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American Legion Hosts Annual Public Safety Awards Program

by Clarice Silber

The Greenbelt community came together to recognize four honorees at the 26th Annual Public Safety Program, which was hosted by the Greenbelt American Legion Post 136 on November 1.

This year's event honored Greenbelt Police Officer Gerald "Jerry" W. Potts III, Officer Matthew J. Manning of the U.S. Park Police, Firefighter Charles "Doug" Hess of the Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad and Brian Abbott of the Greenbelt Department of Public Works.

Then-mayor of Greenbelt, Judith F. Davis, opened the event and thanked all of the public safety first responders in the room for their work within the community. Davis noted the many incidents that required the help of public safety in the past year, including Hurricane Sandy, the Sandy Hook Elementary School shooting and the Washington Navy Yard shooting.

"We depend on our public safety first responders who work with people and save people every week, every day," Davis said.

Greenbelt Police Chief

James Craze said the Greenbelt Police Department has a special relationship with Post 136 because of the many veterans in the department that are members of the Legion.

"This is a wonderful event, it's been going on for 26 years. I really like it because it's a hometown, home spun kind of thing. It's a very close tie and it's nice to be appreciated," Craze said. Craze said that consistent with past years, this year had a great turnout of people and every seat was taken.

Craze introduced Potts as the recipient of the Greenbelt Police Department's 2013 Officer of the Year award. Twenty six year-old Potts, who lives in Savage, is Greenbelt's first and currently only second-generation police officer. Potts has been a police officer for four years.

Craze recognized Potts for having 18 departmental commendations throughout his four-year career. In the past year, Potts initiated 756 traffic stops, which resulted in 2,100 citations, and removed 66 intoxicated drivers from the roads.

Potts also apprehended 177

adults and 14 juveniles and 29 fugitives wanted for crimes committed in other jurisdictions.

Potts was Craze's assistant in the apprehension of a rapist, as well as a child sex offender who allegedly attempted to abduct a 14-year-old girl.

In a less dangerous but equally important duty – citizen relations – Craze mentioned a letter of appreciation that Potts received from an elderly woman he helped after she ran out of gas on her way home. According to Craze, Potts brought her a gas can from a gas station and refused to accept any money from her.

U.S. Park Policeman Manning was appointed to the Park Police on January 4, 2009. He started working at the U.S. Park Police Greenbelt station in 2012. He has been a member of the force's Honor Guard since 2010. Manning is a field training and standard field sobriety test instructor and has taught for the U.S. Park Police and the Maryland State Police academies.

He was also honored as a drug recognition expert. In the past year, he has made 73 DWI, seven drug, and 12 traffic arrests and has written 912 citations and taken seven guns off the streets.

Manning, who wasn't expecting to win an award, said, "It was a nice surprise." Manning explained that he always knew he wanted to work outside of an office and that he enjoys the camaraderie of the other officers.

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Forest Preserve Celebrates With 10th Anniversary Gala

by Susan Barnett

The Greenbelt Forest Preserve is a place where future generations of Greenbelters will always be able to go and find peace with nature. This is what we have. This is what we fought for and saved. We came so close to losing all of the green belt. But the community came together and after 50 years they were able to Keep it Wooded – forever.

This effort culminated on Monday, October 27, 2003, when the Greenbelt City Council voted unanimously to keep and protect 225 acres of forest by passing the Forest Preserve Ordinance.

This historic moment has been the impetus for this year's 10-year anniversary celebration of the Greenbelt Forest Preserve which was formed on that day a decade ago. The celebration has been a year-long series of events, with a few gatherings still to go. Visit www.greenbeltforestpreserve.org for more details.

On October 27 the actual anniversary of the vote for the Forest Preserve Ordinance was celebrated at the New Deal Café. Like all Forest Preserve events this year, this celebration included a free meal. This simple act of giving was started by Paul Downs when, as part of the Committee to Save the Green Belt, he and others led walks through

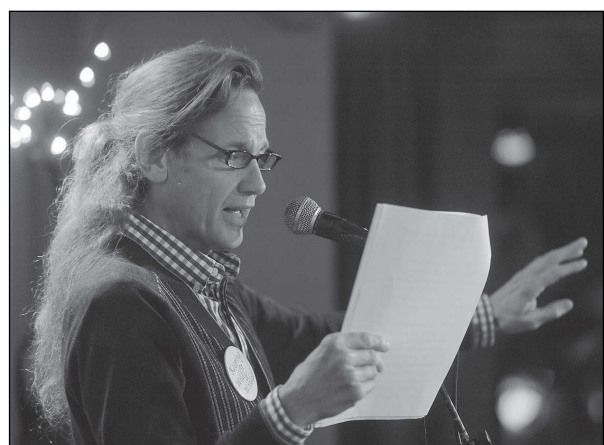


PHOTO BY ERIC ZHANG

Paul Downs reading "The Arc of a Wood's History."

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Top Stories of 2013

The News Review presents highlights of major stories of the past year. The reviews were prepared by Virginia Beauchamp, Judy Bell, James Giese, Thomas X. White, Diane Oberg and Altorja Bell Ross.

First African American Mayor

Although for many years, African Americans have outnumbered whites in Greenbelt according to census statistics, no African American had served on the Greenbelt City Council. That changed four years ago when a charter amendment became effective to expand the city council from

See TOP STORIES, page 6

American Education Week November 18 to 22, 2013

In a celebration of American education, these columns have been telling the stories of selected teachers from the schools that serve the Greenbelt community.

This week readers will get a glimpse inside Greenbelt Middle School. In coming weeks we will focus on Turning Point Academy.

Cortland Jones' Art Goals Motivate Positive Changes

by Tisha Lim

"If you hire me, I would help change the school in a positive way and I would do my best to contribute to the school community." Cortland Jones' passionate statement is what led to his being hired as a teacher at Greenbelt Middle School. "I felt like Greenbelt Middle School chose me rather than I chose the school," Jones said without



Cortland Jones

a doubt.

Jones, currently the art teacher of Greenbelt Middle School, did not expect to be a teacher.

His degree is in graphic design. His teaching talent was uncovered, however, by a school administrator when Jones was a substitute

teacher in 1992 in a middle school. See JONES, page 5

For Kendra Hill Special Ed Teaching Is Meaningful

by Tisha Lim

"When I go to work every day, I feel I am doing something meaningful." That was how Kendra Hill described her love for her current job as special education chair at Greenbelt Middle School.

Similar to profiled art teacher Cortland Jones, who realized his passion after a circumstance led him to change his course of career, Hill realized



Kendra Hill

her passion in helping students with emotional and behavior disabilities when she enrolled in a George Washington University program.

"I really connect with the kids, so I changed my field from psychology to education based on that

program," Hill said.

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Letters

EPA Updated Website On Rubber Hazards

A few days ago the EPA finally changed its website as it previously seemed to imply these surfaces were safe . . . when in fact research shows several toxic substances in the surfaces.

Legal actions were taken and the EPA finally responded. It is a great first step. However the EPA is remiss in not doing proper testing as many communities are putting millions into tire-based surfaces thinking they are safe when really they are not proven to be safe and contain carcinogens.

Remember – if these surfaces were a child's toy they probably would fail safety regulations and be recalled. The industry worked hard to keep this product away from any regulations. The industry successfully argued it was not a "children's product."

Theodora Scarato

School System Holds Open CIP Meeting

On Tuesday, January 7 at 7 p.m. the Prince George's County Board of Education will hold a meeting for the Northern Planning Area at Parkdale High School, 6001 Good Luck Road, Riverdale. Students, families and community members are invited to share their vision for future school improvements, renovations and new construction.

