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GHI Homes Improvement Plan Explained at Member Meeting

by Diane Oberg

The Sunday, January 25 Town Hall Meeting of Greenbelt Homes, Inc. (GHI) filled the hall at the Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department building. Some attendees felt it was okay to park in the fire lanes at and across from the firehouse. That resulted in interruptions at the meeting's beginning to announce the cars needing to be moved.

A capacity crowd of GHI members heard a recap of events-to-date regarding the Homes Improvement Program (HIP) for brick, block and frame homes followed by a lengthy question and answer session. (The larger townhomes and the free standing homes, with a separate replacement schedule are not included in the HIP.)

GHI membership will meet in the spring to vote on what goes into the HIP and how it will be paid for. For many years GHI has been setting aside funds toward the cost of replacing major

building components, such as heating systems, windows and doors at the end of their lifespans. However, any improvements over what is currently in the homes, as well as any shortfall between the reserve funds versus the actual replacement costs, will need to be funded by the membership, either individually or collectively.

The GHI Board of Directors had met in November and December to discuss what improvements, beyond those covered by the replacement reserves, to recommend be included in the HIP (see stories in November 6 and December 18, 2014 issues). Improvements approved by the members to be installed in all units (or all units of a given housing type) will be funded through increases in all members' (or all members' of that type) monthly fees. Member option improvements will be funded through increases in the indi-

vidual member's fee, unless that member wishes to avoid interest costs and pay the full amount up front.

Heat

Board President Steve Skolnik announced that the board is now discussing whether to proceed with the heating improvements at the same time as improvements to the building envelopes (doors, windows, insulation, etc.) prior to the conclusion of the heating pilot program. The board originally had planned to complete the pilot program and decide on heating options as a separate action. However, some members told the board that they needed to know the full cost to them of the HIP in order to decide whether they can afford their desired options.

In addition, members in this and other forums have pressed for faster action on heating options so they can be warmer in their homes. Skolnik emphasized that the board has not yet decided whether to accelerate the heating upgrades or wait for completion of the pilot program.

If the board decides to move ahead with heating system improvements, it is likely to present members with two options: a ductless mini-split heat pump system and baseboard heaters with wall-mounted thermostats. The heat pump, which would also provide air conditioning, would not be fully covered by the replacement reserves. There was no discussion of how the difference in costs between the two options would be handled.

Board Member Bill Jones, who has a heat pump in his unit, said that members choosing a heat pump would also need baseboard heaters to be comfortable

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Greenbelt to Join Energy Reduction Collaboration

by Thomas X. White

The Greenbelt City Council agreed to participate in an energy efficiency program for low income homeowners at its January 26 meeting. Council also reviewed a liquor license application for a new restaurant at Greenway Center.

These were two of a number of items of business before the council that were not reported in last week's issue. Actions that were reported then were the council's selection of Friends of the Greenbelt Theater to operate the city-owned movie house at Roosevelt Center and approval of grants of assistance to six local schools totaling \$9,634.76.

Collaboration

Council heard a presentation from Bladensburg Police Lieutenant James Flynn, who leads a Prince George's County Municipal Collaboration funded through the Maryland Energy Administration (MEA) EmPOWER and the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) Community Legacy grants.

The program, which promotes energy efficiency, is income-based. Eligible homeowners complete an application/affidavit of income and sign a consent form. If qualified, the Bladensburg coordinator notifies Edge Energy in Beltsville to conduct an energy audit. Any needed improvements, such as added insulation, air sealing, new en-

ergy efficient hot water heater or refrigerator, HVAC adjustments, etc. are identified and submitted to MEA for approval. Once approved by MEA, Edge Energy makes the improvements.

There is no cost to the municipality or the homeowner. If the City of Greenbelt participates, Flynn indicated that about 10 to 20 homes per year could qualify. Flynn also indicated to council that Bladensburg has coordinated the program since 2009, providing energy upgrades to nearly 500 homes.

He also noted that the program takes into consideration the retiree status of applicants, as well as retired veterans and the needy.

Councilmembers were supportive and wondered if the program might be of benefit for Greenbelt Homes Inc. (GHI) homeowners, who are in the process of undertaking a comprehensive Homes Improvement Program relating to energy conservation. From the audience, Lore Rosenthal advised council that the GHI program is long-range and that GHI usually selects the contractor for such work.

