

# GREENBELT News Review

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## Unfunded Retirement; Election Worker Pay Occupy Council

by Kathleen Gallagher

Ah, the Greenbelt harbingers of the end of summer. The Labor Day parade. A new member in the pantheon of Outstanding Citizens. Schoolchildren at crosswalks. Cooler nights. And, yes, the city council resuming its schedule of two regular meetings per month, plus work sessions. All councilmembers were present on September 9 for the first regular meeting of the month, at which a fairly lengthy agenda was completed with remarkable dispatch. Coincidentally, it was Councilmember Rodney Roberts' birthday.

### Charter Amendment

A resolution to amend the city charter that was introduced at the August council meeting was adopted unanimously on second reading. The purpose of the change is to enable the city to borrow funds to refinance unfunded liabilities on the old state retirement plan and the pension plan for sworn police employees.

This debt is currently being paid down through the Maryland State Retirement Agency at interest rates between 7.5 and 8 percent. Refinancing at a lower interest rate through a bank will save the city \$100,000 this year and between \$1.5 and \$2 million over the term of a loan. While the amendment would allow the city to seek bond financing to retire the liabilities, any actual borrowing would still require the usual public notice and public hearing.

Charter amendment resolutions require a longer waiting period than other city legislation in order to inform the public and permit voters time to petition the resolution to a referendum if they object to it. Assuming no such petition, the charter amendment will take effect on October 29.

### Election Workers

Compensation for the judges and clerks who work at city elections was last increased a decade ago at the 2003 election.

The city's Board of Elections reviewed pay rates for the county and neighboring municipalities and recommended an increase in a report to council. Council approved the increase in principle and will consider a resolution to effect the change at its September 23 meeting.

As proposed, the pay for election clerks would increase from \$135 to \$175 for the approximately 15-hour day. For the precinct judges pay would increase from \$175 to \$225. For the clerks who count absentee and early voting ballots, pay would increase from \$35 to \$50. No increase was proposed in the \$25 paid for the training session the night before the election. Traditionally, members of the Board of Elections have been paid at the same rate as the precinct judges for their work on election day and their pay will also

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PHOTO BY ERIC ZHANG

Konrad Herling talks at the summer picnic honoring Bert Donn, Esther Webb, Bob Auerbach and Doug Love.

## Ceremony at Attick Park Honors Peace Heroes

by Konrad Herling

On July 14, a hot Sunday afternoon, 62 people attended a picnic at Buddy Attick Park, to honor the lives of Bert Donn, Esther Webb, Bob Auerbach and Doug Love.

The Peace and Justice Coalition, spearheaded by Lucy Duff, Donna Hoffmeister, Marj Donn, Hopi Auerbach, Barbara Stevens and Maggie Cahalan, produced an event which will be long remembered by all who were there. Those attending included

Doug Love's cousin Roseerin Collins, Esther Webb's son and daughter-in-law, John Webb and Trish Purcell, Bob Auerbach's daughters, Hopi and Jennine Auerbach and Bert Donn's wife Marj Donn, as well as Mayor Judith Davis and Councilmembers Emmett Jordan, Rodney Roberts and Konrad Herling (Councilmembers Ed Putens and Silke Pope were unable to attend due

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## City Council and SHA Discuss Greenbelt's Traffic Concerns

by Carol Griffith

The annual City Council work-session with the State Highway Administration (SHA) on Wednesday, August 21 touched on all the problem traffic areas in and around Greenbelt. Agenda items included reports on the ongoing SHA projects and road resurfacing in and around Greenbelt and any other items of shared interest.

The session was attended by council. Representing SHA were Kate Mazzara, assistant district engineer for project development and Venu Nemani, assistant district engineer for traffic. The first item of discussion was the two intersections slated for improvements – Greenbelt Road at Cipriano Road and University Boulevard at Rhode Island Avenue.

The Cipriano Road project would extend the left-turn lane along Greenbelt Road and is cur-

rently in the design stage. As the engineers explained, this phase can take up to 18 months and upon completion, construction funds must be requested. The estimated time of construction is therefore 2014-2015. Mayor Judith Davis pointed out that at last year's worksession, there was discussion over blocked access to the bus stop at that intersection. The SHA representatives agreed to look into a striped crosswalk there and examine the traffic light timing to increase pedestrian safety.

Although technically in College Park, the Rhode Island Avenue intersection also engendered much discussion. The project is slated to begin the preliminary design phase. Councilmember Emmett Jordan asked how the South Core work would affect the

project and noted that the previous developer had performed an impact study. Davis pointed out that a traffic signal will be placed at the entrance to the South Core project. She requested that SHA synchronize the signals in that area.

Councilmember Konrad Herling asked about the impact of the potential FBI siting, particularly if there were plans for handling up to 11,000 employees and especially any plans for methods of transportation other than by car. The engineers replied that in that instance the FBI would need to perform a traffic impact study, including a "holistic" approach that includes multimodal forms of transportation.

Councilmember Rodney Roberts stated that in all projects, improvements for pedestrians, the addition of bike lanes and streetscaping are necessary. This initiated a discussion of the feasibility of changing lane striping to add bike lanes and of adding bike lanes next to the inside lanes of traffic or the median. Davis asked a member of the Advisory Planning Board in attendance to provide input to the Planning Department.

### Road Resurfacing

Two road resurfacing projects are in process. One includes the part of Md. 193 between Rhode

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## Council Rejects Curfew, Seeks Other Solutions

by Kathleen Gallagher

As reported in detail in the August 29 issue the city council held a worksession on August 19 to discuss a letter sent in April by the Windsor Green Board of Directors requesting the city council consider anew the adoption of a youth curfew for the city. The council referred the matter to the Community Relations Advisory Board (CRAB), the Youth Advisory Committee (YAC) and the Public Safety Advisory Committee (PSAC), as well as the city attorney and the Police Department. All of the referrals came back recommending against a curfew, though many suggestions were offered for attempting to address the problems of growing crime in Windsor Green neighborhoods and the increased congregating at night of teenagers, many of them nonresidents, in the area of Canning Terrace and Mandan Road.

At its September 9 regular meeting, council approved a motion to respond to Windsor Green saying that a curfew law will not be pursued at this time. In addition, the following steps will be taken: 1) Notice will be publicized that residents are encouraged to call the Police Department to report criminal

activity and that they can remain anonymous. 2) City and county police and Windsor Green security will continue to collaborate on crime prevention in the Windsor Green area and along the border with the Chelsea Woods Condominiums. 3) A new referral will be made to the PSAC, CRAB and YAC, as well as to the Park and Recreation Advisory Board (PRAB) and the Arts Advisory Board (AAB). The referral requests that these groups solicit recommendations on improving recreation opportunities and sports programs for both teens and young adults in the Windsor Green area, as well as on whether there is a need for a new recreational facility. 4) A letter will be sent to the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission asking the county to increase recreational opportunities in the area of the Gates of Cipriano and Chelsea Woods. 5) Letters will be sent to the management companies of the two complexes and the homeowner association of Chelsea Woods, describing the problem and asking their cooperation in working with the city and Windsor Green to assess what improvements might be made that would be mutually beneficial.

