

Sector Plan Workshop Focuses On Area Transportation Issues

by Thomas X. White

The first workshop this year on the Greenbelt Metro Area and MD 193 Corridor Sector Plan and Sectional Map Amendment (Sector Plan) was held on January 12 at Greenbelt Middle School. The new year brought out a good-sized, representative crowd to hear a report on present transportation conditions in the Sector Plan area.

The approximately 90-minute workshop barely offered enough time, however, to absorb what seemed like a ton of information on all things transportation-wise for the planning area.

Chad Williams, project manager for the Sector Plan, opened the workshop with a brief status report on the planning process. He then gave way to transportation consultants who described initial findings on the existing transportation infrastructure and how well it does or does not serve the Sector Plan area.

Before the workshop, attendees had a chance to review display placards around the room showing all traffic intersections within the Sector Plan Area: how those intersections handled daily traffic volumes, in, around and through the area; an analysis of origins for Metro customers and how they reached Metro; existing bus routes serving the Metro station; and overall charts on present zoning and the built environment within the area.

Process Update

One of the first things covered by Williams was a brief update on the overall planning process. He noted that the Prince George's County Planning Department's request for a six-month extension of the Sector Plan process had not yet been granted by the Prince George's County Council. The department expects, however, it will be approved this month.

If approved, he said, the new target for release of the Preliminary Plan would be May. If so, the plan approval schedule would be pushed to late 2012 or early 2013.

Williams then walked the at-

tendees through a series of slides illustrating goals of the sector plan and summarized feedback from an initial series of workshops and community meeting in 2011.

The overarching sector plan goal remains implementing the county's general plan and its functional master plan. Subsidiary goals are to guide transit-oriented development at the Greenbelt Metropolitan Center (Metro Area) and along the Route 193 corridor and to incorporate lessons learned from past and modern best practices to maximize area potential, such as high volume employment and mixed used development and to develop and leverage innovative strategies.

The elements of feedback as a result of the several workshops and community meetings include:

- Safety and connectivity along Greenbelt Road (MD 193), other roads, and to Metro
- Congestion and transit accessibility
- Concerns regarding Metro Joint Development (North and South Core)
- Needs for Parks & Recreation facilities
- Importance of environmental preservation
- Building on the area's history
- Maximizing potential for transit-oriented development
- Neighborhood preservation.

The goals and feedback reflect major community features that have come up time and again at the 2011 meetings. In descending order, they include: walkability, green, mixed-use restaurants, bicycling, connectedness, traffic control, traffic calming, transit options, a variety of stores and shops and not too much asphalt.

Those varied elements have been condensed into "emerging themes" by the planning staff and now include: connectivity and safety, revitalization/redevelopment, creating a destination, transit, improving the natural

environment and neighborhood preservation.

Transportation

The remainder of the meeting covered the broad topic of transportation, which provided an opportunity for attendees to learn the initial results of the transportation consultant's analysis and evaluation of the existing transportation infrastructure serving the Sector Plan area.

Leading the concerns were issues identified with MD Route 193, such as perceptions of congestion and high speed during off-peak hours, difficulty in crossing the highway and lack of safety for walkers or bikers. Recommended were a new streetscape with bike lanes and better timing of traffic signals along the road.

Problems noted with other roadways included difficulty in crossing Hanover Parkway, developed areas isolated by roadways and other barriers, consideration of returning Cherrywood Lane back to four lanes and the addition of sidewalks on its west side. Other concerns dealt with potential impacts of extending Route 201 northward, completion of the proposed roundabout at Metro Access Drive/Cherrywood and problems with the Lakecrest/American Legion Drive intersection with Rt. 193.

Transit concerns included the overall level of bus service, especially for Sundays and evenings; the continuing difficulty of understanding the various bus routes and their timing; continuing need for additional information at individual stops and consideration of streetcar-like service or bus rapid transit.

Walkability issues included the consideration of crime and safety in the design of paths and walkways, increased lighting and connectivity throughout the plan area and street amenities and wider sidewalks and trails.

Bicycle Access

In considering improved bicycle access and connectivity, planners are using recommendations of the Toole Design Group, which has completed bicycle access studies for metropolitan Washington jurisdictions.

At the meeting, Brian Gibbons, a member of the Greenbelt Advisory Planning Board (APB), provided a brief description of the APB's planning effort for a comprehensive bikeway study for Greenbelt. The Sector Plan planners await completion and approval of the APB plan, which they will consider incorporating into the Sector Plan. The Washington-Metropolitan Area Transit Authority

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City Reviews Draft Policy On Sustainable Land Care

by Kathleen Gallagher

In 2007 the City of Greenbelt's Recycling and Environment Advisory Committee (now the Greenbelt Advisory Committee on Environmental Sustainability) sent a memo to the city council asking that city staff evaluate its overall pesticide use and consider a more organic approach to plant and tree care. At the January 9 regular council meeting, Lesley Riddle, assistant director of public works, presented her draft report titled "Sustainable Land Care Policy" in response to that request.

Riddle, also the city's horticulturalist, undertook the study and prepared the report as part of her work toward a master's degree in environmental science at Green Mountain College in Vermont. The city council was highly complimentary of the report and City Manager Michael McLaughlin said a number of other jurisdictions had already asked to receive copies when it becomes final.

The study reveals the need to develop and implement policies using methods that are environmentally sustainable and fiscally responsible. As an interim step, a report titled "Pesticide Use Under Review" had been adopted by council in 2009, of which one

recommendation was that the city move completely away from use of cosmetic pesticides on city-owned property.

Riddle described the new report as broader in scope, now encompassing three areas: integrated pest management (IPM), plant health care and sustainable landscape design. The report delineates steps the Public Works Department will take to eliminate use of pesticides and synthetic fertilizers and to put into action a community outreach program to promote more sustainable landscape practices. An exception would be the limited use of spot herbicides to assist in control of invasive species, which is mandated by the state.

Riddle stressed the evaluation of spaces for use by native species that do not need pesticides, fertilizers or large amounts of water. Elimination of special care lies at the core of this effort.

Council referred the draft report to the Greenbelt Advisory Committee on Environmental Sustainability, the Forest Preserve Task Force, the Advisory Committee on Trees and the Youth Advisory Committee. They asked for a speedy review by these groups so the policy could move forward.

February Artful Afternoon Celebrates Valentines

The next Artful Afternoon, on Sunday, February 5 from 1 to 4 p.m., will celebrate St. Valentine's Day with a comedic Romeo and Juliet performance, paper heart crafts and a SupaMonsta art exhibit. All ages are welcome at this free monthly event at the Community Center.

Love, laughter, tragedy – have them all when, fresh from a Washington, D.C. engagement, Faction of Fools retells Shake-

speare's classic Romeo and Juliet with humor and physical expression in the Italian Renaissance-style of masked clown theatre known as Commedia dell'Arte. The performance begins at 3 p.m. For more on the rich history of this theater style, search "Commedia dell'Arte" at www.about.com.