The council unanimously approved city participation in the Prince George's Municipal Collaboration.

Liquor License

In other action at the meeting, council considered a new

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Jerry Bonnell presented Stephen Mudge's photo "Brisbane Sunset Moonset" at Astronomical Society of Greenbelt's meeting on January 29 at the Howard B. Owens Science Center. The photo shows a sun and moon setting simultaneously in Brisbane, Australia on May 1, 2014.

Astronomy Group Explores Space from the Ground

by Brittany Britto

Members of the Astronomical Society of Greenbelt (ASG) reclined in their chairs on Thursday, January 29 to view a compilation of the best astronomy photos of 2014 displayed on the concave ceiling of Howard B. Owens Science Center's planetarium.

Jerry Bonnell, co-editor and co-founder of NASA's Astronomy Picture of the Day, better known as APOD, presented the 2014 best-of photos, including Yuichi Takasaka's shot of an eclipse taken in Canada's Waterton Lakes National Park and Stephen Mudge's shot of a moon and sun

setting simultaneously last spring in Brisbane, Australia.

For members of ASG, exploring the universe is a monthly ordeal and mission, said ASG Secretary Martha Gay.

Founded in 1992 as the Greenbelt Astronomy Club, Gay said ASG has been active in promoting the science of astronomy with the goal of spreading knowledge to Greenbelt through monthly lectures, presentations, sidewalk displays and star parties at the Northway Field observatory.

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Local Pet Spay and Neuter Vouchers to be Available

The Four Cities No-Cost Spay/Neuter Voucher Program will provide vouchers to approved pet owners for the spaying or neutering of pet dogs and cats. The program is funded by a State of Maryland grant awarded to the Four Cities Coalition to pay for spay/neuter surgeries of pets in low income households. Dogs and cats that do not have rabies vaccinations will receive one at the time of surgery. There will be no cost to the pet owner for these medical services.

In order to qualify to receive a voucher, a pet owner must satisfy one of 10 need-based criteria. For details and an application form, see greenbeltmd.gov/spayneuter.

The application must be completed and returned to: City of Greenbelt, Department of Planning and Community Development, 15 Crescent Road, Suite

200, Greenbelt, MD 20770, Attn: Spay/Neuter Voucher. Completed applications may also be emailed to spayneutervoucher@greenbeltmd.gov or faxed to 301-345-5418.

Once a completed application is reviewed and approved, the applicant will receive by mail a spay/neuter voucher. It is the goal of this program to fund the operation for 600 dogs and cats. Vouchers will be available on a first-come first-served basis.

Spay and neuter procedures are redeemable at Spay Now, 7401 Van Dusen Road, Laurel. Call 301-483-7080 to schedule an appointment for a pet. On the day of the procedure, present the voucher. All costs associated with the spay/neuter procedure will be covered by the grant.

For information on this program, call 301-345-5417 or email spayneutervoucher@greenbeltmd.gov.

What Goes On

Saturday, February 7
9:30 a.m., Forest Preserve Advisory Board, Field Tour, Observatory Hill at the end of Northway Extended
Monday, February 9
6:30 p.m., Youth Advisory Committee Meeting, Greenbelt Library
8 p.m., City Council Meeting, Municipal Building. Live on Verizon 21, Comcast 71 and streaming at greenbeltmd.gov/municipalvtv
Wednesday, February 11
8 p.m., Worksession with Prince George's County States Attorney, Community Center

Letters to the Editor

For Consideration

As the City Council of Greenbelt begins its budgetary process it is hoped that the following will be included in the discussions: Increasing the life guard pay so that it is competitive with surrounding towns. Pay a differential for opening and closing in order to attract more individuals; increase the pay of front desk staff who have worked at the Aquatic and Fitness Center from five to over 10 years. There are a few staff members nearing 14 years of service.

Acknowledgements: During the Christmas party no part-time staff member is ever recognized for working over 10 years. Their work is valuable and needs to be acknowledged for keeping various parts of the Greenbelt system functioning smoothly.