### What Goes On

#### Saturday, September 14

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

10 a.m., Annual Convention of the Prince George County Volunteer Fire and Rescue Association and the Ladies Auxilliary. Contests will be held at Braden Field (behind Youth Center) including a Bucket Brigade Competition.

#### Sunday, September 15

1 p.m., Rear Parking Lot of the Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department. Teams will compete in vehicle extrication competitions and a rodeo contest.





In Memoriam

Dickie Day and the High School Class of 1944

A few weeks ago I went to the funeral home in Beltsville to pay my respects to the family of Richard H. Day. We called him "Dickie," and he was in my class at Greenbelt High, the Class of 1944. He died at the Charlotte Hall Veterans Home, where both he and his wife Betty, also a veteran, had been living the past few years. He was the last of the Day family to go; his older sister Jean, his twin sister Patty, and even his younger sister Carol are already deceased. The Day's lived up in "A" block, in the 3 Court Crescent Road. They were one of Greenbelt's original families.

When I looked in my 1944 yearbook, I was surprised to see that Dick's photo showed him in Army uniform. Then I remembered: He was one of the six boys in my class who had already reached their 18th birthdays and were allowed to graduate early so they could enter the Armed Forces, choosing the branch they preferred, rather than being drafted into the infantry. My future husband, Henry McFarland, was another of the six. There was a special graduation ceremony at Bladensburg High School in February of 1944 for those six and others from the county.



Greenbelt High School's graduating class of 1944. - photo courtesy of Kathleen (Scott) McFarland

In the yearbook, Dick is listed as the boy with the "best personality." And in the "last will and testament," he leaves his "swoon crooner voice" to George Neumann (of the class of 1945, who also died recently). Both Dick and Patty Day were known for their friendly, out-going personalities. Patty worked for many years at the bank in the Center (now known as Roosevelt Center). Dick made many friends when, after the War, he worked in the garden department of S. Klein's before his employment at the Department of Agriculture and other government agencies.

My class of 1944 is immortalized in the graduation photo published in a scholarly book about

Greenbelt which is for sale at the Museum, "Greenbelt, Maryland: A Living Legacy of the New Deal" by Cathy D. Knepper. But our photo, on page 56, is mislabeled as the class of 1938. I've written to Dr. Knepper about the mistake and even spoke to her once in person, when she was in town for a lecture. Of course, Dickie Day is not in that June photo, having already left for the service.

There were 56 people in our class of 1944, coming from Greenbelt, Berwyn and Beltsville and we all knew each other. As our ranks get smaller, our memories grow more precious.

Dickie Day, rest in peace. - Kathleen (Scott) McFarland

Mishkan Torah Talk On Back Pain Relief

Sunday, September 15 at 10:30 a.m. Mishkan Torah's Adult Education Committee will sponsor a presentation on pain relief without drugs or surgery at the synagogue, 10 Ridge Road.

Dr. Daniel Kraus, a chiropractor who specializes in spinal corrections, will talk about benefits of structural rehabilitation for the spine, different types of pain, treatment and how best to manage each type of condition. He will also talk about non-drug therapies that help and may avoid unnecessary surgery. Afterward he will accept questions. At 9:30 a.m. refreshments can be purchased at the synagogue Coffee Klatch.

Kraus is a graduate of the University of Maryland and obtained his chiropractic degree at Life College in Marietta, Ga., with a chiropractic biophysics certification in 2008 and advanced certification in 2011.

In 2001 he founded the Terapin Care Center in College Park, which treats all ages with a multi-disciplinary approach to non-drug pain reduction that includes medical doctors, chiropractors and massage therapists. He also enjoys triathlons, live music, skiing, the outdoors and time with family and his two French bulldogs.

Greenbelt Community Church UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST Hillside & Crescent Roads Phone: 301-474-6171 mornings www.greenbeltucc.org Sunday Worship 10:15 a.m. Clara Young, Interim Pastor "A church of the open mind, the warm heart, the aspiring soul, and the social vision..."

Thou beholdest, O my God, how every bone in my body soundeth like a pipe with the music of Thine inspiration, revealing the signs of Thy oneness and the clear tokens of Thy unity. (Baha'u'llah) Greenbelt Bahá'í Community 1-800-22-UNITE 301-345-2918 Greenbelt.Bahai.Info@gmail.com www.bahai.us

BERWYN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH Rev. Mary Pullen - Pastor 301-474-7573 6301 Greenbelt Road Berwyn Heights, MD 20740 Worship : Sun 11:00 am - 12:00 pm (Child Care Available) Office Hours : Mon, Thu, Fri 9:00 am - 1:00 pm Tue, Wed 12:00 pm - 4:00 pm "A hospitable, multicultural community of faith"

ST. HUGH OF GRENABLE CATHOLIC CHURCH 135 Crescent Road, Greenbelt, MD 20770 301-474-4322 Mass Schedule: Sunday 8:00, 9:30, 11:00 a.m. Saturday 9:00 a.m., 5:00 p.m. Daily Mass: 7:15 a.m. Sacrament of Penance: Saturday 3:30-4:30 p.m. Pastor: Rev. Walter J. Tappe

Catholic Community of Greenbelt MASS Sundays 10 A.M. Municipal Building ALL ARE WELCOME.

Garden Tour Here On September 15

Sunday, September 15 from 1 to 5 p.m., 18 Greenbelt gardens will be open. Building on the theme "Less Lawn, More Life," the tour will feature gardens mainly used for something other than lawn - like perennials, shrubs and patios. Of the open gardens, 16 are in Greenbelt Homes, Inc. (GHI) and the other two are nearby, overlooking the lake.

All the garden addresses, garden descriptions, photos and some plant identifications will be available online at www.greenbeltlive.com/garden-tour. The webpage will also include a link to a custom Google map that tour-goers with mobile devices can use to find the gardens. A printed tour brochure will be available at the Greenbelt Museum anytime after 1 p.m. the day of the tour.

Garden Expo, Fall Festival in Clinton

The Prince George's County Master Gardeners invite all to a free open house Saturday, September 14 from noon to 5 p.m. Scheduled events at the County Extension Office, 6707 Groveton Drive in Clinton, include a plant sale and diagnostic clinic, raffles and give-aways, gardening presentations, tours of the demonstration gardens and garden art workshops.

This Gardening Expo and Fall Festival offers a day of fun for the whole family.

Kids Caboose Rolls into Bowie

On Tuesday, September 17 from 10:30 a.m. to noon the Bowie Railroad Museum will host the Kids Caboose. All children 1 to 10 are invited to attend this free session of railroad fun. For details call 301-575-2488.

Mowatt Memorial United Methodist Church 40 Ridge Road, Greenbelt Open hearts, Open minds, Open doors www.greenbeltumc.org 301-474-9410 Rev. Fay Lundin, Pastor Worship Service 10 a.m.

