

## Turner Hosts Second Town Hall Meeting in City for District 4

by Thomas X. White

Ingrid Turner, who represents Greenbelt on the Prince George's County Council, brought her entourage to town on April 26 to conduct an informational town hall. The well-attended meeting, held in council chambers, was telecast live on the city's access channel.

The agenda included an update on the recent Maryland General Assembly legislative session by Delegate Justin Ross; a snapshot of the proposed Fiscal Year 2013 budget by Thomas Himler, the county's deputy chief administrative officer for Health/Human Services/Education; and an update on health care issues by Betty Hager Francis, Health/Human Services/Education deputy chief administrative officer. Moderator for the evening program was Dr. Janet Ross.

After introducing the three presenters and the moderator, Turner summarized the planned or ongoing projects within the district which includes Greenbelt and Bowie as well as unincorporated areas between the two cities.

### New Middle School

To a round of applause, she described the successful start of construction for a new Greenbelt

Middle School now well underway. She attributed the \$54 million accomplishment to joint efforts of the county council, board of education, City of Greenbelt, legislators and the residents of Greenbelt. She said she looked forward to the schools' opening in August.

Turner also noted the \$26 million renovation project for the Greenbelt Library and the inclusion within the Maryland Capital Improvement Program of proposed funding for a new library branch in Glenn Dale.

Economic development achievements included the successful creation of a \$50 million fund within the county executive's office for economic development initiatives, the location of a small business incubator facility in offices at the intersection of Md. Routes 193 and 450 and another incubator at Bowie State University.

Also touted was the 911 call facility located at Routes 50 and 301, which she announced was one of only five such facilities in the country receiving a AAA rating for handling 911 calls.

She also announced the newly authorized installment property-tax payment now available for

county seniors who own their homes free and clear. In the environmental area, Turner was pleased with the increased efforts within the county for walkable communities but disappointed about the failure to get the Maryland legislature to enact a plastic bag fee for the county.

### Legislative Report

Delegate Ross provided a brief overview of the just-completed (or not quite completed) legislative session in Annapolis. He focused primarily on environmental issues, leading off with enactment of the Chesapeake Bay Improvement program, which included a new flush tax for Marylanders to fund debt service for needed upgrades for storm water management facilities.

Although Ross was proud of the improved outlook for blue crabs in the bay, he was concerned that more efforts are needed to assure the bay's recovery. He emphasized the need for Maryland and other jurisdictions in the Chesapeake watershed to meet stringent U.S. Environmental Protection Agency water quality standards by 2017.

Other environmentally-related

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### 75th Anniversary

## Greenbelt: A Place in My Heart

by Marion Benson Hastings

So you are having your 75th Birthday! And I have been around for all of them. There is a place in my heart that you have occupied for all of those long years since 1937.

Much has been written about the growing pains of the new town. Many people have made contributions and spent their efforts in its planning and building and also in its development, management, sale, expansion, construction of the surrounding Parkway and Beltway and more. The addition of churches, satellite communities and shopping areas, new schools and rehabilitated facilities have led to ever-changing demographics. I have followed with great interest many of these happenings.

But this is a loving reminiscence to an old friend with whom I shared my youth. I was 11 years old when I was transplanted from Kansas, the Sunflower State, to Maryland, the Black-eyed Susan State, to a place called Greenbelt. It was a new beginning for me as well as

for the experimental, government-built-and-operated new town. We kind of grew up together.

I kept a daily diary for five years chronicling that part of my life as a budding teenager. The little Red Leather Diary (with typewritten transcription) is now, since 2002, in possession of the Greenbelt Museum. It tells the story of new friends; wonderful recreational activities such as the lake with swimming and boating, ball diamonds, tennis courts, archery range (and later the outdoor swimming pool – one of only two in all the metropolitan area); new schools with a different system of organizing grades; sightseeing opportunities and excursions in the nearby city of Washington, D.C. (museums, monuments, cherry blossoms, shopping). There were lots of organizations and clubs to join but no churches. It was all so exciting and new.

In the Diary: "A picture of our tumbling team was printed

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### Greenbelt Symposium

## Keynote Speaker Dr. Mervyn Miller Compliments City for Presentation

by Sandra A. Lange

Renowned British architect and town planner Dr. Mervyn Miller described the "remarkable transatlantic dialogue" that occurred between England and the United States in the early and mid-1900s that led to the construction of garden cities and planned communities in both countries. Miller, an expert on garden cities, presented the keynote address, "The British Garden City to Greenbelt and Back to the English New Towns," at the 75th Anniversary Symposium on April 28.

Miller traced the garden city movement back to British social reformer Ebenezer Howard, who initiated the idea of building self-sufficient cities, with integrated commercial, residential and recreational facilities, surrounded by a belt of green. Howard urged planners to design housing for low-and middle-income people on rural land away from the squalor and pollution of large industrial cities like London.

He articulated his ideas in Howard's significant book: "Tomorrow: A Peaceful Path to Real Reform," (1898), reissued as



Dr. Mervyn Miller

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Wright.

Unwin conferred with Stein and Wright on plans for Radburn, N.J., built in 1928-29, which anticipated the use of superblocks that planners designed for Greenbelt 10 years later. Radburn also featured an inner walkway system and an underpass. Unwin mentored a generation of housing officials on both sides of the Atlantic for over four decades, according to Miller.

Another Brit who influenced both British and American town planning was Dame Henrietta Barnett. She advocated housing designed for the middle class with curving avenues, a village center, footpaths, allotment gardens and preservation of woodlands.

The work of these three British planners and social reformers would have been known to Greenbelt's town planner, Hale Walker. In designing Greenbelt's homes and streets, Walker drew on planning features of British garden cities but was also influenced by Germany's modernist

See **SYMPOSIUM**, page 12

## GHI Plans Annual Meeting, Elections for May 17-18

Greenbelt Homes, Inc. (GHI) has scheduled its 2012 annual meeting for Thursday, May 17 in the gymnasium of the Greenbelt Community Center. Doors will open for registration at 7 p.m., with the meeting starting at 7:30. Immediately following the meeting's recess, voting will begin to elect members of the Board of Directors and the Audit Committee. Voting will continue in the board room at the GHI office on Friday, May 18 from 7 to 10 a.m. and 5 to 8 p.m.

### Agenda Topics

Two items of new business will be brought up. The first item proposes changes in two sections of the bylaws related to membership and contracts. In Article III, Section I of the bylaws relating to membership, proposed language would extend membership to a revocable living trust where the person who

established the trust meets the existing standard of "good character and financial responsibility." The living trust would hold one membership regardless of the number of units it occupies. If the person who established the revocable living trust dies, the membership held by the trust must be transferred to a new owner approved by the Board of Directors.

The second proposed bylaws change on contracts would revise Article VIII, Section 11c, subsection (f), to state that no contract for more than two years shall be valid or binding upon the Corporation unless the contract is approved by a two-thirds vote at a membership meeting. The subsection would not apply in four areas: assignments made now or hereafter by members

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### What Goes On

#### Saturday, May 12

9 a.m. to noon, Donation Drop-off, Parking Lot between Municipal Building and Community Center

10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Public Works Surplus Plant Sale, Municipal Building Parking Lot

10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Annual Pet Care Expo, Community Center

#### Monday, May 14

8 p.m., Council Meeting, Student Awards, Municipal Building

#### Wednesday, May 16

7:30 p.m., Council Budget Worksession re Green Ridge House, at Green Ridge House



# Letters to the Editor

## Graduate Review Errors

I read the review of The Graduate which is in the May 3 edition of Greenbelt News Review. There are some problems with the review. First it says that the movie came out 55 years ago. That's a mistake as it came out 45 years ago, in 1967 – see <http://www.imdb.com/title/tt0061722/>.

There are cascading errors. The review says, "If you are too young to remember how wonderfully The Graduate crystallized a sense of disaffection and drift just before the assassinations of King and the Kennedys, campus sit-ins, anti-Vietnam war protests and civil rights marches go see this zany comedy . . ." Of course, John Kennedy was killed in November 1963 and the vast bulk of the civil rights marches occurred well before 1967.

While The Graduate crystallized a sense of disaffection and drift, it was part of an ongoing "re-evaluation" that is in stark contrast to what is going on today, when even our civil rights are systematically stripped away in the name of the so-called War On Terror, almost without protest in the midst of endless wars of aggression and economic difficulties.

*Jacob Rosenberg*

## Reviewer's Note:

Thank you for pointing out my arithmetical blunder. I had the right year in mind (1967) but miscalculated badly – mea culpa! You'll be happy to know I don't do my taxes myself.

I should also have been clearer concerning historical chronology. It's helpful to know that Charles Webb's novel The Graduate, on which the screenplay is based, was published in October 1963, one month before JFK's assassination and one year before Mario Savio and the Free Speech Movement staged the first campus sit in at Sproul Hall in Berkeley, Cal. My point is that the events of the movie are set in 1963 or earlier – well before most of the turmoil of the 60s occurred.

Of course the viewers in the theater, if not the characters in the movie, sensed that the times were changing, that something was blowing in the wind . . .

I will try to be more accurate in the future; it's a comfort to know that at least one pair of sharp eyes is reading my stuff.

– *Jim Link*

## GHI Smoking Lawsuit Status, Data Sources

Members of the public interested in following developments in the secondhand smoke case, Schuman v. Greenbelt Homes, may access the Appellant's Brief and complete record abstract filed May 1, 2012, at the Maryland Court of Special Appeals, in Annapolis, by using the following links:

Appellant's Brief – <http://www.scribd.com/doc/91996602/Schuman-v-Greenbelt-Homes-Appellant-s-Brief>

Volume 1 – <http://www.scribd.com/doc/92008820/Schuman-v-Greenbelt-Homes-Record-Extract-Volume-1-of-4>

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Volume 3 – <http://www.scribd.com/doc/92012357/Schuman-v-Greenbelt-Homes-Record-Extract-Volume-3-of-4>

Volume 4 – <http://www.scribd.com/doc/92013432/Schuman-v-Greenbelt-Homes-Record-Extract-Volume-4-of-4>

Review of the entire record, including GHI's response, which has not yet been filed, should provide the most complete view of this important case. The service, "scribd.com," requires a simple registration and allows direct downloads for best readability. The record abstract contains all trial testimony and exhibits as presented, as well as other relevant documents necessary for the appeal.

*David Schuman*

## Greenbelt at 75

I was honored to present the keynote address at the excellent conference marking the 75th anniversary of Greenbelt. It was a pleasure to speak to such an enthusiastic audience, including residents, academics and council members, and officials who are clearly committed to the preservation of its past but are also confidently projecting this unique community into the 21st century toward its centenary. During my visit I was privileged, courtesy of Greenbelt Homes, Inc., to stay in the guest suite at Parkway Apartments and consequently experienced, together with the conference, a first-hand impression of what it feels like to be a present day Greenbelter.