Lastly, an Employee Committee on Diversity and Inclusion needs to be established by the HR Department of Greenbelt, that is supervised by the city manager. This topic was discussed during council's August 20 work session. This committee would be composed of employees from Greenbelt's various departments, and also include part-timers. It would monitor promotions, oversee staff mentoring programs, etc. and help to expand opportunities for all staff who seek to advance. "According to the Department of Human Resources, of the 9 senior staff members, all are white; 4 are female and 5 are male," said Michael Hartman.

This reality does not reflect the current demographics of Greenbelt and can be addressed if there is sincere will and commitment to equity.

Lois Blades Rosado

(The writer is a city Recreation Department employee writing as an individual.)

Why Time Bank? We Have GIVES

This is a response to an article head-lined Time Bank Orientation published in the Greenbelt News Review dated January 29, 2015.

Such an organization exists already, and has since 1998. It is GIVES, Greenbelt Intergenerational Volunteer Exchange Service.

At that time I was active in the Gray Panthers being a convener here. I, too, had read Edgar Kahn's book Time Dollars.

After reading it I realized what was proposed was in Greenbelt's tradition so I approached two activist friends with the idea of starting such a group here.

We approached CCN, Co-operative Caring Network, in Washington, D.C., who agreed to assist us.

Over many meetings here, bylaws were written. We were provided with samples of orientation pamphlets.

One of we three, brain-storming with family, came up with the acronym GIVES.

We decided that Time Dollars was not suitable for a no-money, just service group. The city gave us office space in the Se-

nior Lounge in the Community Center. Small donations paid for telephone service, office supplies and registration forms.

As interest grew we were evolving into a functional organization: we had members willing to be officers.

I was chair for two terms then became the secretary. A member who was an accountant set up a bank account and served as our treasurer. Volunteers worked at the office on weekday mornings answering the telephone, matching requests for services with those who would provide the service. Records were kept.

Over the years we have provided transportation to doctors' appointments, filled requests for help purchasing groceries and have helped gardeners.

One year we received an award from the Maryland Municipal League in Ocean City. A photo of that is displayed in our office. The Gazette featured us.

Every year we cooperate with AARP to sign up participants in their Safe Driving Course.

GIVES is still strong. This wheel is not broken, why fix it. For information call 301-507-6580 or visit the GIVES office any weekday morning.

Janet Jacobs-Parker

About the Theater

Congratulations to the Friends of the Greenbelt Theater (FOGT) for being chosen to operate the theater after the renovation is completed. I only hope they can do as good a job as the Paul Sanchez organization did in the past, when the theater was beloved by so many Greenbelters, especially seniors, as a place nearby, moderate in cost, where we could go to see a wonderful movie, sometimes on the "spur of the moment," enjoy a delicious meal at Beijing or the New Deal either before or after the show and have a thoroughly good time.

The movies selected by the Sanchez group were uniformly good. They often contributed to my continuing education. For instance, when I read recently of the death of John Bayley, the husband of British author Iris Murdoch who cared for her through her descent into Alzheimer's disease, I immediately remembered how seeing the film Iris at the Old Greenbelt Theatre had peaked my interest in Alzheimers, even inspiring me to read the book that the film was based on. Other movies I especially liked were Millions and the

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SHAYNA SKOLNIK


CORRECTION

Ennis Barbary, rather than interning at the Greenbelt Museum as our January 29 story stated, worked on the cultural landscape project (pictured on page 8) as part of a program leading to a certificate in Museum Scholarship and Material Culture.

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This week's Swifty . . .

"Please take off your armor before you come to bed," Guinevere reminded Lancelot n _ _ _ ly."



Last Week's Swifty: "One pinch of herbs is all you need in a salad dressing,"Judia Child recommends SAGELY."