Greenbelt BAPTIST CHURCH 101 Greenhill Road Greenbelt, MD 20770 (301) 474-4212 www.greenbeltbaptist.org FREE! 11:00am Sunday Worship Service FREE! FREE CAR WASH! Saturday, September 14th 10:00am to 1:00pm

St. George's Episcopal Church Join us around a table where all are welcome! Services • Sundays 8 a.m. simple, quiet service (no music) 10 a.m. main service (music includes a mixture of acoustic guitar, piano and organ music) • Wednesdays 7 p.m. service with healing prayers (no music) 7010 Glenn Dale Road (Lanham-Severn Road & Glenn Dale Road) 301-262-3285 | rector@stgeo.org | www.stgeo.org

Mishkan Torah Congregation 10 Ridge Road, Greenbelt, MD 20770 Rabbi Jonathan Cohen Cantor Phil Greenfield Friday evening services 8:00 PM except first Friday of the month, when children's service begins at 7:30 PM Saturday morning services - 9:30 AM Children's Education, Adult Education, Social Action, etc. For further information call 301 474-4223 www.mishkantorah.org Conservative and Reconstructionist

Paint Branch Unitarian Universalist Church 3215 Powder Mill Road, Adelphi Phone: 301-937-3666 www.pbuuc.org Welcomes you to our open, nurturing community Sunday, September 15 at 10 a.m. Rev. Diane Teichert, Minister; Worship Associate Jonathan Mawdsley; Dayna Edwards, Director of Religious Exploration In our faith tradition, the cathedral image - "many windows, one light" - represents the diversity of the world's religions. Today we'll explore and celebrate how we at PBUUC draw from varied sources and differ in our theologies. Plan to stay for the Involvements Fair during Coffee Hour to explore the many ways to participate in PBUUC life!

## Reel and Meal Hits Six With Film "Bidder 70"

Monday, September 16 at 7 p.m., the Reel and Meal at the New Deal Café will celebrate its sixth anniversary with a showing of "Bidder 70" about Tim DeChristopher, with award-winning, D.C.-based journalist Will Potter as guest speaker. Potter focuses on eco-terrorism, the animal rights and environmental movements and civil liberties in the post-9/11 world.

Bidder 70 protagonist DeChristopher is regarded by some as an environmentalist, by others as an eco-terrorist. In 2008, having registered as a bidder issued the number 70, he disrupted a disputed Utah BLM Oil and Gas auction slated for oil and gas leases and thus blocked the use of thousands of acres of untouched Utah land. He outbid oil industry giants on land parcels situated adjacent to, among others, Canyonlands National Park. He won 22,000 acres worth \$1.7 million before the auction was halted.

Two months later U.S. Interior Secretary Ken Salazar invalidated the auction and DeChristopher was indicted on two federal felonies with a possible 10-year prison sentence and \$750,000 in fines.

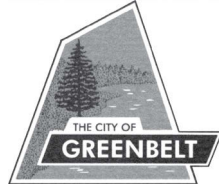
He continued his activism and co-founded the grassroots group Peaceful Uprising. In 2011 the case came to trial and DeChristopher was found guilty.

In July 2011 he was sentenced to two years to be served immediately and removed from court in custody. Viewers are left to judge whether this is civil disobedience or eco-terrorism.

The discussion afterward will be led by Potter, author of a Kirkus Star-award (for remarkable merit) book "Green Is The New Red: An Insider's Account of a Social Movement Under Siege," which will be available for him to sign.

This month's program is sponsored by the Green Vegan Network. As usual, the Reel and Meal program is preceded by a special vegan buffet for purchase starting at 6:30 p.m.

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# City Information

### The Labor Day event winners at the Youth Center are as follows:

- Youth Table Tennis Winner – Zion Utsey
- 3pt Contest Winner 16 & Over – Alec Casey
- 3pt Contest Winner 15 & Under – Noah Cohen-Mitchell
- Two Ball Winners 16 & Over – Dezmon Moore & Dearyus Jackson
- Two Ball Winners 15 & Under – Greg Mims & Scott Mason

**Congratulations to all.**

**We hope you enjoyed the events.**

### REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL CITY OF GREENBELT

Defining a Role and Strategy for the City of Greenbelt in Economic Development

The City of Greenbelt invites proposals for a consultant to help shape and define a role and strategy for the City of Greenbelt, a municipal corporation, in economic development. Interested consultants and firms should provide an original and two (2) copies of their response/ proposal in a sealed envelope titled "Proposal to Define Economic Development Role for the City of Greenbelt".

Proposals shall be delivered to the City of Greenbelt, attn.: Michael McLaughlin, City Manager, 25 Crescent Road, Greenbelt, MD 20770.

The deadline for submission of proposals is 2 p.m. on Monday, October 14, 2013. A pre-submission conference is scheduled for 10 a.m., Wednesday, October 2, 2013 in the Council Chambers of the Greenbelt Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road, Greenbelt, Maryland. Attendance is not mandatory.

A more detailed description of the project is available on the city's website at Greenbelt CityLink, www.greenbeltmd.gov.

### The City of Greenbelt welcomes the 91st Annual Convention of the Prince George's County Volunteer Fire & Rescue Association and 83rd Annual Convention of the Ladies Auxiliary.

Events are open to the public.

- Saturday, September 14th at 10am there will be contests at Braden Field (behind Youth Center at 99 Centerway) including a Bucket Brigade Competition.
- Sunday, September 15 at 1pm, teams will compete in vehicle extrication competitions and a rodeo contest at the rear parking lot of the Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department, 125 Crescent Road
- Saturday, September 21 at 10am, parade on Crescent Road between St. Hugh's and Gardenway featuring antique and modern fire apparatus. After the parade there will be more competitions held in the back lot of the Fire Department.

**Join the fun as the county's bravest show off their skills!**

Discover your community. Greenbelt celebrates **Active Aging Week**



September 22-28

A week of fun

intergenerational events!

Events include a **FASHION SHOW AND SALE** on Wednesday, September 25 at 1:30pm at the Greenbelt Community Center Gym and

the **ANNUAL SENIOR FORUM** on Saturday, September 28th from 1-2:30pm at the Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Road in the Multipurpose Room.

Other events include free workouts at Greenbelt Curves, Balance Training, Yoga, Fitness Programs, Wii Get Active, Water Aerobics, Produce Distribution, Knit and Crochet, 4 on 4 Basketball and much more!