During my stay I registered with the Library of Congress in Washington and trawled through thousands of images taken by the Resettlement Administration, not only of the beginnings of

Greenbelt and its contemporaries Greenhills and Greendale but also of the horrific conditions endured by the abject rural poor, exacerbated by the Great Depression. Although the 'green' garden cities housed a small number and to their residents seemed utopian, they acted as a catalyst for a notable public housing program, federally funded through the 1937 Housing Act. My hero, Raymond Unwin, played an honorable role in encouraging the National Association of Housing Officials to lobby to persuade Congress to pass the legislation during President Roosevelt's second term. And, of course, Unwin was on first name terms with a generation of American planners, including John Nolen, Henry Wright, Clarence Stein, Lewis Mumford and Clarence Perry.

In my talk I referred to the creative dialogue between Britain and the United States in the evolution and updating of the Garden City concept. The message of Greenbelt (and its predecessor, Radburn) was clearly appreciated when the first generation of New Towns around Greater London hit the post-1945 political and development agenda. I sense that this dialogue will continue to flourish. The Letchworth Garden City Heritage Foundation had a motto 'Proud Past – Bright Future', which is equally applicable to Greenbelt. Following up the special themed sessions at last year's Society for American City and Regional Planning History Conference, held in Baltimore, a book is being edited by Mary Corbin Sies and Isabelle Gournay, summarizing the challenge of conservation and change in the iconic planned communities. This will in turn encourage networking at a practical level.

After all, the English designer, poet and philosopher William Morris, father of the Arts and Crafts movement, wrote that we are holding historic buildings in trust for future generations to cherish and that our duty is to ensure their continued stewardship.

*Dr. Mervyn Miller*

## Grin Belt



"Mom, it says we won a contest!"

## GAC Offers "Paul" in One Performance

On Monday, May 14 at 8 p.m. the play "Paul" with ancient Jewish music by Anthony E. Gallo of the Seventh Street Playhouse will appear in one performance at the Greenbelt Arts Center.

Paul examines the complex, contradictory life of Christianity's second leading theological architect through his epistles from Romans to Titus and the writings of Josephus. Paul's impact

on Christians and non-Christians worldwide is undisputed. The play follows him from being a deeply religious Jewish leader, successful businessman, civic leader and persecutor of fringe cults to becoming an apostle of the Nazarene Christ following his epiphany on the road to Damascus.

There is a fee. For details call GAC at 301-441-8770.

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# Community Events

## At the Library

### Adult Programs

Saturday, May 12, 11 a.m.: Plants that Work Best in the Shade by the Master Gardeners of Prince George's County on selecting and growing spring and summer plants that do well in the garden.

Tuesday, May 15, 7 p.m.: African American History and Culture Series by author and lecturer Carroll R. Gibbs, historian of the African Diaspora will speak on "Afro-Latinos: The Hidden Legacy." Learn how those of African descent have contributed to every aspect of Hispanic culture despite efforts to marginalize their past and present achievements.

### Storytimes

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

Wednesday, May 16, 10:30 a.m.: Drop-in Storytime for ages 3 to 5 years.

Thursday, May 17, 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.

### Read to Rover

Saturday, May 19, 2 p.m.: Children build reading confidence by reading aloud to specially trained therapy dogs glad to listen. Each child reads for 15 minutes. Registration (by calling the library) is preferred but walk-ins will be accommodated on a space available basis.

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

## ACE Science Club Is Free & Fun for Kids

The ACE Science Club for children meets on Thursday, May 17 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. at the Greenbelt Community Center. The topic will be light waves, comparing mechanical and light waves, harnessing microwaves in a microwave oven and creation of plasma.

Free to all Greenbelt children ages 8 to 14, the ACE Science Club features hands-on experiments and fun facts about science, technology, engineering, math, nature, life, the universe and – everything.

## Museum Celebrates Mothers with Posey

In honor of Mother's Day on Sunday, May 13 the Greenbelt Museum Historic House will give a flower to each visitor that day who is a mother. The Museum is open from 1 to 5 p.m. at 10-B Crescent Road.

A small fee is charged for admission.

## ASG Star Party Is Re-set for May 12

The Astronomical Society of Greenbelt (ASG) will again try to hold a free public star party, rescheduled to Saturday evening, May 12 at the City of Greenbelt Observatory, located at Northway field. In addition to the observatory telescope, several members will share personal telescopes and binoculars for the enjoyment of all. Observing will begin when it is dark enough, around 8:30 p.m., although telescopes may be set up earlier if it is clear.

Objects to be observed include several nice star clusters and nebulae as well as the planets Mars, Venus and Saturn. ASG members will be available to answer questions and provide advice about getting started in this hobby.

As always, the star party will be canceled without notice if it is hopelessly cloudy. Attendees are asked to park in ball field lot, not up on the hill, unless bringing a telescope.

## State Insurance Agency Offers Help Tuesday

On Tuesday, May 15 the Maryland Insurance Administration will have trained staff at the Greenbelt branch library from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. with consumer materials and answers to questions about insurance. The state regulatory agency covers all types of insurance products from annuities to title insurance and health, auto and homeowners insurance.

This outreach is part of the agency's mission to educate Marylanders about choices available to them as consumers of insurance products. More information can be found at [www.mdinsurance.state.md.us](http://www.mdinsurance.state.md.us) or by calling 410-468-2360.

## Free Documentary Film at Old Greenbelt

On Saturday, May 12 at 11 a.m. in conjunction with the Green Man Festival there will be a free showing of the award-winning documentary, "If a Tree Falls: A Story of the Earth Liberation Front" at the Old Greenbelt Theatre. Running time is 1 hour, 25 minutes.

Nominated for a 2012 Academy Award for Best Documentary Feature, If a Tree Falls asks questions about environmentalism, activism and the way terrorism is defined. In December 2005 federal agents conducted a nationwide sweep of radical environmentalists involved with the Earth Liberation Front (ELF), an organization the FBI has called America's "number one domestic terrorism threat." The movie is the story of the group's rise and fall told by one of its members, Daniel McGowan. Part coming-of-age take, part cops-and-robbers thriller, the movie shows McGowan facing life in prison as a result of his involvement with ELF.

The film showing is sponsored by Capital Regime, Sweet & Natural Bakery Café, Reel & Meal at the New Deal, Greenbelt Access Television, Beaverdam Creek Watershed Watch Group, Chesapeake Education, Arts and Research Society and Green Vegan Networking.

## Brooklyn Steamboat Plays at New Deal

The Brooklyn Steamboat-Soul quintet Roosevelt Dime will play at the New Deal Café on Wednesday, May 16 at 7 p.m. The band's non-traditional lineup, consisting of banjo, electric and washtub basses, percussion, trumpet and woodwinds and mixture of musical genres has been described as "a perpetual crowd-pleaser" by the New York Times. They will play selections from their June 2011 album Steamboat Soul and March 2012 release "Live at the Filter Bubble."

More information on the band can be found at <http://www.rooseveltdimemusic.com/>.

## GCAN, ACES Give Tips At Green Man Festival

The Greenbelt Climate Action Network (GCAN) and Greenbelt Advisory Committee on Environmental Sustainability (GreenACES) will help participants save fuel and use renewable energy.

Attendees can bring their cars to the 100 percent wind-powered Greenbelt Sunoco Service Center to inflate tires properly for fuel savings and safety. In addition, people are invited to bring their Pepco bills so they can sign up for wind electricity.

More Community Events are throughout the paper.

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**To see the draft criteria, either pick up a hard copy at the Administration Building, or go to [www.ghi.coop](http://www.ghi.coop)**

**Comments should be submitted via email to [mgmtoffice@greenbelthomes.net](mailto:mgmtoffice@greenbelthomes.net) or written notes can be delivered to the Management Office, Attention: Sheri.**

**All comments are due by May 30, 2012**

**Greenbelt Nursery School's Tortoise and Hare 5K Run/Walk**  
**Saturday May 19, 8am, around Greenbelt Lake.**  
**1K Fun run 9am - \$5**  
*Packet pickup Friday May 18 from 5-7:30 pm*  
*Saturday May 19, 7:00 am at Greenbelt Nursery School*  
**Advance registration \$25; Race Day registration \$30**  
**Online Registration Ends May 18**  
**at [www.getmeregistered.com](http://www.getmeregistered.com)**

**ELEANOR AND FRANKLIN ROOSEVELT DEMOCRATIC CLUB MEETING**

Friday, May 18 at 7:30PM  
 Greenbriar Community Center Terrace Room,  
 7600 Hanover Parkway Greenbelt MD

Annapolis Report from State Senator Paul Pinsky and Delegates Tawana Gaines, Anne Healey and Justin Ross

*All are welcome, light refreshments served.*

For information please call Karl Shipps, President 301-577-8907 or visit <http://Roosevelt.pgdems.com>



## The Graduate

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 May 13 at 2:30 PM.

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# Poets and Other Readers Gather At Library to Share Poetry Works

by Jim Link

April is the cruelest month, according to T. S. Eliot. But it is also National Poetry Month, which is why Ellen Utley, Greenbelt library's branch manager, introduced six poets to an audience of 15 who had gathered to mark the occasion on Saturday afternoon, April 28.

They read their excellent stuff and made way for the headliner of the day, Lottie Mae McDonald, aka "Grandma Slam," a fierce and visceral grandmother of 73 with a booming voice and real stage presence. "I am a first class poetry junkie very happy to be here overdosing with other poetry junkies at Greenbelt library," she claimed. "Poetry is my addiction," said McDonald, which she said she came to rather late, at age 60.

An African American woman who has seen too much disrespect of black women by black and white men, McDonald sings/shouts her protest lyrics bluntly but eloquently. In "Black Bogie Woman" she cried out that "I am no longer your black bogie woman, you have used my back as a bridge over troubled waters!" In another poem she announced, "I am the original mother of this earth, I originally rocked the cradle that gave birth to nations."

Competing with young black males at the Cafe Myth in Georgetown and other clubs in Washington, D.C., McDonald says she got "beat up" in the beginning. But she sharpened her technique and "began to win \$40 for first place."

McDonald is frequently schmoozed to recite at church and community events but never paid for her efforts, she good naturedly complained. (Greenbelt library did pay her.) She described how "these cheap snake oil salesmen" operate with these lyrics: "Sister Hootchie Slick recruits for the Reverend Julius Porkchop and I am introduced by Jivetime Mustang Sally. They pay me with a free burnt meal with stale bread crumbs and a bookmark."

During the Q and A after her reading McDonald explained that until recently she and others thought "I was stupid because my brain races faster than I can write." The oldest of 15 children, she says that poetry slams helped her to abolish her low self-esteem.

McDonald said she is grateful that "I have a lot of angels who work with me" - her helpers. She dislikes "cussing;" her lyrics are "strictly clean rap," she says, but high voltage.

### Other Poets

Earlier poets included Pandora Foster, who read "For My Mother" - "I am breath of your body, heat of your heart, flesh of your faith" - and "Mother Earth



Grandma Slam Lottie Mae McDonald and Librarian Ellen Utley take pause at the Greenbelt Library on April 28 in celebration of National Poetry Month.

Calling."

Randi Anderson read "Purchasing Habit," in which she claimed that "style and grace comes at my age, that will never appear on a centerfold page." She also read "Autistic Child" and "Two Sides."

Marjorie Gray read four poems which reverently riffed on four Psalms: 13, 23, 66 and 67. Her lyrics included "Celebrate God - dance, play, shiver with joy!" and "God of all kindness - be with us!"