From 1 to 3 p.m. make pop-up

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What Goes On

Saturday, January 28

9 a.m. to noon, Electronics Recycling, Public Works Yard

Monday, January 30

7:30 p.m., Council Worksession with Board of Education, Municipal Building, Live on Verizon 21, Comcast 71 and streaming at www.greenbeltmd.gov

Wednesday, February 1

7:30 p.m., Advisory Planning Board Meeting, Community Center, Room 114

8 p.m., Council Worksession re: Greenbelt North Core, Community Center



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Faction of Fools presents A Commedia Romeo and Juliet at February's Artful Afternoon at the Community Center on Sunday, February 5.

Letters to the Editor

Secondhand Smoke Experienced Firsthand

We read and totally disagree with the assessment from a reader, Andy Carruthers, offering his opinion on the recent anti-smoking lawsuit brought by resident David Schuman against the GHI community. In his "solution" to the secondhand smoke problem, Carruthers wrote, "All Schuman must occasionally do is close his windows. . . ." We can state unequivocally that Mr. Carruthers is flat out wrong in thinking that by merely closing windows the neighbors' secondhand smoke problem would be solved. Mr. Carruthers obviously must not live near a smoker because he doesn't understand that closing windows does not solve the problem at all.

We are in a situation currently at our complex with smokers above us who go out on their balcony to smoke regularly. Immediately when this happens, within minutes of their lighting up, the smoke comes right into our unit (despite having all the windows and balcony doors closed). The smoke then fills our living room so my eyes water and I often develop a headache.

The bottom line is that secondhand smoke is a health hazard, and it's very sad that Mr. Carruthers arbitrarily decides to not even mention the real issue. Instead of berating Mr. Schuman, Mr. Carruthers should be applauding Mr. Schuman's efforts, as we have, by taking the bold step to try to make his living situation a healthier and less costlier one for everyone in terms of healthcare expenses, [townhouse] damage and fire hazards. That is where the true costs are.

If the Board in his [community] had been interested in the all these factors impacting the residents, then Mr. Carruthers would have been correct in saying the

costs of litigation would not have happened. Unfortunately, he conveniently neglects to mention these issues as well as the high costs in terms of time and monies spent by Mr. Schuman in bringing forth this litigation which we would bet he had no interest in doing in the first place. Sadly, he was left with no other options given the lack of support from his [community's] Board.

Furthermore, if the case had been decided in Mr. Schuman's favor as it should have been, it would have been an important precedent for the majority of people in multi-family dwellings who want to live in smoke-free housing. There is no upside to allowing smoking in multi-family dwellings period and the costs to allow it are enormous.

Laura Galvin
Bob Radlinski
Promenade Towers
Bethesda, Md.

THANKS!

It is with great appreciation that the GHI Companion Animal Committee (CAC) wishes to thank the Greenbelt community for its recent outpouring of donations to the CAC Annual Holiday Shelter Drive. The animals at both the Prince George's County Animal Management Division's Shelter on Brown Station Road in Upper Marlboro and the Greenbelt facility located at 550A Crescent Road were the fortunate recipients.

The CAC received tons of blankets, towels, sheets and other bedding materials, cat and dog food, carriers, food bins, treats and toys.

Many, many thanks for your generosity.

Please consider adopting a shelter animal for your next companion animal and remember to spay and neuter – it saves lives.

Cam MacQueen
CAC Member

ARTFUL

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valentines with Artist-in-residence Sherill Anne Gross. "I love making valentines!" says Gross, not surprisingly, for this cut-paper illustrator has made works with up to 7,000 individual pieces of cut paper. (Participants' totals may vary.)

A reception for the new SupaMonsta exhibit will be held at the Community Center Art Gallery from 1:30 to 3 p.m. with artist Ed Bisese. His work explores the psychology of companion relationships and possibly dualities within ourselves.

With inspiration ranging from side-show banners to political news stories, Bisese's work is full of narrative intrigue and dark humor. The exhibit will remain on display through March 16.

Drawing

Immediately preceding the 3 p.m. Faction of Fools performance, a drawing will be held for free tickets to a local performance. Enter online at www.greenbeltmd.gov/arts or in person at the Community Center Art Gallery until 2:30 p.m. on February 5.

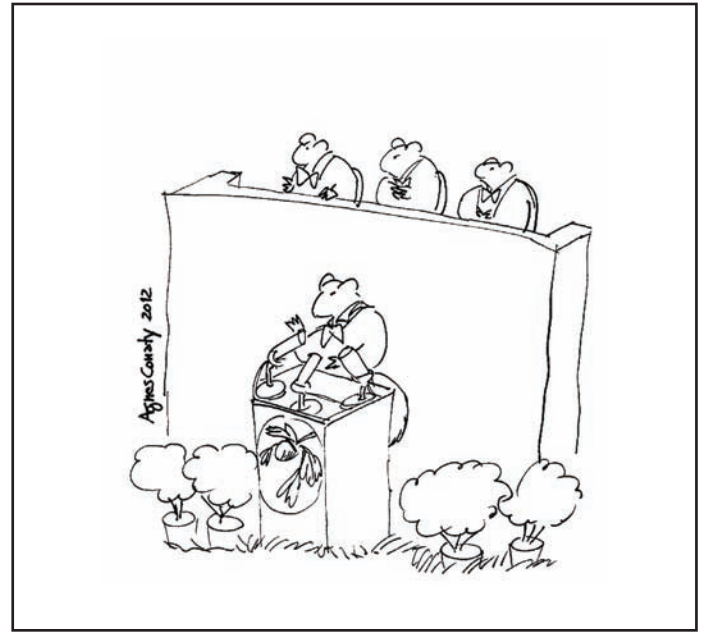
Prizes offered will be two tickets to alight dance theater's new production, "Truth Be Told," a dance version of a live action reality game show exploring the nature of confession, or two tickets to a show of the winner's choice at the Greenbelt Arts Center.

Monthly Artful Afternoons include studio open houses and sales by Community Center artists-in-residence, the Greenbelt Museum's Green from the Start exhibit and tours of the museum historic home at 10-B Crescent Road (from 1 to 5 p.m.). There is a nominal fee for the house tour.

Artful Afternoon programs provide an introduction to the many cultural activities offered by the City of Greenbelt throughout the year.

For more information visit www.greenbeltmd.gov/arts or call 240-542-2057.

Grin Belt



" . . . and lastly, I could carry a tune and reach a high note "

On Screen

The Artist Brings Silent Film to City

The welcome ghosts of movies past happily haunt this award-winning silent film coming to Old Greenbelt Theatre on Friday, January 27. The Artist is among nine nominated for Best Film. The plot hinges on fading star George Valentin's, his reluctance to transition to talkies and his eclipse by rising star/ingenu Peppy Miller, who enunciates beautifully.

Directed and written by Michel Hazanavicius, The Artist is rated PG-13 and runs 100 minutes.

Featuring Jean Dujardin as George Valentin, Berenice Bejo as Peppy Miller, James Cromwell as Clifton the faithful chauffeur, John Goodman as studio head Al Zimmer, Penelope Ann Miller as George's bored wife Doris and Uggie as the Jack Russell terrier.

— Jim Link

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

We've Moved!