Download the complete schedule at [www.greenbeltmd.gov](http://www.greenbeltmd.gov)

### MEETINGS FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 16-20

Monday, September 16 at 8:00pm **COUNCIL WORK SESSION**-Green ACES Report/Sustainability Plan at Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road. Live on Verizon 21, Comcast 71 and Streaming at [www.greenbeltmd.gov](http://www.greenbeltmd.gov)

Tuesday, September 17 at 8:00pm, **COUNCIL WORK SESSION** - Greenbelt Theater at Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road. Live on Verizon 21, Comcast 71 and Streaming at [www.greenbeltmd.gov](http://www.greenbeltmd.gov)

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

### Notice of Charter Amendment Resolution

At its regular meeting of September 9, 2013, the City Council adopted a resolution to amend the City Charter. As required by state law, this resolution will be posted in its entirety for 40 days, until October 19, 2013, at the Municipal Building, as well as on the City's Web site at [www.greenbeltmd.gov](http://www.greenbeltmd.gov). Copies may also be requested of the City Clerk. It will become effective on October 29, 2013, unless a proper petition to submit the amendment to the voters on a referendum is filed as permitted by law. As also required by state law, this notice is given to provide a fair summary of the resolution.

### Charter Amendment Resolution No. 2013-1

A Resolution of the City of Greenbelt Adopted Pursuant to the Authority of Article XI-E of the Constitution of Maryland and Section 13 of Article 23A of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition as Amended), Title, Corporation-Municipal," Subtitle "Home Rule" to Amend the Charter of the City of Greenbelt Found, in Whole or In Part, in the Compilation of Municipal Charters of Maryland (1983 Edition as Amended), as Prepared by the Department of Legislative Services Pursuant to Chapter 77 of the Acts of the General Assembly of Maryland of 1983, by Adding Section 58B Titled "Financing of City Retirement and Pension Plans" (Charter Amendment Resolution No. 2013-1)

Purpose: To add a section to the City Charter to allow the City to use bond financing to pay liabilities in all retirement and pension plans as they occur.

For additional information, contact Cindy Murray, City Clerk, at 301-474-8000 or [cmurray@greenbeltmd.gov](mailto:cmurray@greenbeltmd.gov).

### VACANCIES ON BOARDS & COMMITTEES

Volunteer to serve on City Council Advisory Groups. There are currently vacancies on: Arts Advisory Board, Greenbelt Advisory Committee on Environmental Sustainability, and Youth Advisory Committee  
**For information call 301-474-8000.**

### DONATION DROP-OFF

American Rescue Workers  
 Saturday, September 14th, from 9:00 a.m.-12:00 noon  
 Parking lot between City Office and Community Center  
 Info: City of Greenbelt Recycling Office at 301-474-8308

**LIKE US ON FACEBOOK!** [www.facebook.com/cityofgreenbelt](http://www.facebook.com/cityofgreenbelt)  
 Visit [www.greenbeltmd.gov](http://www.greenbeltmd.gov) for city information and events.



### I NEED A HOME! VISIT ME AT THE GREENBELT ANIMAL SHELTER

550A Crescent Rd  
 (rear of the Greenbelt Police Station),  
 (240) 508-7533  
**Come out and visit all of our available pets!**  
 The shelter is open on Wednesdays from 4-7pm and on Saturdays from 9am-12pm or by appointment. See all our pets on Facebook!

### Holy Cross Thrift Store

Every Thursday  
 10am – 4pm

Good, clean clothes for women, men and children!  
 Shoes, jewelry, books, etc.

6905 Greenbelt Road  
 Greenbelt, Md. 301-345-5111

## Smoke-free Row Celebrates

by Judy Bell

At the Greenbelt Homes, Inc. Annual Meeting in May this year, the membership voted 98 to 32 to allow any row in the cooperative to change its Membership Owner Contracts in order to be smoke free. On Thursday, September 5 a party was held at the home of Jon and Judy Bell to celebrate units A through H in the 13 Court of Ridge Road becoming the first row to be proclaimed smoke-free.

A Smoke-Free Restriction Addendum to Cooperative Housing Proprietary Lease and Mutual Ownership Contract had been completed and signed by each

member, pledging that there will be no smoking inside each of their units. One of the items included in the addendum states "Member and Greenbelt Homes, Inc. agree that any person to whom Member's equity in the Perpetual Use of this unit is sold must have this smoke-free restriction addendum to the Mutual Ownership Contract (MOC) in order to be approved by the Board of Directors as a member."

Each unit in the row of eight was represented at the gathering. Each owner had completed the necessary paperwork to make his/her unit smoke-free in perpetuity.



From left, Linda Curtis, Jon Bell, Andrea Marcavitch with children Beatrice and Graham, Annie Hilliard, Susan Cahill, Tom Payne, Shohba Duncan, Elizabeth Jay, Barbara Payne and Judy Bell. Not pictured are Bill Duncan and Aaron Marcavitch.

Photo by Eszter Hernold, Hungarian exchange student

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increase accordingly.

### Park User Fees

Council had referred to the Park and Recreation Advisory Board (PRAB) a suggestion from a resident to impose a daily use fee for non-residents at Buddy Attick Park. In its report back to council, PRAB did not support this idea, considering it to be logistically impossible and likely to cost as much to implement as it would yield in revenue. Recreation Department staff concurred with that recommendation, adding that imposing a parking fee might encourage visitors to seek parking in nearby residential areas.

PRAB suggested that an alternative for increasing revenue might be to construct a shade structure at the group picnic area to replace lost shade trees, with the goal of increasing use and revenues in that area. Council agreed not to pursue the daily use fee and to discuss the shade structure when the Attick Park Master Plan is revised.

### Finding the Police Dept.

Council received a report from the Advisory Planning Board (APB) making suggestions for placement of additional directional signs to the Greenbelt Police Department. Following its annual open forum on safety, the Senior Citizens Advisory Committee had requested improved signage to assist drivers to locate the police department. Council referred the matter to APB. This topic and the APB report will be discussed at a future council meeting.

### Awards of Purchase

Council approved purchase of five Ford Police Interceptor utility vehicles for general patrol duty to replace older vehicles being retired from the fleet. This purchase was included in the Fiscal Year 2014 budget at an amount up to \$175,000. The vehicles will be purchased on a State of Maryland bid from Hertrich Fleet Services in Milford, Delaware at a total of \$130,365.

The FY14 Capital Projects budget includes \$192,200 for street resurfacing projects, \$30,000 for base repair and \$20,000 for miscellaneous concrete work throughout the city. NZI Construction Corporation and VMP Construction Company, both of which have done satisfactory street work for the city in the past, are able to undertake this year's work for the city at the rates negotiated on their existing contract with the county. The city council voted to authorize the city manager to contract with both companies.

### Advisory Groups

Nicole Williams was appointed to the Advisory Planning Board. The city council also removed from the Youth Advisory Committee five members who had not attended meetings or replied to attempted communications in some time.

### Preparedness

Earlier on the agenda was the reading and presentation of a proclamation by Mayor Judith Davis declaring Greenbelt's participation in National Prepared-

ness Month, during which the U.S. Department of Homeland Security educates all Americans in how to prepare for emergencies in their homes, businesses and schools.