Doug Love, "an unemployed rocket scientist working as a stonemason," read a long eco-

logically correct paean to fertility, based on ancient myths. Yours truly (moi) read Mary Oliver's "Wild Geese" and David Slavitt's "Titanic."

Elaine Jones, "now 75, the same age as Greenbelt," read selections from Ellen Greenfield's children's book, "When the Horses Ride By," about the displacement of the Cherokees. She also read Langston Hughes' "Hold Fast to Dreams."

That feline mandarin, T. S. Eliot, would probably have been puzzled by our celebration but we were elated.

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 40 Ridge Road, Greenbelt  
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 www.greenbeltumc.org 301-474-9410  
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## GNS Holds Tortoise And Hare Outing

On Saturday, May 19 the Greenbelt Nursery School will host a Tortoise and Hare 1k or 5k run/walk around Greenbelt Lake. The 5k run/walk starts at 8 a.m., rain or shine. The 1k starts at 9 a.m., beginning and ending at the ball fields behind the Greenbelt Youth Center. Participants may run or walk. No strollers or dogs.

There is a fee. For a race entry form visit [www.getmeregistered.com](http://www.getmeregistered.com) or call 301-474-5570.

## Butterflies: Nature's Festival of Colors

On Saturdays, May 12 and 26 discover the role butterflies play in the ecosystem and learn to identify several common to Maryland on a guided 2.5 mile walk from 8:30 to 11 a.m. for ages 10+ at the North Tract of the Patuxent National Wildlife Refuge. A field guide is recommended. Bring water and dress for the outdoors.

The North Tract is located on Rt. 198 between the Baltimore-Washington Parkway and Rt. 32, east of Laurel.



Equality between men and women is conducive to the abolition of warfare for the reason that women will never be willing to sanction it. Mothers will not give their sons as sacrifices upon the battlefield after twenty years of anxiety and loving devotion in rearing them. (Abdu'l-Baha)

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# City Information

## GREENBELT CITY COUNCIL MEETING May 14, 2012 - Municipal Building - 8:00 p.m.

### COMMUNICATIONS

#### Presentations

- ACE Student Awards
- Public Safety Awards
- Legislative Wrap-Up – 22nd District Delegation

**Petitions and Requests** (Petitions received at the meeting will not be acted upon by the City Council at this meeting unless Council waives its Standing Rules.)

#### Minutes of Council Meetings

#### Administrative Reports

#### Council Reports

#### Committee Reports

- **Arts Advisory Board, Report #2012-01 (Recognition and Contribution Group Applications)**
- **Park and Recreation Advisory Board, Report #2012-01 (Recognition and Contribution Group Applications)**
- **Advisory Planning Board, Report #2012-03 (Breezewood Drive Improvements)**
- **Advisory Planning Board, Report #2012-04 (Safe Route to School Road Improvements)**

### LEGISLATION

#### OTHER BUSINESS

- Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Commission – Proposed Tax Rate Shift
- CSX Intermodal Facility – City of Baltimore
- Advisory Planning Board, Report #2012-01 (Detailed Site Plan – Friends Community School)
- Advisory Planning Board, Report #2012-02 (Revised Detailed Site Plan – Sign Request for CVS at Greenway Shopping Center)
- Other Reports
- \* - Waiver of Right to Appeal – Parke Crescent Apartments; Validation of Non-Conforming Use
- \* - Public Works Mutual Aid Agreement
- \* - 2012 Justice Assistance Grant
- \* - Reappointment to Advisory Group
- \* - Resignation from Advisory Group

### MEETINGS

NOTE: This is a preliminary agenda, subject to change. Regular Council meetings are open to the public, and all interested citizens are invited to attend. If special accommodations are required for any disabled person, please call 301-474-8000 no later than 10am on the meeting day. Deaf individuals are advised to use MD RELAY at 711 or e-mail cmurray@greenbeltmd.gov to reach the City Clerk.

### MEETINGS FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 14-18

Monday, May 14 at 8:00pm **REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING/ACE STUDENT AWARDS/LEGISLATIVE UPDATE** at Greenbelt Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road. Live on Verizon 21, Comcast 71 and Streaming at [www.greenbeltmd.gov](http://www.greenbeltmd.gov).

Wednesday, May 16 at 7:30pm, **BUDGET WORK SESSION** re: Green Ridge House at Green Ridge House. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**, at 9:00pm at the Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road.

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

### DONATION DROP-OFF

American Rescue Workers

Saturday, May 12, from 9:00 a.m.-12:00 noon.

Parking lot between City Office and the Community Center  
Info: City of Greenbelt Recycling Office at 301-474-8308.

### FIT' N' FUN CARDIO

M/W/F from 10am-11:15am

Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Road  
Come out and try this class out for FREE! Come back and pay drop-in price. \$4.00 for Residents and \$5.00 for Non-Residents.

Class will go on until June 1st.

### PUBLIC WORKS

#### ANNUAL SURPLUS PLANTS SALE

Saturday, May 12 from 10:00am-2:00pm

Greenbelt Municipal Building Parking  
Lot- 25 Crescent Road

Greenbelt Public Works will be selling off all of its surplus plants. Please come early for best selection.



### Recovery Act/Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Award

The City of Greenbelt is to receive an award in the amount of \$15,442 in Recovery Act/Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) funds. It is the intent of the Police Department to purchase and install mobile data terminal computer equipment in additional police vehicles. Questions and/or comments can be made by calling 240-542-2105, or through email at [doneil@greenbeltmd.gov](mailto:doneil@greenbeltmd.gov).



Greenbelt is a new pit stop in 2012!

### BIKE TO WORK DAY

Friday, May 18

On your way in to work, stop at the **Greenbelt Aquatic & Fitness Center, 101 Centerway between 6:30am-8:30am.**

Pre-register by May 11 at [biketoworkmetrodc.org](http://biketoworkmetrodc.org) to qualify for bike raffle & free t-shirt. Free food, beverages and giveaways at all locations listed on website.

## City of Greenbelt Animal Control ANNUAL PET CARE EXPO

Saturday, May 12

10am-3pm

Greenbelt Community Center

15 Crescent Road

Rabies and Distemper Clinic, Animal Groups, Information Tables, Demonstrations, Children's Activities, Silent Auction, Police K-9 Demo at noon, Dancing Dogs, Companion Animal Beauty Contest, Games and more!  
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- **Camp Encore: For Ages 13-15.**

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### 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, and Public Safety Advisory Committee  
**For information call 301-474-8000.**

### Recreation Assistants

needed at busy community center. Customer service, facility monitoring & event set up. Weekday evening/nights. \$7.25/hr. City of Greenbelt. 301-397-2208.  
EOE

Springhill Lake Recreation Center  
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### COMPUTER LAB

Monday-Friday

2:30-4:30pm:

Ages 11 & Under

4:30-8:00pm:

Ages 12 & over

Children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult.

Saturday-Sunday

1-6pm: ALL AGES

For more information  
301-397-2212

### NATIONAL KIDS TO PARKS DAY

Saturday, May 19<sup>th</sup>



Encourage outdoor play by taking your family out to visit a local, state, or national park. National Kids to Parks Day support First Lady Michelle Obama's *Let's Move* initiative. As an official *Let's Move* city, the City of Greenbelt is asking Greenbelters and their families to take some time to visit one of our great parks.

**BUDDY ATTICK PARK:**  
8:00am, Tortoise & Hare 5K Race (sponsored by the Greenbelt Nursery School) for more information visit: [www.greenbeltnurseryschool.org/event/gns5k.html](http://www.greenbeltnurseryschool.org/event/gns5k.html)

**SCHROM HILLS PARK:**  
9:00am-5:00pm, Greenbelt Boys and Girls Club Soccer Games

**ANACOSTIA TRAILS HERITAGE AREA BIKE RALLY "RIVERS TO ROCKETS RALLY":**  
8:30am-1:00pm Come experience the War of 1812 at the Port of Bladensburg, ride past the oldest operating airfield in the USA, and head on to the home of Goddard-the City of Greenbelt!  
Info [www.anacostiatrills.org/bike-rally](http://www.anacostiatrills.org/bike-rally)



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legislative issues included the failure of the "Planned Maryland" bill. Part of the governor's program, this legislation would provide the state with more planning authority in rural areas to protect the environment. Ross said there was little support for this legislation in non-suburban or urban parts of the state. As noted by Turner, the county bag bill died in committee; Ross attributed defeat of this local bill to representatives in the south county areas and in communities inside the beltway.

Ross told the audience that he was proud to be the Maryland House Whip on the Marriage Bill that passed the Maryland legislature and was supported 14 to 6 by the Prince George's County delegation. He noted, however, that the bill could likely be successfully petitioned to referendum and be on the ballot in the next state elections in November.

Ross also was pleased about a compulsory education bill requiring Maryland students to remain in school beyond the age of 16. He noted the program allows a GED option but that students would have to take the GED classes in school.

He had strong feelings about the bill, he said, noting that school drop-outs often end up as social services or public safety problems in the community.

### County Budget Issues

Himler provided a capsule overview of the county's proposed FY13 budget. He listed seven principles underlying the budget process: a thriving economy, excellent educational system, safe neighborhoods, outstanding health care, effective human services, sustainable environment and high-performing government operations. He described the current economic climate as one with minimal growth and offering another year of tough times.

The county's general fund is the primary source of program funding and there has been very little growth (about \$6 million) in the past year, Himler noted. The root cause, he said, has been a steep loss in property valuations over the past several years, estimated at around \$20 billion.

Over the past five years the loss in valuation based upon home sale prices in the county is nearly 50 percent. The county also leads the state in foreclosures.

Himler foresees about 20 months for the county to get out of the doldrums. He expects that the county's share of funds from the recent States Attorney General's settlement with several large banks could help.

Revenues remain essentially flat at around 2008 levels. The county has been hard put to protect its priority programs, he said, while holding off on raising the property tax. The only increase cited was an addition in the recordation tax on the sale of homes. Estimated to raise only about \$5 million, it would help preserve investments in education, public safety and health programs.

In spite of the downturn, the county is committed to the following goals: better response to community needs, investments in energy efficiency, sustainability efforts and improved customer service. Although there have been no pay increases for county employees for the past two years,

they will receive a "bonus" increase in FY13 that does not add to the pay base.

### Access to Health Care

Francis focused on the county's efforts to transform Dimensions health care facilities into a system of state-of-the-art medical and ambulatory care centers and mobile health care delivery. The intent, she said, is to improve health outcomes for county patients.

Francis referred to a 2009 Rand Corporation report that suggests the county lacks quality health care. Based on that report, Prince George's County joined with the University of Maryland Medical Systems (UMMS) and Dimensions in 2011 to collaborate on developing a framework for a new Regional Medical Center to serve Prince George's County and southern Maryland populations.

As part of this process, a feasibility study was undertaken by KPMG to make a business case for a regional medical center. Committees are also evaluating governance issues, critical care needs and a financial structure.

In the interim, UMMS is to take over critical and emergency care at the Laurel, Bowie and Cheverly facilities. In the specialty area, UMMS may take over orthopedics in the county. The next steps likely in 2014 would be preparation of a Certificate of Need application.

Francis also describes a coordinated mobile health care delivery approach at the county's middle schools. These mobile facilities would provide primary medical and dental care.