Electronically, that is. Note our new address:

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State of the Co-op Town Hall Meeting:



GHI in 2012 and Beyond

Saturday, February 4th
GREENBELT VOLUNTEER FIRE
DEPARTMENT
2:00 – 4:00 PM

GHI's President Tokey Boswell will introduce the new General Manager, Eldon Ralph. They will discuss the leadership's vision for the cooperative, the Board's strategic plan and the major challenges ahead. Members will be encouraged to ask questions and provide feedback to the Board members and senior staff who will be in attendance. If you want to make a difference and have your voice heard, be sure to attend this meeting.

OLD GREENBELT THEATRE

WEEK OF JAN 27

The Artist
(PG-13)

Friday

*5:15, 7:30, 9:40

Saturday

*3, *5:15, 7:30, 9:40

Sunday

*3, *5:15, 7:30

Monday – Thursday

*5:15, 7:30

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Community Events

GHI Notes

Thursday, January 26, 7:30 p.m., Board of Directors Meeting – Board Room

Saturday, January 28, 11 a.m., Pre-purchase Orientation – Board Room

Friday, February 3, Office Closed – For Maintenance Emergency call 301-474-6011

Saturday, February 4, 2 to 4 p.m. – State of the Co-op Town Hall Meeting – Greenbelt Firehouse

Wednesday, February 8, 7:30 p.m., Architectural Review Committee – Board Room

Thursday, February 9, 7:30 p.m., Board of Directors Meeting – Board Room

Saturday, February 11, 11 a.m., Pre-purchase Orientation – Board Room

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

Status of Tennis Court Repairs

Braden Field Tennis Courts 5 through 8 are now open for daytime use only.

Courts 1 through 4 will remain closed until further notice. Because the remaining work to be completed on courts 1 through 4 is weather sensitive, the city anticipates those will re-open for use some time in the spring.

The lighting system for courts 1 through 8 is not operable at this time but is expected to be functional by spring.

Casual Game Night At Café Is Friday

Greenbelt Pride will host a casual game night at the New Deal Café on Friday, January 27 from 6 to 9 p.m.

Bring a game to share, see old friends and make new ones, while supporting the Café. Previous game nights have featured various member-shared games including Apples to Apples, Pictionary, Cranium, Scrabble and Uno. Both adult and kids' games will be available for play.

A member of the GreenBeLT Pride board will be there with a small rainbow flag on the table to identify the casual gamers group.

Mamas & Papas To Hold Potluck

The Greenbelt Mamas & Papas group will host a winter potluck on Saturday, February 11 from 4 to 6 p.m. in the Youth Center Multi-Purpose Room.

Come share a meal with local parents and caregivers. Be amazed at what kids will eat when their parents didn't make it! Attendees are asked to bring a dish to share. There are also sign-up slots for napkins, plates and plastic utensils. If choosing one of those items, be sure to arrive right at 4 p.m. (and/or get them covered if unable to attend).

The potluck is bring your own beverage (no alcohol is permitted) and bring out some of the toys to entertain the kiddos as space allows. Newcomers are welcome.

To sign up visit <http://www.perfectpotluck.com/meals.php?t=DCRH8781>. Information about the potluck is also posted at the Mamas & Papas Facebook page.

At the Library Storytimes

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

Wednesday, February 1, 10:30 a.m.: Drop-in Storytime for ages 3 to 5 years.

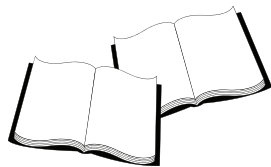
Thursday, February 2, 10:30 a.m.: Toddler Time for ages 18 to 35 months with caregiver.

Space is limited; pick up a free ticket for Storytime events at the information desk.

For more information on any of these programs or events visit the library, call 301-345-5800 or visit www.pgcmls.info.

Those who received e-reading devices over the holidays can download free e-books and audio books at the library website, www.pgcmls.info.

For more information on library programs or events, visit the branch, call 301-345-5800 or visit www.pgcmls.info.



Upcoming Events At New Deal Café

Friday, January 27 jazz pianist John Guernsey plays from 6:30 to 8 p.m., then the Joy Bodycomb Band returns with blues, rock, country and a touch of jazz from 8 to 11 p.m.

Saturday, January 28 begins with Greg Meyer's Jazz Jam from 1 to 5:30 p.m. John Guernsey follows with up-tempo jazz piano from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Kiva headlines with acoustic world music for the spirit from 8 to 11 p.m.

On Sunday, January 29 high energy duet Eye of Isis brings world music and dance to the Café stage from 5 to 6:30. From 7 to 9 p.m. come meet the Café's exhibiting artists at a reception for Christine Wilkin's paintings, Denise Brown's photography and Angela Ozbun's jewelry.

Next Week

Tuesday, January 31 The Nice Trys and The Able Birds play acoustic Indie folk from 7 to 9 p.m. Folk duo Lucky Punches plays on Wednesday, February 1 from 7 to 9 p.m. On Thursday, February 2 pianist Amy C. Kraft plays mid-day melodies from noon to 1 p.m., followed from 7 to 9 p.m. by open microphone session with Buck Stone. Friday, February 3 pianist John Guernsey plays classical and jazz piano from 6:30 to 8 p.m., then the Sligo Creek Stompers provide a raucous but refined blend of traditional roots music from 8 to 11 p.m. Saturday, February 4 begins with the TV John Show taping from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Bruce Kritt performs classical guitar from 4 to 6 p.m., then John Guernsey plays jazz and blues piano from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Headliner Sahel finishes the evening with a blend of African roots music and influences from around the world from 8 to 11 p.m. Sunday, February 5 will feature an All Star Grateful Dead Jam with a long lineup of fantastic musicians from 5 to 8 p.m.

Café Studio Tour Is 75th Anniversary Art Event

As part of the year-long celebration of the city's 75th anniversary, Greenbelt artists will share their works with the community and continue to build a community of artists. An exhibition of the works of artists with studios here will include a group show at the New Deal Café from Tuesday, March 6 through April 30. Each participating artist will have one work displayed in the group show. Submissions will be judged, with cash awards to be made by the 75th Anniversary Committee.

Exhibiting artists will participate in an Open Studio Tour on April 15. This will be a self-guided tour for the public to visit the artists in their studios from 2 to 5 p.m., using maps and information provided at the Café that day. It will culminate in the evening from 7 to 9 p.m. with an artists' reception at the Café including live music, refreshments and the announcement of awards.

Artists Sought

Greenbelt based artists are invited to participate. Artists may register online at www.newdealcafe.com. The deadline for submissions is February 15. Artists need to agree to submit one work to the group show, hold a studio open house on April 15 (or the April 22 rain date) and attend the evening Café reception. Participating artists will be able to sell their works without commission, although they are encouraged to make a donation to Friends of the New Deal Café Arts to help defray event costs.

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can be found on
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Continuing at the Greenbelt Arts Center!



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Directed by Patrick Miller

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February 3, 4, 10, 11 at 8:00 PM
January 29 and February 5
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Coming Soon:

February 17 - 19, 2012 - Truth Be Told, guest production from Alight Dance Company
March 9 - 31, 2012 - Pippin
April 7, 2012 - Celtic Concert with The Homespun Ceilidh Band

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Astronomical Society Holds Star Party Sat.