The proclamation was presented to Ken Silberman, coordinator of the Greenbelt Community Emergency Response Team (CERT); Kris White, chair of the Greenbelt Homes, Inc. Companion Animal Committee (CAC); Laura Kressler, chair of the Greenbelt Public Safety Advisory Committee; and a number of members of CERT and the CAC. White announced that CAC is sponsoring an "Are You Ready?" educational event in Roosevelt Center on Sunday, September 29 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. featuring various public safety agencies, disaster response groups and other resources.

## Owens Science Center Program on Equinox

On Friday, September 20 at 7 p.m. Howard B. Owens Science Center will hold a special fall equinox planetarium program, "Be Careful What You Summon (a Kane Chronicles Adventure)," for children, parents and interested community members.

Owens Science Center is at 9601 Greenbelt Road, Lanham. For more information, visit [www1.pgcps.org/howardbowens/](http://www1.pgcps.org/howardbowens/), call 301-918-8750 or email Russell Waugh at [russell.waugh@pgcps.org](mailto:russell.waugh@pgcps.org) or Patty Seaton at [patty.seaton@pgcps.org](mailto:patty.seaton@pgcps.org).



# GREENBELT STATION

LIVE CONNECTED

## SETTLE IN WITHOUT SETTLING DOWN

Your life? It's on the go. You've got things to do, places to be and people to see. So where can you buy a new home you can afford, without getting stuck with a crazy commute or tied down with maintenance? Greenbelt Station.

You can walk to the Metro. Commute to Baltimore, Rockville or D.C. Living here, you can finally own a brand new home, and stay in the center of everything.

**Ryan  
Homes**

202.669.8696

**NVHomes**

240.778.8559



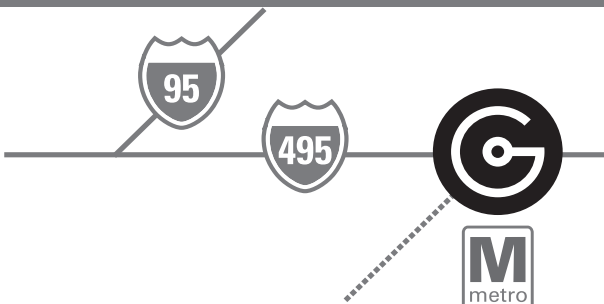
To learn more and join our VIP list, visit:  
**GreenbeltStationGNR.com**

Condominiums and townhomes by Ryan Homes from the low \$300s. Luxury townhomes by NVHomes from the low \$400s.

**Brokers warmly welcomed.**

**Directions:** I-495 to Exit 23. Go South. Take exit for MD-193. Turn right on MD-193. Community on right in 1 mile.

Pursuant to Maryland Code Section 10-710 of the Real Property Article, for any community in Prince George's County in which certain community amenities are to be built, a disclosure will be provided to each homebuyer listing the community amenities to be constructed in the community and the completion date for each amenity. The homebuyer will have a period of 5 days to review the disclosure in which to rescind the Purchase Agreement. MHBR No. 56



### Our Neighbors

Welcome and congratulations to Matthew Thomas McLaughlin, son of City Manager Michael McLaughlin and his wife Leslie, who recently moved to Greenbelt with his wife and will be teaching printmaking in a Greenbelt Recreation Department arts class this fall.

It was nice to see Sophia Kean visiting on Lakeside this week and taking work-related classes.

Get-well wishes to Keith Chernikoff of Boxwood as he recuperates from heart surgery that took place in California where he'd traveled on a business trip.

Happy 95th birthday to long-time Greenbelter Anthony Morris. He and his wife Ruth are now living at Malta House, an assisted-living facility associated with the Archdiocese of Washington. Their daughter Cam Esser reports that they are doing fine and would enjoy hearing from friends and neighbors. Their address is: Malta House, Room 2, 4916 LaSalle Road, Hyattsville, MD 20782.

To send information for "Our Neighbors" email us at [newsreview@verizon.net](mailto:newsreview@verizon.net) or leave a message at 301-474-6892.

- Kathleen McFarland

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Vocational education classes in technical subjects start Monday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>. Earn valuable certifications in Linux, Windows, Website Development, Databases, Networking, and Security. Scholarships for at-risk youth and unemployed are available. Speed over to [GTI.club125.com](http://GTI.club125.com) for more information.

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Programs and activities for homeschool families start with Botany at the Club on September 9<sup>th</sup>, and Intro to the Scientific Method with Bubbles on September 16<sup>th</sup>. Check our online schedule for more info, and become a support volunteer.



Our Fall membership drive is in progress. Help us reach our goal and continue to support our mission. See [club125.com](http://club125.com).

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# Police Blotter

Based on information released by the Greenbelt Police Department, <http://www.greenbeltd.gov/police/index.htm>, link in left frame to "Weekly Report" or [http://www.greenbeltd.gov/police/weekly\\_report.pdf](http://www.greenbeltd.gov/police/weekly_report.pdf).

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

## Robbery

August 29, 5:27 a.m., 6000 block Springhill Drive. A man was in the parking lot checking his flat tire when two men wearing face coverings approached him, one armed with a handgun. He went through the man's pockets and took his wallet. Both robbers then fled on foot.

August 29, 9:22 p.m., 5800 block Cherrywood Lane. A man approached a pizza delivery person walking back to his vehicle after making a delivery, produced a handgun and demanded money. After getting money he fled on foot.

September 2, 3:43 a.m., 5700 block Cherrywood Lane. Two men got out of a car in the parking lot of the Food Mart, approached another man and demanded money. They punched him several times and took money from his pocket, fleeing in a black 4-door Ford Taurus with Md. tags. The car was driven by a third person, a female. The injured man was transported by ambulance to Washington Adventist Hospital.

September 2, 5:20 a.m., 6100 Breezewood Court. Two men approached a man leaving an apartment building and indicated they were going to rob him. He punched one of the robbers, a scuffle ensued and the robbers fled on foot. The man received a minor cut to his arm from what he believed was a knife.

September 4, 11:19 p.m., 8100 block Bird Lane. A man armed with a gun approached a woman walking to a home and demanded the bag she was carrying. He fled on foot with the bag.

## Assault

September 2, 6:45 a.m., Ora Glen Drive and South Ora Court. A man sitting in the passenger seat of an SUV pointed a handgun at a woman as she was walking down the street. She ran into the woods and the SUV drove away with the man still in it. The SUV is gold in color and has D.C. license plates.

## Arrests

August 29, 12:10 a.m., 6460 Capitol Drive. A 25-year-old nonresident man was arrested and charged with second degree assault and disorderly conduct after an altercation in the parking lot of T.G.I. Friday. He was transferred to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner pending trial. The injured person was treated on the scene and released.

August 30, 10:15 a.m., 7601 Hanover Parkway. Two Greenbelt residents, one 18 years old and the other 17, and a 16-year-old nonresident were arrested for theft

after allegedly stealing money from an office inside Eleanor Roosevelt Senior High School. The 18-year-old also was charged with possessing a concealed deadly weapon (knife) on school grounds and was transferred to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner. The two youths were released to adults pending action by the Juvenile Justice System.

