain in the 5th Congressional District were communicated via email to Congressman Steny Hoyer in June. Davis said she favored sending a formal letter to the city's state delegation with copies to Hoyer and to Governor O'Malley. A motion to prepare such a letter was made and approved unanimously.

## Low Altitude Flights over Maryland By NASA to Look at Area Air Quality

Starting this week, probably for the first time today between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. depending on the weather, there will be 14 low altitude NASA flights in a swath from Beltsville to the northeastern corner of Maryland collecting air pollution data. Some flights will be as low as 1,000 feet above the Interstate-95/Baltimore-Washington Parkway traffic corridor and extend to the Chesapeake Bay Bridge near Annapolis, to Baltimore and to the Delaware state line. City police have been alerted that planes involved in the air quality flights may be seen and heard here at any time between 6 a.m. and 8 p.m.

The planes will fly out of NASA's Wallops Flight Facility in Chincoteague, Va., retracing their flight route (primarily over Maryland) several times through the day over a period which may last up to eight hours. Dates for specific air sampling flights will be determined by weather conditions and announced by NASA by 5 p.m. the day before flights. More information about the project and scheduled flights is available at <http://www.nasa.gov/discover-aq>. Other aircraft will be collecting air samples from high altitudes but those will not be noticed here as the low-flying planes will be.

### Purpose of Project

NASA's DISCOVER AQ air quality sampling flights here are the beginning of a four-year study of urban air pollution that aims to improve capability to view air pollution from space. It will also sample air quality in Houston, Sacramento and other urban regions. DISCOVER-AQ is an acronym for "Deriving Information on Surface Conditions from Column and Vertically Resolved Observations Relevant to Air Quality." More information about how the data will be used long range is to be shared at a Media Day in Beltsville the week of July 11.

## M-NCPPC Plans Series of Meetings To Update Zoning along Md. 193

by Jonathan Taylor

About 15 Greenbelt residents helped plan the future of the Greenway Center area at a June 14 planning meeting organized by the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission (M-NCPPC).

Residents marked up maps with the locations of intersections that are difficult to bike and walk, registered complaints about existing traffic flows in and around the shopping center, offered visions of a bike trail around the storm water management pond at the corner of Ora

Glen Drive and Hanover Parkway and dreamed about a parking garage that would one day replace Greenway Center's many asphalt parking spaces with trees.

However, these were just a smattering of the ideas that filled four flip charts at the June 14 meeting, one of the five or six such meetings M-NCPPC is planning between now and the end of the year.

### More Meetings

Each future meeting will focus on a different area of the Greenbelt Metro area and Md.

193 corridor, a crooked bow-tie shaped section of Greenbelt that fans west to the Metro tracks from the intersection of the Beltway and Greenbelt Road and fans east from that same intersection to take in the commercial areas outside of Historic Greenbelt and the residential areas of Greenbelt East.

Subsequent meetings will focus on the Greenbelt Metro Station and portions of Greenbelt Road west of Kenilworth Avenue.

See M-NCPPC, page 8

## GHI Addresses Who Pays If Pilot Project Is a No Go

by Sue Krofchik

The June 23 Greenbelt Homes, Inc. (GHI) Board of Directors meeting lasted over two and one-half hours, with most of the time spent on three items: vinyl/resin sheds, options for financing the pilot project if the community-wide energy efficiency upgrade portion is not done and, lastly, GHI trucks using a member's yard as egress to a playground. The latter item and an exception to allow unpermitted windows are covered in a separate story. (See page 12.)

The agenda also included WSSC smart meters (one not so smart), yard certifications and granting an exception to allow non-permitted materials for use in the pilot project.

No resolution could be reached on one agenda item, although everyone seemed to have the same desired outcome: paying for the pilot project if the community-wide upgrade for energy-efficient items does not take place. For over an hour the board struggled, trying without success to craft a perfectly worded motion. They got close, very close.

After an hour of discussion a motion at last was made and passed – to extend the meeting 10 minutes past the prescribed 10 p.m. adjournment time. Ten minutes was not enough. The matter was referred back to the Finance Committee.

### Pilot Project

The pilot project will test various energy-efficient improvement possibilities in 28 brick, block and frame homes. Items found worthy as improvements will be included in the community-wide upgrade. In a previous meeting the board had decided how to finance these items if the community-wide upgrade occurs.

At this meeting, however, the board focused on paying for energy-efficient items of the pilot project if, after evaluation, they are not included in a community-wide upgrade. Replacement reserve funds included in the monthly co-op fee will be used to replace doors, windows and roofs even if a community-wide energy efficiency upgrade is not carried out.

On June 16 members from the pilot homes had met with the Finance Committee and Buildings

Committee Chair Jim Cohen to discuss financing the pilot project if the community-wide upgrade does not take place. They recommended that if this upgrade did not occur, pilot members would pay nothing. GHI would then pay all costs from its operating budget.

The board consensus was that pilot project homeowners should not have to pay for letting GHI benefit from use of their 28 homes to evaluate products.

Director Pat Novinski spoke up. "They should not pay since they have benefited the co-op and the pilot project lets the co-op save money."

Director David Morse concurred, as did Director Irv Wartell. "Pilot members have pain and suffering," the latter said. They "should be compensated . . . considering the sacrifices made in living and inconvenience."

Director Diana McFadden agreed: "The benefits accrued could be considered as a thank you from the co-op."

Everyone agreed on the preferred end result but perfect wording for the idea was elusive.

### Vinyl/Resin Sheds

Ruth Wilson, a member of the Architectural Review Committee (ARC), presented a report recommending that handbook rules not be altered to allow vinyl/resin sheds. Board members persisted, however, in questioning the research and rationale behind the recommendation.

After about 20 minutes, President Tokey Boswell halted discussion. This was the third time the matter has been referred to ARC, he noted, and each time the committee failed to recommend that vinyl/resin sheds be permitted. "It seems a subset of the board would like to revise the rules," he said. He then asked for board volunteers to serve on a subcommittee to consider changing the rules.

Manager of Technical Services Tom Sporney and directors David Morse, Diana McFadden, Bill Jones and Ed James will comprise the subcommittee.

The ARC had many concerns about the sheds. Vinyl looks like vinyl, is too shiny and does not look like traditional wood-framed structures, they noted. Several

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### What Goes On

**Monday, July 4** – City and GHI Offices Closed for Observance of Independence Day  
**5 to 7:30 p.m.**, Activities at Lake (See City Information ad)  
**7:30 to 8:30 p.m.**, Greenbelt Concert Band  
Fireworks Begin at Dusk  
**Tuesday, July 5**  
**7:30 p.m.**, Advisory Planning Board Meeting, Community Center  
**Wednesday, July 6**  
**8 p.m.**, Council Worksession with National Park Service, Community Center



# Letters

## Thanks to Council Open Letter:

A hearty thanks goes to Mayor Judith Davis and all Greenbelt City Councilmembers for asking local Congressman Steny Hoyer to support redirection of war dollars to "meet vital human needs here in the United States." Her official letter, sent June 24 on behalf of the council, asks that "Federal funding of the wars in Afghanistan and Iraq, as well as all unnecessary military spending" be reprioritized. It cites the costs to the lives and health of American troops and the cuts to budgets for all manner of government programs and services "which directly impact our citizens on a daily basis." It recommends the redirected funds go to such alternatives as jobs, infrastructure, state and local government, sustainable energy and reduction of the national debt.

The Greenbelt City letter becomes part of a growing movement to turn national spending priorities away from the military. Similar statements to the Maryland Congressional delegation were made this past March by 40 members of the General Assembly and in May by the Baltimore City Council. Also just last week, the U.S. Conference of Mayors meeting in Baltimore passed a resolution asking the President and Congress to make the same kind of turnaround to the federal budget.

As a participant in Maryland's Fund Our Communities campaign, the Prince George's County Peace and Justice Coalition had advocated the Greenbelt letter as a culmination of the city's Peace Month, so declared earlier this year by the council. We wish all area residents to know their councilmembers took this step and we hope they share our members' appreciation of it.

Lucy Duff  
Peace & Justice  
Coalition

## Thanks!

Thanks to all who donated blood on June 28 at the Greenbelt Municipal Building. The blood collected at the drive will help the American Red Cross continue its service to flood victims in many states.

Thanks are given to the Red Cross personnel and volunteers for their outstanding service.