Programs under the Federal Quality Health Centers Program would provide safety net care for the uninsured and for those eligible for medical assistance and/or Medicaid. Right now there is one such center in the county as well as indications that others would be added to offer "community" care.

### Questions and Answers

Dr. Ross moderated a brief Q&A session and took questions from the audience. Most ques-

tions related to the legislature's failure to enact a tax package that would avoid cuts in more than \$500 million for the state's budget FY13 as well as foreclosure issues.

Delegate Ross explained that the budget bill and a budget reconciliation bill for the Capital Budget did get passed but that the important tax package to balance the budget was not enacted in closing hours of the 2012 General Assembly session.

Ross told the audience there would likely be a special session called by the governor on May 14. That session would have to address revenue and a proposed tax increase for single taxpayers earning \$100,000 and families earning \$150,000.

Ross also advised the audience that during the sessions closing period, house and senate conferees agreed to a solution for Net Taxable Income now adversely affecting the county's share of state education funding. Unfortunately that issue was not passed before the time of the closing of the legislative session.

One response from the audience regarding new taxes was that they could drive some residents out of their homes. The panelists indicated that only about six percent of county homeowners would be affected by income tax increases.

Toward the end of the meeting the gambling issue came up in the context of why Prince George's was pushing to locate a casino at National Harbor.

Brad From, a county administrator in the audience, offered the explanation that supporting a casino at the Rosecroft Raceway site would not "work for us." County leaders wanted to see the facility at a Gaylord that could afford more amenities and attract a higher caliber of clients.

Audience members also had an opportunity to discuss issues with the panel and with other officials following the meeting's close. Since the meeting was telecast on April 26, it can be seen by streaming video at [www.greenbeltmd.gov](http://www.greenbeltmd.gov).

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of their Mutual Ownership Contracts; matters connected with loans to members; contracts that may be cancelled, on not more than a year's notice; or contracts with respect to borrowing money, mortgages or mortgage notes.

The second item of new business is a member petition for a policy change regarding the Mutual Ownership Contract (MOC) to allow the members of an entire row of units to revise their MOCs "to indicate that smoking inside these units is not allowed." A petition with the signatures of 52 members was received by Board Secretary Ed James in accordance with the bylaws for members to place an item on the annual meeting agenda.

### Candidates

Candidates for five two-year openings on the Board of Directors and for three seats on the annually-elected Audit Committee will make brief presentations at the meeting. Seven candidates are vying for five open seats on the Board of Directors: current members Ed James, Irwin Wartell, Diana McFadden and David Morse; newcomers Frank DeBernardo and Kenneth J. Blue; and former director Susan Ready.

Debbie Cooley, Dianne Wilkerson and Ben Fischler are candidates for the three openings on the Audit Committee.

Up to five members of the Nominations and Elections Committee will be elected to one-year terms during the meeting. Four candidates have filed to run: Paula Clinedinst, Henry Haslinger, Carol Griffith and Mara Hemminger.

### Awards, Prizes

Following any awards that may be given, drawings for a number of door prizes will also be held, including three \$100 gift certificates toward the winner's monthly GHI co-op fee, four \$25 gift certificates to the Co-op Supermarket and five \$20 gift certificates to the New Deal Café.

Several committees will have display tables. Among these are the Woodlands Committee, which will hold its annual giveaway of native plants.

### Voting Absentee, Proxy

Members who cannot be at the polls to vote in the election because of their religious beliefs, physical condition or absence from Greenbelt on election days may request an absentee ballot

from Joan Krob, director of GHI Member Services, on business days from noon on Thursday, May 10 until noon on Wednesday, May 16, with the exception of Friday, May 11 when GHI offices will be closed. The voted ballot must be returned to the GHI office no later than 5 p.m. on May 16.

Members who cannot attend the meeting may obtain proxies and designate a member to vote on their behalf both at the meeting and in the election. This year the deadline for submitting a proxy form is either 5 p.m. on Thursday, May 10 at the GHI office or on Friday, May 11 with Board Secretary Ed James at 56-D Crescent Road. James can also provide a form.

Members with questions about election rules may refer to the bylaws, call the Member Services Office at 301-474-4161 or go to the GHI website at [www.ghi.coop](http://www.ghi.coop) and click on "Elections."

Biographical information on the candidates appears in this issue. A video of the May 8 Candidate Forum is available for viewing on the Greenbelt city website ([www.greenbeltmd.gov](http://www.greenbeltmd.gov)) and will be replayed periodically on the city cable stations up to the time of the election.

## Menu for Senior Nutrition Program

The Senior Nutrition "Food and Friendship" program provides lunches for seniors Monday through Friday at the Community Center beginning at noon. Meals must be reserved by 11 a.m. two days ahead. Call 301-397-2208, ext. 4215.

All meals include bread and margarine, coffee or tea and skim milk. Menus for May 14 through 18:

Monday – Cranberry juice, chicken patty with Dijon mustard sauce, butter beans, mixed vegetables, fresh apple.

Tuesday – Orange juice, beef rib barbecue with sauce, au gratin potatoes, green beans, tropical fruit salad.

Wednesday – Orange juice, crusted white fish with Newburg sauce, mashed sweet potatoes, broccoli, fresh pear.

Thursday – Grape juice, roasted chicken with gravy, scalloped potatoes, peas, cherry applesauce.

Friday – All sites closed.

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# Pushing the Envelope At New Deal Poetry Slam

by Jim Link

“Give the finger to the wind for being fresh with you,” said Mark, master of poetic ceremonies at the New Deal Café on April 17. This punchy line is a lovely sample of the juicy stuff you get when you clap and laugh and read at the Café every third Tuesday night. Intelligent, vulgar, witty, beauty erupted frequently, punctuated by tender, traditional material.

For example: The ever clever Janet sang her parody of Rodgers and Hammerstein’s “It Might As Well Be Spring,” which mocks the anti-Obamaites who resent his European sophistication and exotic “un-Americanism.”

Eli gave us more intelligence and wit with “Perchance to Deem,” which described “the risible net of being in which we are all caught” and “The Chegg,” a portmanteau word which answers the question which came first – the chicken or the egg? Both!

Mark tossed out a little raunch, inescapable at the NDC, with his “Booger Poem” dedicated to Devin. Devin wittily responded with his “From the Perspective of a Cigarette” in which the ‘coffin nail’ says he is trying to kill the smoker because the smoker is burning him to death.

Many of the dozen readers delighted us with classic material. Sarah read Elizabeth Barrett Browning’s “How Do I Love Thee?” and added a cynical riposte by Dorothy Parker. Shirley read Robert Southey’s rather banal “The Old Man’s Comforts and How He Gained Them,” which she skewered with Lewis Carroll’s riposte.

In a round robin of rapid reading, David, Julie, Mark, Lenny, Zina, Jim, Sarah and Devin treated us, respectively, to Thomas Hardy, Jane Kenyon, Allen Ginsberg, Reed Whittemore (RIP), Liesl Mueller, Hafiz, Rita Dove and Frank O’Hara.

Amy read and performed Andy Gibb’s “Shadow Dancing”; Devin read Bernie Taupin’s “Rocket Man” (Elton John).

Euodia exulted in her “New Beginnings” – “Until the new wears off, enjoy! Enjoy! Enjoy!

Which is what we did all evening. Come enjoy with us at the next poetry slam on Tuesday, May 15 at 7 p.m. at the New Deal Café.

## Upcoming Events At New Deal Café

Friday, May 11 John Guernsey plays classical and jazz piano from 6:30 to 8 p.m., then Keltish follows with traditional Celtic tunes with a fun, modern twist from 8 to 11 p.m.

Saturday, May 12 begins with a retrospective of Chesapeake Bay watershed artist and educator Tom Wisner (1930-2010) from 2 to 3 p.m. Bruce Kritt follows with classical guitar from 4 to 6 p.m., then John Guernsey plays up-tempo jazz and blues piano from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Stream and the Blue Dragons bring GreenMan vibe inside the café with Turkish lute, didgeridoos and many kinds of drums in original melodies from 8 to 11 p.m.

On Sunday, May 13 the Tom Wisner retrospective repeats from 2 to 3 p.m., then Kellianna winds down GreenMan Weekend with mythology-inspired folk music and chant from 6 to 7:30 p.m.

### Next Week

On Tuesday, May 15 Poetry Night Open Microphone will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. Wednesday, May 16 Roosevelt Dime travels from Brooklyn to entertain with a blend of acoustic jug-band blues, classic New Orleans soul and neo-folk from 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday, May 17 from 7 to 9 p.m. is Open Microphone session with Mike and Noelle. On Friday, May 18 Sahel brings influences from around the world with samba, reggae and salsa from 8 to 11 p.m. Saturday, May 19 begins with the Eileen Peterson Youth Music Series outdoors in Roosevelt Center, where the Robert Goddard Middle School Jazz Band and Electric Strings will play from 4 to 6 p.m. Bruce Kritt will be indoors on classical guitar from 4 to 6 p.m.; John Guernsey plays jazz and blues piano from 6:30 to 8 p.m., then the main act takes the stage from 8 to 11 p.m. On Sunday, May 20 The Not 2 Cool Jazz Trio plays from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. before the New Deal Cafe Cooperative Annual Meeting at 2 p.m. Sign-in begins at 1:30 p.m. Afterward there will be an afternoon of live Middle Eastern music and dance with Darbuka Dawg Hafla from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

## Explore Tony Awards, Importance of Wills

On Friday, May 11 Explorations Unlimited will feature a presentation by Frank Pearlman on Broadway and the Tony Awards. He will talk about the biggest winners and losers from the beginning through the present. Participants will then have a chance to ask him about his favorite movies and cinematic moments. This year’s Tony Awards will be presented on June 10.

An active, well-known resident, Pearlman has been a lifelong film buff with a passion for sharing his knowledge with others. He has acted with the Greenbelt Arts Center and is a regular class-taking participant in Community Center activities.

### Wills

On Friday, May 18 Prince George’s County Register of Wills Cereta Lee will be the guest at Explorations Unlimited, where she will present an overview of the Register of Wills office, also known as the Probate or Orphans Court. She will talk about the opening and administration of estates, appointing a personal representative of an estate, guardianship and property of minors and the safekeeping of wills in their fireproof/waterproof vault for a one-time fee of \$5.

Lee, first elected to office in 2006 and re-elected in 2010, made history as the first African American to hold the position of Register of Wills. She is known for her professionalism as a public servant and her commitment to reaching out to make residents aware of the services offered by her office.

Explorations Unlimited is held every Friday from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Greenbelt Community Center. Both presentations will take place in Room 114. For more information call 301-397-2208.

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in The Washington Star . . . I hate school, I love school . . . babysat from 9 to 12 and made 25 cents . . . I’m in love with the boy next door – how could he take up with that new girl in town? . . . I’m learning so much in Home Ec. – how to sew and cook and dress and shop and plan and decorate a home . . . I made the basketball team . . . Saw a good Tyrone Power movie . . . went wading in the spillway at the lake . . . four of us girls get to be cheerleaders . . . I hate school . . . boys’ and girls’ double-header basketball games tomorrow . . . I’m reading “Gone With The Wind” . . . going shopping downtown on Saturday . . . pool opens for the summer next week . . . etc., etc.”