September 1, 3:43 p.m., 8200 block Canning Terrace. A 14 year-old Greenbelt youth was arrested for stealing a bike. He was released to a parent pending action by the Juvenile Justice System.

September 4, Kenilworth Avenue at Route 495. Two non-resident men were arrested and charged with motor vehicle theft, malicious destruction and resisting arrest when it was discovered the car they were in was reported stolen by D.C. Metropolitan Police. Officers followed the car to the 6200 block of Annapolis Road in Landover Hills, where the driver struck a curb in an attempt to flee the scene, disabling the car. Both the driver and passenger tried to flee on foot but were captured after a short foot chase. They were transferred to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner.

## Burglary

August 30, 12:33 a.m., 100 block Westway. Officers responded to a report of several suspicious persons near a storage trailer. Upon arrival they saw a man jump the fence and flee on foot. They found that a lock on the storage trailer had been tampered with.

August 31, 10:49 a.m., 7600 block Hanover Drive. A doorknob was damaged but nothing was reported taken.

August 29, 4:18 p.m., 7700 block Mandan Road. Money was taken.

September 4, 6:50 p.m., 9100 block Springhill Lane. A door was tampered with but no entry occurred.

## Theft

August 29, 11:15 a.m., 37 Crescent Road area. An unattended leaf blower was taken.

## Vandalism

August 31, 7:14 a.m., 4 Court Gardenway. Unknown person(s) vandalized a park bench.

## Vehicle Crime

A Toyota Camry reported to Prince George's County police as stolen was located in the 7600 block Greenbelt Road. The owner said the car had been misplaced, not stolen.

A VIP motor scooter stolen from the 6900 block Hanover Parkway was recovered by D.C. Metropolitan Police with no ar-

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PHOTO BY ERIC ZHANG

Display boards at the summer picnic present information on the four honorees.

to scheduling conflicts, and Councilmember Leta Mach was away on a vacation scheduled before plans were made for the event).

The potluck affair offered a variety of healthy fare and delectable desserts, along with photos that took the attendees back to earlier days of the honored quartet. It gave all a chance to remember and to reflect on their contributions. Each left a legacy exemplified by a steadfast conviction to resolving differences peaceably.

The Peace and Justice Coalition, through presentations by Maggie Cahalan and Barbara Stevens, proposed an additional grove of trees, four benches arranged in a circle and a plaque to remind area residents of the Coalition's commitments to four principles – peace, social justice, environmental stewardship and creativity. The group calls these four principles a "quadrathon" – a spiritual challenge that calls for participants to pledge to perform a good deed in each of the four categories and recruit sponsors to support them. The newly designated park area would be dedicated to the four honorees. The setting would offer people at Buddy Attick Lake Park an opportunity to peacefully reflect on their work and to inspire their own spirit, which is necessary to meet future challenges.

To some, the atmosphere – which features pieces from the labor and peace movements, stories and jokes – might remind viewers of the 60s. What really penetrated even for those younger than 50 was that the effort to meet the four challenges was motivated by a sustained spark of patriotism.

Many of those attending the 50th Anniversary of the March

rests made.

Money was taken from a car parked in the Beltway Plaza parking lot.

Vandalism was reported in the 7900 block Mandan Road (hood ornament was broken off) and in the 7500 block Greenway Center Drive (tires were punctured and the paint scratched).

on Washington were similarly motivated by determination to create positive change through peaceful means.

Each of four speakers at the lake picnic shared their memories of those being honored. Mosi Harrington spoke of the perpetual passion of Esther Webb. Jennine Auerbach expressed the quiet but powerful resolve of her father Bob Auerbach. Tony Langbehn told of Bert Donn's inner strength that allowed him to address issues calmly and intelligently with those who opposed his views. I spoke of Doug Love as someone always exploring new ways to improve life in Greenbelt through his work with Greenbelt Access Television, the Greenbelt Arts Center, the city's forest preserve and the observatory. These tributes to the honorees were followed by singing, led by Herb Ettl.

Those who wish to participate in the "quadrathon" challenge should visit [www.CHEARS.org](http://www.CHEARS.org). Donations may be mailed to Margaret Cahalan, 4 Maplewood Court, Greenbelt, MD 20770. For more information, contact Barbara Stevens at 301-513-7293 or [stvn@greenbelt.com](mailto:stvn@greenbelt.com).

*Donna Hoffmeister and Hopi Auerbach contributed to this article.*

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Island Avenue and Southway and the other includes Kenilworth Avenue from Good Luck Road to the I-495 junction. The scope of the project includes resurfacing the roadways, repairing traffic inlets and barriers and upgrading sidewalk ramps. In response to a question by Jordan, the SHA engineers stated that the SHA has a new program to make improvements to sidewalks but when completed the jurisdiction is responsible for any repairs or necessary upgrades.

Of particular concern to council were the intersections of the Baltimore-Washington Parkway ramp at Southway (needs a crosswalk; timing of the signal makes wait times excessive) and of Greenbelt Road at Southway (which has been an ongoing issue for years and needs pedestrian improvements). The SHA representatives agreed to look into these situations.

The SHA engineers announced that a traffic signal phasing study of Greenbelt's intersections is slated to be performed. The studies are done every three years with the goal of ensuring a smooth flow of traffic. The engineers asked if council was aware of any intersections of concern and was told that the intersection of Greenbelt Road and Hanover Parkway, especially in the morning, is problematic.

The discussion of items of shared interest brought up such varied topics as the Powder Mill Road intersection with Route 1, in which the bridge is in need of repair (a major and expensive project for which no timeframe was given); the schedule for mowing median strips (three mows a year); and any relationship the SHA has with PEPCO regarding the tree trimming on Greenbelt Road near Mandan Road. (SHA was directed to work with the city manager on coordinating with PEPCO, the local homeowner associations and GEAC).

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Labor Day Festival

# Peace & Justice Labor Day Sequester Game Results

At this year's Labor Day Festival Information Day, a Penny Poll was again offered by Prince George's Peace & Justice Coalition. This time the do-it-yourself federal budget – "Your Tax\$, Your Prioritie\$" – was turned into a Sequester Game.

Presenting a row of jars with discretionary budget-item labels, Coalition volunteers asked visitors not to add their allotments of pennies but to subtract them at the roughly five percent scale of the overall federal funding cuts. This Festival sequester game differed from the real one in that it called for thought-out customized cuts, not ones equal across all budget items. Game players had free choice though the unspoken hunch of Peace & Justice was that "current military operations" was one jar ripe for sharp cuts. Beneath the posted game rules was a sign that asked "What exactly is the U.S. defending," when the nation can't manage to rebuild infrastructure, nourish and heal and teach its people and protect the environment?

The actual sequester started out as a kind of game too. No one was expected to like it. It wasn't supposed to take effect. Congress along with the people have so far lost a gamble that arbitrary spending limits would somehow clear the fog on Capitol Hill and jumpstart constructive decision-making about national priorities. Two years on, that comes into question.