The next scheduled blood drive will be held on Friday, September 23 from 12:30 to 6 p.m. at the Greenbelt Community Center.

To make an appointment call 1-800-448-3543.

Janet Goldberg  
Recreation Director

## New July-August Café Artists' Exhibits Hung

The New Deal Café artists' exhibits for July and August are now on display through August 29, with Nancy Deplatchett exhibiting monoprints in the back room, Liz Rossetti's paintings and monoprints in the front room and Ellen Bretz displaying glass and fossil jewelry in the glass case in the front room. A New Deal Café-catered artists' reception will be held on Sunday, July 10 from 7 to 9 p.m. All are invited to come meet the artists at this free event.

### Nancy Deplatchett

Deplatchett's current body of work is entitled "Scapes." It includes a series of monoprints depicting landscapes, seascapes and skyscapes. Her work is inspired by her travels around the world and encounters with places of beauty. Throughout her career as a visual artist she has pursued many styles and mediums.

She has received two National Endowment for the Humanities summer grants, was named one of the Outstanding Women In The Arts by the Women's Commission of Maryland and is one of the Women of Achievement in Prince George's County History. Deplatchett taught elementary art in Puerto Rico and retired from the Prince George's County Public Schools where she taught visual arts in middle and high school. She helped open Thomas Pullen K-8 Creative and Performing Arts Magnet School where she served as Arts Coordinator for 13 years; was honored as an Outstanding Teacher and also received the Outstanding Educator Award from the county Chamber of Commerce.

Deplatchett has presented at conferences, held workshops for school systems and has been keynote speaker at events around the country. She also presented several workshops for the Kennedy Center's Professional Development Opportunities For Teachers series and has acted as a consultant to various school systems including the American School in Sao Paulo, Brazil, as well as the Alexandria and Montgomery County public school systems. She spoke to the arts community in Montevideo, Uruguay, as a guest speaker for the American Embassy. Her graduate and undergraduate studies were at Edinboro University of Pennsylvania and the University of Maryland.

### Elizabeth Rosetti

Elizabeth Rossetti's interest in art began as a child. She was introduced to Saturday art classes at the Albright-Knox Art Gallery in Buffalo, N.Y., and attended into her teens, where she had free rein in the halls of the gallery before it opened. She toured the gallery along with the rest of her class and was exposed to a collection of well-known artists and sculptors. She has pursued classes throughout her adult life. As a recent newcomer to this area she has begun classes at the Smithsonian associate program in various media, which has rejuvenated a new approach to her style.

It has only been in the last 10

years that she has seriously pursued her art. She presented her work at a 2005 gallery opening in Seneca Falls, N.Y., and at last year's summer Seneca Falls Art Show.

Her current body of work is a portfolio transcending different periods in her life. Art gave her the stability to move forward through a recent life transition. Her paintings are abstract, often employ a limited palette and are very large in scale. Her collection of monoprints is small by comparison and use a range of color. "As the colors brightened," she states, "my world became a new place, a vision of colorful clarity."

### Ellen Bretz

Ellen Bretz's jewelry will be exhibited in the display case. Her journey in glass began about 15 years ago with a beginner stained glass class she and a neighbor attended on a whim. She was immediately hooked on glass and its unlimited possibilities. Fused glass and jewelry became her new passion. The resulting jewelry pieces are a combination of skills learned from a variety of previous crafts and a commitment to learn more that fine-tuned her glass artistry.

Sometimes multiple cuttings and firings are required before she is satisfied with the results and decides to make it into jewelry. She says the next challenge in making a beautiful creation is to let the natural colors and textures of the glass determine what wire to use and how to best highlight that beauty. Most of the wire used in her jewelry is gold-filled or sterling silver of different gauges. A few pieces use copper.

Lately she has become interested in wiring unusual fossils and the cut and polished rocks she inherited from her father, a lapidarist. Two of her pieces include large beads made by a friend using a technique called "hot glass" – using a torch to melt and form glass. There will also be small commercial glass or seed beads used as accents. Otherwise, all the glass shown was handmade by Bretz.

The New Deal Café's art program is sponsored by Friends of New Deal Café Arts.

## Grin Belt



"I'll rename that asteroid after you . . . ."

## If You Sent Email to Us

Although the News Review's outbound email was going through on our deadline day of Tuesday, inbound email was not being delivered to the News Review. Due to the additional evening power outage, no solution was available prior to sending materials for this week's issue to the off-site composition contractor.

Undoubtedly things meant for this issue were missed because they were not received. Our apologies.

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### WEEK OF JULY 1

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(PG-13)

Friday

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Saturday

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\*3:15, \*5:15, 7:30

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\*5:30, 7:30

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## Correction

The Greenbelt Police Department has corrected its quarterly crime statistics issued in April to change the location of the three reported rapes. The crimes were actually committed in: Greenbelt Center (1); Franklin Park area (2). As there were no rapes reported in Beltway Plaza, this also corrects wrong location information that appeared in the June 16 front page News Review article "Crime Data Shows Decline."



# Community Events

## At the Library

### Storytimes

On Wednesdays and Thursdays a librarian reads age-appropriate stories to children and parents using imagination and props.

Wednesday, July 6, 10:30 a.m., Drop-in Storytime for ages three to five years, limit 20 children.

Thursday, July 7, 10:30 a.m., Toddler Time for ages 18 to 35 months with caregiver, limit 15 children.

Pick up a free ticket for the Storytime events at the information desk.

For more information visit the library, call 301-345-5800 or visit the website at [www.pgcmlls.info](http://www.pgcmlls.info).

## Greenbelters Top Bowie Gold Twice

Greenbelt swept a double-header from Bowie Gold, 15-3 and 24-7, on Wednesday, June 22 to stay in second place of the Baltimore Beltway Senior Softball League's C Division as the July 4th break approaches.

Veteran John Streckel pitched the first game; in the second, with Gold getting a five-run lead in the first inning, Paul Williams replaced Barry Clark on the mound and went the rest of the way. He also got two hits, as did Clark, Jasper Pendergrass (including a home run), John Benish (one a triple), Al Morton, Dave Kerr and Clarence Collins. Phil Olson went three-for-three, Willie White smashed another tape-measure homer and rookie Pat - Patricia - Gaines hit safely three times for the day.

## Youth Doing Animation For City's 75th Birthday

Phase 2 of the GAVA/GATE 75th Anniversary of Greenbelt Animation Project will continue this summer with Greenbelt young people ages 10 through 15 years invited to join the animation team. The Phase 1 spring workshops led by artist Tom Baker were described last week in the article about the Jim Casseis Service Award, which funded the free workshops.

Students in the summer workshops will continue to create the 3-D models for the animation video background and go on to animate their characters with animation instructor George Kochell. The workshops will be held Monday through Friday, August 8 to 12 from 4 to 6 p.m. and August 15 to 19 from 3 to 6 p.m. at GATE studios in the Greenbelt Community Center. The workshops are free to Greenbelt youth and are partially supported by a grant from Prince George's County through County Councilmember Ingrid Turner.

### Workshop

Current and former animation students and those new to animation are all welcome. An introductory/update workshop will be held Saturday, July 9 from 10 a.m. to noon at GATE. Anyone interested in the project is urged to attend this session. For further information, contact animation program manager Barbara Simon at [simon-gava@yahoo.com](mailto:simon-gava@yahoo.com) or 301-474-2192. Participation in the workshops is limited to 15 students.

## GHI Notes

Monday, July 4 Independence Day - Offices closed; emergency maintenance only - 301-474-6011

Tuesday, July 5, 8:30 a.m., Yard Line Committee, Board Room

Thursday, July 7, 7 p.m., Finance Committee, Board Room

Friday, July 8, Offices closed; emergency maintenance only - 301-474-6011

Wednesday, July 13, 7:30 p.m., Architectural Review Committee, Board Room

Thursday, July 14, 7:30 p.m., Board of Directors regular meeting, Board Room

Note: Regularly scheduled board meetings for the summer will be on June 14 and August 18. Committee and board meetings are open; members are encouraged to attend.

## Senior Trip Slots Still Available

The Greenbelt Senior Center still has openings for the following three trips, which have fees. Those interested must pre-register with the Recreation Department.