Staff of the Department of Capital Programs will discuss the current condition of school facilities and solicit input on the master plan for repairing, renovating and replacing them over the next 10 to 20 years. They will also brief attendees on the High School Educational Specification template being developed for high school study and involve the public in the rewriting of the Educational Facilities Master Plan (EFMP) used to develop annual and six-year Capital Improvement Plans (CIP). The EFMP includes data on each school's site, enrollment, staffing, facility condition and State Rated Capacity, along with information about policies and procedures for boundary changes and redistricting, school closing and student transportation.

The Fiscal Year 2014 CIP and EFMP can be viewed online at www1.pgcps.org/cip/.

Correction

In the article about the November 25 city council meeting in the December 19 issue, we mistakenly credited the city's Advisory Committee on Trees (ACT) with having achieved the long-awaited inventory of the city's trees. ACT Chair Charles Jackman has let us know that the inventory, which is part of Greenbelt's tree master plan, is in fact being undertaken by teams of city Public Works staff and University of Maryland student volunteers under the direction of university personnel. For a more detailed – and accurate – description of this work, see the article on page 6 of the November 28 issue.

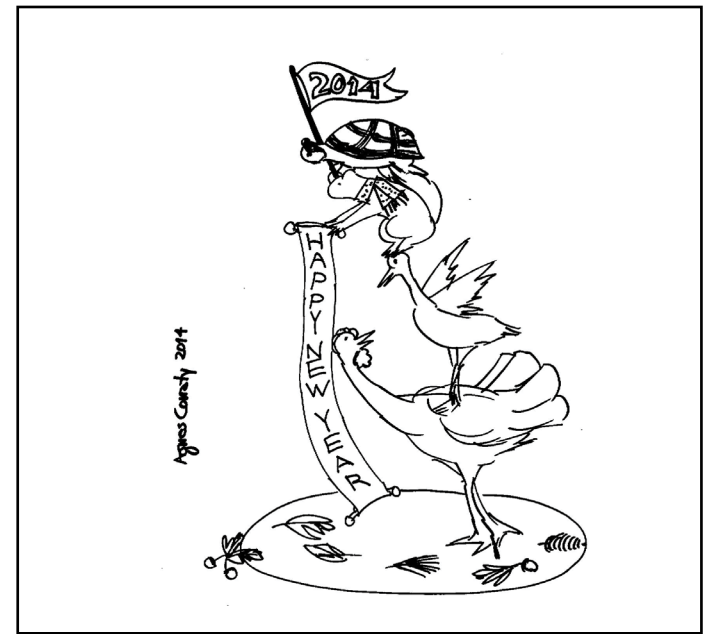
Remembering Greenbelters Who Died in 2013

William F. "Bill" Sweeney, Sr., 82, January 5
 Margaret Brown Smith, 93, January 7
 Marlene Matthews, 76, January 9
 Elizabeth M. Money, 82, January 22
 Phyllis Pearl Birtman Bickerton, 79, January 22
 Dorothy L. "Dottie" Stair, 91, January 25
 Nicole S. "Nikky" Brown, 21, January 27
 Eleanor Harlee Ritchie, 90, January 28
 Nicholas J. Pergola, 94, February 3
 Patricia Ann Savage, 74, February 5
 John Patrick "Pat" Gardes, 79, February 5
 Harold George Domchick, 96, February 18
 Lewis C. Hedges, 86, February 24
 Philip S. Pels, 68, February 25
 Earl Adrian Babbitt, 73, February 25
 Catherine O'Brien, 90, March 3
 Tom Murphy, March 8
 Louise Elaine Smith, March 12
 Vincent Michael Crowley, 98, March 15
 Leonard Eli Mikesell, 96, March 18
 Carl Gussio, March 19
 Barbara Jane Byrd, 62, March 24
 Benjamin P. Goldfaden, 99, March 25
 David Schalet, 77, March 26
 Jennifer Barbara White, 41, March 28
 William Owen "Will" Ransom, 42, March 30
 Dorothy Peters, April 20
 Douglas L. Love, 66, April 28
 Denise Mary Boker, 57, April 30
 Muriel J. Patterson, 98, May 8
 Vera "Kitty" Barnes, 87, May 9
 Florence Catherine Harris Abel, 71, May 9
 Tim Hodenfield, 67, May 11
 Dolores McCloskey, 88, May 14
 James R. "Jim" McGann, 83, May 19
 Lorraine Elizabeth Moroney, 93, May 23
 Robert A. "Bob" Hardy, 50, May 24
 Kenneth Thomas Daly, 77, May 27
 George Leo Stevens, 84, June 11
 John E. Yakupkovic Sr., 83, Sr., June 18
 Robert Glenn "Bob" Hogan, 69, July 3
 Betty Jane Moore, 89, July 5
 Patrick Michael Hanyok, Sr., 61, July 9
 Paul Allen Geiger, 55, July 17
 Mike Mangrum, 65, July 20
 Loretta Jean Izzo May, 57, July 21
 Leonie Penney, 95, July 22
 William E. Rowland, 88, July 27
 Patricia Ann Richardson, 78, July 31
 Mike Mangrum, 65, July 20
 George Wallace Neumann, 86, August 3
 Katherine Augusta Reynolds, 97, August 4
 Antoinette M. "Toni" Bram, 77, August 7
 Charles Havens Tompkins, 75, August 10
 Miles C. Doan, 90, August 14
 Raymond J. Hibbs, 87, August 18
 Richard H. "Dickie" Day, August 25
 William T. Svenson, 78, September 5
 Anthony "Tony" Iacone, 65, September 11
 Ralph E. Townshend, September 20
 Michael Reynolds, October 1
 Flora "Babe" Ward Willard Hawvermale, October 5
 Patrick Brannan, 76, October 11
 John Thomas Ahearn, 66, October 13
 Rev. Herbert Russell Jones, 84, October 18
 Sarah Nicole Stewart, 23, October 29
 Janet Fredin Davis, 76, October 30
 Hugh P. Burns, November 2
 Leo M. "Dinny" Slaughter, 82, November 4
 Ruth Reed Miller, 83, November 24
 Thomas Howard Eargle, 29, November 26
 Katelin Elizabeth River McMullin, 25, November 28
 Robert "Bob" Charles Mongelli, 73, November 28
 Jeanette Zubkoff, November 30
 Lavon Bordenet Baumgardner, 79, December 9
 Helen Meloney, December 24

. . . And Those Who Died prior to 2013

John Morton Van Schoonhoven, 85, December 20, 2012
 Robert G. Gochnour, 42, December 31, 2012

Grin Belt



"Here's hoping 2014 will be a banner year!"

Patuxent Holds Bird Count for Children

On Saturday, January 11 from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. children ages 5 to 14 can join experienced birders for a Patuxent Research Refuge "Bird Count 4 Kids." Participating youngsters will learn what birds are out and about in Maryland during the winter. The event is patterned after the National Audubon Society Christmas Bird Count.

Bring binoculars and a field guide if available (some will be provided).

Kids should dress for the weather and wear comfortable shoes or boots; bring a brown-bag lunch and birding curiosity. At least one parent or guardian must attend with the participating child.

Registration is required by Tuesday, January 7; call 301-497-5887.

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

Community Events

GHI Notes

Friday, January 3. Office Closed. For emergency maintenance call 301-474-6011.

Monday, January 6, 7 p.m., Pre-purchase Orientation – Board Room

Tuesday, January 7, 8:30 a.m., Yardline Committee Meeting – GHI Library

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

Thursday, January 9, 7:30 p.m., Board of Directors Meeting (Open Session) – Board Room

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

At the Library

Storytime

On Thursdays, a librarian reads age-appropriate stories to children and parents that support early literacy by mixing stories with such other fun activities as songs, rhymes and fingerplays.