Then come entries recording the shocking news of Pearl Harbor and the Declaration of War by FDR. Life, truly, would never be the same. Young friends and teachers leaving for military service; victory gardens; rationing of butter, meat, shoes, gasoline, sugar, etc.; recycling of paper, tin, grease, iron, aluminium. Work hours were lengthened for government employees (many residents of Greenbelt worked in Washington for “Uncle Sam”); overtime was demanded of factory workers; mothers went to work; children were “farmed out” to other mothers who stayed at home.

Graduation Day from Greenbelt High School (GHS) arrived. What now? I could go to work for any government agency in Washington that I chose, having learned typing and shorthand at GHS. I wanted to go to college at the University of Maryland so close by. No money. I vowed to work for a year at \$1,440 annual salary and save almost all of it since I could still live at home in Greenbelt. Then I would quit and go back to school – not easy to do.

I did quit after a year. I did go to UMD. – still living at home. I did graduate in ’48. I did come back and teach at Greenbelt High. (I wanted to be a role model as some of my teachers had been for me. Unfortunately I didn’t feel very

## Greenbelters Split Two in Howard Co.

With help from a second woman on their roster, the Greenbelters of the Baltimore Senior Softball League won the first game of a doubleheader against Howard Hitters on Monday, May 7. Diane Gardner, a special education teacher, singled twice and doubled and smoothly patrolled right center field.

Weighing in on the 17-15 win were Willie White with a grand slam, tape-measure home run plus two singles; AJ Morton and Barry Clark with three hits each; and a game-saving, shoe-string catch in left field by Fred Bohle in the last inning. The second game went to the Hitters, 16-6, as Clark doubled and singled twice.

Last week Patricia Harris, in her second season for Greenbelt, homered in a sweep of a doubleheader against Bowie Gold. In another doubleheader, the home team lost two close games to Dundalk and now has a 5-3 won-lost record.

successful as a teacher.) I quit teaching to work “downtown” again. I did, however, meet my husband in Greenbelt through a mutual friend, a college connection. We married in 1951 and I moved into matrimony from my parents’ Greenbelt home at the age of 25. (My husband and I were married for 55 years. He died in 2006.)

Yes, dear Greenbelt, I played in your woods, dug clay in your streams. I swam in your lake and went boating and picnicking there; even skated on the frozen surface of that lovely bit of water (and, later on, did a little “parking” on its shoreline). I walked your gravel path to high school; swam in your water pageants; had my first airplane ride from “your” airport (Schrom’s).

I sledged in winter on your “A Block” hill; absorbed Hollywood’s Golden Era movies in your theater. I tumbled, played basketball, met Eleanor Roosevelt, danced (on Saturday nights, at high school proms and USO dances for the soldiers at Ft. Meade) and went to church on Sundays in the Center School (now Community Center) gymnasium/auditorium.

I worked for the Co-op counting Ration Stamps; worked for the town as cashier at the swimming pool and also as a leader of neighborhood playgrounds. I wrote a high school column for the Co-operator (now News Review). I taught health and physical education at Greenbelt High School.

I had a small part in helping

the Greenbelt Museum get off the ground in 1987 by donating some items when I needed to empty and sell the house at 6-F Ridge Road where my family, original occupants, had lived for 50 years. Later I served as a docent at the house museum for a few years.

Greenbelt, you were: my coocon, my playmate, my confidant, my tutor, my mentor, my learning tree, my proving ground, my launching pad.

I live in the Brook Grove Retirement Community in Montgomery County in the independent living cottages. I moved there in 2005. My Greenbelt years prepared me for living in a close community. There are many similarities to the early Greenbelt: first and most importantly, the feeling of being a part of a small community in a beautiful country atmosphere where I have made friends and joined activities. I also appreciate the nearby availability of essential business services and shopping, cultural offerings, doctors’ offices and a hospital. (Greenbelt had a health clinic and a very small hospital in the beginning as well as limited shopping and services.) I feel at home and love it here but I still can find that place in my heart that you have held for 75 years.

So congratulations and hurrah for Greenbelt! Hurrah also for Brooke Grove and all the other communities and towns (Reston, Va.; Columbia, Md.; and Leisure World) that have been built following the greentown prototype of the 1930s FDR Administration.

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# NEWS IN REVIEW

## Candidates for GHI Election May 17-18, 2012

The following GHI members submitted their "consent to serve" forms to the Nominations & Elections Committee for filing to run for office. No one may file to be a candidate at this time, but additional candidates for N&E may be nominated from the floor at the Annual Meeting.

**Board of Directors**  
**2-Yr. Term**  
(Vote for no more than five)

### ED JAMES

Ed James has been an active member of GHI since 1977. He has been a GHI Director/Treasurer, Greenbelt Jaycees Director/Treasurer, Citizens for Greenbelt co-founder, City of Greenbelt CPR instructor, GHI Audit Committee member, Greenbelt Internet Access Cooperative founder/Director, and member of many GHI committees.

Current GHI activities include serving as GHI Director/Secretary, member of the Woodlands and Buildings Committees, and various work groups. Non-GHI activities include the Greenbelt Community Garden Club, Greenbelt Computer Club, New Deal Cafe Director, Greenbelt Community Development Corporation Director/Treasurer, Greenbelt Cooperatives Alliance representative, Co-Chair of the Old Greenbelt Neighborhood Watch, and the Greenbelt Advisory Committee on Environmental Sustainability member.

Ed's educational background includes degrees in Physics, Biochemistry, Zoology, and Computer Science. His professional employment history includes Martin Marietta Labs, NASA, the IMF, the University of Maryland and various consulting firms. He retired early, and enjoys activities such as physical fitness, gardening, and freelance computer software projects.

### KEN BLUE

Ken Blue's GHI experience consists of over 6 GHI residences over 45 years. Ken brings a wide range of personal, educational, and business success to GHI making quality and efficiency improvements to numerous organizations from nonprofits, Fortune 500 private enterprise and government agencies throughout the United States and internationally. While Vice President of Quality for a local nonprofit, Ken reduced operational cost over 25%, improving quality coverage and performance over 75%. Ken dem-

onstrated similar performance improvements as a management consultant and motivational speaker/trainer in each of the organizations he has had the privilege to serve. Ken is also an accomplished athlete completing over 50 marathons, ironman triathlons and distance aquatic events throughout the world. Ken has successfully performed on several boards throughout the metropolitan area and Greenbelt's PRAB, Greenbelt Middle School, and Labor Day Festival. When elected, Ken offers proven leadership, endurance, energy, education, and experience to the GHI cooperative.

### DIANA MCFADDEN

Diana E. McFadden is a lifelong Marylander by choice. She joined GHI in 2002 and has served on the Board since May of 2006. She also serves as Board Liaison to the Addition Maintenance Task Force.

Diana earned a BA in Political Science in 1979. She has lived and traveled in the UK, and traveled in Europe as far east as Turkey. She has visited diverse communities, villages and towns at home and abroad, noting how a community's physical layout affects quality of life. She has also read extensively about communities and societies past and present.

Diana participated in the Greener Greenbelt Charette of 2007, and most recently attended Greenbelt's 75th Anniversary Symposium on April 28.

As a result of her studies, travels and experiences, Diana recognizes the traits that peaceful, thriving communities have in common, and she will continue to promote these qualities in GHI.

### IRWIN WARTELL

- A proud member since 1988.
- Current GHI board member.
- Board liaison to GHI's Companion Animal Committee and Greenbelt's 75th Anniversary Committee.
- Active member of Mishkan Torah Synagogue/Vice President of Programming.
- Retired from the American Chemical Society.
- Graduate of Temple University and the Charles Morris Price School of Advertising and Journalism.
- Diverse career included retailing, social work, advertising, marketing, public relations and meeting planning.

In 2010, headed up GHI's Labor Day booth and garnered second place for GHI in the parade, helped organize the annual picnic, yard sale and marketing events. I want to serve the membership again in helping to set sound policy, to utilize my varied work experience to bring about an awareness of what GHI has to offer, and ensure that our unique community continues to reflect a bygone era of vitality, neighborliness and cooperation.

### FRANK DEBERNARDO

Frank DeBernardo has been a member of GHI since 2004. He served on the Nominations and Elections Committee, the Member and Community Relations Committee, and the Green Ribbon Task Force.

He serves on the City of Greenbelt's 75th Anniversary Committee, and he is a member of Greenbelt Pride. For two years, he coordinated press activity for Greenbelt's Labor Day Festival. Outside of Greenbelt, he is a Prince George's County representative for WMATA's Riders' Advisory Council, for which he served two-terms as Chair.

Frank is the Executive Director of New Ways Ministry, a national Catholic ministry of justice, education and reconciliation for lesbian/gay/bisexual/transgender Catholics and the wider church. In addition to fundraising and management, he conducts educational programs around the nation, as well as editing a daily blog. He has a graduate degree in Rhetoric from the University of Maryland, where he was also an instructor and writing program administrator.

### DAVID MORSE

Incumbent, Board of Directors, 2006-present. Education: B.A., University of Maryland, political philosophy. Occupation: Freelance writer/editor. Greenbelt News Review writer/editor, two years. Interest and background in government and public policy, history, and literature.

Personal: Lived in GHI 20 years with my wife and two children (one born here), frequented our woodland trails and local co-ops. Occasionally play with Greenbelt's Irish musicians.

Broad knowledge of GHI through:

- maintaining congenial working relationships with committees and staff;
- coming to grips with issues through research and through conversations with members, Board colleagues, staff, and Audit Committee;
- staying open to new and challenging ideas and views;
- keeping abreast not just of current matters but of future needs; and
- reading Greenbelt-related history.

Committee Membership: Communications (Board liaison), Finance, Investment; (as participant) Buildings, ARC. Previous Board liaison to four other committees.

Other GHI Activities: Communicator (editor/writer), Green Ribbon Task Force, Charette on GHI's future, other task forces.

Note: *Biographies are written by the candidates and edited for length only by the Nominations & Elections Committee prior to publication.*

### SUE READY

Sue Ready has a deep-seated belief in co-operative ideals and respect for the co-operative process. She has been a member of GHI for forty-two years. Previously, she served on the GHI Board of Directors for six years, three of those years as vice president. Sue has been active on several GHI committees and subcommittees, often serving as chair. With a BA in Education from the University of North Carolina at Greensboro, for twenty delightful years she was a teacher, then director, at the Goddard Child Development Center at GSFC. Then, with a BS in Business and Management from UMUC, she spent twelve years wearing many hats in the finance/accounting department for ZERO TO THREE, a nonprofit corporation. Now retired, Sue has plenty of time and energy to devote to the co-op.

**Audit Committee**  
**1-Yr. Term**  
(Vote for no more than three)

### DIANNE WILKERSON

In 1979, my husband and I moved to GHI where we have lived for 33 years. After retiring, I began to attend board meetings to learn what was happening at GHI and became a regular member of the audience. In 2004, when there were not enough candidates running for Audit Committee, a former board president talked me into running, and I was elected. On behalf of the members, I have attended and observed many meetings and workshops and have strived to understand the financial picture of GHI. Still very interested in the operation of the Co-operative, I hope that I may continue working on the Audit Committee.