NOTICE TO GHI MEMBERS

PRELIMINARY AGENDA

GDC & GHI BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETINGS

Thursday, February 12, 2015

GHI ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 7:30 PM



GDC Agenda Items

- Review 4th Quarter 2014 Financial Statements

GHI Key Agenda Items:

- Proposed Service Side Addition for 1E Northway Rd.
- Staff's Report on Ramifications of Reinstating Working Capital Contributions from New Members
- Proposal for Credit Card and Electronic Check Payments by Members through Paylease
- Review 4th Quarter 2014 Financial Statements
- Proposed Pay-off of Mortgage Loan to Release Lien on 8G Research Rd.
- Schedule Manager's Annual Performance Evaluation
- Spring and Fall Gutter Cleaning – 1st Reading
- Masonry Crack Repair Contract – 1st Reading
- Contract for Repairs to 8G Research Rd – 1st Reading
- Contract for Preparing Specifications for Crawlspace Improvements Project – 1st Reading

Regular Board meetings are open to Members
For more information, visit our website - www.ghi.coop



To request a sign language interpreter for this meeting, go to <http://www.ghi.coop/content/interpreter-request-form>, or go to the GHI Office (One Hamilton Place) or contact us by phone (301-474-4161) or fax (301-474-4006).

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OFFICE HOURS: Monday 2 - 4 p.m., Tuesday 2 - 4, 8 - 10 p.m.

GIVE BLOOD

Community Events

NARFE Monthly Meeting Feb. 11

National Active and Retired Federal Employees (NARFE), Chapter 1122, Northern Prince George's County, will hold its monthly meeting on Wednesday, February 11 at 1:30 p.m. in the Terrace Room at the Greenbriar Community Building, 7600 Hanover Parkway.

The speaker this month will be Greenbelt resident Lore Rosenthal speaking on the environment. Refreshments will be served. All federal workers and retirees are welcome.

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 on Monday, February 9.

For more information email goddard@bivio.com.

Contra Dance

The Greenbelt Recreation Department and the Folklore Society of Greater Washington are co-sponsoring a contra dance on Saturday, February 7 in the gym at the Community Center. The dance begins at 7 p.m. and welcomes beginners as well as experienced dancers. Beginner lessons will start at 6:30 p.m. and there will be a walk-through before each dance. Ann Fallon will be calling to the music of Megan Beller on fiddle and Charley Beller on guitar. There is an entry fee of \$10 per person, \$5 for ages 7 to 18. Ages 6 and under are free.

For more information, call 240-542-2054.

Golden Age Club

by Bunny Fitzgerald

This has been a long cold winter, but the Golden Age Club has lots of plans for the coming year. On February 11 the speaker will be a doctor from the Center for Cardiovascular Medicine. He will discuss the diagnosis and treatment of cardiovascular issues. The Anniversary Luncheon will be held on April 22. Put this date on your calendar. Just a reminder: dues must be paid by this time.

We're proud to announce that we have an author in the Club. Randi Anderson, vice president, has written Flyboy which can be found on Amazon.

There have been questions about meetings on snow days. The Club voted on the following rule: No meetings when schools are closed or two hours late. The groundhog told us there will be six weeks more of winter. Keep smiling – it makes people wonder what you've been up to.

GHI Notes

Monday, February 9, 7 p.m., Member Outreach Committee Meeting, Board Room

7:30 p.m., Marketing Committee Meeting, GHI Lobby

Thursday, February 12, 7:30 p.m., Board of Directors Meeting (Open Session), Board Room

Friday, February 13, OFFICE CLOSED. For emergency maintenance service call 301-474-6011.

More Community Events are located throughout the paper.

Explore the Life Of a Park Ranger

Explorations Unlimited welcomes Wayne Braxton as the speaker on Friday, February 13. Braxton will share his experiences as a ranger on the National Mall. He will also discuss the outreach activities he started over 13 years ago, a wide range of programs related to the national icons on the Mall.

Braxton, a Greenbelt resident for over 21 years, is newly retired after 38 years of service, mostly with the National Park Service. He has had the opportunity to participate in a variety of major events and is looking forward to sharing some of his stories with the audience.

Explorations Unlimited is held every Friday from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Community Center in room 114. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Call 301-397-2208 for more information.

Computer Club Meets Next on February 12

The next monthly meeting of the Greenbelt Computer Club will be held on Thursday, February 12 at 7 p.m. in room 112 at the Community Center. All are welcome.

Invasive Plants

Help protect Greenbelt Park from harmful invasive plants. Join in a hands-on nature preservation activity and learn about native and non-native plants on Saturday, February 7 at 11 a.m. in the Sweetgum Picnic Area. This program will be held the first Saturday of every month. Come rain or shine, wear appropriate clothing and work gloves and bring lunch or snack. Bring and wear tick repellent. Student service hours are available.