Thursday, January 9, 10:30 a.m. Drop-in Storytime for ages 2 to 5 years. The usual 20-person room limit applies. Pick up a free ticket from the information desk.

For more information visit the library, call 301-345-5800 or visit www.pgcmlls.info. or automated phone renewal call 301-333-3111.

Investment Club Seeks Members

The Goddard Investment Club, a group of amateur investors who discuss and invest in stocks, is seeking new members interested in meeting the second Monday of the month from 5 to 6:30 p.m. at the Community Center. The next meeting will be held Monday, January 13.

For more information email goddard@bivio.com.

Camp Fire Teens in Action Visit Green Ridge House



Camp Fire Patuxent Teens in Action visit Green Ridge House to bring holiday cheer to seniors. As part of a recent grant to create inter-generational service projects, the group spent a month working with students at Springhill Lake Elementary School, St. Camillus Parish, Greenbelt CARES, Bishop McNamara High School and local social service agencies to identify and serve families and seniors without resources for Christmas Eve visits. The youth, from Greenbelt and other nearby towns, bought clothing, selected suitable gifts and went out in Chevys, Fords and Hondas looking like sleighs to make their holiday Santa Sack deliveries.

They collected and wrapped gifts, worked with younger children to make stockings, gathered flowers and created the goody bags delivered to local families and seniors. Six Green Ridge House seniors received Christmas trees and Santa Sacks from the Teens in Action.

The program continues with a Martin Luther King Weekend training for their next project.

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WEEK OF JAN 3

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*5, 7:45

SATURDAY - SUNDAY
*2:15, *5, 7:45


MONDAY - THURSDAY
*5, 7:45

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Utopia Film Festival Presents

Sun., Jan. 5th & Wed., Jan. 8th
8:00 PM "System Preferences", "Chinatown" & "Posey"

on Greenbelt Access Television, Inc.
Channels Comcast 77 & Verizon Fios 19




GUTTER CLEANING

Gilbert General Contractor, Inc. and Petria, Inc. have begun fall gutter cleaning and inspections.

The week of January 6-10, work will be in this approximate area:
Courts 65-73 Ridge, Courts 6-15 Laurel Hill, Courts 1-9 Research, Courts 19-22 Hillside, & 133 Greenhill

During that time, workers will be on ladders around buildings. Please close your window shades to preserve privacy.

You may contact Peter Joseph at (301) 474-4161 ext. 141 if you have any questions or comments.




Greenbelt Arts Center

COMING SOON:

Poe's Birthday Bash

Guest production from the Renaissance Man
Jan. 17-19

Ticket prices: \$17 General Admission,
\$14 Students/Seniors/Military,
\$12 Child (12& under)



For information & reservations,
call **301-441-8770** or email: info@greenbeltartscenter.org or
BOOK TICKETS ONLINE at www.greenbeltartscenter.org

Coming Soon

The Vagina Monologues: January 24 – February 8, 2014
guest production from The Rude Mechanicals

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WEEK OF JAN 3

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The Hobbit: The Desolation of Smaug, PG-13
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For directions, visit us at:
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Marker for Herling Bench Is Unveiled in Front of Library

by Konrad Herling

Area residents who have used the stone bench in front of the Greenbelt Library to read or meet with friends have sometimes had no idea what the bench was all about. Sculpted by M.C. Carolyn and commissioned by the Prince George's County Arts & Humanities Council, the bench was dedicated to Albert Herling in 1998 for his efforts, along with fellow Greenbelters, to preserve and enhance the quality of life in Greenbelt



Karene Herling Lagrone, Konrad Herling and Erica Herling Kropp pose in front of the new marker for their father.

and Prince George's County. A bronze plaque was placed next to the bench. Carolyn entitled her piece, her vision of a grand piano, "Al's Place." It took a creative mind to have envisioned the piano Carolyn created. The concave and convex surfaces which mark the back of the bench, represent the black and white keys of the keyboard. The holes represent the notes of the first two bars of "Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star."

Al and Fran Herling would invite new Greenbelters to their house for dinner. Al would then give a brief concert, starting with Mozart's piece, particularly if there were young children who had been invited along with their parents. Then he would improvise, playing the piece as if Beethoven, Schubert, Chopin and, if adventurous, how Elvis or the Beatles would have played the same simple but charming piece. It was a warm way to welcome new residents with a nice meal, the arts, inevitable conversation about the News Review and its importance to the community, the library and some good humor.

Unfortunately, the lettering faded completely from view in a five-year span and the plaque sank several inches into the ground. Thus, the need for a strong stone to use in mounting the new plaque.

The Herling family explored options for the design and type of stone and wording of a new plaque. After several years of searching for the "right rock," Chuck Kropp, Erica Herling Kropp's husband, found it in Federalsburg, Md. Karene Herling Lagrone's husband, Larry Lagrone, hauled the nearly

January Artful Afternoon Features Poetry, Painting

The first Artful Afternoon program for 2014 will be held on Sunday, January 5 from 1 to 4 p.m. at the Greenbelt Community Center. All are invited to bring in the new year creatively, joining in Recreation Department arts programs and the monthly resident artist open house. Most programs are free and all are family-friendly.

The January Artful Afternoon will feature abstract Artist-in-residence Kathy Karlson, a painter by trade and a poet at heart.

From 1 to 3 p.m. Karlson will lead a workshop where participants can paint creations of their own imagination inspired by poetry and the imagery of winter, using her own creations as examples of poetic painting. Supplies will be provided; all ages are welcome.

The artists' open house will be held on the third floor of the building with all artists-in-residence participating.

The Greenbelt Museum's current exhibit, "Greenbelt: The First 75 Years," celebrating the city's 75th anniversary, is on display. It explores Greenbelt history through an interactive timeline. Across the street at 10-B Crescent the Greenbelt Museum's historic house is open for tours at a nominal fee from 1 to 5 p.m.

Simultaneously on display in the Community Center Art Gallery are botanical and vibrant figures abolishing winter blues in the watercolors of local painter Valerie Watson. The exhibit will continue through Friday, February 7, with an artist's reception planned for Sunday, February 2.

Ticket Drawing

At the 3 p.m. end of the Karlson painting workshop, the Recreation Department Arts Program will hold a drawing



to select January's winner of two tickets to any show at the Greenbelt Arts Center. Participants may enter the drawing any time between now and 2:30 p.m. on January 5 in person at the Community Center Art Gallery or online at www.greenbeltmd.gov/arts.

For more information about City of Greenbelt arts programs visit www.greenbeltmd.gov/arts, visit Greenbelt Recreation ARTS on Facebook or call 240-542-2062. City arts programs are sponsored in part by the Maryland State Arts Council.



Many Greenbelters were dismayed to hear of the unexpected death of Helen Meleney on December 24, 2013. She was a member of the Community Church and participated in many activities at the Community Center such as the bridge group and the senior exercises.

Our sympathy to Frank Pearlman on the death of his sister Cecile of Las Vegas, at the age of 95.

Condolences also to Rita Miller Sayer, whose mother Lillie Arvillous Presnell Miller of Berwyn Heights, died on December 19, 2013.

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

— Kathleen McFarland

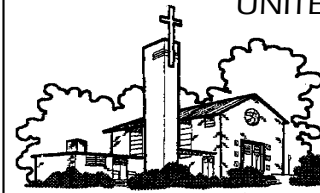


Ye were created to show love one to another and not perversity and rancor. Take pride not in love for yourselves but in love for your fellow-creatures. Glory not in love for your country, but in love for all mankind. (Baha'u'llah)

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Greenbelt Community Church

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST



1 Hillside (at Crescent Road)
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www.greenbeltcommunitychurch.org

Sunday Worship
10:15 a.m.