All are invited to join the Astronomical Society of Greenbelt (ASG) for a free star party Saturday evening, January 28 at the City of Greenbelt Observatory at Northway Fields. In addition to the observatory telescope, several members will share personal telescopes and binoculars for the enjoyment of all. Observing will begin around 6 p.m. although people may begin to set up telescopes earlier if it is clear.

In addition to the first quarter moon, objects to be observed include the Orion nebula (a region where stars are being formed), as well as the planet Jupiter with its four Galilean moons. ASG members will be available to answer questions and provide advice about getting started in this hobby.

The star party will be cancelled without notice if it is hopelessly cloudy. Attendees are asked to park in the ballfield lot at the bottom of the hill unless bringing a telescope.



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Joyful Noise, PG-13
4:30, 7:20, 10
Haywire, R
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Underworld Awakening in 3D, R (!)
11:20, 1:25, 3:40, 5:50, 7:55, 10
One for the Money, PG-13 (!)
11:25, 1:30, 3:40, 5:50, 8, 10:10
The Grey, R (!)
11:50, 2:30, 5:15, 7:50, 10:15
Red Tails, PG-13 (!)
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Man on a Ledge, PG-13 (!)
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Greenbelt Baseball

2012 Registration Dates

(Bring a copy of Child's Birth Certificate & Photo ID)

Saturdays: January 28, February 4, 11, 18, and 25

Registration will be held at the following locations and times
10:00 AM – 12:00 PM @ Greenbelt Youth Center
10:00 AM – 12:00 PM @ Springhill Lake Recreation Center

DRAFT DAY

Saturday, March 3, 2012

10:00 AM, First Year Players Draft (McDonald Field)
(Bad Weather Date Saturday, March 10, 2012 same time and location)

Major League Players Only

(Registration will also be available before the draft)

For more information please contact:

Commissioner – Brian Bailey at 301-395-1547 or at greenbeltbaseball@aol.com

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Obituaries

Lynn A. Tiplady

Lynn Aileen Tiplady, 52, died on Saturday, January 21, 2012.

Born and raised in Greenbelt, she attended Center School, Greenbelt Junior High School and was graduated from Parkdale High School. She was a candidate for Miss Greenbelt in 1975 and marched in the Labor Day parade.

She was a member of the Berwyn Heights Bravados and was a member of the Greenbelt Gold Diggers, a drum corps.

She was predeceased by her parents, David M. and Alice B. Tiplady.

She is survived by brothers Scott and Bryan (Karen) Tiplady, nieces and nephew Brittany, Kaitlyn and David; and committed partner Daryl Miller.

Viewing will be held at Borgwardt Funeral Home, 4400 Powder Mill Road, Beltsville on Thursday, January 26 from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. A funeral service will be at Borgwardt on Friday, January 27, at 11 a.m. Reverend Harry Hetz will officiate. Interment is private.

Memorial contributions may be made to The Children's Inn at NIH, 7 West Drive, Bethesda, MD 20814-1509 or to the Ryan Diviney Special Needs Trust, <http://ryansrally.org>.



Library Now Loans OverDrive eBooks

The Prince George's County Memorial Library System (PGCMLS) was the first library system in Maryland to provide Amazon Kindle compatible eBooks to patrons, as part of the OverDrive WIN initiative – a series of enhancements that support the library's virtual branch website.

By visiting <http://www.pgcmls.info> and clicking the Online Library link at the top of the page, library patrons can download audio books and eBooks. The newly implemented enhancements will allow most OverDrive eBooks to be read on Kindle readers or by using free apps on the iPhone, iPad, Android and other mobile devices.

PGCMLS currently has over 6,800 eBook compatible titles in its collection. The eBooks expire at the end of the patron's lending period.

Rhythm & Rhyme Time for Toddlers

Rhythm & Rhyme Time is offered on Wednesdays from 10 to 10:30 a.m. in the Multi-Purpose Room at the Youth Center for children from birth to four years and their caregivers. Siblings and friends are also welcome to attend.

Sponsored by the Greenbelt Recreation Department and the Mamas and Papas, the program includes stories, finger plays, action rhymes and music.

Volunteer leaders are also being sought. Contact Greg Varda at gwarda@greenbeltmd.gov.

Discuss the Latino Family and School

Join a discussion at Northwestern High School on Saturday, January 28 from 10 a.m. to noon on the importance of school in the Latino family and the Latino family in school, Spanish at home and in school, support systems for Latino families, language barriers, Latino cultures as part of the overall community, preparations for higher education and more.

For details call 301-314-8342 or email ssbryan@umd.edu.

Times for Montpelier Tours Change in Jan.

Montpelier Mansion will be changing tour times starting in January. New times for Self-Guided Tours, year-round, are Thursday through Tuesday, any time between 11 a.m. and 3 p.m. New times for Guided Tours from March through November only are Sundays at noon, 1 p.m., 2 p.m. and 3 p.m. There is a nominal fee for all tours.

Montpelier Mansion is located at 9650 Muirkirk Road, Laurel.

For more information call 301-377-7817, TTY 301-699-2544 or visit www.pgiparks.com.



Our sympathy to the family and friends of Lynn Aileen Tiplady, who died on January 21, 2012.

Congratulations to Rosemary Pezzuto and Karen Lee from the Franklin Park-based Patuxent Area Council of Camp Fire USA, which was selected to participate in the 30th annual Book of Lists at the National Building Museum in Washington, D.C. today. The event celebrates release of this year's edition and is a major networking event putting the participants together with business leaders and key officials.

So nice to hear Megan Searing Young, Barbara Havekost and Lucy Dirksen on WAMU radio talking about the history of Greenbelt!

Send us your reports of new babies, awards, honors, etc. to share with our readers. To send information for "Our Neighbors" email us at newsreview@greenbelt.com or leave a message at 301-474-6892.

— Kathleen McFarland

Charlotte's Web Plays in Cheverly

On Saturday, January 28 at 11 a.m., the Publick Playhouse in Cheverly will host a performance of Charlotte's Web. TheatreWorks USA presents a musical version of the novel about the renowned friendship between a pig named Wilbur and a little gray spider named Charlotte, along with other madcap and endearing farm animals in this tale of bravery, selfless love and the true meaning of friendship. Bring the whole family to see this famous book come to life onstage.

There is a fee. For more information call 301-446-3232.

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Explore Circus Life, True Story Film

On Friday, February 3 Explorations Unlimited features "The Circus Adventures of a Professional Fool" with a presentation by former Ringling Brothers Barnum and Bailey Circus performer Greg May. He will recount some of his most memorable moments while living on the road – from tragic to heart-warming and down-right ridiculous. May will take listeners behind the curtains and onto the train vestibules of the circus world. In the second half of the program participants will try their hand at circus skills like juggling, devil sticks, diabolo and plate spinning. Bring big shoes, paint noses red and come join the circus. May is now the director of Greenbelt's Circus Camp.