For details, call 301-344-3948 or visit nps.gov/gree/.

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WEEK OF FEB. 6

FRIDAY – SATURDAY

Sponge Bob: Out of the Water, in 3D, PG (!)
10:40, 1, 8
Sponge Bob: Out of the Water, in 2D, PG (!)
12:05, 2:30, 3:20, 4:50, 5:40, 7:15, 9:30
Jupiter Ascending, in 3D, PG-13 (!)
10:45, 4, 9:20
Jupiter Ascending, in 2D, PG-13 (!)
1:30, 6:45
Seventh Son, in 3D, PG-13 (!)
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Seventh Son, in 2D, PG-13 (!)
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The Loft, R (!)
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Black or White, PG-13 (!)
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Project Almanac, PG-13 (!)
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Paddington, PG
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American Sniper, R
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THURSDAY

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If love is blind, why is lingerie so popular?
Happy Valentine's Day!




Greenbelt Nursery School Open House
Registration for Fall 2015
Saturday, February 21, 10 am – 1 pm
*Classes for children ages 2, 3, and 4
Two, three, and five days a week. Low child to staff ratio.
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Greenbelt Baptist Church Welcomes Associate Pastor

by Jim Link

A swift, fascinating trajectory has brought Greenbelt Baptist Church's newly installed Associate Pastor Stephen Unthank to this city. He and Pastor Michael Christ sat down with me to describe that journey and Unthank's excitement about his new duties.

Only 32, Unthank graduated from Frostburg State University in 2005 as a philosophy major. Besides wrestling with platonic forms and Nietzschean skepticism, Unthank became a breakdancing enthusiast. "I traveled to Pittsburgh and Baltimore soaking up that underground culture. But now my knees don't support that anymore," Unthank laughed.

Though he says he was impressed with his philosophy professors and felt they had "planted a seed," Unthank was not completely convinced by them. He began thinking seriously about his Christianity in 2001, he says, which until then had been rather tepid and automatic. "I was Christian in a typically American way – rather vague, pale and nominal. My father worked for the State Department and our family traveled extensively but we did not belong to any particular denomination."

Unthank realized that he "delighted in theology and hearing the gospel more and more. I was around new friends and began reading the Bible more seriously. The old ways lost their zest; new routines replaced my old ones."

Eventually Unthank joyously realized, he said, that "now I believed in the person of Jesus Christ as the only redeemer of my life."

After graduating from Capital Bible Seminary, Unthank cut his teeth, as he puts it, at Trinity Community Church in Bowie, learning how to become a pastor.

Family peregrinations took him to Cuba, Zambia, Venezuela, Panama and South Africa. Living in such a rainbow of countries – so culturally and racially diverse – has equipped him well, he says. "God doesn't waste anything. I thank the Lord for that experience."

His Duties

Unthank and Pastor Christ are still sorting out exactly what the former's duties in the congregation will be. But he is now conducting evening Sunday services – catechism classes for children 4 to 10 years old. He showed me a movie clip on his iPhone of kids dancing and singing, directed by Israel Felix with Pastor Christ moving to the rhythm in the background.

Unthank is meeting families



Pastor Stephen Unthank

one-on-one and intends to help Greenbelt Baptist Church "intersect with the city of Greenbelt in a Christian way," he says.

One encouraging aspect of his job is that, although the official church congregation numbers around 65, the morning Sunday service sometimes draws 100 prayerful attendees. Unthank and Pastor Christ find this excess of spiritual hunger heartening.

Starting in May, Unthank will alternate with Pastor Christ in presenting talks on various topics in the church's "Christianity and ..." series. For example, the former will illuminate the subject of Christianity and Albert Camus.

His commute from New Carrollton, where he lives with his wife Maricel and their children Ambrose and Lilou, is "a mere eight minutes" to Greenbelt.

He startled me with his direct, thoughtful answer to my rambling question about what challenged him most as a pastor. The erosion of faith? Our sex-saturated pop culture? The truancy of youth regarding morals and religion?

"What's the problem, Steve?"