Clara Young, Interim Pastor



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40 Ridge Road, Greenbelt

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Rev. Fay Lundin, Pastor

Worship Service 10 a.m.



ST. HUGH OF GRENOBLE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Mass Schedule:

Sunday 8:00, 9:30, 11:00 a.m.

Saturday 9:00 a.m., 5:00 p.m.

Daily Mass: 7:15 a.m.

Sacrament of Penance: Saturday 3:30-4:30 p.m.

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January 5, 10 a.m.

Note to Self

Rev. Diane Teichert with Dayna Edwards,
Director of Religious Exploration and
Noel Monardes, Worship Associate

Let's be light-hearted about the persistent custom of New Year's Resolutions, even as we know that some of us have, with great resolve, made challenging changes in our lives. The service will include an expression of gratitude to our RE volunteers.

It is Signing Sunday - for those who are ready to sign the PBUUC Membership Book, meet the Minister and Board Greeter at the chalice after the service.

Volunteer for Warm Nights in the foyer after the service.

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school.
“Someone saw something in me that he thought [would] apply very well to being a teacher,” adding that “I have been working with children since I was 14.” This led to a full-time teaching assignment.
Jones said it is important for students to develop characteristics that are important to a successful artist, such as a strong work ethic, diligence and sense of responsibility. This is one of his emphases in his classroom.

Good Environment
Jones tries to create an environment in which students can not only produce good artwork but also get a feel of what it is like to be an artist.
Another goal is to get students’ work recognized outside the school community by displaying their work in exhibits in the county. “A student did a video about bullying using the iMovie technology and Mr. Tweedy [principal of Greenbelt Middle School] wants to have it downloaded onto the website for other people to see, so we do have students’ work being recognized; it’s just that it’s not outside the school,” according to the art teacher.

Modern Technology
Graphics design is not just about two-dimensional drawing but also incorporates elements from multi-media journalism. Students in the Greenbelt Middle School are able to expose themselves to multi-media, such as creating documentaries, producing commercials and even developing theatrical plays and comic strips.
“Students have to learn the use of video . . . they use their iPhones, iPads and generate questions and go to the community to interview people and create an actual documentary,” Jones says.
The development and advancement of modern technology has shaped graphic design enabling students to expand their creativity. “With the use of (current) technology, students are now able to do letterheads, flyers, brochures and calendars,” Jones added.

Motivation
Jones constantly finds ways to motivate his students even when some of them are not interested in the subject itself. “I believe my role is much like a coach . . . I have to look at each student individually and look for ways to find out what motivates them. That requires me to get to know my students on many levels,” Jones said.
“Students do challenge me to be professional . . . I think I have to accept every student as a challenge in a positive way,” he added, and not allow myself to stay regimented.
“I am learning from the kids as much as they are learning from me,” Jones said. He added that if he finds out certain elements that students particularly like or prefer, he tries to incorporate those elements into the course. “(The students) would want to do it because they know it is leading to something that they like.”

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Special education includes educational practices designed for students whose mental ability, physical ability or emotional functioning require special teaching approaches, equipment or care within or outside a regular classroom, according to the Associated Press word index.
Hill spent several years working with children with emotional disabilities in her hometown of Los Angeles before coming back east to teach in Maryland.

Research-based
“This is a place where you have the opportunity to really implement research-based practices . . . and I can’t say that for other schools,” Hill answered when asked about the reason she chose Greenbelt Middle School.
“In some schools, you will find special education being shoved to the back of the corner. . . but it is not here,” the special education chair acknowledged.

Special education is not an easy field but Greenbelt Middle School is able to fully meet the requirements with the amount of facilities and the resources the school has. “I am stunned by the amount of resources and the support and training we get . . . There’s a ton of it,” Hill said.
One of Hill’s major responsibilities is to facilitate the relationship between the general education population and the special education population so both groups are comfortable with each other.

Blending
However, all students get to attend creative arts classes together as well as physical education. And they have the same lunch time. “So there’s a lot of blending,” Hill added.
Hill has been teaching in the special education field from elementary school up to high school. She enjoyed teaching high school students the most as it gave her the opportunity to approach her students in a more engaging manner.
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She added that approaching the course materials from a different angle, such as getting students into role-playing rather than having them filling in worksheets, helps students to understand the subject better.
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CPAE Holds Mini Bop Disco Jan. 11

The College Park Arts Exchange (CPAE) will hold a Mini Bop Disco for parents and children on Saturday, January 11 from 2 to 4:30 p.m. Dance to great hits at the Old Parish House, at 4711 Knox Road, College Park.

There is no fee for admission.



NOTICE TO GHI MEMBERS

PRELIMINARY AGENDA

GHI BOARD OF DIRECTORS’ MEETING

Thursday, January 9, 2014
GHI ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 7:30 PM



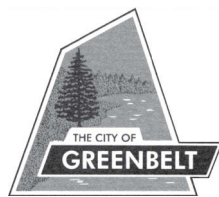
GHI Key Agenda Items:

- Exception Request to Allow a Picket Fence for Gardenside Yard of 2E Plateau Place
- Buildings Committee Recommendations Re: Pilot Members’ Selections of HVAC Systems for Phase 3 of the Pilot Program
- Review Draft Memorandum of Understanding for Phase 3 of the Pilot Program
- Items to be Presented at Proposed March 2nd Town Hall Meeting Re: Pilot and Homes Improvement Programs
- Impact of New Maryland Regulations for Smoke Alarm Devices on GHI Homes and GDC Apartments
- Finance Committee Recommendation Re: Modifying Membership Transfer Processing Fee

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City Information

MEETINGS FOR THE WEEK OF January 6-10

Monday, January 6 at 8:00pm, **COUNCIL WORK SESSION-Economic Development RFP Interviews/ Stakeholder Meeting Review** at Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road. Live on Verizon 21, Comcast 71 and Streaming at www.greenbeltmd.gov

Tuesday, January 7 at 7:00pm, **PUBLIC SAFETY ADVISORY COMMITTEE** Meeting at the Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Road.

Wednesday, January 8 at 8:00pm, **COUNCIL WORK SESSION re: Sustainable Communities Application** at Community Center, 15 Crescent Road.

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



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1-4pm: Attend a studio open house with the Community Center’s Artists in Residence,
Visit the Art Gallery & Greenbelt Museum’s 75th Anniversary exhibit. Tour the Museum’s historic house (\$3 or free with membership)



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five to seven members, bringing fresh blood and diversity to the council. Emmett Jordan, an African American and a resident of Greenbelt East, with strong support from all sectors of the city, was not only elected to the council but achieved a total vote only slightly less than longtime mayor, Judith Davis, enabling him to become mayor pro tem. Jordan handily won reelection two years later, narrowing the gap in votes between himself and Davis. On November 5 Jordan was re-elected to the council for the second time and this time he received more votes than any other candidate. At its organizational meeting the following Monday, Jordan was unanimously elected to be mayor and immediately took office as Greenbelt's first African American mayor.

FBI Headquarters

At the beginning of the year, the General Services Administration (GSA) was giving further explanation about its request for information about possible sites for a new Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) headquarters facility, with proposals due March 4. The Greenbelt City Council supported locating the facility at the Greenbelt Metro Station property in January. While many sites were proposed in Maryland, Virginia and the District of Columbia, support by Maryland officials coalesced on the Greenbelt site. By the end of the year, Virginia officials had pretty much focused support on a site in Springfield. Consideration of D.C. sites appeared to be out of the picture. The advantage of the Springfield site is its relative closeness to other FBI facilities. The advantage of the Greenbelt site is its closer proximity to a Metro station and Maryland has the largest number of FBI employee residents. GSA is expected to narrow the number of site locations early in 2014 and then seek proposals from contract developers.