Three Brave Men

At the February 10 Explorations Unlimited, veteran SAGE teacher and sage News Review reporter, Greenbelter Jim Link will review the courtroom drama "Three Brave Men" and lead a discussion with 75th Anniversary Committee members Barbara Havekost and Brenda Cooley. The film was based on a true incident involving Greenbelt's own Abraham Chasanow, who was suspended from the Navy Hydrographic Office in 1953 during the McCarthy scare for founding the cooperative Greenbelt Veteran Housing Corporation.

After a smear campaign of lies and innuendo, Chasanow was eventually completely exonerated. The movie stars Ernest Borgnine as Bernie Goldsmith (Chasanow), Ray Milland as his lawyer and Frank Lovejoy as the Navy captain who supported Goldsmith/Chasanow. Also featured are Dean Jagger, Nina Foch, Joseph Wiseman and Richard Anderson. Come to hear and discuss this event in the evolution of Greenbelt's identity.

Explorations Unlimited is held every Friday at 1 p.m. at the Greenbelt Community Center. These presentations will be held in the Senior Classroom, Room 114. Everyone is welcome to attend and questions are encouraged. Call 301-397-2208 for more information.

Smith Center Hosts Drescher Ensemble

The University of Maryland presents the Paul Drescher ensemble on Tuesday, January 31 at 5:30 p.m. in the Kay Theatre of the Clarice Smith Performing Arts Center. Drescher is an internationally active composer noted for his ability to integrate diverse musical influences into his own coherent and unique personal style. He will perform on his hand-built musical instruments and discuss the process of creating them. This program is free.

New CERT Training Program in February

The Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) program provides free training to people over 18 to enable them to prepare for, work to prevent, respond to and recover from major emergencies or disasters. The program prepares residents to help themselves, their families and their neighbors.

The next Basic Introduction to CERT training, an eight-class course, will be held Thursdays from February 16 through March 22 at 7 p.m.; Saturday, March 24 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.; and graduation Sunday, April 1 at 1 p.m. Classes will be held at the Maryland Fire and Rescue Institute and the Hyattsville Municipal Center.

To register call CERT at 301-883-3300 or email CSHawkins@co.pg.md.us.

Hearings to Scrutinize County Library Budget

Library funding is among critical local impact items to be reviewed at county budget hearings in January and February. The closest hearings to Greenbelt will be on Thursday, January 26 at 7 p.m. at Laurel High School and Tuesday, February 7 at 7 p.m. in the Rennie Forum at Prince George's Community College.

Submission of a flat budget for the fourth consecutive year and one with a five percent decrease in funding, coupled with overall funding reductions of 17 percent since 2008, has led the Prince George's County Memorial Library System Board of Trustees to make a plea for public support. Under a banner of "No More Cuts to Libraries" the board is seeking advocacy by library users to prevent further erosion of library services, times and funding.

District 22 Senatorial Scholarships Open

Students who live in the 22nd Legislative District, which includes Greenbelt, and are planning to attend a Maryland university or trade school are encouraged to apply for a Maryland taxpayer Senatorial Scholarship through the office of state Senator Paul G. Pinsky.

Scholarships are awarded annually to deserving undergraduate and graduate students, judged by a volunteer committee of community members who review applications for academic achievement, financial need and commitment to higher education. Most scholarships are awarded for four years or until the recipient completes his or her degree, whichever is first.

Last year Senator Pinsky's scholarship committee awarded a total of 80 scholarships ranging from \$500 to \$2,500 and these automatically renew each year once awarded.

Applications are available online at: <http://www.senatorpinsky.org> or from the senator's office at 301-858-3155. All applicants must submit an application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) as part of their application. Completed applications must be submitted no later than April 5.



City Information

MEETINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JAN. 30 - FEB. 3

Monday, January 30 at 7:30pm, **COUNCIL WORK SESSION** with – Board of Education. Live on Verizon 21, Comcast 71 and streaming at www.greenbeltmd.gov

Tuesday, January 31 at 7:30 pm, **FOUR CITIES MEETING** at College Park.

Wednesday, February 1 at 8:00pm, **COUNCIL WORK SESSION** re:– Greenbelt North Core at the Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Road.

Wednesday, February 1 at 7:30pm, **GREENBELT ADVISORY PLANNING BOARD** at the Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Road in Room 114. On the Agenda: APB decision on changing monthly schedule to 2nd and 4th Wednesdays and Pedestrian & Bicycle Master Plan – Next Steps

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

VACANCIES ON BOARDS & COMMITTEES

Volunteer to serve on City Council Advisory Groups. There are currently vacancies on: Arts Advisory Board, Employee Relations Board, Forest Preserve Advisory Board, Greenbelt Advisory Committee on Environmental Sustainability, Public Safety Advisory Committee and Senior Citizens Advisory Committee
For information call 301-474-8000.

ELECTRONICS RECYCLING

SATURDAY, JANUARY 28TH
9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon
Public Works Yard

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

Accepted items include: TVs, CPUs, monitors, keyboards, mice, printers, laptop computers, recording equipment, speakers, scanners, surge protectors, wires and power cords, fax machines, cameras, telephones, radios, DVD players, VCRs, batteries taped on one end, expanded polystyrene (block "Styrofoam" #6) – NO cups, egg-cartons, nor food trays.

PLEASE CALL IN ADVANCE IF YOU WANT TO DROP-OFF OF MORE THAN 10 ITEMS OR ITEMS OVER 50 LBS.
For further information, contact the Greenbelt Recycling Office at 301-474-8308.

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Wednesdays from 4-7pm and on Saturdays from 9am-12pm or by appointment. INFO: 301.474.6124. Donations welcome any time!



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Three Brave Men: Book and Movie Discussion

Friday, February 10, 1:00pm
Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Road, Greenbelt, MD, 301-397-2200. Free

As Greenbelt, MD celebrates its 75th Anniversary, discussion leader Jim Link presents Three Brave Men (1957) a courtroom drama based on the prosecution of Greenbelt's own Abraham Chasanow in 1953 for founding the Cooperative Greenbelt Veteran Housing Corporation. The movie stars Ray Milland and Ernest Borgnine.



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Computer Efficiency

It is estimated that computers in the business sector waste \$1 billion worth of electricity per year. Turn off computers and power strips when leaving work for the day.

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– Sierra Club

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED TO SERVE ON THE CITY OF GREENBELT ETHICS COMMISSION

Volunteers are being sought to fill three (3) positions on the newly established Greenbelt Ethics Commission.

- I. In accordance with the Greenbelt City Code, Chapter 2 Administration, Article IV "Public Ethics", the Ethics Commission shall consist of three (3) regular members, appointed by the Council. The Commission shall be assisted in carrying out its responsibilities by legal counsel.
- II. The Commission shall be the advisory body responsible for interpreting this Article and advising persons subject to it as to its application.
- III. The Commission shall be responsible for hearing and deciding, on advice of legal counsel, any complaint filed regarding an alleged violation of this Article by any person.

Please refer to Ordinance No. 1318 passed by the City Council on September 26, 2011 for details of the Ethics Ordinance. The ordinance is available on the City website, www.greenbeltmd.gov, and in the Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road.