### DEBBIE COOLEY

- Raised in Greenbelt Homes
- BS in Management from Wheeling Jesuit University - '86
- MBA in Accounting from Southeastern University - '94
- Lived in GHI since 1992
- Previous Audit Committee experience
- Member of Companion Animal Committee
- Greenbelt 75th Anniversary Committee member
- Treasurer for J. Davis re-election campaign
- Work as Accountant for U.S. Senate Disbursing Office

### BEN FISCHLER

Ben Fischler was born in Washington, D.C., and raised in Maryland. His work as an archeologist has taken him many places, but the Chesapeake watershed has remained his home. A strong supporter of cooperatives, Ben has been active as a friend of the Buildings and Woodlands Committees since moving to GHI last year.

**Nominations & Elections Committee**  
**1-Yr. Term**  
(Vote for no more than five)

### HENRY HASLINGER

I was elected to my first term on the Nominations and Elections Committee a year ago. I have also been serving on GHI's Addition Maintenance Program Task Force since its formation in April of 2011. In May of 2009, I was elected to the GHI Audit Committee and served one term. At the city-wide level, I have been serving on the City of Greenbelt's Senior Citizens Advisory Committee since my 2004 appointment, and am currently the committee Chair. I have resided in what is now the GHI cooperative since I was born, and became a GHI member in 1974.

### CAROL A. GRIFFITH

I grew up in College Park but spent many wonderful hours in Greenbelt. After living in several other parts of the country, in 2004 I came back to Greenbelt and purchased my GHI home in 2009.

My education is in nursing with additional coursework in chemistry and English, and I also have a paralegal certificate. I currently work for the USDA as a chief of staff. These experiences and education have given me skills in working with all people.

Shortly after moving in, I signed up to be the court liaison for 53 and 55 courts of Ridge Road. In that role, I have met many residents and have resolved some common area situations.

I have volunteered for the Greenbelt News Review since 2005, and am also active in the Community Church.

I love living in Greenbelt and especially in GHI. I feel strongly that our way of life here should be sustained and am willing to work toward that goal.

### MARA HEMMINGER

Mara Hemminger is a relatively new resident of Greenbelt, having lived here for two years. She has become involved in the community by volunteering for the Farmers Market, organizing a volleyball group, and recently participating in a Woodlands Committee clean-up day. She is applying to the Nominations and Elections Committee as a good way for a newcomer to become involved in GHI affairs. She hopes to keep up the good work already being done by the current N&E Committee.

### PAULA CLINEDINST

I have lived in Greenbelt all of my life and have tried to stay involved in various ways. Currently, I volunteer at the News Review and GIVES, have recently become a member of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board, and am active in the Community Church. I was elected to the Nominations & Elections Committee last year and look forward to a second term.



Voting will take place upon recess of the Annual Meeting to be held at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, May 17 at the Community Center and will continue on Friday, May 18 from 7 to 10 a.m. and 5 to 8 p.m. at GHI's offices on Hamilton Place.





Condolences to the family and friends of Elizabeth ("Liz") Tucker, a longtime resident of Greenbriar, who died April 11, 2012, at the age of 92. A memorial Mass was held May 2 at St. Hugh of Grenoble church. Her son William suggests contributions to St. Jude's Hospital in Memphis in her memory.

Sympathy also to the family and friends of Mildred Irene Ford, 84, a Greenbelt resident for over 40 years, who died April 27, 2012, in Bracey, Va. An expert seamstress, she had over 300 customers/friends.

Greenbelters were saddened to learn of the death of Sally Carrano in New York on May 2, 2012, one of the original occupants of Green Ridge House and a long time resident there. Obituary will follow.

**Congratulations to:**

– Air Force Airman Jason C. Montgomery, a 2011 graduate of Eleanor Roosevelt High School, who graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio.

– Guinevere Granite, Eleanor Roosevelt High School Class of 2001, who recently received her Ph.D. with distinction in physical anthropology from SUNY at Buffalo.; and

– Stephen Granite, director of bioinformatics for the Cardiovascular Research Grid in the department of bioengineering at Johns Hopkins University and his wife Laura, who recently celebrated the arrival of son Sebastian. Guinevere and Stephen

are the children of Dr. David Granite.

– Lisa Meyer, who was honored by Parent Cooperative Preschools International (PCPI), which met in the Washington, D.C., area in April. Meyer received a PCPI District Award at its annual awards luncheon held at the New Deal Café.

– Greenbelt Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) members Pat McCoy and Ken Silberman, whose Prince George's County team took home second prize in the CERT Olympics held May 6 at the Baltimore City Fire Academy. Teams from around the state competed in tests of emergency-response skills including indoor and outdoor search and rescue, fire suppression, medical triage and first aid and situation size-up.

– Ridge Road resident Nicholas Costen of Greenbelt's MEI Technologies, who was awarded the Rotary National Award for Space Achievement at its annual gala in Houston for his innovation in advancing detector technology used in the micro-shutter array for the James Webb Space Telescope.

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

– Kathleen McFarland

**GCF Estate Planning And Gift Seminar**

The Greenbelt Community Foundation (GCF) will hold an informational meeting on Friday, May 18 from 2 to 3:30 p.m. in council chambers at the Municipal Building.

The free seminar will address how to avoid probate costs, minimize estate taxes and create a legacy through tax-wise use of trusts and other planned giving options. It will be conducted by Thomas P. Downs of the Downs Law firm, a frequent lecturer on trusts and trustee responsibilities.

Planned giving to GCF is a way to create a legacy in the Greenbelt community. Comprehensive gift planning strategies enable donors to support the foundation while at the same time realizing short and long-term financial and tax benefits. The program will provide information on various options and how donors can plan a way to best meet their goals and objectives.

The GCF, established in 2006, is supported by donors whose contributions enable the foundation to award over \$75,000 grants to Greenbelt organizations, groups and cooperatives for worthwhile community projects. Visit [www.greenbeltfoundation.net](http://www.greenbeltfoundation.net) for details.

**All Aboard Kids Kaboose in Bowie**

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## 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

April 27, 11:09 p.m., 100 block Westway. A person was approached by a man who displayed a handgun and demanded the person's property. The robber is described as a black male, 22 to 23 years old, 5'9" tall, wearing all black clothing and a ski mask.

May 1, 2:19 a.m., 6200 block Springhill Court. Three men pulled out handguns and demanded the property of some nearby people. The robbers are described as black males, 5'7" to 5'11" tall, wearing all dark clothing and ski masks.

### DUI/DWI

April 26, 9:30 p.m., Greenbelt Road at Walker Drive. A 26-year-old Greenbelt man was arrested and charged with multiple alcohol-related and other charges after a traffic stop. He was released on citations pending trial.

During the past week four non-Greenbelt residents were arrested and charged with alcohol-related violations, among other charges, after traffic stops on main roads passing through Greenbelt. They are a 22-year-old Hyattsville woman, a 40-year-old Cheverly man and two Laurel men, one 50 and the other 30 years old.

### Drug Arrest

April 27, 8:38 p.m., Ora Glen Drive at Mathew Street. Three men were arrested on drug-related charges. A 19-year-old Annapolis man was arrested and charged with possession of marijuana and possession of drug paraphernalia, among other charges, after a traffic stop. He was transferred to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner. Two other men, both of Greenbelt, one 18 and the other 19 years old were arrested and charged with possession of drug paraphernalia. They were released on citations pending trial.

April 29, 6:34 p.m., Cherrywood Lane at Breezewood Drive. Two Greenbelt men, one 22 and the other 23 years old, were arrested and charged with possession of drug paraphernalia after a traffic stop. They were each released on a citation pending trial.

May 1, 12:04 a.m., 7500 block Greenbelt Road. Two 20-year-old Greenbelt men were arrested and charged with possession of marijuana and other charges after a traffic stop. They were transferred to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner.

### Trespassing

April 27, 4:13 p.m., 7800 block Hanover Parkway. An 18-year-old Greenbelt man was arrested and charged with trespassing on private property. He was transferred to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner.

### Burglary

April 25, 8:13 p.m., 5800 block Cherrywood Terrace. Electronics were taken.

April 26, 9:19 p.m., unit block Crescent Road. Change was taken from commercial washing machines.

April 27, 3:58 p.m., 7800 block Mandan Road. Electronics were taken.

May 3, 9:52 p.m., 5900 block Cherrywood Terrace. Electronics were taken.

### Vandalism

April 27, 4:54 p.m., 7800 block Hanover Parkway. Graffiti was found in the area of the bus stop.

April 30, 6:37 a.m., 6000 block Cherrywood Court. A window was broken.

### Vehicle Crime

Stolen vehicles included a white 2007 Jeep Liberty with VA tags, taken April 28 from the 9000 block Breezewood Terrace. An attempt was made to steal a vehicle in the 7700 block Hanover Parkway.

A white 2006 Chevrolet Malibu taken from the 9100 block Edmonston Road was located by Prince George's County Police with no arrests made. A 1995 Honda Accord reported stolen through the Prince George's County Police was found in the 100 block Westway. No arrests were made.

Thefts from autos were reported in the Greenway Shopping Center (rear MD tag), 100 block Westway (rear MD tag), 7600 block Mandan Road (catalytic converter), 9100 block Springhill

## 20 Year Old Charged In Local Robberies

On Tuesday, May 8 at 6 a.m. the Greenbelt Police Emergency Response Unit assisted by Laurel's Emergency Response Team served a search warrant at 141 Westway in connection with recent robberies and a burglary in the area. They also served an arrest warrant on 20-year-old James Ware of the address; he was charged with three counts of armed robbery and one count of first degree burglary.

Two of the robberies had taken place in University Square, the 200 block of Lakeside and 100 block of Westway. The burglary was on Southway. The search recovered property belonging to the victims of the crimes and a large quantity of narcotics, for which separate charges are pending. Ware was turned over to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner.

Lane (wheels).

Acts of vandalism occurred in Greenway Center parking lot (vehicle was scratched), 6300 block Breezewood Drive (two vehicles were scratched), 39 Court Ridge Road (set of tires were cut).

## Gardening on the Web

by Susan Harris

Gardening information is all over the web these days, but how do you find the good stuff? By which I mean the websites that aren't trying to sell a product or are better suited to gardeners in Cornwall than Maryland. There are dozens of ways that web-based information is unhelpful or worse.

So here are some tips for navigating the world of online gardening, a world I've contributed to since 2005:

1. Go local, the more local the better.
2. Give extra weight to academic sources.
3. Supplement scholarly information with real-gardener reviews.
4. Be skeptical when reading product websites.
5. Have some fun.

Simple enough. So for the Greenbelt area, these are the go-to sites I recommend:

- University of Maryland's Home and Garden Information Center ([hgic.umd.edu](http://hgic.umd.edu)) is one of the best of its type in the country and it covers every possible type of gardening. Its home page also displays a phone number for calling a real person with your questions. They have a blog, too, all about growing edibles. Grow It Eat It ([growit.umd.edu](http://growit.umd.edu)) is written by state Master Gardeners.