On Wednesday, July 20 "Anything Goes," the Cole Porter musical at Toby's dinner theater in Columbia. The bus leaves from the library parking lot at 9:45 a.m. and returns by 3:45 p.m.

On Saturday, August 20 Nationals vs. Phillies Game at Nationals Stadium in D.C. Bus leaves from the library parking lot at 4:30 p.m. and returns at 11 p.m. This is an intergenerational trip. Children under 13 must be accompanied by an adult.

Wednesday, September 21 "Oklahoma" at the renovated Arena Stage in Washington, D.C. Bus leaves the library parking lot at 10 a.m. and returns at 3:30 p.m. Cost includes lunch.

For more details on these trips call 301-397-2208 or go to [http://www.greenbeltmd.gov/recreation/recreation\\_brochure.pdf](http://www.greenbeltmd.gov/recreation/recreation_brochure.pdf).

## Fun Runs Starting At Attick Lake Park

The City of Greenbelt Recreation Department and the Prince George's County Running Club are joining forces for a third summer to host free summer fun runs on Thursdays during July and August on the lake path at Buddy Attick Park. The course will take runners and walkers around the lake path for their choice of either one lap (1.5 miles) or two laps (3 miles). The fun runs are open to all runners and walkers (novices, combination runners/walkers, individuals and families).

The program is free but registration and a waiver are required. Starting July 7 runs will begin at 7 p.m., with registration preceding from 6:15 to 6:45 p.m. in the Youth Center parking lot, 99 Centerway. For more information call 301-397-2200.

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## Council Supports Campaign To Bring War Dollars Home

by Barbara Hopkins

The Greenbelt City Council has agreed to support the "Fund Our Communities - Bring the War Dollars Home" campaign of the Prince George's County Peace and Justice Coalition (PGCPJC). Coalition member Doug Love appeared before council on June 20 and to ask for council's support.

The campaign urges Congress to end the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan and use the funds now spent on these efforts to meet needs at home. Job creation, infrastructure maintenance and aid to state and local governments are among the areas where the coalition would like to see funds redirected.

Love told council some members of the Maryland legislature had expressed support but he did not know which ones. Mayor Judith Davis asked him to find out if Greenbelt's delegation had been among the supporters.

### Letter to Council

Council discussed whether to send a letter of support to the city's Congressional and state delegations, with a copy to PGCPJC or to pass a resolution supporting the campaign. Davis said a letter could have the same impact as a resolution, would be faster and would have the signatures on it of all members of council. Councilmember Rodney Roberts moved to amend by adding the transmission of a letter to the original motion in support of the campaign made by Councilmember Konrad Herling. This motion passed unanimously.

Davis also said she had heard that day that the U.S. Conference of Mayors, which was meeting in Baltimore, had approved a resolution in support of bringing war dollars home. A review by News Review staff of the debate at that mayoral conference showed its resolution as offering unconditional support of the men and women of the military, while urging an end to the wars "as soon as strategically possible" so the money now rebuilding these two countries could be used for priorities at home.

Councilmember Emmett Jordan asked that the mayors' resolution be looked at as a possible model for Greenbelt's letter of support.

## Celebrate the Fourth at Buddy Attick Park

Fourth of July activities at Buddy Attick Park will begin at 5 p.m. with a Hula Hoop Jam and end with the traditional half hour of fireworks set off across the lake at dusk.

All are invited to come early to claim a viewing spot and to enjoy a variety of additional free programs during both afternoon and evening. Those attending may enjoy the playground or walking around the 1.25-mile wooded trail of the lake park.

Other scheduled events are a drum circle at 5:30 p.m. A participatory juggling demonstration

with Greenbelt's own clown Greg May will begin at 6:30 p.m. At 7:30 p.m. the Greenbelt Concert Band will perform, leading into the fireworks.

Participants are reminded to observe all posted parking regulations and to cooperate with the Greenbelt Police Department, which will staff the events at the park.

For everyone's safety, attendees may not bring fireworks (including sparklers) or alcohol into the park. All are asked to recycle using containers available in the park or by taking recyclables home with them.



## FINAL WEEKEND AT THE GREENBELT ARTS CENTER



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By John Morogiello  
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## City Notes

Animal Control staff took one iguana running at large, one chicken and one guinea pig into custody.

Planning staff met with the property owners of 300 Ridge Road to review location of the road right-of-way to resolve access and ownership disputes. They also met with representatives of Franklin Park to discuss plans for the apartment property.

Public Works crews gathered fluorescent lights throughout all city buildings and recycled over 600 fluorescent bulbs.

Horticulture/Parks/Playgrounds crews finished pouring concrete markers for the Buddy Attick lake path. The markers will be painted and installed next week.

## Academy Stadium Theatres

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Adults/Seniors: \$6.50  
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Children: \$6.00  
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## Week of JUNE 30

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Bad Teacher, R

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Transformers: Dark of the Moon in 3D, PG-13 (!)

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Cars 2, G

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7:10, 7:45, 9:50

Super 8, PG-13

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Green Lantern, PG-13

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### FRI. - SAT. (July 1 - 2)

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Cars 2, G (!)

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Larry Crown, PG-13

11:10, 2:20, 4:50, 7:30, 10:15

Green Lantern, PG-13

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### SUN. - THU. (July 3 - 7)

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**Congratulations to:**

– Tai A. Lowry, a 2008 graduate of ERHS, for making the Spring 2011 Dean's List at Frostburg State University. She earned a 3.6 grade point average and is pursuing a bachelor of science degree in law and society. Tai plans to attend law school and become an attorney. She is the daughter of Quentin and Tammy Lowry of Windsor Green.

– Virginia Beauchamp, who spent her 91st birthday doing two favorite things: working on the News Review on Tuesday afternoon and exercising with her class on Tuesday evening. Virginia has attended the same exercise class two nights per week for 36 years and with the same instructor, Amy Derin, of Greenbelt, all those years.

– Stuart and Rorie Marionni Hutter of Palmyra, Va., welcomed Jackson Paul Hutter on June 11, 2011. Jackson weighed in at 9 pounds and joins older sister Maddie, who turned three in February. Rorie was born and raised in Greenbelt, where her mother, Joan Marionni, still lives on Ridge Road.

– Alice Murphy, who has graduated cum laude from Boston University with a bachelor of arts in international relations.

– St. George's Episcopal Church (Glenn Dale) for winning The Village People Award for the Best Small Contingent in the 2011 Capital Pride Parade (on June 11). About 50 St. Georgians, many of them from Greenbelt, were in the contingent, which also included the Rt. Rev. John Bryson Chane, Episcopal Bishop of Washington, and his wife Karen, along with teen band Eleven Thirteen. The award-winning contingent will march in the Greenbelt Labor Day parade this year.

– Margaret Williamson, M.D., for making the list of Atlanta's top doctors in the July issue of Atlanta Magazine. Dr. Williamson, a 1985 graduate of the Eleanor Roosevelt Science and Technology program and Emory Medical School, is an infectious disease physician. She is the daughter of News Review editor Mary Lou Williamson and the late Jim Williamson.

– Lifelong Greenbelter Teresa Ann Crisman, president of the Greenbelt Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary, who was installed as President of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Maryland State Firemen's Association on June 21 at their convention in Ocean City. This was a great honor for Teresa and all the Greenbelt Fire Department family, who are so proud of her achievement.

– Singer/songwriter, Greenbelt native and ERHS graduate Joe Pugliese, a/k/a/ Joe Pug, who made an appearance last Saturday, June 25 on Garrison Keillor's Prairie Home Companion. Excerpts of his performance are at [www.prairiehome.publicradio.org](http://www.prairiehome.publicradio.org).



PHOTO BY EDITH BEAUCHAMP

**Virginia Beauchamp, left, with members of her class. Instructor Amy Derin is at right, sharing some birthday cake.**

**Free Summer Concert At Montpelier July 8**

The next concert in the Montpelier free summer concert series will feature pop and classic rock by Appaloosa on Friday, July 8 at 7:30 p.m. on the Montpelier Mansion grounds.

Bring a friend, picnic, blanket and/or chair to enjoy the outdoor performances on the west lawn. Performances and parking are free. Montpelier Mansion is located at 9652 Muirkirk Road in Laurel.

**Memorial Service For John Unger**

On Sunday, July 3 from 2 to 5 p.m. in a celebration of life for John Unger, who died May 5, 2011, the Unger family will receive family, neighbors and friends informally in the dining room of Green Ridge House, 22 Ridge Road.