To apply please send a letter of interest and resume to: Cindy Murray, City Clerk, City of Greenbelt, 25 Crescent Road, Greenbelt, MD 20770 – or email cmurray@greenbeltmd.gov.

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(WMATA) is also working on plans for improving bicycle facilities at the Greenbelt station.

The consultant's transportation analysis included data on the various modes of travel for Metro passengers. Nearly 70 percent of Metro passengers drove to the station, he reported, and only about 15 percent use bus transit. Others either walk to the station or are dropped off by vehicle and a few ride bikes.

Based on the data, the Greenbelt station would rank 78 out of 87 Metro stations on the numbers of people who walk to the station. Based upon the same study, an estimated 12 bikers use the station but it is not clear, however, if that figure includes those who take their bikes on the train.

Driver Patterns

An analysis of driver patterns through the Sector Plan area shows that 35 percent of vehicles travel to and from the north, 25 percent to and from the south and the west, while only 15 percent travel to and from the east. The consultants' view of existing highway and road capacity listed the number of lanes for each major highway or road, with I-95/495 providing eight lanes, the Baltimore-Washington Parkway four to six lanes, Rt. 193 and Rt. 201 six lanes, Hanover Parkway four lanes, Cherrywood Lane two to four lanes and Crescent Road two to four lanes.

The last characterization, including another that estimated that Crescent Road experienced 6,000 vehicles a day, was challenged by several meeting participants. After a brief discussion, however, it turned out that it was Southway in the area of Greenbelt Road and the B-W Parkway that should actually have been listed, not Crescent Road.

It was also pointed out that the map of the various highways and roads showed the B-W Parkway marked with an I-295 symbol as it traversed Greenbelt. Many at the meeting wondered if the planners knew something that Greenbelters did not know. Immediately recognizing their error, the planners assured those present it was still the Parkway.

At any rate, the system of highways and roads through Greenbelt carries an enormous traffic load. I-95/495 has a daily traffic load of 216,000 vehicles; the B-W Parkway is at 99,000, Routes 193 and 201 are next at 47,000 each, Hanover Parkway at 11,000, Cherrywood Lane at 10,000 and Southway (not Crescent) is at 6,000 per day.

Levels of Service

The analysis also included levels of service for the highways and local roads, as well as how various intersections with the Sector Plan area function on a daily basis. On a critical lane volume basis for the highways, the results are actually pretty good except for the Beltway and the Parkway, both labeled E (at or near capacity). Routes 193, 201 and Cherrywood Lane are labeled C (stable flow but some impact),

while Hanover Parkway and Southway are labeled D (high density but stable). Regarding key intersections in the Sector Plan area, the analysis included 18 signalized intersections and 11 un-signalized intersections within the Sector Plan area with most along the Rt. 193 corridor.

Again, surprisingly, only three intersections are at the E or F levels (receiving waits of more than 60 seconds). The winner of the worst-functioning intersection in Greenbelt is Hanover Parkway and Greenbelt Road, with an E rating in the a.m. rush and an F rating for the evening rush. In addition, the access road into Greenway Center at Greenbelt Road was rated E for the evening rush and Metro Access Drive at Cherrywood Lane was also E at the evening rush.

If the long-planned roundabout facility were in place at Metro Access Drive and Cherrywood Lane, this un-signalized intersection could well have been rated higher.

Highway Projects

Among the exhibits was also a listing by the consultants concerning several proposed highway projects on the drawing boards for some time which have never been funded. With Maryland's current capacity for highway funding nearly exhausted, these may not be funded in the foreseeable future.

These include a proposed access ramp off I-95/495 from the east to the Metro site, studies to widen and provide for new "managed" travel lanes on I-95/495 and, in the words of the consultants, a proposed extension of Rt. 201 (Kenilworth Avenue) northward "to Konterra."

For Greenbelters, this translates as a "connector to the intercounty connector." All these proposed projects are labeled "not funded and on hold."

Lessons Learned

The takeaway from this comprehensive analysis of transportation and transit issues in the Sector Plan area was described in the following listing of lessons learned:

- Existing traffic congestion has not reached unacceptable levels.
- Opportunities exist for targeted improvements to transform Rt. 193 into a safer roadway for all modes of travel.
- Walking, biking and public transit use could serve a greater portion of the travel demand if obstacles to their use are overcome.
- Opportunities should be pursued to identify and eliminate confusion as to who has the right-of-way at key locations.
- Opportunities should be explored to reduce vehicle speed along major roadways.
- Safety for all users should be enhanced by implementing techniques, where appropriate, such as narrow travel lanes, new medians, street trees, sidewalks, bicycle facilities and on-street parking.

For further information regarding the planning effort and for future scheduled meetings and workshops, go to www.pg-planning.org/greenbelt.htm.

A Review

The Good, The Bad and The Ugly Coalesce in Poetry at New Deal

by Jim Link

The spectrum of poetry offered at the New Deal Café Tuesday, January 17 was so inclusive and extreme that there was something to delight and offend virtually everyone. Francis of Assisi, Larry Flynt, Norman Rockwell, Lisa Simpson – all would have been thrilled and repelled had they been present.

Marjorie began with a prayer, "Make Way For The Majestic One," and added a lovely verb-saturated treat, "Second Childhood." Sarah read excerpts from Shel Silverstein's "There Is a Place Where the Sidewalk Ends." Sylvia read "Leisure" from her tattered high school poetry book.

Mark read "Condemnatory," which condemned even the condom.

Acute tenderness then wafted over the crowd of 45 or so with poems by Shirley, "A Knock On

the Door"; Rob, "My Father's Hands"; Richard, "It's the Speed of Soul" (by his fiancée Angela) and Julie's "Innocent."

Amy then read from Sarah Teasdale and Jean Toomer, ending with her own self-immolating birthday poem, "Happy Birthday To Me!"

Two fierce newcomers, teens Devin and Pat, made a ruckus with "School" and "Long Walk Off a Short Pier" respectively.

"Words are yummy!" claimed Devin. "I'll do my best to make you uncomfortable," claimed Pat. Devin is right and Pat kept his promise.

Karan followed the teens' barbaric yawps with Edgar Guest's sedative, "Life." Inventive, ingenious John read his original villanelle and his original Shakespearean-style sonnet, "Perchance To Dream."

Rocky was customarily witty

and edgy but certainly not orthodox with his "Christ Is Born." Betsy read some clean limericks, "The Dance" and "The Death of Harry Chapin," and Andy read "A Man On Fire."

Another Mark read depressing material about his mother and then others grabbed the mike, reading the good, the bad and the ugly.

Then two gorgeous poems by Mary Oliver earned our admiration and Rob read the very uplifting "When Death Comes," which has the stunning line, "All my life I was a bride married to amazement." Finally Lisa read Oliver's luscious, "How Everything Adores Being Alive."

Join the parade, plunge down the rabbit hole, adore being alive on Wednesday, February 22, the next open-microphone poetry night, from 7 to 9 p.m. at the New Deal Café.