- Green Springs Garden in Northern Virginia has authoritative information on their site.
- The Behnkes Nurseries

website has lots of gardening articles with tips by their staff experts (compiled by yours truly – full disclosure). On the blog ([blog.behnkes.com](http://blog.behnkes.com)) you'll find seasonal stories and photos, plus the popular Monthly To-Do Lists.

- Other outstanding state academic sites in climates that aren't too dissimilar from ours include Cornell (in New York), Ohio and North Carolina.

- The Missouri Botanic Garden plant profiles are excellent.

- Real-gardener experiences with plants are compiled on [DavesGarden.com](http://DavesGarden.com). Although the reviewers aren't expert, they're the real deal and more reliable than grower websites. Daves also has a "Watchdog" section for product reviews. It costs \$20/year to join and participate on the site, but reading is free.

- Personal garden blogs can inspire, entertain and teach. Check out the regional blogs listed on the Behnkes blog sidebar, but don't stop there. The popular blog [AWaytoGarden.com](http://AWaytoGarden.com) may cover gardening in upstate New York, but the plant palette is the same as ours.

- For news and the occasional controversy, try the national team blog [GardenRant.com](http://GardenRant.com) (full disclosure again – I'm a contributor).

- Google terms like "wildlife gardening blog" to find blogs that specialize. There's something for everyone.

*Susan Harris is a Master Gardener and gardening coach.*

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# Meeting Explores How City Supervises Properties

by James Giese

At the April 18 worksession on budgets for the Planning and Community Development department, the Greenbelt City Council also discussed problems relating to enforcement of housing codes.

Present at the meeting were all councilmembers, Planning and Community Development Director Celia Craze, City Manager Michael McLaughlin and Finance Director Jeff Williams.

### Franklin Park

Craze indicated to council that while Franklin Park has made significant progress in restoring the property to a status free of code violations, these changes have not happened as fast as staff had hoped for. Thus, staff sees a need for employing another code enforcement officer to fill an existing vacancy.

Councilmember Konrad Herling asked if the city could initiate stronger measures to achieve compliance. Craze responded that while that was a possibility, the city prefers to take enforcement action that will assure compliance rather than to be punitive.

She said the matter would be reassessed once annual inspections beginning in April are completed. She said the inspectors have heard good things about Franklin Park but that the city cannot make a determination until inspections are completed.

According to Craze, Franklin Park has backed off its full-scale unit renovation and is now turning over some apartments without upgrading them first in order to maintain a 90 percent occupancy level. The turnover units are called "classic" apartments.

However, according to the budget document, Franklin Park has accomplished some of the more significant promised changes. A state-of-the-art fitness center has also been installed in the building formerly used for the Head Start program.

The Giant Learning Center is now being renovated, she said, to accommodate a medical clinic and a consolidated laundry facility. The latter change will enable the apartment managers to shut down the problematic 70-plus laundry rooms.

### Vacant Properties

Code Enforcement is trying to get compliance on two vacant properties in an unsafe and dilapidated condition. These properties are not only unsafe but also a blight upon the neighborhood. The owners have not been cooperative, Craze said, and a stronger effort by the city will be made to achieve needed repairs. If necessary, staff proposes that council consider condemnation and demolition.

### Foreclosed Properties

Responding to a question from Mayor Judith Davis, Craze said more properties have been added to the last list of foreclosed properties in the city. McLaughlin

noted that the Finance Department was maintaining a list and that Code Enforcement had one as well and that efforts were being made to combine the two.

Craze said the city's concern was abandoned properties, how they were maintained and their potential for vandalism. Councilmember Edward Putens urged reviewing city codes to see what might be done to minimize potential problems.

### Hoarding

Craze said that according to a survey made by Johns Hopkins, four percent of housing is occupied by hoarders, persons who collect and stash away excessive quantities of material or who fail to discard trash. In that case, there are some 800 hoarders in Greenbelt, she said. Currently, code enforcement is dealing with eight such cases.



## Notice of Annual Membership Meeting

The New Deal Café Cooperative will hold its annual membership meeting in the café on Sunday, May 20, 2012 at 2:00pm. Reports will be presented and the election of officers will be held. Sign-in starts at 1:30pm.

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## Greenbelt Baseball

### Major League Standings as of May 8

American League	W-L	National League	W-L
Cardinals	8- 1	Athletics	6- 4
Cubs	7- 2	Giants	5- 4
Indians	8- 4	Tigers	5- 4
Yankees	0-10	Orioles	0-10

### Major League Schedule May 14 through 19

Date	Time	Games
Monday, May 14	6 p.m.	Indians vs. Yankees
Tuesday, May 15	6 p.m.	Tigers vs. Orioles
Wednesday, May 16	6 p.m.	Cubs vs. Giants
Thursday, May 17	6 p.m.	Athletics vs. Cardinals
Friday, May 18	6 p.m.	Giants vs. Indians
*Friday, May 18	7 p.m.	Yankees vs. Orioles
Saturday, May 19	10 a.m.	Athletics vs. Tigers
Saturday, May 19	1 p.m.	Cardinals vs. Cubs

Most games are played at McDonald Field off Southway.  
\*Game played at Braden #2.

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## Why Are College Students Cavity Prone?



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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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*Greenbelt Symposium***Getting from Here to There**

by Kathleen Gallagher

Perfecting the best way to get from here to there has been a Greenbelt preoccupation ever since the town was designed to keep pedestrians safe from vehicles on internal walkways and ever since the first Washingtonian transplanted to Greenbelt had to figure out the best way to get back downtown to work. Appropriately, the fourth session of Sustaining Greenbelt's Legacy, the city's 75th Anniversary Symposium, was on "Greenbelters on the Move: Public Transportation for a Pedestrian City." The moderator was Dr. Thomas Zeller, a specialist in environmental history and the history of technology from the University of Maryland.

Greenbelters Lee and Bonnie Shields gave the first presentation by sharing their personal recollections of "Public Transportation from 1940 to 1960." For the record it should be noted that they are both too young to have much by way of personal memories of public transportation in 1940.

Bonnie moved to Maryland as a toddler with her family in 1939 and grew up in Berwyn Heights. Lee lived in Greenbelt with his family from his infancy in 1937 until 1952 when they moved to the Berwyn section of College Park. Bonnie and Lee moved to Plateau Place together in 1959.

Bonnie and Lee eloquently recreated the days when a level of time and effort nearly unknown now was required in a suburban area to travel anywhere because of the many "legs" involved in the trip and the distances that had to be traveled to access public transportation. Greenbelters had to get at least as far as Branchville or Berwyn in order to start their trip. While it was easier for those with cars, the rationing of gasoline during World War II limited auto transportation as well.

Bonnie described the demand for improved roads that grew with increasing numbers of cars after the war. Lee spoke of the Schrom family and Schrom Airport, the old runway for which started near where Schrom Hill Park is today. He also described the impact on residents of having to find a new way to get to work in D.C. when the trolley stopped running to this area.

**Parkway and Beltway**

Dr. Jeremy Korr gave the second presentation on "The Impact of the Parkway and the Beltway." Korr, who grew up in College Park, wrote his doctoral dissertation at the University of Maryland on the history of the Capital Beltway.

He introduced a topic that would resonate throughout the symposium and a frequent factor in city life: how major roadways, though bringing some benefits, have complicated the original vision for Greenbelt by creating physical and social barriers in a design that was intended to foster community. He cited Kathy Knepper's idea that had the Greenbelt East and West communities developed before the roadways trisected the city rather than after, the result might have been different, with the city's three sections remaining more interconnected. Tellingly, Korr pointed out that, today, the three highways still felt to be so intrusive have been part of the city

for a longer time than they were not part of it.

The third presenter, Matt Johnson, is an urban planner for the Montgomery County Planning Department but said he was speaking on "Metro Connections" as a Greenbelt resident and transit user. Suburbs were not common when Greenbelt was built, he said, with the result that planners had to design Greenbelt with the auto in mind, even though they were not designing Greenbelt for the auto.

Plans that worked well in support of a safe pedestrian environment, he said, actually work against the development of public transportation because of the sharp separation of pedestrian and vehicular systems. The density of Center City and its overall walkability support the development of public transportation. Challenges include missing sidewalks, limited direct paths for transportation, a divided city and, outside of Center City, a suburban scale in many places that is friendly to neither pedestrians nor public transportation. He cited resident activism and the development of Transit Riders United of Greenbelt (TRU-G) in response to threats to reduce bus service.

**Walkability**

Planner Deborah Sward and University of Maryland planning student Mark Noll presented findings from "Walkability Studies - Greenbelt East" that had been undertaken as part of a class at the university. The presentation looked at walkability from Gardenway into Greenbelt East over the Spellman Overpass to Hanover Parkway and made suggestions for improving access via that corridor.

Greenbelt Advisory Planning Board Chair George Branyan, a pedestrian and bicycle transportation planner for Washington, D.C., spoke on "Bicycling." He gave a history of bicycling in the city, moving from its great popularity in early Greenbelt to the major challenges to biking that have resulted from the trisection of the city and designs such as Greenway Center that are accessible neither to pedestrians nor bikes.

He described the formation of the Greenbelt Bicycle Coalition in response to the lack of planning for bicycle access when the Greenbelt Metro station was about to open in 1993. He acknowledged the vision the city council demonstrated at the time in creating bicycle lanes and, as needed, their banning of parking on Ivy Lane, Cherrywood Lane and Crescent Road. He also announced that the city's planning department has applied for a feasibility study to implement a bike-sharing program.

Last presenter of the session was Harold Foster, a planner with the transportation section of the Prince George's County Planning Department. In "From Regional to Local - How Transportation Policies Affect Greenbelters," he addressed the birth of a federal commitment to an integrated highway system in the 1920s, the development of the interstate highway system, the first Prince George's master plan for transportation in 1982, the arrival of the Metrorail system and the Smart Growth initiative in the country.

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architects. Greenbelt's curvilinear streets and streamlined housing designs follow more the modern German style than the radiating thoroughfares and cottage-style houses in Letchworth and other British garden cities.

Miller said that Ebenezer Howard's legacy endures into the 21st century as "he influenced modernism [in planning and architecture] in a very material way." The early British garden cities of Letchworth, Wellwyn, Hampstead Gardens and Central Gardens are still thriving communities. As with the original Greenbelt homes, infrastructure and housing in these towns have undergone renovation. British garden cities are now protected as conservation areas, equivalent to historic sites in the U.S.

Miller praised Greenbelt for "its impressive preservation of the homes and community." While many British garden cities have become upscale, Greenbelt remains affordable to middle-class residents and truly reflects Howard's garden city principles.

**Goddard Musicians Play Youth Concert**

Saturday, May 19 from 4 to 6 p.m. the spring concert in the Eileen Peterson Youth Music series will be held outdoors at Roosevelt Center. It will feature the music of students from Robert Goddard Middle School's Jazz Band and Electric Strings Ensemble. Both groups have delighted audiences in past years in this free concert series.

The Robert Goddard Jazz Band, under the direction of Nucleo Vega, is a traditional big band consisting of horn and rhythm sections. Its main purpose, through the performance of standard jazz tunes, is to study jazz style, performance practices and improvisation. The Electric Strings Ensemble, under the direction of Holsey Kevin Gillis, is one of the newest performing groups at Robert Goddard Middle School. It was started with a grant from the Prince George's Arts Council, which has also supported the Eileen Peterson Youth Music Series. Members of the group meld classical with contemporary music and combine standard instruments with electronic processing and amplification to create a unique sound.