**Greenbelt Community Church**  
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Hillside & Crescent Roads  
Phone: 301-474-6171 mornings  
[www.greenbeltucc.org](http://www.greenbeltucc.org)  
Sunday Worship  
10:15 a.m.  
Daniel Hamlin, Pastor

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

Arts, crafts and sciences uplift the world of being, and are conducive to its exaltation. Knowledge is as wings to man's life, and a ladder for his ascent. The knowledge of such sciences, however, should be acquired as can profit the peoples of the earth. (Baha' u' llah)

Greenbelt Bahá'í Community  
1-800-22-UNITE 301-345-2918  
[Greenbelt.Bahai.Info@gmail.com](mailto:Greenbelt.Bahai.Info@gmail.com) [www.bahai.us](http://www.bahai.us)

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

**Mass Schedule:**  
Sunday 8:00, 9:30, 11:00 a.m.  
Saturday 9:00 a.m., 5:00 p.m.  
Daily Mass: 7:15 a.m.  
Sacrament of Penance: Saturday 3:45-4:45 p.m.  
Pastor: Rev. Walter J. Tappe  
Pastoral Associate: Rev. R. Scott Hurd

**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)  
301-262-3285 | [rector@stgeo.org](mailto:rector@stgeo.org) | [www.stgeo.org](http://www.stgeo.org)

**Catholic Community of Greenbelt MASS**

Sundays 10 A.M.  
Municipal Building

**Mowatt Memorial United Methodist Church**  
40 Ridge Road, Greenbelt

Open hearts, Open minds, Open doors  
[www.greenbeltumc.org](http://www.greenbeltumc.org) 301-474-9410  
Rev. Fay Lundin, Pastor  
Worship Service 10:00am

**Paint Branch Unitarian Universalist Church**  
3215 Powder Mill Road, Adelphi  
Phone: 301-937-3666 [www.pbuuc.org](http://www.pbuuc.org)

Welcomes you to our open, nurturing community

**July 3, 10 a.m.**  
Blessing of the Animals

**MARVELOUS LIGHT CHRISTIAN WORSHIP CENTER**  
"A MULTICULTURAL CHURCH THAT SEEKS TO FIND THE LOST AND GROW THE FOUND."  
Come worship with us on Sundays at 11:00 a.m. at:  
4216 Powder Mill Road, Beltsville, MD 20705  
(Maranatha SDA Church, in the Chapel).  
Email: [MarvelousLightCWC@yahoo.com](mailto:MarvelousLightCWC@yahoo.com)  
Website: [www.marvelouslightcwc.com](http://www.marvelouslightcwc.com)

REV. WYNDELL O. BANKS, SENIOR PASTOR

**HOLY CROSS LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
6905 Greenbelt Road • 301-345-5111  
email [myholycross@verizon.net](mailto:myholycross@verizon.net)

Summer Schedule  
One Worship Service 9:30 a.m.

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Join us on Facebook at Holy Cross Lutheran Greenbelt

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

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"

**BERWYN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
Rev. James Lawton - Pastor  
301-474-7573  
6301 Greenbelt Road  
Berwyn Heights, MD 20740  
[berwynpresbyterian.net](http://berwynpresbyterian.net)

Worship : Sundays at 10:00 am -- Child Care Available  
Sunday School : Will resume on Sept 11 @ 9:30 am  
Office Hours : M-F 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

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**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.  
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Opportunity for leadership development.  
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## Summer Programs Are Not for Children Only at Patuxent Refuge

Patuxent Research Refuge public programs are held at two sites, the North Tract and the National Wildlife Visitor Center. All programs are free, although donations to the Friends of Patuxent are appreciated. These programs do require advance registration by calling 301-497-5887; special needs can be accommodated with advance notice.

For more information visit the website at [patuxent.fws.gov](http://patuxent.fws.gov).

### North Tract

The North Tract, located on Rt. 198 between the Baltimore-Washington Parkway and Rt. 32, is offering the following programs:

**Herp Search** – Saturday, July 16, 1 to 2:30 p.m., for all ages. Join a refuge naturalist on this guided search for reptiles and amphibians. Bring walking shoes and water and remember to dress for the weather.

**Night Hike** – Saturday, July 16, 7:30 to 9 p.m., for ages 5 and older. Discover the nighttime world of the refuge while looking and listening for nocturnal animals on this guided walk.

**Bird Walk** – Sunday, July 17, 8:15 to 10:15 a.m., for all ages. Search for birds in several refuge habitats on this guided hike. Field guides and binoculars are recommended.

**What's Buggin' Bats!** – Saturday, July 23, 7:30 to 8:30 p.m., for all ages. Discover Maryland's bats and the dangers they face. Learn the vital role they play in the environment and why they are so helpful.

**Weed Warriors** – Wednesday, July 20 and Saturday, July 30, 9 a.m. to noon, for ages 13 and older. Non-native invasive plants are threatening wildlife habitat. The Refuge needs help to stop them – bring gloves and water (and hand tools if available) and help fight these alien invaders.

**Wildflower Walk** – Saturday, July 30, 10 a.m. to noon, 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 recommended.

### Visitor Center

The National Wildlife Visitor Center, located on Powder Mill Road between the Baltimore-Washington Parkway and Route 197, is offering the following programs:

**Weed Warriors** – Wednesday, July 6, 9 a.m. to noon, for ages 13 and older. Non-native invasive plants are threatening wildlife habitat. The Refuge needs help to stop them – bring gloves and water (and hand tools if available) and help fight these alien invaders.

**Nature Tots: Wiggly Worms** – Friday, July 8, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. and 1 to 2 p.m., for ages 3 to 4. Wiggle on over to this fun, interactive program on worms. What is a Worm? Why are there worms? Enjoy songs, stories and a worm watch.

**Forest Ecology Study** – Sunday, July 10, 2 to 3:30 p.m., for ages 8 to 10. Believe it or not, Maryland was once completely covered with forests. Discover the stages of the forest while learning how to identify and age trees in this hands-on program.

**Twilight Tram Tour** – Tuesday, July 12, 7:15 to 8:15 p.m., for all ages. Enjoy a 45-min-

ute guided tour through the habitats of Patuxent Research Refuge on an all-electric, open-air tram. View wildlife and its habitats while discovering the story of how the land has changed over time and how Patuxent is managing habitats for wildlife. There is a charge for tickets with discounts for seniors and children. Space is limited.

**Tiny Tots: Nature and Music** – Thursday, July 14, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. and 1 to 2 p.m., for ages 2 to 3. Come learn about the wildlife at the refuge through songs and rhyming. Parent participation is required.

**Beautiful Butterflies** – Saturday, July 16, 10 to 11 a.m., for ages 8 to 10. Learn how to identify Maryland butterflies. Discover the incredible

role these beautiful and delicate insects play in nature and the creatures that rely on their success.

**Whose Clues?** – Saturday, July 23, 10 to 11:30 a.m., for ages 5 to 7. Why are tracks and scat so important? Join this fun, interactive program to learn why. Discover signs of animals who have been hanging out at Patuxent.

**An Otter's Tale** – Wednesday, July 27, 1 to 2:30 p.m., for ages 5 to 7. Live the life of an otter in this "otterageous" hands-on program. Learn why otters are so at home in the water.

**Nature Tots: Lady Bugs, Lady Bugs!** – Thursday, July 28, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. and 1 to 2 p.m., for ages 3 to 4. Search for lady bugs and learn all about them through songs and stories.



Join Us!  
**Vacation Bible School**  
 Greenbelt Baptist Church  
 101 Greenhill Road  
 Greenbelt, MD 20770  
 301-474-4212  
 Monday, July 18<sup>th</sup> to Friday July 22<sup>nd</sup>  
 6:00pm to 8:30pm



Bring this ad on Monday night and get a prize!



# City Information

## HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

City Offices will be closed Monday, July 4th in observance of Independence Day. The Greenbelt Connection will not be operating.

## REFUSE/RECYCLING SCHEDULE

Week of July 4

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 8th.

## MEETINGS FOR JULY 5-8

Tuesday, July 5th at 7:30pm, **GREENBELT ADVISORY PLANNING BOARD** at the Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Road, Room 114. On the agenda: Discussion of Greenbelt Sector Plan Meeting of June and Discussion of Bicycle/Pedestrian Plan.