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Police Blotter

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Robbery

January 15, 12:37 a.m., 7900 block Lake Drive. A person was approached by four men who displayed a handgun and demanded the person's property. No further description of the robbers is available.

Drug Arrests

January 14, 1:03 a.m., 7200 block Hanover Drive. A 34-year-old Hyattsville man was arrested and charged with possession of drug paraphernalia. He was released on citation pending trial.

January 17, 12:27 a.m., 6000 block Springhill Drive. A 30-year-old D.C. man was arrested and charged with possession of CDS paraphernalia. He was released on citation pending trial.

Disorderly Conduct

January 14, 2:47 a.m., 7200 block Hanover Drive. A 29-year-old Hyattsville man was arrested and charged with disorderly conduct. He was released on citation pending trial.

Burglaries

January 13, 6:33 p.m., 5904 Cherrywood Terrace. Currency was taken.

January 19, 3:39 p.m., 6000 block Cherrywood Court. An attempted burglary occurred.

Vandalism

January 17, 10:34 a.m., Unit block Crescent Road. Graffiti was found on a door.

Vehicle Crime

A black 2001 Chevrolet Tahoe with MD tags was taken on January 18 from the 5900 block Springhill Drive.

A theft from auto occurred January 17 in the 6400 block Ivy Lane (rear MD tag was taken). An attempted theft from auto was reported January 12 in the 5900 block Cherrywood Terrace.

Vandals broke car windows January 12 in the 5800 block Cherrywood Lane, January 16 in the 6000 block Springhill Drive and January 17 in the 6100 block Springhill Terrace.

Graffiti was found on a vehicle on Ridge Road at Southway on January 16.

Genealogical Society To Meet February 1

The Prince George's County Genealogical Society (PGCGS) will meet on Wednesday, February 1, at 7 p.m. in the New Carrollton Municipal Building, 6016 Princess Garden Parkway.

After a brief business meeting, Heather Olsen will speak on "Finding your immigrant ancestor's place of origin." All are welcome to attend this free presentation.

For additional information see www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~mdpgcgs or call 301-262-2063.

The society meets on the first Wednesday of the month from September through June, except for January.

Volunteer Sought

The organization is looking for an editor for the PGCGS Bulletin, its electronic formatted newsletter.

Watkins Workshops For Webelos Badges

Two Webelos Badge Workshops will be offered at Watkins Nature Center, 301 Watkins Park Drive, Upper Marlboro. On Monday, February 13 from 1 to 3 p.m. earn a Webelos Naturalist Achievement Badge and learn about bird flyways, identify poisonous plants and venomous reptiles in Prince George's County.

A second workshop will be held on Saturday, February 18 from 1 to 3 p.m. for a Webelos Forester Badge. Learn different layers of the forest, identify six local trees and plants and examine tree growth rings.

There is a nominal cost for these workshops and reservations are needed for both workshops. For more information call 301-218-6702; TTY 301-699-2544.

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The Prince George's County Office of Emergency Management now offers residents the opportunity to receive alerts and emergency notifications by email, text or pagers. Called NotifyMe Prince George's, people can register for the service online at <https://notifyme.princegeorges-countymd.gov>.

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Emergency alert systems and information for neighboring jurisdictions around the Washington, D.C. metropolitan region can be accessed at

<http://www.capitalregionupdates.gov>.

Black History Month Event at Montpelier

On Saturday, January 28 from 1 to 3 p.m. the Montpelier Mansion will present a free special Black History Month program entitled "Winter on the Plantation." The presentation includes hands on activities and focuses on the lives of Montpelier's enslaved workers. Call 301-377-7817 for more information.



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Minor's Health Insurance Open Enrollment Season

The State of Maryland Insurance Administration has issued a reminder that January is open enrollment for child-only health insurance policies in Maryland. Policies are available for children 18 and under with no exclusions for pre-existing conditions.

During January CareFirst BlueCross BlueShield and Kaiser Foundation Health Plan for the Mid-Atlantic are offering open enrollment for children's policies. Intended to allow families without policies to find coverage for their children, applications received by either of these companies will have insurance in force February 1 if received by January

15; by February 16 if received by January 31.

Information about how to apply for the child-only policies is on the company website or by calling: CareFirst BlueCross BlueShield, www.carefirst.com or 800-544-8703; Kaiser Foundation <http://individual-family.kaiserpermanente.org/healthinsurance/> or 800-245-3181. The Maryland Insurance Administration provides a Consumer Guide to Health Insurance which is available at www.mdinsurance.state.md.us/sa/docs/documents/consumer/publicnew/consumerguidetohealthinsurance.pdf or by calling 800-492-6116 to request a copy.

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Kids to Discover Roaming Raccoons

On Saturday, January 28 from 2 to 3:30 p.m. the National Wildlife Visitor Center will help children ages 5 to 7 discover through exploration, identification and activities the world of the mysterious masked mammals (raccoons) seen roaming the neighborhood. The National Wildlife Visitor Center is located in south Laurel on Powder Mill Road between the Baltimore-Washington Parkway and Route 197. All programs are free, although donations to the Friends of Patuxent are appreciated. Call 301-497-5887 for registration; special needs can be accommodated with advance notice.

Mid-Week Bird Walk On Goldman Trail

The Prince George's Audubon Society will hold a free guided bird walk at Lake Artemesia to look for migrating and resident songbirds, waterfowl and other bird flyovers on Thursday, February 2 at 3 p.m. The paved walk loops around the 38-acre lake and beside Indian Creek. Meet at the parking lot at Berwyn Road and Balew Avenue in Berwyn Heights. Beginners and experts are welcome. Binoculars are suggested. Call 301-459-3375 for more information.

Brentwood Arts Exchange Show

Artists E.J. Montgomery and Lilian Thomas Burwell will exhibit "Rivers and Memories" at the Brentwood Arts Exchange, 3901 Rhode Island Avenue from Monday, January 30 through March 24. An opening reception will be held on Saturday, February 4 from 4 to 7 p.m.

Visually engaging, the exhibition's two-dimensional and three-dimensional works play on a balance between fluid and static motion that gives the viewer a sense of time and space. Timed for Black History Month (February) and Women's History Month (March), "Rivers and Memories" brings two influential artists together for this two-month show.

The exhibit and reception are free and open to the public. For information call 301-277-2863; TTY 301-446-6802.

Kids Investigate Groundhog Day

On Thursday, February 2 from 10:30 a.m. to noon the Patuxent Research Refuge National Wildlife Visitor Center will hold an "It's Ground Hog's Day!" program for kids from ages 5 to 7. Learn about February's famous rodent and discover how groundhogs (also known as whistle pigs or woodchucks) can help tell people "What's up?" when it comes to the weather.

Call 301-497-5887 to make a reservation for this program or visit patuxent.fws.gov for more information.

The Visitor Center is located on Powder Mill Road between the Baltimore-Washington Parkway and Rt. 197.

Soloists Give Concert At National Gallery

The National Gallery of Art will offer a free concert at 12:10 p.m. on Wednesday, February 1. Soloists from the Washington Master Chorale will present music by Debussy, Duparc and Faure in honor of the reopening of the 19th-Century French Galleries. The concert will be held in the West Building Lecture Hall.