It is fearful the sequester game was a similar dud – with visitors evidently preferring spending a buck over saving it, putting off difficult decisions and ignoring inconvenient rules. A majority of players declined to play and many who started stopped short, saying "This is too hard!" The Coalition thought the directions plain enough: "Just say no to 20 pennies – move them from these pots to the debt reduction fund." That may mean the rules were too ironclad or hard-hearted.

## GCAN Holds First Fall Meeting Tues.

On Tuesday, September 17 at 7 p.m. the Greenbelt Climate Action Network (GCAN) resumes meeting after a summer break. The fall meetings start with a number of local GCAN volunteers and activists sharing information about their summer experiences – rallies, walks, sit-ins, updates about fracking, CSX, the Keystone pipeline, State Department sit-in, Walk for Our Grandchildren, Citizens United and court cases.

The meeting will also outline planned fall activities and campaigns, Greenbelt's new "Green Team," planned visits to the offices of Ingrid Turner and Steny Hoyer and GCAN activities related to several pending crucial issues. Megan Jenny from the Chesapeake Climate Action Network will preview fall campaigns.

Three new discussion circles on climate change, peer support and going green at home will be introduced. If time permits, updates on several other campaigns are planned. All are invited to come learn what is happening and to get involved.

They say the only player who seemed to relish the game had a libertarian bent and would have okayed wiping out all the pots. Several were willing to withdraw a few pennies from a couple jars but wanted to shift them to more favored ones, not all the way out of circulation. Like many Americans, one held back from questioning the military pot: "Oh we can't touch that" – seeming to regard it as equivalent to national security broadly defined, underpinning all public good. Another, in tune with the unspoken hunch, chose to move not just 20 pennies but the whole military pot to jars for varied community needs.

What lessons can be drawn from the sequester game is one question the Coalition had. It was hard. So is the real one. Isn't that all the more reason first to do some hard thinking about fundamental social values and the proper role of government in setting and reaching social goals for the common good? Perhaps the effort should be to try harder to inspire neighbors to be serious-thinking, active citizens. Wouldn't a more rational budget follow, if enough people speak up for breaking the sequester cage and supporting fair taxes sufficient to meet our vital social needs? The Coalition's take was that would be a game everyone together can hope to win.



Members and friends of the Maryland Christian Fellowship Community Church gathered to begin their big facelift project at the Eleanor Roosevelt High School bleachers.

## MCF Church Paints ERHS Bleachers

The Maryland Christian Fellowship (MCF) Community Church, which meets at 7810 Walker Drive in the Hilton Garden Inn, spent the day Saturday, August 24 on a big face-lift project, a Paint-a-Thon on the bleachers at Eleanor Roosevelt High School (ERHS).

Participants in the project included ERHS Principal Reginald McNeill, ERHS Athletic Director and Coach Tom Green, along with students in the school's Truth, Love and Character (TLC) group. For over six hours, an energetic group of 120 students (who received service-hour credits for their contribution), along with other participants, applied 90 gallons of paint over 36,000 feet of bleachers.

Pastor Jeff Warner of the church said the purpose of the

project was to demonstrate that the gifts of serving and giving have to be experienced to be received and to reflect God's love.

MCF Community Church, which is informal, offers contemporary music. It was founded two years ago and helped to start the College Park Food Bank.

It has also held two free gas giveaways that were covered in the News Review and picked up



by NBC TV. More information about the church is available at [www.MCF-cc.org](http://www.MCF-cc.org).

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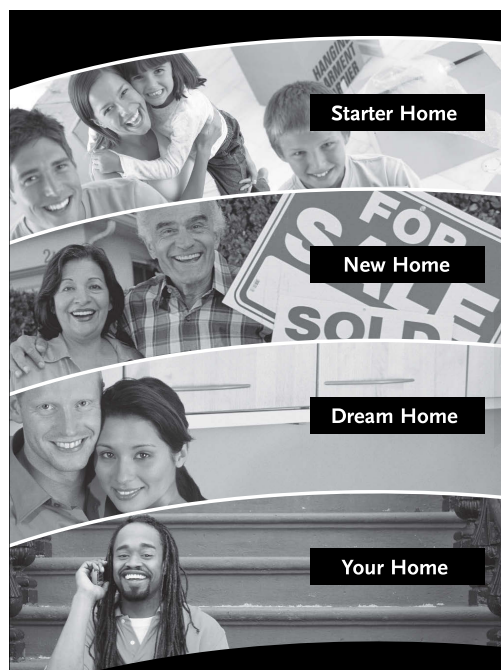
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**Café's Blues Festival Is this Weekend**

This week local Greenbelters have been donning their Blues Festival T-shirts from years past and making their routine walks through the Roosevelt Center. One can almost hear the slide guitar and soulful, bluesy vocals flooding through the walls of the New Deal Café and cascading onto the passersby.



**The Paulverizers will play at the Greenbelt Blues Festival this weekend.**

The Greenbelt Blues Festival will be back in full swing this weekend, featuring 10 different performers over the course of the event. There will be some of last year's favorites like Fast Eddie & The Slowpokes and The Paulverizers and new faces on the festival stage including Anthony "Swamp Dog" Clark with the Billy Thompson Band delivering electrifying guitar-work and a mystical musical presence. The Unruly Blues Band will wrap up the festival and sending the audience home with smiles.

The Greenbelt Blues Festival 2013 will be held Saturday, September 14 outside at Roosevelt Center from 1 to 8 p.m. When the sun goes down, music will

continue inside in the New Deal Café, finishing off the festival from 8 to 11 p.m. Chef Karim will prepare a special menu featuring a blues burger.

The yearly blues festival is sponsored by Friends of New Deal Café Arts & Beltway Plaza with support from the City of Greenbelt.

— Drew Noneman

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## Looking Back on 1963 March For Jobs and 50 Years Later

by Jerome Dancis

In 1963 I rode overnight in a chartered bus to the March on Washington for Jobs and Freedom from the University of Wisconsin, where I was a 23-year-old student. In 2013 I rode the Metro with two of my children, Ronit and Daniel, to the 50th anniversary of the march. Ronit and Daniel both attended Eleanor Roosevelt High School.

In 1963 my cousin Bruce, then 15, and his aunt rode on a railway car chartered by Local 1199 of the Hospital Workers Union, one of New York's most racially integrated trade unions. His eloquently told story, '63 March on Washington Stirred Teen's Activist Heart, appeared in the August 25, 2013, Sacramento Bee.

On August 22, 2013, I rode the Green Line Metro to attend a book reading from "The March on Washington: Jobs, Freedom and the Forgotten History of Civil Rights" by its author, William P. Jones. From Jones I learned that President John F. Kennedy had proposed a Civil Rights Act two months before the march. The surprisingly massive turnout of the actual march pushed Congress to add a Fair Employment Practices clause to Kennedy's bill.

This clause prohibited employers, unions and government officials from discriminating against workers on the basis of race, religion, national origin or gender. Actually and fortunately, the prohibition on the basis of gender was added on as a poison-pill amendment by Southern Democrats.