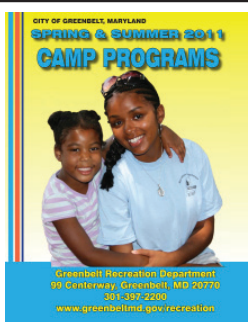
Wednesday, July 6th at 8:00pm, **CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION with National Park Service (stakeholder) at the Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Road.**

*This schedule is subject to change. For confirmation that a meeting is being held call 301-474-8000.*

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Greenbelt Board of Appeals  
 Variance Application 11-001-V

Notice is hereby given that the Greenbelt Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing on July 7, 2011 at 7:30pm in the Greenbelt Community Center (Suite 200), 15 Crescent Road, Greenbelt MD on an application filed by Ms. Shayna Skolnik for consideration of a request for a variance of three (3) feet from the side yard setback for the purpose of removing an existing enclosed porch and replacing it with a one-story addition to the single-family home located at 123 Northway. For more information please contact Terri Hruby at 301-345-5417.



**Summer Camps at the Greenbelt Recreation Department**  
**Don't miss out! There are still some openings!**  
 Please call 301-397-2200 or visit our web site at [www.greenbeltnmd.gov/recreation](http://www.greenbeltnmd.gov/recreation) to explore the exciting opportunities that are awaiting your child.

**SPACE IS LIMITED REGISTER TODAY!**



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## INDEPENDENCE DAY AT BUDDY ATTICK PARK- MONDAY, JULY 4TH!

555 Crescent Road  
 5-6:30pm: Hula Hoop Jam

5:30- 6:45pm: Community Drum Circle  
 6:30 - 8:30pm: Juggling School  
 7:30 - 8:30pm: Greenbelt Concert Band

**Fireworks at dusk, approximately 9:00pm.**  
**Weather and Information Hotline: 301-474-0646.**

Please be sure to observe all posted parking regulations and cooperate with the Greenbelt Police Department who will be staffing this event. For everyone's safety, guests may not bring fireworks (including sparklers) or alcohol into the park.

Please recycle using containers available in the park or by taking recyclable materials home.

## VACANCIES ON BOARDS & COMMITTEES

Volunteer to serve on City Council Advisory Groups. Vacancies exist on: Advisory Planning Board, Arts Advisory Board, Forest Preserve Advisory Board, Greenbelt Advisory Committee on Environmental Sustainability, Senior Citizens Advisory Committee Youth Advisory Committee and Public Safety Advisory Committee

For information call 301-474-8000.

## GREENBELT ANIMAL SHELTER

550-A Crescent Road (behind Police Station)  
**COME OUT AND VISIT THESE ADORABLE PETS AND OTHERS:**



Cowboy is a fun and friendly boy who loves to play. But he needs to be the only pet in the household. Reptar is a beautiful young iguana that was found chilling in the bushes outside of an apartment complex. He is very mellow and friendly.



Gabe is a young cute guinea pig ready to come home with you!

The shelter now has **KITTENS** and lots of them! Cute and adorable, they are ready to go home!

The shelter is open on Wednesdays from 4-7pm, Saturdays from 9am-12pm or by appointment INFO: 301.474.6124.

Donations welcome any time! We especially need kitty litter!  
**Visit the Greenbelt Animal Shelter on Facebook.**



## July Is Recreation And Parks Month



PHOTO BY BEVERLY PALAU

Mayor Judith Davis presents a certificate proclaiming July as Recreation and Parks Month to Director of Recreation Julie McHale and Assistant Director Joe McNeal at the city council meeting on June 20.

July is Recreation and Parks Month in Greenbelt. Mayor Judith Davis presented the proclamation certificate to Julie McHale, director of recreation, and Joe McNeal, assistant director, at the regular meeting of the Greenbelt City Council on Monday, June 20.

The proclamation encourages Greenbelt residents to "participate in recreation programs, enjoy and appreciate the city's parks and recreation facilities and recognize the creativity and hard work of" recreation staff that "make Green-

belt such a special place in which to live."

Besides providing beauty to the city and preserving the natural environment, offering relief from hectic lifestyles and fostering a sense of community, such amenities, the proclamation says, raise property values, attract businesses and reduce crime.

McHale told council registrations for summer camps are comparable to or higher than last year and said the programs are "doing very well."

## BELTWAY PLAZA MALL

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### COLLEGE PARK FARMERS' MARKET

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**Saturdays: 7 a.m. until Noon**

April 30 through November 19

Fresh Herbs, Cut Flowers, Sweet Onions, Yellow and Green Squash, String Beans, Cabbage, Sweet Corn, Okra, Peppers (sweet & hot), Peaches, Nectarines, Plums, Cantaloupe, Blueberries, Honey, Homemade Baked Goods, Coffee and later in July . . . Tomatoes, Fresh Garlic, Lima Beans and Watermelon.

*New farmers are here.*

*For more information contact Phil Miller 301-399-5485*

# Greenbelt



Supermarket Pharmacy

## Farm Fresh Produce

Large Slicing Tomatoes <b>99¢</b> lb.	Red Ripe Whole Seedless Watermelon each <b>\$3<sup>99</sup></b>	Fresh Express Garden Salad Mix 12 oz. <b>\$1<sup>50</sup></b>
Sweet Juicy Peaches <b>99¢</b> lb.	Fresh Crisp Green Cabbage <b>39¢</b> lb.	Sweet Ripe Northwest Cherries <b>\$2<sup>99</sup></b> lb.
Fresh Green Peppers <b>\$1<sup>49</sup></b> lb.	Zesty Large Lemons each <b>50¢</b>	Fresh Crisp Green Beans <b>\$1<sup>49</sup></b> lb.

## Fresh Quality Meats

Fresh Value Pack Boneless & Skinless Chicken Breasts <b>\$1<sup>99</sup></b> lb.	Fresh Value Pack Boneless New York Strip Steaks <b>\$5<sup>99</sup></b> lb.	Hatfield Meat Franks Assorted 1 lb. <b>99¢</b>	Fresh Value Pack 85% Extra Lean Ground Beef <b>\$2<sup>88</sup></b> lb.
Fresh Lean Beef Boneless Top Round Steaks <b>\$3<sup>99</sup></b> lb.	Fresh Value Pack Chicken Leg Quarters <b>89¢</b> lb.	Fresh Value Pack Boneless Pork Sirloin Chops <b>\$2<sup>99</sup></b> lb.	Fresh Value Pack Boneless Sirloin Tip Steaks <b>\$3<sup>99</sup></b> lb.

## Dairy

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## Frozen

Turkey Hill Iced Tea or Lemonade 128 oz. <b>\$1<sup>99</sup></b>	Dannon Assorted Yogurts 6 oz. <b>50¢</b>	Deli Gourmet Oven Roasted Turkey Breast <b>\$5<sup>99</sup></b> lb.	Swanson Hungry Man Dinners Assorted 13-17 oz. <b>\$2<sup>50</sup></b>	Birds Eye Select Vegetables Select Varieties 8-16 oz. <b>\$1<sup>25</sup></b>
Shurfine American Singles Assorted 12 oz. <b>\$2<sup>00</sup></b>	Tropicana Pure Premium Orange Juice Assorted 59oz. <b>\$2<sup>88</sup></b>	Deli Gourmet Roast Beef <b>\$7<sup>99</sup></b> lb.	Tony's Original Crust Pizza Assorted 14-18 oz. <b>\$2<sup>00</sup></b>	Stouffer's Lean Cuisine Classic Entrees Assorted 5-11 oz. <b>\$2<sup>25</sup></b>

## Health & Beauty

## Seafood

**CO-OP Supermarket Will Be OPEN MONDAY JULY 4th 10am til 6pm**  
Pharmacy will be closed

## Natural & Gourmet

## Bakery

Suave Invisible Solid Deodorant Assorted 2.6 oz. <b>\$1<sup>88</sup></b>	Fresh Catch Mahi Mahi Fillets <b>\$7<sup>99</sup></b> lb.	Heartland Original Granola Cereal 16 oz. <b>\$2<sup>99</sup></b>	Fresh Store Baked Vienna Bread loaf <b>\$1<sup>49</sup></b>
Finesse Shampoo or Conditioner Assorted 7-17 oz. <b>\$1<sup>99</sup></b>	Quick Frozen Pollock Fillets <b>\$2<sup>49</sup></b> lb.	Delacre Royal Moments Cookies & Biscuits Asst. 3-7 oz. <b>\$2<sup>99</sup></b>	Fresh 8 inch Store Baked Cherry Pie <b>\$4<sup>99</sup></b>