Old Middle School

On January 24, the Prince George's County Board of Education supported Interim Superintendent Dr. Alvin L. Crawley's recommendation that the school system offer to lease five classrooms at the old Greenbelt Middle School to the City of Greenbelt. The school board also affirmed its decision that the Robert Goddard French Immersion program in Lanham be moved to the vacant Greenbelt Middle School. Beyond that, the school board intended to keep other portions of the building for "swing space."

Last month Robert Goddard, hopefully moving soon to old Greenbelt Middle, was recognized as a State of Maryland Blue Ribbon School. It serves Greenbelt students in the country's second oldest immersion school and will go on to compete for a National Blue Ribbon Award from the U.S. Department of Education.

Readers Come to Aid of News Review

As 2013 began, the News Review was experiencing continuing losses. Ad revenue was down and often did not pay the cost of publishing the paper each week. The board of directors implemented four steps to stem the tide: reducing the small patronage dividends paid to staff members, increasing ad rates, establishing a committee to look at ways to increase ad revenue and starting a fund drive. By year's end the paper was showing a small profit. The News Review is grateful for everyone's help toward stabilizing the paper's financial situation.

Sector Plan

The approval process for the Greenbelt Metro Area and Md. 193 Corridor Sector Plan and Sectional Map Amendment (Sector Plan) carried over from late 2012 into early 2013 with the Prince George's County Council, sitting as the District Council, approving the plan on March 5. The City of Greenbelt was able to influence the final plan sufficiently so that their position in opposition to the plan was modified to reflect "Conditional Support." Now that it is approved the plan will guide development in and around Greenbelt for the next decade or more.

In its latest update the Prince George's Planning Board noted: "This sector plan is distinguished by its flexible approach to complex land use and urban design issues while continuing to respect community priorities and values. The plan recognizes that there is an important opportunity for the Greenbelt Metro Metropolitan Center to capitalize on the potential for relocation of a major employer or Government Services Administration (GSA) (Read FBI) employment campus that will include supporting office, retail and residential uses." Of course, it is more like a coin toss whether the GSA determines that the Greenbelt Metro site is the choice for a relocated FBI Headquarters and that decision is likely a year or more off.

Yet whether or not the FBI consolidated headquarters ends up in Greenbelt, the 2013 approved Sector Plan will greatly influence the future development of Greenbelt. The Sector Plan sets the rules of the road for any future development or redevelopment in Greenbelt. For the Metro North Core, the plan will allow a four- to 20-story height range for buildings east of the Metro Station. New conceptual site plans will be required for the North Core and the Beltway Plaza, reflecting a comprehensive approach to their development or redevelopment. Over the objections of the city and bicyclists, the plan calls for a so-called divergent diamond configuration for a reconstructed

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Mayor Judith F. Davis presents the citation for Park Policeman of the Year to Officer Matthew J. Manning, U.S. Park Police, as Lt. Chris Lopez, U.S. Park Police; Councilmember Leta Mach; and Councilmembers Emmett Jordan, Edward Putens and Silke Pope watch.

According to Hess, who also won the Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad Fire Fighter of the Year award in April, his favorite part of his job is the daily interactions with the general public.

"Being able to help others and being able to do it with my friends, the firehouse truly is a family," Hess said.

Hess was recognized for attending over 300 hours of educational training sessions held by the Maryland Fire and Rescue Institute. In other outstanding work-related incidents, on December 28, 2012, Hess assisted a team of fire fighters on a blind search through a burning town house in zero visibility to locate and remove a resident trapped inside.

Hess was promoted to the rank of sergeant in January 2013 before he was hired by the Prince George's County Fire and Emergency Medical Services Department in February.

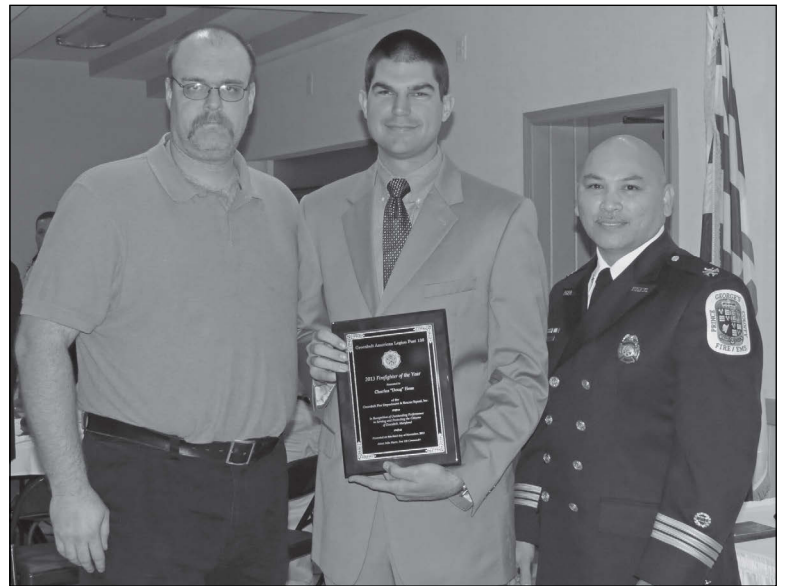
Stan Zirkin, a member of the Greenbelt Public Safety Advisory Committee, attended the event for the first time this year. "I enjoyed it. (The Public Safety Advisory Committee) has had some interaction with the police department and the fire department so it was interesting to see some of them and have them honored for things they do for the community," Zirkin explained.

Abbott, who was selected for employee of the year by the Public Works Department, said that he enjoys doing his job in the town in which he was raised and lives. Abbott has worked for the Public Works Department for 24 years.

During his career, Abbot obtained a degree certification from the University of Maryland's Institute of Applied Agriculture. He is also certified as a pesticide applicator through the Maryland Department of the Environment.

"We selected Mr. Abbott for his professionalism . . . he's provided dedicated service to the citizens of Greenbelt," said Assistant Director of Public Works Jim Sterling.

"This is just an amazing event that the American Legion does, they not only have the event and get us all together but they provide an excellent meal. They do it so well and the fact that they expanded [it] to the firefighters and then to the Public Works Department is just spectacular," said Davis.



Greenbelt Firefighter Charles "Doug" Hess poses with Captain Robert Hill, left, and Assistant Fire Chief Paul Cruz, Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad.



Greenbelt Police Officer Gerald "Jerry" W. Potts, III, receives his plaque from Greenbelt Police Chief James Craze. Below, Public Works employee Brian Abbott holds his plaque, flanked by Jim Sterling, assistant director, and Ken Hall, director of Greenbelt's Public Works Department.



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PHOTOS BY ERIC ZHANG

Delegates Anne Healey and Alonzo Washington with Senator Paul Pinsky.

the green belt. They always provided a free lunch to those participating in the walks. The 10-year anniversary committee has emulated their ideas as much as possible. The meal at the New Deal Café was a delicious vegan meal prepared by Chefs Karim and Maria. Dinner was accompanied by the tunes of The Homestead Act. In the background, a slideshow of scenes from past Committee to Save the Green Belt walks, Children's Pumpkin Walks and clean-ups as well as scenes of this year's anniversary celebrations entertained guests.

Following the meal, the formal part of the program began. The first presentation was by then-mayor Judith Davis who presented and read a proclamation

of the 10-Year Anniversary of the Greenbelt Forest Preserve. Next Craig Tooley toasted, "The Wild and Wooded." As part of his toast, Tooley quoted Edward Abbey: "Wilderness is not a luxury, but a necessity of the human spirit."

The focus of the rest of the evening was to recognize the decades-long commitment of so many. Committee to Save the Green Belt members Paul Downs, Bill Rich, Yoni Siegel and Rodney Roberts were presented The Old Growth Forest Network Forest Advocate Award. Roberts spoke to the audience noting that protecting our green spaces must begin with citizens and ongoing action will always be needed. It is up to future generations of Greenbelt to be sure our forest is safe and lives on.