"I am," he said. "The problem is in our own hearts." He was quoting G.K. Chesterton's answer to a similar question more than 50 years ago. Rather than crusading specifically against any of our social or moral scourges, Unthank is convinced that "my duty is to lay out the word of God. The word of God has the power."

GES Receives EGATE Award

Greenbelt Elementary School (GES) Principal Monica Gaines, Excellence in Gifted and Talented Education (EGATE) Team Leader Stephanie Barber, and the talented-and-gifted-in-the-regular-classroom teachers and staff will be recognized with this year's Prince George's County EGATE award. EGATE is an awards program to recognize Maryland elementary schools that are best aligned with Maryland's Criteria for Excellence for talented and gifted (TAG) programs.

The Maryland State Advisory Council for Gifted and Talented Education will be recognizing GES along with other TAG educators around the state at an awards program and reception on February 25 from 5 to 8 p.m. at North County High School in Glen Burnie. RSVP to gtadvisorycouncil@gmail.com if you plan to attend. Indicate name, organization and number of guests attending.

Black History Exhibit Celebrates Residents

The exhibition *Glancing Back & Looking Forward: 100 Years of African American Culture and History in Prince George's County* features information about the lives of selected Prince Georgians who had a variety of occupations and community roles. Through photographs, artifacts and excerpts from interviews, the exhibition conveys their personal stories and highlights the ways in which they were and still are part of the county's history. The show runs through Saturday, February 28 at the Montpelier Arts Center, 9652 Muirkirk Road in Laurel.

Todd Turner Hosts Listening Sessions

Prince George's County Council Member Todd M. Turner (D) will host three District 4 Listening Sessions to discuss District 4 priorities and provide an overview of the proposed FY 2016 County Budget. Citizens will have the opportunity to ask questions, express viewpoints and share their thoughts. The sessions will take place at 7 p.m. on Thursday, February 12 at the Greenbelt Municipal Building; Thursday, February 19 at the Glenn Dale Fire Department; and Thursday, March 5 at Bowie City Hall.

For details, contact Tomeka Bumbry, chief of staff, at 301-952-3094 or by email at tbumbry@co.pg.md.us.

Local NAMI Support Group to Meet

The National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) will hold a New Carrollton area work group/support group meeting on Monday, February 16 from 10 a.m. to noon at the Hanko Building, 8511 Legation Road, New Carrollton. Another support group session will take place on Thursday, February 19 from 6:30 to 8 p.m. at the New Carrollton Municipal Center, 6016 Princess Garden Parkway. The work group will help prepare mailings and the support group will allow participants to share their mental health experiences. For more information, call 301-429-0970.



Congratulations to Dave and Charissa Gray of Denver, who became the proud parents of their second daughter, Jordan Noelle Gray, on January 19, 2015. Dave is a 1997 graduate of Eleanor Roosevelt High School; his father and stepmother are Greenbelters Jim and Marjorie Gray, both News Review staffers.

Send us your reports of new babies, awards and honors to share with our readers. Email us at newsreview@verizon.net or leave a message at 301-474-6892.

– Kathleen McFarland

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Letters

one about the Marigold Hotel that became a hit with seniors nationwide. I often wondered how the theater managed to select such charming and likable movies. After seeing "The Descendants" there, I smugly boasted to my kids that I'd once again seen one of the movies nominated for an Oscar, and at the Greenbelt theater.

The word had begun to leak out to surrounding communities and younger people about the Greenbelt theater's high-quality movies and affordability. Adding the capability for using credit cards was a good move, especially for those who might want to make it a family night out.

I'm looking forward to seeing more information about the plans FOGT has for the theater. For instance, will there be concerts, performances by local groups, perhaps showings of operas, more children's movies, special children's days? I hope the community at large will be invited to contribute their ideas and assistance.

Kathleen McFarland

Library System Seeks Board Members

Interested in helping shape the future of the library in Prince George's County? The Board of Library Trustees of the Prince George's County Memorial Library System (PGCMLS) is seeking applications from county residents to fill a vacancy on this policy-making body responsible for governance of the library.

PGCMLS is a crucial part of the community's economic and social fabric. As a library board member, one can help ensure that the library system continues to provide needed services to everyone in the community.