## Grocery Bargains

Bumble Bee Solid White Tuna 5 oz. <b>\$1<sup>00</sup></b>	San Giorgio Spaghetti & Macaroni Select Varieties 12-16 oz. <b>\$1<sup>00</sup></b>	Del Grosso Pasta Sauces Asst. 24 oz. <b>\$1<sup>25</sup></b>	Kellogg's Original Cereals Corn Flakes or Crispix 12 oz. <b>\$1<sup>99</sup></b>	Betty Crocker Pouch Potatoes Assorted 3. oz. <b>80¢</b>
Shurfine Egg Noodles Assorted 12 oz. <b>99¢</b>	Tide 2X Liquid Laundry Detergent Assorted 100 oz. <b>\$10<sup>99</sup></b>	Pasta Roni or Rice A Roni Assorted 4-7 oz. <b>\$1<sup>25</sup></b>	Shurfine Apple Sauce Assorted 23-24 oz. <b>\$1<sup>25</sup></b>	Nabisco Chips Ahoy Cookies Assorted 13-15 oz. <b>\$2<sup>50</sup></b>

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Coors Beers **\$10<sup>99</sup>**  
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## PHARMACY

Monday thru Friday 9 a.m. until 7 p.m.  
Saturday 9 a.m. until 6 p.m. 301-474-4400  
Closed Sunday



# Police Blotter

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

## Robbery

June 21, 11:19 p.m., Holiday Inn, a man and a woman entered the hotel and stole the Credit Card Authorization Log. One of them sprayed the desk clerk with pepper spray, creating an opportunity for the other to grab the log containing numerous credit card files. Both suspects then fled through the front lobby doors. The man was described as a black male, 23 to 28 years old, 5'8" to 5'10" tall, weighing 150 to 160 lbs. with very long dreads and a thin goatee, wearing a white striped polo shirt and blue jeans. The woman was described as a black female, 23 to 28 years old, 5'11 to 6'0" tall, weighing 150 to 160 lbs., wearing a black or gray halter top, blue jeans and carrying a black purse. The vehicle was described as a dark Ford Taurus, late 1990s to early 2000s model, bearing Virginia tags.

June 23, 2:08 a.m., 7-Eleven Store on Good Luck Road, two men entered the store; one man displayed a handgun. They walked behind the counter and took several packs of cigarettes and scratch-off lottery tickets and ran out of the door in an unknown direction.

## Assault

June 16, 5:30 p.m., Roosevelt Center, a male resident youth was petitioned for second-degree assault and disorderly conduct. The youth's parents were notified.

June 18, 3:11 a.m., Holiday Inn, a nonresident man was arrested and charged with assault, resisting arrest, disorderly conduct and failure to comply. He was released to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner.

June 20, 7:06 p.m., Greenway Center, two women attempted to leave a retail store without paying for items they had placed in their bag. When an employee tried to stop the women, one of them started to fight with the employee. The fight continued outside and a man also began to fight with the employee. All three suspects then entered a vehicle and fled the area. One suspect is described as a black female in her 20s, 5'8" tall, heavy with red hair, wearing a pink shirt and blue pants; the second suspect is described as a black female in her 20s, 5'4" tall, heavy with black hair, wearing a white shirt, black hat and blue pants; and the third suspect is described as a black male in his 20s, 6'1" tall with short hair, brown skin, wearing a black shirt and blue jeans.

## DWI Arrest

June 21, 10:12 p.m., 8000 block Greenbury Drive, a resident was arrested and charged with driving while impaired by alcohol and leaving the scene of an accident, after having been observed striking a parked and unoccupied vehicle. The resident was released on citations, pending trial.

## Disorderly Conduct

June 18, 12:15 a.m., 9100 block Edmonston Court, a resident woman was arrested, charged with disorderly conduct and released on citation pending trial.

## Trespass

June 20, 10:39 a.m., Beltway Plaza, a nonresident man was arrested and charged with trespassing on private property and possession of CDS paraphernalia. He had recently been banned from the property for drinking alcohol on the premises. The man was released on two criminal citations, pending trial.

June 23, 7:42 p.m., Greenway Center, a nonresident man was arrested and charged with trespassing on private property. He was released on citation pending trial.

## Malicious Destruction

June 21, 7:27 p.m., 6000 block of Springhill Drive, a bedroom window was broken.

## Burglary

June 17, 3:57 p.m., 6500 block of Lake Park Drive, electronics were reported taken.

June 20, 10:40 p.m., 9100 block of Edmonston Court, unknown suspect(s) attempted to gain entry by prying at the front door.

June 22, 4:58 p.m., 9000 block of Breezewood Terrace, it was reported that electronic equipment and jewelry were taken along with keys to the victim's 2002 white GMC Yukon, Md. tags 6AA6380 which was also stolen.

June 24, 1:24 a.m., 6000 block of Cherrywood Court, a Toshiba 40" flat screen TV was reported taken.

## Vehicle Crimes

June 16, 6200 block of Breezewood Drive, two nonresident youths, a male and a female, were arrested and charged with theft over \$1,000 and driving without a license after allegedly stealing an Agility Moped and a Spechuawi Moped. Both youths were charged on juvenile petitions and released to parents.

A silver 1995 Chrysler Sirrus, Md. tags 9AG4086 was reported stolen from the 9100 block of Edmonston Road. Maryland tag 9AD0372 was reported stolen from the 6200 block of Springhill Court.

Two vehicles were recovered with no arrests made in either recovery.

Thefts from vehicles were reported in the following areas: 8100 block of Bird Lane (soda bottles); 7700 block of Mandan Road (handicapped placard, XM radio); 7700 block of Mandan Road (personal items); 6200 block of Springhill Court (money orders); 6200 block of Breezewood Drive (DC tag DR5544); 6100 block of Springhill Terrace (CD player face plate); 7800 block of Mandan Road (Sony DVD player, knife set); 9300 block of Edmonston Road (tools, cables); 6500 block of Lake Park Drive (Jenson in-dash GPS, flip-down 15" television); and 6100 block of Breezewood Drive (Makita tool set).

Vandalism was reported at Roosevelt Center (scratched passenger side area), 9200 block Edmonston Road (paint particles on vehicle) and 6000 block of Springhill Drive (broken windshield).

## Volunteer Appreciation Day at Md. State Fair

This year Volunteer Appreciation Day at the Maryland State Fair in Timonium will be on Sunday, August 28. The Maryland State Fair starts Friday, August 26 and runs through Monday, September 5.

The passes offer Maryland volunteers discounted admission on August 28 at \$2 per person, with each pass allowing up to five people who have volunteered in Maryland during the past year. Each pass also entitles the patron to discounts on food tickets and ride packages purchased from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on August 28.

To request passes go to [www.GOSV.maryland.gov](http://www.GOSV.maryland.gov). Those without computers are invited to use a public library computer to fill out the electronic form.

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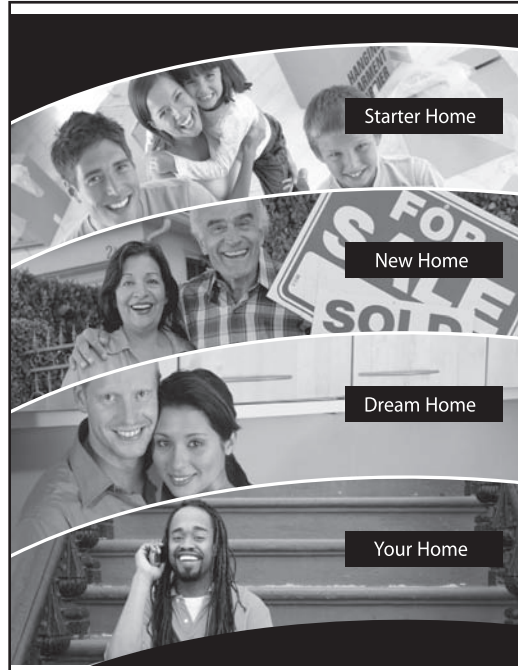
The next meeting will focus on Capital Office Park, Golden Triangle Office Park, University Square, Charlestowne Village and Belle Point. The meeting will start at 7 p.m. on Thursday, July 21 at the Greenbelt Youth Center located at 99 Centerway, said M-NCPPC's project manager Chad Williams.