The audience was delighted by the presence of Delegates Alonzo Washington, Anne Healy and Tawanna Gaines and Senator Paul Pinsky. Together they presented official citations from the Maryland General Assembly to the members of the Committee to Save the Green Belt and to the 2003 Greenbelt City Council: Davis, Roberts, Ed Putens, Alan Turnbull and Tom White. Turnbull and White were not able to attend but they both sent in their written comments which were read as part of the festivities.

Adam Ortiz, the new director of the Department of Environmental Resources, presented a proclamation from Prince George's County County Executive Rushern Baker.

The 10-Year Anniversary Celebration Committee presented the final award to all those community members who helped over the years with the effort to save the Green Belt. All those in attendance who had been involved to save the woods, no matter how large or small their contributions, were honored.

The evening culminated in a talk by Downs entitled "The Arc of a Wood's History." In a sometimes dramatic, but always compelling and entertaining narrative, Downs led the audience through the decades and introduced them to Greenbelters who had been part of the effort to save our green belt. He wove the threads of the Save

Our Community Committee of the 1960s and 1970s to the Committee to Save the Green Belt of the 1980s and 1990s along with the individuals who spoke for the green belt. Through story he introduced the audience to those no longer with us - Doug Love, Leonie Penney, Esther Webb, Eileen Peterson, Eunice Coxon, Bob Auerbach, Ruth Mathes, Michael



Vegan Forest Preserve cake made by New Deal Café Chef Maria.

NARFE to Meet Here Wednesday, Jan. 8

The monthly meeting of the Northern Prince George's County Chapter 1122 of National Active and Retired Federal Employees (NARFE) will be held at the Greenbriar Community Building, Terrace Room, 7600 Hanover Parkway on Wednesday, January 8 at 1:30 p.m.

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interchange at Kenilworth Avenue (Rt. 201) and Greenbelt Road (Rt. 193).

In the meantime, development is beginning at the South Core with the planned construction of town homes by the NVR Corporation. That development approval occurred prior to the Sector Plan adoption.

GHI Smoking Issue

On June 27 the Maryland Court of Special Appeals found against a Greenbelt resident's appeal of a lower Circuit Court's unfavorable decision. David Schuman had sued Greenbelt Homes, Inc. (GHI) and his neighbors for breach of covenant and nuisance due to claims that his neighbor's smoking caused secondhand smoke to enter his patio and home.

While Schuman was unsuccessful in his appeal, his advocacy for non-smoking achieved a modicum of success. On May 16, the GHI membership approved a proposal allowing members in any row of units to apply for a smoke-free designation. On September 5 the 13 Court of Ridge Road celebrated becoming the first row in the housing cooperative to be proclaimed smoke-free.

Forest Preserve

The New Year started off with a 10-year retrospective on the Greenbelt Forest Preserve by enthusiast Paul Downs: "Whatever had stirred in the hearts of Greenbelters has saved these woods."

Twenty-eight folks walked the woods on January 26, 30 more on February 16. Three groups serve as stewards of three nearby watersheds, Still Creek, Indian Creek and Beaverdam Creek.

On March 17 they held an ecology walk and in summer opened a New Deal Café display and continued to hold 10-year anniversary walks monthly.

A celebration was held at the New Deal Café 10 years to the date of the city council's vote to preserve this forest.

Ceremony Honors Peace Heroes

On July 14, 62 people attended a picnic at Buddy Attick Park coordinated by the Peace and Justice Coalition to honor the lives of Bert Donn, Esther Webb, Bob Auerbach and Doug Love. In addition to the potluck and presentations, participants viewed photographs of earlier days of the honored quartet. The Peace and Justice Coalition 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 peace, social justice, environmental stewardship and creativity.

Eric Zhang Is Outstanding Citizen

Even though Eric Zhang has been a resident of Greenbelt for a relatively short time, he is named Greenbelt's Outstanding Citizen for 2013 at the Labor Day Festival after making a lasting contribution to his community – documenting the life of the city through photographs and narratives for 2012, the 75th anniversary year. His blog included 9,000 images and showcased nearly 300 in-depth portraits of people, organizations, day-to-day life, history and special events.

South Core

Development activity finally resumed on the South Core development near the Greenbelt Metro Station. Although plans had been approved nearly seven years ago, the financial crisis that began in 2008, along with the bankruptcy of the developer and foreclosure of the property stalled progress. In February NVR purchased the South Core property and began reviving development plans. The first sections to be built are residential: a mix of rental apartments, condominiums and townhouses. However, the developer is re-examining plans for the commercial portion of the development based on current market conditions.

Theater Renovation

At the close of 2013 it appears the long and difficult saga of council consideration of renovation of the historic Old Greenbelt Theatre is nearing an end. More than a decade has passed since the city included over \$800,000 in its 2001 Bond Fund to undertake the project, however, years of reports, assessments and worksessions failed to launch the project.

A series of council worksessions near the end of 2012 helped better define the project needs and council's efforts to obtain Maryland state grants and other sources of funding but a decision to proceed was not yet at hand. At that time (August 2012) city staff indicated that they hoped to have a recommendation to present to council for approval in December 2012. That did not happen.

A critical component of the renovation was a need for a power upgrade for the theater building and by late 2013, Pepco and the city had worked out the needs for that project. Also, at about the same time there was a determination to reduce the extent of heating, ventilation and air conditioning required for the project. With help from residents and advocates for the hearing and visually impaired, the definition and selection of new equipment that would work in conjunction with new digital projection equipment was ironed out.

Those developments and other issues were reviewed by council at a worksession in December and city staff will prepare recommendations for council at its first meeting in 2014 to move ahead with the project.

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

Weapons

December 21, 4:31 a.m., Crescent Road. While working on his shotgun, an adult male accidentally shot himself in the foot. He was treated at a local hospital for non-life threatening injuries. No charges have been filed; however, the investigation is ongoing.

DWI/DUI

December 20, 9:11 p.m., 7800 Kenilworth Avenue. After a traffic stop, a 60-year-old nonresident was arrested and charged with multiple alcohol related charges. He was released on citation pending trial.

December 20, 10:10 p.m., Kenilworth Avenue and Greenbelt Road. A 36-year-old nonresident was arrested and charged with multiple alcohol-related offenses after a traffic stop. He was released on citation pending trial.

December 21, 6:58 p.m., Kenilworth Avenue and Greenbelt Road. A 31-year-old nonresident was arrested and charged with multiple alcohol-related offenses after a traffic stop. He was

released on citation pending trial.

December 22, 12:46 a.m., Hanover Parkway and Greenbelt Road. A 31-year-old resident man was arrested and charged with multiple alcohol and other related offenses after a traffic stop. He was released on citations pending trial.

December 22, 12:52 p.m., Westway and Ridge Road. A 19-year-old resident was arrested and charged with multiple alcohol-related offenses after a traffic stop. He was released on citation pending trial.

Trespassing

December 20, 8:39 p.m., 6000 Greenbelt Road. A 26-year-old nonresident was arrested and charged with trespassing on private property. He was released on citation pending trial.

Burglary

December 20, 1:46 a.m. 6200 Springhill Drive. Unknown person(s) entered the outdoor pool area. Nothing was damaged or stolen.

December 21, 2:29 a.m., break-in at 6000 Springhill Drive.

Nothing was taken.

Vandalism

December 18, 9:44 p.m., 6100 Breezewood Drive. Unknown means were used to break a window.

December 20, 1:32 a.m., 9300 Edmonston Road. A 29-year-old resident was arrested and charged with malicious destruction of property after slashing the tires of a parked car. He was released on citation pending trial.