National Gallery Offers French Concert

The National Gallery of Art offers a free concert at 6:30 p.m. on Sunday, January 29. The National Gallery of Art Vocal Ensemble will perform Faure's "Cantique de Racine" and other 19th century French music in the West Building Garden Court.

Montpelier Offers Two New Exhibits

The Montpelier Mansion in Laurel will display two new exhibits beginning in February. Works by Lou Stoval will be shown February 3 through 29 in the Main Gallery. These are prints by a master printmaker.

Natalia Panfile's work will be displayed February 3 through March 30 in the Library Gallery. Panfile is a performance artist and will be exhibiting videos of past performances as well as performing an endurance piece on Sunday, March 4 from 2 to 4 p.m.

A public reception marking the opening of these exhibits will be held on Friday, February 3 from 7 to 9 p.m.

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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

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.

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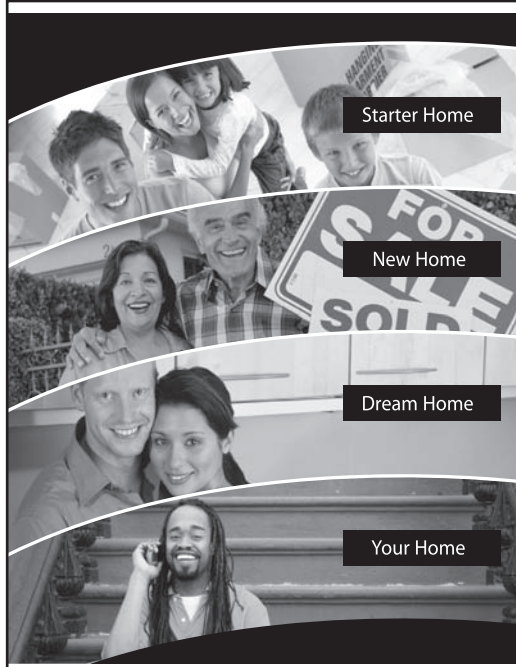
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How to Conserve Warmth and Reduce Utility Bills

by Tom Jones

On January 7 several dozen residents gathered at the Community Center for a Winterization Workshop held by the Greenbelt Homes, Inc. (GHI) cooperative to demonstrate how to improve comfort and reduce heating bills in cold weather.

While the event inside focused on winter weather, temperatures outside reached the mid-60s. In November 2009 a similar workshop on a wintry day was so crowded that residents were given numbers to queue without violating the room's fire code capacity.

On Saturday two rooms hosted seven exhibitions, where volunteers spoke and answered many questions. Steve Skolnik described "care and feeding of baseboard heaters" in a presentation and flyer. For efficiency and safety residents can set heater thermostats as low as comfortably possible. Keeping the area around baseboard units free from obstructions such as drapes and furniture allows air to flow freely. Vacuuming heaters at the end of fall reduces the "burnt dust" smell when they're first turned on.

Ed James spoke on air infiltration through doors, gaskets and pipe openings, where much heat escapes. Lois Gorman showed how remote-sensing thermometers can rapidly identify heat leakage through windows and air conditioners and how a window insulation kit with stretch film can significantly reduce heat loss.

Many try to reduce electricity bills by unplugging devices which silently use power when not in use. Bill Jones showed participants how to measure electricity consumption with a \$20 Kill-A-Watt meter. For instance, when his cellphone charger is plugged into the wall – but not his phone – it uses almost no electricity. He calculated that one watt of power usage for an entire month costs about 10 cents in electricity. He also found he could save money in a humid block home by slightly opening two or three upstairs windows – the cost of the heat lost through the window is less than the cost of running a dehumidifier.

Ken Jarva described how many attic hatches have only a thin sheet of plywood separating the warm interior from the unheated attic. While a blanket helps, a special-purpose insulating box dramatically reduces heat loss. A video on the GHI website shows how to build such a box.

While most exhibits described what members can do now, General Manager Eldon Ralph and Buildings Committee Volunteer Chair Jim Cohen provided an update on GHI's longer-term plans. By using 28 homes as guinea pigs in the Pilot Project, GHI is researching the best options for all 1,600 homes in the cooperative. The major community upgrade is planned to begin in 2015, funded by years of members' monthly dues.

More information including videos and handouts distributed at the workshop are available from the GHI website at <http://ghi.coop/node/203> in the left column under "Related Content."



Volunteer Ken Jarva created large graphics showing how much heat can leak through an attic hatch and how residents can reduce heat leakage.



GHI General Manager Eldon Ralph and Buildings Committee Chair Jim Cohen discuss the community upgrade planned to begin in 2015 and the pilot program currently under way.

County Weatherization Program Offers Help

The Prince George's County Department of Housing and Community Development is offering free weatherization assistance to eligible low income households. Free installation of energy conservation measures to reduce heat loss and air infiltration will be made to households that meet minimum income requirements and who are elderly, disabled or have a family with children less than five years of age.

The program, funded through a grant from the U.S. Department of Energy, can provide up to \$6,500 per home in energy efficiency measures. Qualified energy auditors determine which measures are needed to increase the home's energy efficiency, then trained certified weatherization staff come in and properly weatherize the house. Included are insulation of attics, floors, walls, basements and crawl spaces, caulking/air sealing around windows, doors and crawl spaces, wrapping hot water heaters and pipes, hot water system improvements and addressing health and safety items, along with energy conservation education for participating homeowners. Special priority is given to elderly homeowners and families whose income is below 60 percent of the state median.

County residents can visit the Weatherization Assistance link at www.princegeorgesmd.gov or call 301-883-5491.

Tax Aide Volunteers Sought by AARP

The AARP Foundation Tax-Aide program, which provides tax preparation assistance in Greenbelt, is seeking volunteers for the upcoming tax season.

All kinds of volunteer opportunities are available from tax volunteers to greeters, as well as communications, technology and administration.

For further information or to apply, call Tom Moran at 301-345-1429 or apply online at www.aarp.org/taxaide.

WSSC's FY 2013 Budget Released

The Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission (WSSC) has released its proposed Fiscal Year 2013 budget for public hearing purposes. The \$1.4 billion proposal includes a 7.5 percent increase in water and sewer rates, adding approximately \$4.85 per month to the bill of a customer using 210 gallons of water per day.

The proposed budget cites a number of improvements to WSSC's aging water and sewer system including rehabilitation of 46 miles of water mains and 55 miles of sewer mains, inspection and repair of 12 miles of pre-stressed concrete cylinder pipe with installation of acoustic fiber optic cable to monitor pipe conditions, funding for the sewer lateral inspection program and funding to comply with a consent decree.

The budget must be submitted to the Prince George's and Montgomery County councils by March 1. Public hearing dates will be February 1 at the RMS Building, 1400 McCormick Drive in Largo, and February 2 at the Stella Werner Office Building, 100 Maryland Avenue in Rockville. In case of inclement weather, either meeting will be held February 8 at WSSC Laurel headquarters, 14501 Sweitzer Lane.

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to keep the GREEN in GREENBELT!