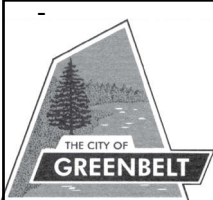
Applications and additional information are available in all county libraries, the PGCMLS administrative offices and on the PGCMLS website at pgcmls.info. This position is open until filled.

For more information, contact the office of the chief executive officer at 301-699-3500, ext. 242.

The Clarice Presents Spektral Quartet

Hear one of Chicago's most magnetic and forward-thinking chamber ensembles, the Spektral Quartet, read and rehearse new works by University of Maryland student composers.

The performance will take place in the Gildenhorn Recital Hall at The Clarice on Wednesday, February 11 at 7:30 p.m. and is free to the public.



City Information

GREENBELT CITY COUNCIL- REGULAR MEETING Municipal Building, February 9, 2015 – 8:00 p.m.

ORGANIZATION

Call to Order
Roll Call
Meditation and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag
Consent Agenda – Approval of Staff Recommendations (Items on the Consent Agenda [marked by *] will be approved as recommended by staff, subject to removal from the Consent Agenda by Council.)
Approval of Agenda and Additions

COMMUNICATIONS

- Presentations
Prince George's County Council Member Todd Turner
- Petitions and Requests
(Petitions received at the meeting will not be acted upon by the City Council at this meeting unless Council waives its Standing Rules.)

- Minutes of Council Meetings

- Administrative Reports

- *Committee Reports

LEGISLATION

An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 11 "Motor Vehicles and Traffic" of the Greenbelt City Code
1st Reading

OTHER BUSINESS

- Strathcona Apartments – Application for Issuance of a Certificate of Nonconforming Use

- Settlement Agreement – Comcast Acquisition of Time Warner Cable

- Release of Funds to Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad

- Council Reports

*- Renewal of County Liquor Licenses

*- Recognition Group Application – Greenbelt Lions Club

*-Reappointments to Advisory Group

*-Resignation from Advisory Group

MEETINGS

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

VACANCIES ON BOARDS & COMMITTEES

Volunteer to serve on City Council Advisory Groups. There are currently vacancies on: Arts Advisory Board, Park and Recreation Advisory Board, and Youth Advisory Committee

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February 7, 7-9:45pm
Intro dance lesson 6:30pm
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MEETINGS FOR THE WEEK OF February 9-13

Monday, February 9 at 6:30pm, **YOUTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE**, at the Greenbelt Branch Library, 11 Crescent Road.

Monday, February 9 at 8:00pm, **REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING** at Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road. This meeting will be shown live on Verizon 21, Comcast 71 and Streaming at www.greenbeltmd.gov/municipaliv

Wednesday, February 11 at 8:00pm, **COUNCIL WORK SESSION with Prince George's County States Attorney** at the Community Center, 15 Crescent Road.

All meetings listed are open to the public. This schedule is subject to change. For confirmation that a meeting is being held call 301-474-8000.

MEETING NOTICE

**FOREST PRESERVE ADVISORY BOARD
FIELD TOUR – GREENBELT FOREST PRESERVE
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2015
9:30 a.m.**

**MEET AT OBSERVATORY HILL AT THE END OF
NORTHWAY**

The purpose of the tour is to allow a guided inspection and discussion of the condition of the Greenbelt Forest Preserve and to learn about characteristics of healthy forest conditions, as well as identifying challenges to the health of the preserve.

All members of the public are invited to attend.

GREENBELT THEATER UPDATE

As of 1/13/15: LED aisle lighting has been installed but is too bright and needs to be dimmed. Drywall close-in has occurred in bathrooms. Terrazzo work began as of 1/29/15 and will take up to 3 weeks depending on conditions. This work will limit other work. Paint colors for lobby have been finalized. Painting will be extended into auditorium to give it fresh look. Work to be done by Public Works. Power to theater to be turned on 1/30/15 or early next week. First draft of contract received from city attorney.

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OPENINGS AVAILABLE FOR GREENBELT CARES FAMILY COUNSELING

Greenbelt CARES offers a Family Counseling Clinic on Wednesday evenings, 6pm to 9pm. Services are free of charge for Greenbelt residents, and for those in several zip codes surrounding the city. CARES currently has no waiting list, so immediate appointments are available. Families who are in need of parenting support to effectively manage academic, behavioral, or other issues impacting their young children or teens can contact the agency at 301 345-6660. In addition to CARES usual Family Clinic, two staff counselors are also offering Parent Child Interaction Therapy, which specifically addresses the needs of children ages two through six.