December 20, 11:44 a.m., 7200 Hanover Drive. A glass table was broken.

Vehicle Crime

6100 Breezewood Drive. A rear Md. tag was stolen on December 23.

7700 Greenbelt Road. All four tires on a vehicle were slashed, possibly by someone known to the car owner on December 18.

7500 Mandan Road. Windows on a vehicle were broken on December 22.

8000 Mandan Road. The door lock of a vehicle was damaged on December 23.

Beltway Plaza Mall Local Heroes Wall of Fame Induction

To honor local citizens who've achieved success in their careers and helped our community, Beltway Plaza Mall will induct 3 local VIPs including Former Greenbelt Mayor J. Davis, Pastor Dan Hamlin and Prince George's County Police Department K9 Team, Andy & Sgt. Robert Heverly. Refreshments will be served.

Location: West Side Mall Entrance Hallway (between DOTS and Super Beauty), Date/Time: Saturday, January 18, 2-4 pm

Our Inductees



Greenbelt Councilwoman "J" Davis

Judith F. "J" Davis is in her eleventh term on the Greenbelt City Council and served as Mayor from 1997 to 2013, the longest continuously serving Mayor in Greenbelt's history. Prior to her election to the City Council in 1993, she was appointed to the City's Advisory Planning Board (APB) for 10 years and was elected Chair by its members from 1988 to 1992. Davis represents the Council on the Anacostia Trails Heritage Area Board of Directors.



Retired Pastor Daniel R. Hamlin

Greenbelt Community Church, United Church of Christ (1984-2012). Life-long Community Activist and Advocate for Peace and Justice. Organized and supported numerous events in support of the poor and hungry in Prince George's County and around the world. Past President of the Board of Directors, Help By Phone, providing food, shelter, and other services to people in need in Prince George's County.



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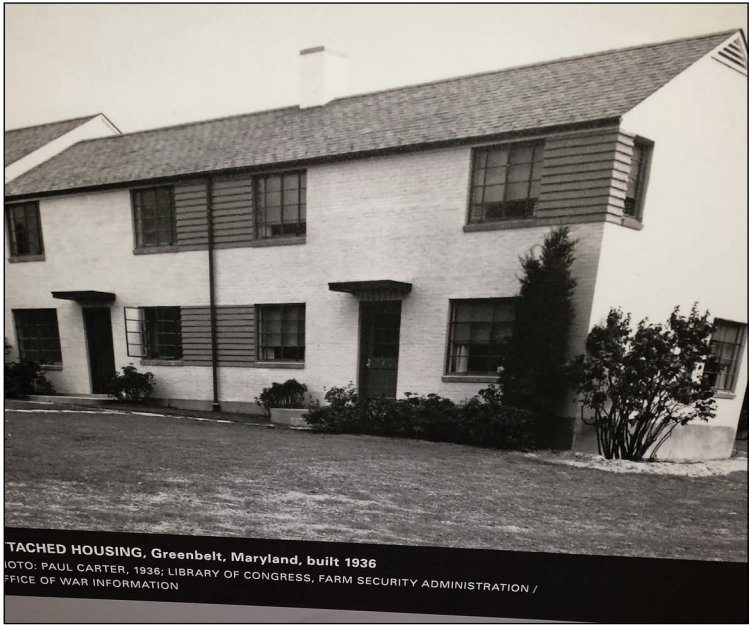
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Greenbelt Homes, Inc., 1937

Building Museum Shows Two Greenbelt Photos

by Sandra Lange

The National Building Museum is featuring an exhibit called "House & Home." A large panel of black and white photographs greets visitors at the entrance to the exhibit. Two photos feature Greenbelt homes. One is a (now Greenbelt Homes, Inc.) townhome built by the federal government in 1937 and the other is the (now Franklin Park) Springhill Lake Apartments built in 1963.

Other parts of the exhibit focus on themes which include "Home Economics," illustrating immigration and population growth and exploring laws and financing that ended official discrimination; "Building the House," showing touchable construction techniques; "Iconic Houses," showcasing 14 scale-model American houses; "House & Home Toys" from Lincoln Logs to Anchor Blocks; "Living at Home" with over 200 familiar objects used in American homes; and videos showing innovative housing projects throughout the country.

In one video Chicago residents of the infamous Cabrini Green public housing project are interviewed regarding their insights into the new mixed-income replacement housing built after Cabrini Green was torn down.



Franklin Park Apartments, 1963

Kids Nature Program To Be on Opossums

On Thursday, January 9 from 10 to 10:45 a.m., children ages 4 and 5 can participate in the Patuxent Wildlife Refuge's monthly interactive kids' nature book series. This month features a book about opossums. Each program starts with an illustrated children's story and includes puppets, props and other activities.

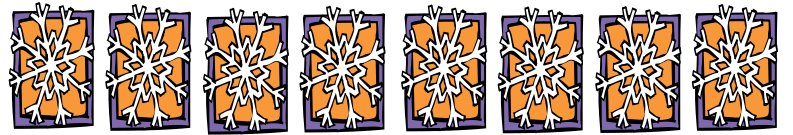
Public programs at the Patuxent Research Refuge are free although advance registration is required by calling 301-497-5887. For more information visit the website at www.patuxent.fws.gov.

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

CPAE Offers Winter Community Concert

On Tuesday, January 14 at 7:30 p.m. the College Park Arts Exchange (CPAE) Winter Community Concert will be held at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, featuring the College Park Youth Choir and its Vocetti ensemble. For children age 5 and up, the choir and ensembles are led by Greenbelter Christopher Fominaya.

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Business Page

Risal Joins Hatfield Practice

The Greenbelt practice of Dennis R. Hatfield, DDS PC, has hired Sheila Risal, who will serve as Front Desk Patient Coordinator, as its newest team member. The office is located at 7525 Greenway Center Drive.



Sheila Risal

Risal, born in Nepal, has lived here since 1993 and has over 10 years of dental experience, having

worked as a front-desk supervisor, sterilization technician and dental assistant.

"I love helping our patients," Risal says. "I always put myself in the patient's shoes to relate and communicate. My goal is to put smiles on the patients' faces and make them happy."

Holistic Housecall Practice Opens

Greenbelt resident Sue Stern, and former Pleasant Touch employee, has launched a new holistic housecall practice called At Home Holistic Health, or AHHH. A Maryland-licensed acupuncturist, she focuses on self-empowerment through education to help in restoring and maintaining the health of mind, body and spirit.



Sue Stern

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Townhome near Roosevelt Center - 2 BR Townhome. Refinished kitchen and granite counters. Refinished hardwood flooring. Priced to sell at \$103,900

Single-story End Unit - Hardwood flooring. Remodeled kitchen w/separate entrance. Corner lot w/ spacious shed & brick patio. \$67,900

Brick Townhome With Addition - Very close to Roosevelt Center. Extra full bath. First floor. Fenced front and back yards; deck, too! Very Nice!

Block Townhome - Attached Garage - 2 bedroom remodeled GHI home. Remodeled throughout - hardwood flooring on lower level. Very nice!

Large Corner Lot - 2 bedroom GHI townhome with shade trees, privacy hedges and spacious storage shed. Just steps away from Roosevelt Center.

Walk To Roosevelt Center - 2 BR block w/downstairs study. Remodeled kit. w/Silestone counters, s/s oven and refrigerator. Very modern; you'll love it!

1 Bedroom Upper Level Home - Attic storage space. New tub surround in bathroom. Full-sized washer and dryer in spacious laundry room. \$64,900

Block Townhome With Addition - Rear addition and finished office space. Full kitchen w/sink and ceramic tiles. Close to Roosev. Center.