### Rustin Tribute

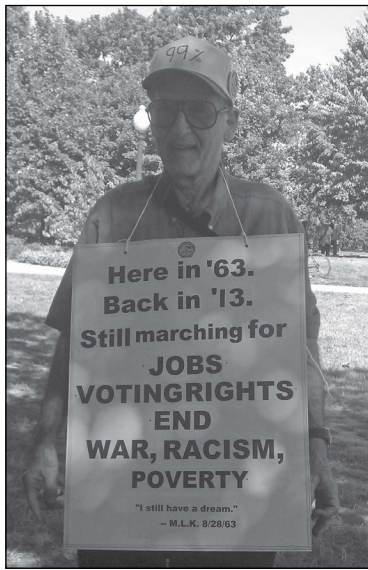
On August 26, 2013, I rode the Green Line Metro to the Lincoln Theater in Washington to attend: "A Tribute to Bayard Rustin and the 50th Anniversary of the 1963 March on Washington." Rustin had been the chief organizer of the march.

His office coordinated the "get-out-the-marchers" work and issued an organizing manual whose "Immediate Task 3 - Organize the Unemployed for the March" stated: "It will serve no purpose to hold a March for Jobs and Freedom if unemployed people are not able to come and add their voices and presence to the demonstration."

From both Jones and my cousin I learned that A. Philip Randolph and Bayard Rustin had proposed a march on Washington in 1941 to end racial discrimination in the war industries, an anti-lynching law and desegregation of the Army and Navy. They carried on negotiation and compromise with President Franklin D. Roosevelt.

Roosevelt then issued Executive Order 8802 banning discrimination in the defense industries during World War II and the 1941 march was then called off.

A. Philip Randolph was the organizer and president of the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters, the first predominantly black labor union. He was the head of the 1963 March on Washington for Jobs and Freedom. Many of the 10 main speeches at the 1963 march emphasized jobs. King's speech, however, was an exception.



Jerome Dancis

Jones noted in his August 28, 2013, New York Times op-ed piece that "[Randolph pointed out] that black workers were restricted to entry-level jobs that were most vulnerable to the automation and offshoring of manufacturing . . . he warned that without measures to end discrimination and create more jobs, blacks would be condemned to struggling for survival 'within the grey shadows of a hopeless hope.'"

### Jobs Outsourced

Today, it is whites and blacks and Hispanics who have seen their jobs automated or outsourced. Full-time jobs with living wages and union protection are not available to many. Now even many recent white college graduates are without full-time jobs with living wages. This was unheard of in 1963.

Since 1963 black and Hispanic upper-middle classes have been created, along with black and Hispanic millionaires. But the middle classes and the poor, - black, white and Hispanic - have taken a beating.

Two of President Roosevelt's four freedoms were freedom from want and freedom from fear. Economic want and fear, however, have greatly increased for the many during our current mini-depression. Yes, there has been economic advancement for the few.

As U. S. Senator Bernie Sanders (Socialist) noted last week: "There has been some real progress in breaking down barriers of discrimination and segregation, . . . [but] in terms of unemployment, low wages and more wealth disparity, we are worse off than we were in 1963."

In 1963 there was a 70 percent income tax bracket for the rich. In 2013 the debate is whether to tax the rich at 36 percent or 39 percent. This great reduction in taxes on the rich is what is keeping our state and county governments poor and forcing them to cut needed services to all.

As Lawrence Mishel, president of the Economic Policy Institute (EPI) noted: "Ever since [around 1978], each administration and Congress have made choices - expanding trade, deregulating finance and weakening welfare - that helped the rich and hurt everyone else. Inequality didn't just happen. . . . The government created it."

## Two Marches To Remember

by Barbara Simon

The excellent article by Lois Blades Rosado recounting her experiences marching 50 years ago last month and then again on August 24 this year for the commemoration of the 50th anniversary of the March on Washington, prompted me to send in my memories.

Fifty years ago as a 20-year-old art student spending the summer with my parents in Greenbelt where I was born and grew up, I marched with my sister Kathleen and some friends in the march. My dad, John McGee, was planning to join the group going from the Community Church to the march but we later found out that he mistook the time and missed the bus. Somehow he got to U.S. Rt. 1 and there hitched a ride with a bus of black church members from the deep South. He spent the whole march with them singing gospel church hymns and sharing their lunches. When he told us his adventures that evening we thought those kind people who took him along must have been really patient: my dad loved to sing and did it loudly but although he loved music, he had a tin ear and always sang off key!

I wonder if there is anyone else who went from Greenbelt to the march? My older daughter Julia and I attended the commemoration march on August 28 with our friends Ray and Barbara Stevens, who also had marched in the first march 50 years ago, although they did not live in Greenbelt at the time. I wore a little tag around my neck that said "I Was Here 50 Years Ago."

It was a wonderful experience, especially hearing the President speak in the same place we had heard Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. so long ago.

## GAIL Again Will Offer Brain Fitness Classes

The Greenbelt Assistance in Living (GAIL) program has announced registration and dates for its 2013 Brain Fitness programs. The free program will continue over a six week period in October and November.

Expanded from prior Brain Fitness programs this year will include a Wii Brain Challenge game, Ageless Grace, strategy games and various puzzles and word searches that can be completed independently. Last year participants saw an increase of 28 percent in memory, recall and executive functioning.

Registration is required and will begin on Monday, September 16. Call Greenbelt CARES at 301-345-6660 to register. Once registered, participants will meet with GAIL staff for an initial assessment and begin the Brain Fitness routine.

## Camp Fire to Hold Open House Friday

A Camp Fire Information Meeting for interested parents and adults will be held Friday, September 13 from 1 to 6 p.m. at the Camp Fire Office, 9176 Springhill Lane.

For more information contact Camp Fire at CampFireInfo@gmail.com or call 240-391-6246.

## Lehman to Speak at Dems Meeting

The Eleanor & Franklin Roosevelt Democratic Club's guest speaker on Friday, September 20 at the Greenbriar Community Building is County Councilperson Mary Lehman. She will address the challenges Prince George's County faces related to the Affordable Health Care Act, consider how area residents will access care and discuss the new Maryland health insurance marketplace. Her talk will showcase major legislation planned for the coming council session.

Lehman, who grew up in Greenbelt as the daughter of Irene Hensel a long-time active Greenbelter, has a B.A. in journalism from the University of Maryland. She served as educational liaison to former County

Council Member Tom Dernoga and was elected to serve the Laurel District in 2010. She is chair of the Transportation, Housing and Environment Committee and serves on the Washington Council of Government's Metropolitan Washington Air Quality Committee.

This event is one of nine monthly meetings the Eleanor & Franklin Roosevelt Club holds each year. The Club, founded in 1976, has provided a venue for speakers such as Congressman Steny Hoyer, Senators Cardin, Sarbanes and Mikulski and most recently Lt. Governor Anthony Brown.

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