The ultimate purpose of all the meetings is to gather public input into a revision of the 2001 Greenbelt Metro Area Sector

Plan and Sectional Map Amendment (SMA). Prince George's County believes the SMA "offers an appropriate and desirable opportunity for the county to comprehensively analyze, plan and potentially rezone commercial, multifamily and office properties" in the area.

All Greenbelt residents are urged to attend or sign up to receive updates on the process at [www.pgplanning.org/Greenbelt.htm](http://www.pgplanning.org/Greenbelt.htm).

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The Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department relies on volunteers to provide staffing for our apparatus during the evenings, weekends and holidays. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact us. Whether you wish to be a Fire Fighter, EMT, member of our Ladies Auxiliary, or just help out administratively, we will be happy to have you join our family.

### What types of people volunteer?

Our volunteers come from many walks of life. We have college and high school students, professionals, and homemakers that take time from their busy lives to give back to the community by volunteering their services at GVFD. In fact, the more diverse our member's backgrounds are, the stronger our organization becomes.

### What do Fire Service Volunteers do?

There are all sorts of positions that volunteers are needed to fill. Such positions range from Fire Fighting and Emergency Medical Services (EMS) to administrative duties and Ladies Auxiliary. By becoming a volunteer you will be providing the community an invaluable service.

### Who do I talk to about questions?

If you have more questions about becoming a volunteer you can e-mail GVFD at [recruitment@engine35.com](mailto:recruitment@engine35.com), visit [engine35.com](http://engine35.com) or call the station at (301) 345-7000 or (301) 345-7353. When you call please ask for the Recruitment Officer or Deputy Chief Chris Ransom.



# Swimmer Faces Challenges While Greenbelt Tops Adelphi

by Matthias Early

As I entered the outdoor pool area of the Greenbelt Aquatic and Fitness Center last Saturday morning, I thought I had entered a fairground. Rows of colorful, festive flags encircled the pool and many shade tents were pitched on the grassy areas. The aroma of fresh doughnuts and other delicious food wafted out from one of the tents.

Overnight, the pool had been transformed for the swim meet and our Greenbelt Municipal Team, AKA "The Barracudas," was ready to have fun. We warmed up with laps in the pool to the song "Barracuda" played on the sound system. Then we all loudly chanted a team cheer and got ready to wait for our turn to race. The day's race was against the Adelphi Recreation Team.

Each swim team is divided into groups of same ages, gender and swim stroke. The first races this day were all butterfly and in my first year on the swim team, I did not participate in this race. Finally my group – Race #17: Boys 13 to 14 years, 50 Meter Freestyle – was called.

The organization of this meet was impeccable and all the races went like clock-work. We sat in rows of benches under the shade of a canopy, waiting to race. Our seats denoted our lane and group.

Once we were called to the pool edge, my group donned goggles and swim caps and got into position. "On your mark, BZZT!" the megaphone blared. I jumped into the pool, happy to feel the cold water after the heat of the sun.

The race was fun. I came in first for my group of swimmers and seventh overall for Race #17. I went over to my friends to discuss the races and scores. We talked and cheered together until it was time for me to race again.

My third and final race of the day was something out of a nightmare. I pushed off the wall and began my back stroke only to find that the water was somehow going directly through my goggles and into my eyes. I wondered how this could be possible as I closed my eyes and bumped into a lane rope.

I wish to remind the reader that this is my very first swim meet and the first time I had ever worn a swim cap. The rim of my cap covered the exact same area as goggles do, creating the illusory feel of wearing goggles. I was dejected as I climbed out of the pool. I had been disqualified for not being on my back when I started the race.

The last event was the relays which I did not participate in, except to cheer on those who did.

Finally they announced the winners. Greenbelt came in first with a total of 294 points, while Adelphi held on close behind with 279 points. Afterward we headed over to a swim team pizza party at the mall. It was a great way to end my first swim meet.



PHOTO BY SALLY DAVIES

Three swimmers lined up to race are (left to right) Walter Commins, Rudy Jules and Matthias Early (reporter and swimmer). The official timers, behind the swimmers, are parent volunteers.

## Reading Program Wins Science Center Entry

People age 6 and up can register in the 2011 Summer Reading program for a chance to win a Maryland Science Center family pack. Keep reading to win a family four pack of tickets to the Maryland Science Center at Baltimore's Inner Harbor. The center has three levels of hands-on exhibits to explore including dinosaurs, the human body, outer space, IMAX and the starry dome of the Davis Planetarium.

Winners will be announced in August.

## Why Are College Students Cavity Prone?



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the teeth. Because of their location, cavities between the teeth or "interproximal" cavities are frequently only seen with an x-ray.

### Preventing Dental Cavities

The first step in preventing cavities is to maintain good oral hygiene to minimize bacterial colonization. This includes brushing at least twice a day with fluoride toothpaste and flossing daily. It is also important to eat well-balanced, nutritious meals with limited snacking. The use of a fluoride rinse also helps strengthen tooth enamel.

Although college schedules are busy, it is very important to maintain regularly scheduled dental visits for teeth cleaning and fluoride treatment.

Dental exams improve the likelihood of early detection of cavities and treatment with a small rather than large filling.

College is a time for new experiences, new friends, and unfortunately – new cavities.

A diet high in sugar combined with changes in personal hygiene cause tooth decay and a dramatic increase in dental cavities during college years.

Today's hectic college lifestyle is filled with fast food, sugar-packed coffees and soft drinks. Even diet sodas increase the likelihood of cavities because bacteria thrive in an acidic environment. Sugar-loving bacteria that are normally present in and around the teeth produce byproducts, which cause breakdown of tooth enamel, resulting in tooth decay and dental cavities.

Symptoms of cavities and tooth decay vary depending on the location and depth. Initially, cavities may not cause symptoms. As tooth decay progresses, it may cause tooth sensitivity or a toothache. A toothache can cause varying degrees of pain when you bite down or when you eat or drink something sweet, hot, or cold. There may be visible holes or pits in your teeth, which can also cause discomfort or pain in your mouth or jaw. A dental cavity will not get better on its own. If you're experiencing one or more cavity symptoms, it's time to see a dentist.

When you have a dental cavity, your dentist will remove the bacteria and decay and fill the cavity to restore strength to the tooth. In deep cavities, the nerve of the tooth may also be infected. This requires additional cleaning of the infected nerve called a "root canal." Luckily, this only occurs in the deepest of cavities. Usually there are warning signs, such as sensitivity to extreme temperatures and to sweet foods.

"Pit and fissure" cavities are the most common type of cavities. Back teeth or molars have natural grooves, fissures and pits on their chewing surface. Toothbrush bristles cannot reach inside deep pits, grooves, or fissures, which allows plaque and tartar to accumulate. During college years, flossing is often ignored, leading to tooth decay and cavities in between

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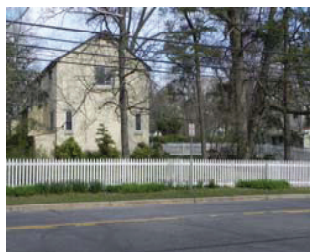
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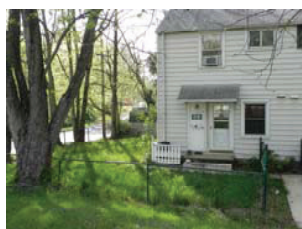
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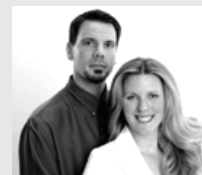


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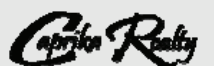
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# GHI Board Ponders Member Issues – Additions, Egress

by Sue Krofchik

Sometimes, even when everything is done correctly, it can end up wrong. Such a situation confronted the Greenbelt Homes, Inc. (GHI) board of directors twice at their June 23 meeting.

One situation involved yard line certification and egress into a nearby playground; the other involved placement of a planned addition.