2 Bedroom Townhome - Corner lot tucked away from street. New appliances. Oak hardwood flooring on both levels. Priced to sell at \$112,000

Art Show Winners

by Barbara Simon

The Labor Day Festival Weekend art shows drew more entrants in both the Children's and the Adult Art Shows than in any year in the past five. Over 1,000 fairgoers visited the shows during the Fair.

Adult Art Show Winners

Oil/Acrylic Painting

Receiving the First Place Award this year were two entrants – Dan Kennedy, for one of his three paintings in the show depicting GHI homes in Greenbelt and Mary Wang for “The Conversation.”

2nd Place Award

Peter Attisso for “Thinking of Africa”

3rd Place Award, also with two winning entries – Jenna Parry for “Spiral Getty” and Jay Fuller for “Down South.”

Water Color Painting

1st Place Award – two winning entries

Alice Murray for “Water Lily”

Barbara McGee for “Lily”

2nd Place Award – two winning entries

Kaylene Louise for “She Walks with Stars”

Ingrid Cowan Hass for “Bach Stage Right”

Ingrid also received a 1st Place Award in Drawing for her “Jazz Improvisation” and a 2nd Place Award in Prints for “Orchestra II”

3rd Place Award – two winning entries

Lauren Crossed for “Capt.”

Mary Ann Lipovsky for “House on Farragut Street”

Drawing

1st Place Award

David Heintzelman for “Flower Fantasy”

2nd Place Award

Kate Green for “Sara Tastes the Air”

3rd Place Award – two winning entries

Joy Kennedy for “Robert Downey, Jr.”

Elvina Newton Tryer for “Tiger”

Pastels

1st Place Award

Ward Kennedy for “Party Hag”

Prints

1st Place Award – two winning entries

Nora Simon for “Berry Jam”

Melanie Taylor for “Winter Moon”

Computer Graphics/ 2-dimensional mixed-media

1st Place Award

Perry Douros for “Self Portrait in Layers”

2nd Place Award

Penny Martin for “2nd Hand Roses”

3rd Place Award

David Ralph for “Jaguar Sprinting”

Sculpture

1st Place Award – two winning entries

Shaine Siegel for “Rusted Cat”

Thomas L. Wertz, Jr. for “Adam and Eve”

2nd Place Award – two winning entries

Fred Tabi for “Mushroom II”

Mary Lou Williamson for “Garden Totem with Flowers”

3-dimensional mixed-media

1st Place Award

Clara Majors for “Ancestors”

2nd Place Award

Kimberly Keyes for “Robot Diavolino”

Fine Crafts

1st Place Award

Betty Timer for “Stained Glass Panel Window”

2nd Place Award

Wendy Hagelgans for “Night Bugs” wall hanging

3rd Place Award

Kathy Kent for “Snowy Day” quilt

Children's Show Winners Pre-school through 6 years

Painting

1st Place Award

Aeryn Wesley-Hunt for “Grandpa's Farm”

2nd Place Award

Samuel Collins for “Tic Tac Toe”

3rd Place Award

Danielle Shariff for her untitled abstraction

Drawing/Prints/

2-dimensional mixed-media

1st Place Award

Kaleb Moore for his drawing “Animals in Winter”

2nd Place Award – two winning entries

Cecilia Hass for her drawing “In My Lion Costume with Mommy and Snail”

Anthony Hamm, Jr. for his drawing “Dragon”

3rd Place Award

Francis Commins for his collage “The Tree”

Francis also received the 2nd Place Award for sculpture with his “Greenbelt Anaconda”

Sculpture/3-dimensional works

1st Place Award

Sean Kendall for “Piece of Cake”

3rd Place Award

Hannah Collins for “Watering Can”

7 through 10 year olds

Painting

1st Place Award

Ben Vogt for “The Island of the Rising Apple”

2nd Place Award

Jaden Osborne for “Dragon Destroyer”

Jaden also won the 2nd Place Award in Drawing for “Mountain Houses”

3rd Place Award

Felix Hass for “Gliding in the Woods”

Felix also won the 3rd Place Award in

PHOTO BY MARY ANN BAKER



Mary Lou Williamson poses with her “Garden Totem with Flowers” which won 2nd place honors in the sculpture category.



Adults Award-winners left to right: Kathy Kent, Ward Kennedy, Wendy Hagelgans, Betty Timer, David Ralph, Mary Lou Williamson, Perry Douros, Kimberly Keyes, Nora Simon, David Heintzelman, Michael Barris receiving award for Shaine Siegel, Mary Wang, Ingrid Cowan Hass, Melanie Taylor, Kate Green, Kaylene Louise, Elvina Newton Tryer, Mary Ann Lipovsky, Jay Fuller and Joy Kennedy. Not pictured: Peter Attisso, Lauren Crossed, Dan Kennedy, Clara Majors, Penny Martin, Alice Murray, Jenna Parry, Fred Tabi and Thomas L. Wertz, Jr.

Prints for his block print “Cold”

Drawing

1st Place Award – two winning entries

Jasper Tobocman for “Self Portrait”

Isabelle Murray for “Tropical Island Beach”

Isabelle also won the 2nd Place Award in Prints for her block print “Peace Birds”

2nd Place Award

Sabina Ramirez-Skolnik for “the Jeweled Dragon”

3rd Place Award

Quentin Walsh for “Falcon”

Quentin also won the 1st Place Award in sculpture for his “Duckarama”

Prints

1st Place Award

Kellen Murray for his block print “Volcano”

Sculpture/3-dimensional works

2nd Place Award

Sara Earnest for “Love – It Opens Doors” rock doorstep

3rd Place Award

Dinah Cohen for “Welara Pony”

11 through 14 years

Painting

1st Place Award

Autumn Williams for “Daydream Sunset Fairy”

2nd Place Award

Alexandra Sherman for “Birds on a Wire”

Drawing

1st Place Award

Christopher Quick for “Mooring”

2nd Place Award – two winning entries

Kathryn Breon for “Forever Yours”

Katie York for “Eyes”

3rd Place Award – two winning entries

Jamie Rogers-Sites for “Armstrong in My Hand”

Elizabeth Serra for “The Shell”

Sculpture/3-dimensional works

1st Place Award

Alyssa Heintzelman for “Egyptian Scarab”

2nd Place Award – two winning entries

Grace Kendall for “Green Cup”

Karen O'Brien for “Clay Cake”

3rd Place Award

Julian Pitts for Lego “Pirate Ship”

15 through 18 Years

Drawing

1st Place Award

Amritha Jayanti for “Indian Lion”

Sculpture

Christian Ryan for “The Water Planet”

Barbara Simon is a Greenbelt artist who has been organizing the Greenbelt Labor Day Festival Art Shows for years.



Children pre-school to age 6 Award-winners left to right: Samuel Collins, Aeryn Wesley-Hunt, Danielle Shariff with Greenbelt artist Betsy Barber, Kaleb Moore, Cecilia Hass and Hannah Collins. Not pictured: Francis Commins, Anthony Hamm, Jr. and Sean Kendall.



Children age 7 to 10 Award-winners left to right: Quentin Walsh, Sabina Ramirez-Skolnik, Jasper Tobocman, Felix Hass, Jaden Osborne, Ben Vogt and Sara Earnest. Not pictured: Dinah Cohen, Isabelle Murray and Kellen Murray.



Children age 11 to 14. Award-winners left to right: Karen O'Brien, Alyssa Heintzelman, Elizabeth Serra, Katie York, Christopher Quick and Kathryn Breon. Not pictured: Grace Kendall, Julian Pitts, Jamie Rogers-Sites, Alexandra Sherman and Autumn Williams.

At right, Youth age 15 to 18 Award-winners: left Christina Ryan and Amritha Jayanti.



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