The Music Series was created to honor the memory of Eileen Peterson, a strong supporter and volunteer for the New Deal Café and the Friends of New Deal Café Arts (FONDCA). Peterson was especially interested in music and programs that served young people.

**Garden Club Holds Sale in Beltsville**

The second Beltsville Garden Club annual spring plant sale will be held on Saturday, May 12 from 8 a.m. to noon, rain or shine in the parking lot at High Point High School, 3601 Powder Mill Road, Beltsville.

The sale features annuals, vegetables and herbs in addition to perennials, shrubs and trees. Plants grown in the Beltsville Garden Club greenhouse will also be available.

For more information call Geoff White at 301-937-1539 or visit the club website at [www.beltsvillegardenclub.org](http://www.beltsvillegardenclub.org).

**MADD Holds Parent Workshop at ERHS**

On Tuesday, May 22 at 7 p.m. there will be a free 35-minute Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) workshop at Eleanor Roosevelt High School (ERHS) sponsored by the school's Students Against Drunk Driving chapter for the parents of teens.

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*Greenbelt Symposium*

# Varied Aspects of Diversity Discussed at Greenbelt Symposium

by Karen Yoho

The Reverend Dan Hamlin from Greenbelt Community Church moderated the Friday afternoon session, "Toward Inclusion: Diversity in Greenbelt." As many did throughout the Greenbelt Symposium, he opened the session by looking back to 1937. He shared that religious quotas were in place for the selection of new residents, following 1920 Census figures for Washington, D.C.: 34 percent Roman Catholic, 59 percent Protestant and seven percent Jewish.

A multi-faith worship center was planned for Greenbelt which included shared space for the three faiths plus the Church of the Latter Day Saints (Mormons). Hamlin suggested visiting the Tugwell Room in the Greenbelt Library to view the plans.

While a shared worship center never materialized, Rev. Hamlin highlighted several ways in which these religious congregations worked together to support the spiritual needs of the new town and which have continued through to 2012. For instance, Mishkan Torah members donated a lectern to the Greenbelt Community Church as a thank you after Greenbelt Community Church members assisted in the building of Mishkan Torah's sanctuary in 1955.

During a tumultuous time in our nation's history as events



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**From right, Greenbelt Community Church Pastor Dan Hamlin, Frank DeBernardo of GreenBeLT Pride, Christal Batey and Karen Haseley of the City of Greenbelt and Lois Rosado of the 75th Anniversary Committee talk about diversity in Greenbelt.**

in Europe were escalating to war, religious leaders in Greenbelt organized the "Permanent Conference of Religious Life in Greenbelt" in June 1939. The group, which still exists, is now known as the Greenbelt Interfaith Leadership Association.

Hamlin theorized that what made Greenbelt's spiritual connections so strong was the fact that, while the residents may have been living at one time in the Washington, D.C., area, they had in fact come from all over the U.S. "They had a need to build strong social supports and network with one another," explained Hamlin. This was not the case in the two other green towns.

**Program Variety**

While two speakers were unable to present at the session, those in attendance did get to hear from a wide variety of programs and groups that support involvement and inclusion. The City of Greenbelt's Christal Batey and Karen Haseley and their staffs work tirelessly in supporting the aging population of Greenbelt both in the home with the Greenbelt Assistance in Living (GAIL) program and with numerous therapeutic recreational programs and events designed for seniors and/or those with disabilities. "Greenbelt is ahead of its time. We are now an example and a leader, helping nearby cities, such as Hyattsville, with their aging in place

program," explained Community Resource Advocate Batey.

When Frank DeBernardo moved to Greenbelt in 2004, he looked for a gay, bisexual, lesbian and transgender group to no avail. "I looked at bumper stickers and knew they were out there, driving around but not coming together as members of this community," explained DeBernardo.

In May 2005, however, while many LGBT people across the nation were celebrating "Pride Month," DeBernardo found an opportunity. He posted fliers around town and was thrilled when 15 Greenbelt residents met and later established GreenBeLT Pride, a city-recognized organization that plays an active role in supporting partner benefits and marriage equality.

Members of GreenBeLT Pride serve the community and seek to make Greenbelt attractive for all people. They continue in their efforts to be visible and welcoming to others, especially LGBT youth. DeBernardo shared with Symposium guests his recollections of GreenBeLT Pride marching in the 2011 Greenbelt Labor Day Festival Parade.

Another group in the parade was Protect Marriage MD. "In past parades we had eight or nine people walking. By the time we reached the reviewing stand, we had dozens of parade watchers get up and start walking with us. We eventually were 150 in all," DeBernardo said. "It made all of

us proud to be LGBT and proud to be in Greenbelt!"

Rev. Hamlin summarized the presentations and Greenbelt's efforts toward inclusion in three words – acceptance, caring and progressive.

Most of the time allotted for questions resulted in personal reflections on segregation and school integration. Former City Manager Jim Giese answered questions on events that preceded the passage of the Fair Housing Act in 1964 and the civil rights march "mule trains" which stopped for lunch in Greenbelt in 1968. Resident Brenda Cooley shared her experience with her daughter being bused to Landoner for school when just a few blocks over, children stayed at North End. "At the time it was strange and scary but it was a wonderful experience as I look back on it and it was important," said Cooley.

John Henry Jones, a fixture in the community, took the microphone and closed the session: "Since I moved here in 1971 I've seen a lot, learned a lot, and I like it . . . a lot!"

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**Dems Meeting Will Be Annapolis Report**

The next meeting of the Eleanor & Franklin Roosevelt Democratic Club will be held on Friday, May 18 at 7:30 p.m. at the Greenbriar Community Building Terrace Room, 7600 Hanover Parkway. All are welcome; light refreshments will be served.

Featured will be the annual Annapolis Report by State Senator Paul Pinsky and the three delegates Tawana Gaines, Anne Healey and Justin Ross. With the ups and downs of the 2012 legislative session and its work not done yet, details by District 22 representatives promise to be interesting.

The Roosevelt Democratic Club showed up well in the annual CROP Hunger Walk around Lake Artemesia on May 6, with 13 walkers and three dogs. This year's walk was called Dan's Walk in honor of Rev. Dan Hamlin, who is retiring after 27 years' service. Hamlin will continue to make his base in Greenbelt but will travel and promote Church World Service developmental/aid projects funded in part by the CROP Hunger Walks. The local walk, which began in 1981, is led by Marty Folk, a member of Greenbelt Community Church.

**Upcoming Events**

The Roosevelt Dems will attend the Bowie Baysox game on Friday, June 15. All are invited; there is a fee. To reserve tickets call President Karl Shipps at 301-577-8907 or go to <http://Roosevelt.pgdems.com>.

All are also invited to the annual summer picnic at Schrom Hills Park on Saturday, June 23 from 4 to 7 p.m. Burgers and franks are supplied but attendees are asked to bring a salad or dessert to share.

**South Sea Skies At Planetarium**

Friday, May 18 at 7:30 p.m. there will be a planetarium program on South Sea Skies for students, parents and community members at the Howard B. Owens Science Center, 9601 Greenbelt Road, Lanham.

May is Asian/Pacific American Heritage Month – the special show will cover the astronomical lore of the people of Polynesia and Micronesia and how they used their knowledge of the sky to voyage across the Pacific long before the development of modern navigation.

**Rose Tour Marks Mother's Day**

On Sunday, May 13 from 11 a.m. to noon the U.S. Botanic Garden (USBG) invites the public to a Mother's Day tour of the Rose Garden led by Sharon Hanes, rosarian and USBG volunteer.

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At left, Tony Dimeglio (center), Director of Taproot, talks about growing plants at the Greenbelt Task Force Gala Open House on May 5. The event was sponsored by the City of Greenbelt, Franklin Park and Beltway Plaza. Participants were asked to offer input as to the future use of the Greenbelt Middle School.

Carolina Napp-Avelli (right) translates for visitors at the open house.

## Middle School Task Force Holds Gala Open House

by Jim Link

How can the old Greenbelt Middle School (GMS) building be used most wisely now that a sleek new building will open right behind it this fall, replacing that aging dowager?

Greenbelt citizenry have wrestled with this question for over a year and the Greenbelt Task Force organized a gala event last Saturday, May 5 to get our minds firing again. It persuaded us actually to think about this important issue while sweetening the pot with great entertainment.

Sponsored by the City of Greenbelt, Franklin Park at Greenbelt Station and Beltway Plaza the morning festivities included double dutch jump roping, hip-hop, gospel and mariachi music, Zumba dancing, tours of GMS, gift card prizes and various information booths.

The entertainment was primarily facilitated by Councilmember Konrad Herling, while the thinking was facilitated by Councilmember Leta Mach.

Herling buzzed everywhere, greeting attendees, announcing winning raffle ticket numbers, introducing the entertainers and even – I kid you not – getting seriously down with Cheryl Keys in a boffo demonstration

of Zumba dancing. “Zumba is a combination of belly dancing, fitness exercise, yoga, a little bit of everything,” Keys explained.

She really had the moves down pat. Herling and the other participants deserve an A for chutzpah and good humor.

### Voting

Mach supplied stickers for attendees to attach to bulletin boards to vote their preferences for best uses of the old GMS building. The spectrum of choices included tutoring for students and senior citizens, domestic crisis counseling, computer technology lessons, a performing arts center, a health clinic, adolescent conflict management and grief counseling.

Mach also had a bulletin board for attendees to post their own ideas. “Dialysis” was one suggestion. Lore Rosenthal suggested that entrepreneurs starting “green” businesses could “incubate” them in the classrooms



Councilmember Leta Mach explains how to vote on the list of community services.

(temporary office space) with grant money from EDI (Economic Development Initiative).

Mach said voting results would “provide input for the city council during further discussion. It is a way of taking the temperature of the people’s wishes,” she said.

### Entertainment

The Greenbelt CityStars Double Dutch jump rope ensemble dazzled the crowd with complex maneuvers, bursting with grace and energy. Ranging in age from 5 to 16, these girls radiate joy.

Their coach for 21 years, Kim Bradshaw, explained that “ballet, dance, cheerleading moves” enhance their repertoire. Her son, Brandon, the only male in the act, appeared to be in seventh heaven. Britni Ruff, 16, said “I love it! I’ve been doing this for five years. It’s great to help little kids.”

With their pretty dresses and silver tiaras the Misses Greenbelt gave us a touch of glamour: Little Miss Greenbelt Yasmin Switzer, Junior Miss Greenbelt Sarah Crank and Miss Greenbelt Victoria Gray. “We’re here to have fun and to help the transition from the old building to the new building,” said Victoria.

David Lange of the GMS Task Force said the crowd was strong, “perhaps over 200; I think we’ve had a very successful day.”



Arlene Clarke (left) and Judy Bell offer information on the Greenbelt News Review.

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Restoration Church Choir performs in the Middle School gym during Saturday’s Community Day.



Cheryl Keys teaching a Zumba dance lesson. Below, George Kochell (left), instructor for the GAVA/GATE Animation Program, demonstrates computer animation to Akhirah Hare.



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