The addition problem had come to light when awning-type windows in the existing addition at 9-B Southway had been deemed water-damaged and in need of replacement. Although the windows had met GHI standards in 1956 when the addition was built, this style is no longer permitted. Because current rules allow only double-hung windows, the homeowner requested an exception for privacy reasons to reinstall the awning style.

The Architectural Review Committee (ARC) had studied the request and recommended – and the board agreed – to grant the exception, allowing replacement with new, non-compliant awning-type windows.

The committee's rationale included several factors. Awning-type windows would continue to provide the desired privacy. This addition at 9-B Southway is on the addition maintenance plan and therefore the responsibility of GHI. The size of the existing openings will not accommodate double-hung windows and to enlarge the spaces would result in additional labor and related expenses to the co-op.

## Addition Issue

A second issue at this location then emerged at the meeting. When the 9-B addition had been built in 1956, rules then required additions to be built one foot away from a side yard line.

Earlier this month GHI became aware that the neighbor at 9-A Southway, who shares the side yard line with 9-B, has indicated interest in putting an addition on that side of her home. Since current rules, however, require that additions be placed on the yard line, GHI staff realized that if the 9-A addition is placed where the rules stipulate, a one-foot space between the two additions would result.

Such a situation would lead to aesthetic and maintenance issues. "It would take a very skinny person to rake leaves" and, of course, to perform maintenance in the one-foot wide area, noted Barbara Franke, daughter of the homeowner at 9-B.

If the owner of 9-A follows through with placement on the shared yard line where rules mandate it must be, the board will require the member at 9-B to specify in writing that she approves of an addition at 9-A being only one foot away from her addition – the one with the soon-to-be new awning-style windows.

This may be a moot point, however. The owner of 9-A reportedly now is expecting to site her planned addition closer to the center mark of her home, leaving a seven-foot wide swath between additions.

## Egress

GHI began doing yard line

certifications several years ago to correct and confirm any misunderstandings with yard boundaries, including yard encroachment into common areas. This story is about the reverse – the encroachment by trucks into a member's yard.

Yard lines in 9 Court Ridge Road were approved and certified by the board in 2007.

At this evening's meeting the member at 9-G Ridge Road was told that even though boundaries to his yard have been properly certified for four years as belonging to him, he cannot make any improvements in his yard, such as fencing or landscaping in the area being encroached upon by trucks.

In April court members had contacted GHI about a gravel roadway someone had placed at the edge of the parking lot going into the common area. They were told that GHI put it there because the grassy area was being compacted by service vehicles on their way to the playground.

It is unclear how long the wooden retaining wall supporting the area had been in place. Court members have spoken before the board about this issue at three board meetings and, to improve the area, GHI had covered the gravel with mulch.

According to accompanying pictures, when entering the court, a person immediately is standing between two parallel rows of garages with blacktop base. No parking is allowed between the garages.

Behind each row of garages is a row of homes which extend past the garages toward the central common area leading to the playground.

This now-mulched roadway is 35 feet long and just over nine feet wide. It is supported by pressure-treated 4"x6" timbers for about 17 feet. The height of this retaining wall ranges from six to 12 inches. After driving over this mulched roadway, trucks continue driving over grass and a member's yard to reach the playground.

## Three Concerns

Court members consider the change from gravel to mulch unacceptable because the area still looks like a road and because various service vehicles and contractors park there. Secondly, when the mulched portion ends, the route to the playground continues over grass in the common area.

Thirdly, the road taken continues through a portion of the yard of 9-G. The member there is consequently concerned about ruts in his yard, losing the yard itself and the potential loss of one of Greenbelt's largest ash trees, since its roots are being compacted by trucks.

On June 28 at 9:15 a.m., the truck of a landscaping contractor was observed by this reporter parked on the mulched roadway.

Representing 9 Court at the meeting was Kyle McAbee and for 9-G, John Gannon, the member whose yard is being encroached upon and damaged by trucks.

Matt Berres, director of Maintenance Operations, has been working with court members and the city to find a solution. The city owns the playground but GHI is responsible for its maintenance.

"This playground is one of the largest and most heavily wooded in the city," said Berres. It is bounded by 9 Court Ridge, 10-B Crescent (the Greenbelt Museum), a stretch of Crescent Road across from the library and 12 Crescent, a privately owned apartment building. The area is an oval bowl with the large playground filling the lowest portion. Trucks cannot negotiate the steep slopes of grass from Crescent Road.

Berres received permission from the city to allow smaller GHI trucks to access the playground by way of the Crescent Road underpass, entering it from the library side of Crescent. Nevertheless, the large leaf vacuum truck and trailer have no way to reach the playground except through 9 Court Ridge. Although the number of trees make maneuvering difficult, the large collections of leaves cannot feasibly be cleared out by hand. The leaf vacuum truck and trailer are required, according to Berres.

## Court Access

Board member Bill Jones said it is an established practice for GHI to use 9 Court for access. "It is traversed [by leaf vacuum apparatus] only two to three times a year," he said. He also felt it was reasonable to leave the path through the 9-G yard and that GHI should stipulate that no fencing of that yard should be permitted.

Berres said that even landscaping should not be done in that yard, as this too would prevent egress. This statement led Director David Morse to question unbelievably, "No improvements for the homeowner?"

Since the end unit (9-F) of the row across from 9-G has a chain link fence that abuts the sidewalk near the gravel/mulched roadway entrance, that yard is not available for driving through.

Current Assistant General Manager (and likely general manager-to-be) Eldon Ralph thought the Yard Line Committee should review the situation to see "if it were possible to compensate the member with more room on the side of the yard."

Ralph also said egress is a problem in other areas, such as 40 Court Ridge. Tom Sporney, director of technical services and staff liaison to the Yard Line Committee, was asked to research where similar access needs occur.

The Yard Line Committee was asked to work with the member at 9-G to find a solution for yard loss. When McAbee and Gannon left after this agenda item, one of them said the court had put up with this long enough but that it was the gravel roadway that "galvanized" the court. The status of the mulched roadway is not clear, except that it appears to be the only way for leaf vacuuming equipment to access the areas.



PHOTO BY KATHLEEN MCFARLAND

This truck belonging to a contractor was parked in the mulched roadway at 9 Court Ridge. The very old ash tree described in the article is to the right.

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ARC members felt they are "inappropriate with the Greenbelt aesthetic of celebrating the natural, tree-shaded garden environment," according to the report. Some are described as looking like portable toilets.

Nor are they attached to the ground. They may list, therefore, if the ground is not perfectly level; they may be prone to being blown over by strong winds if they are empty; vinyl or plastic may deform in heat, especially roofs, which may droop; and vinyl is not appropriate for sides.

Wilson said the ARC could not write a rule permitting vinyl sheds because they could not think of any circumstance for which they could be used. The group concluded that members who want vinyl/resin sheds could apply to the ARC, and later to the board, for an exception to the rules.

## Board Questions

Upon questioning by Morse about how the committee could predict vinyl/resin roofs would sag, Wilson said an architect familiar with vinyl/plastic materials was the source. When McFadden asked if the committee had reviewed consumer reports or contacted garden associations or clubs for their evaluations, she was told that comments from people who had these sheds had been reviewed (apparently online).

Director Chuck Hess said he has found there is a prevalence of negative customer reviews, whereas when the experience is positive, people do not take the time to write about it. When

McFadden asked if any roofs in this area are sagging due to heat, the response was "no." Wartell cited his personal experience that vinyl/resin is better than wood in keeping out squirrels. Wilson countered, it is "easier to chew."

The subcommittee report is due in September. Current requests for exceptions allowing vinyl/resin sheds will be held until that time.

## Smart Meters

Director Laura Moore related the experience of a neighbor who received a WSSC bill for \$12,866. Staff entered the crawlspace and found that when meters in that row had been replaced, this was the only member issued a "smart meter."

WSSC was asked to investigate and found the problem had been due to human error in calibrating the meter upon its installation.

Matt Berres, manager of maintenance operations, said WSSC has been replacing water meters with smart meters over the last few years. These allow remote readings to be done for billing purposes. He recommended that if other members receive incorrect bills they should call WSSC and the GHI maintenance office.

## Other Matters

Yard line certifications were approved and certified for courts at 14, 15 and 36 Ridge.

Before discussion ended with 14 Court as the topic, Wartell described the outside of the boiler room at 14-Q as "an eyesore." Audience member John Henry Jones quickly said, "It's a landmark." Almost everyone laughed.

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