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in very cold weather. Skolnik disagreed, saying the heat pump will work, though not as well, until the outside temperature gets down to around 15 degrees.

Envelope Improvements

GHI Vice President Susan Ready summarized decisions made in December regarding which building envelope improvements should be made to all units and which should be member options. She reported that the pilot findings were not as strong as the board had hoped, with most improvements not repaying their cost over their expected life cycle. But, she noted, the pilot participants reported feeling more comfortable in their homes after the upgrades.

Installing these improvements will be a five-year program, she said. Replacement reserves were designed to cover the costs of replacing windows, doors, frame home siding and heating systems. The board has previously noted that actual costs will not be known until the work goes out to bid.

Windows

One change in thinking was how member-replaced windows will be handled. During the Q & A Skolnik said that GHI would not replace member-installed windows that meet GHI specifications. However, since replacement reserves are based upon the full cost of the program, not a unit-by-unit accounting of expenses, Skolnik said, these members will not receive any credit reflecting the reduced scope

of work in their units.

HIP Costs

Prior to the spring Special Membership Meeting, staff will consider what heating/cooling systems to recommend, what crawl space improvements to recommend, the sources of funds and loan repayment terms for non-replacement reserve items and estimate the fee increases for non-replacement reserve improvements. GHI is also considering a loan deferral program for members who cannot afford the necessary fee increases.

Once the board determines what work is to be included in the initial HIP, staff will consider how best to manage the project and what additional staff and systems are needed. During the Q & A session, Skolnik said that the project manager GHI hires will determine how to schedule the work.

Future Improvements

General Manager Eldon Ralph told the members that this will not be the last improvements program. In 2016–2024, GHI plans to replace roofs on frame, block and the larger townhomes, address drainage problems and perform underground utility repairs. Another big project, he said, is planned for 2021–2025, when GHI will replace plumbing pipes and electrical wiring in frame and masonry homes.

Q & A

Highlights of the questions and answers session follow. Except where noted, the responses are from Skolnik.

Q. Why replace everything

now, my doors or windows are fine? Why do all the work at once?

A. By making repairs to all units, rather than as components wear out, GHI should get a better price. It is also more efficient. For example, window and door replacement require ripping out flashing, as will replacing the siding. Doing it once is more efficient.

Q. Why include baseboard heaters as an alternative, the “single most inefficient system” for heating homes?

A. Cost. Some members cannot afford the heat pump option.

Q. How much will the insulation option reduce attic storage space?

A. A plywood floor will be installed covering the full area where the distance from floor to roof ceiling is two feet high. Beyond that point a plywood dam will be installed with insulation blown in behind it.

Q. With new windows, can we use window air conditioners?

A. Frame homes, which have double-hung windows, can use window air conditioners.

Please take the following issues into consideration: The need to provide members with adequate advance notice of when contractors will be working on their unit. Can we have pet doors? Will there be people to help members move and store things before and after the attic improvements? Answers not yet available.

Q. Why are members limited to two heating options that are not the best? There’s gas heat all

around us, why are we not considering that?

A. Skolnik noted that GHI had looked into gas service years ago, even to the point of negotiating with Washington Gas prior to determining it was not viable. Ralph added that in preparation for the pilot program GHI raised the issue with their consultant Home Improvements Research Labs (HIRL), which also found it was not financially viable.

Q. Can individual owners decide to add exterior insulation to their homes or must the entire row make the same choice?

A. Not yet decided. Likely could do at least in pairs of adjacent units.

Q. What are the health impacts of spray foam insulation in sealing the brick and frame attics, especially for residents with chemical sensitivities?

A. Issue is balance between applicability and suitability of each material and between cost and toxicity.

Q. Why not consider interior insulation on block homes?

A. When GHI studied this approach, it found 1) tremendous disruption of residents, 2) very expensive, 3) does not install well, 4) makes a small room even smaller.

Q. Why no discussion of storm doors and through-the-wall air conditioning?

A. Building scientists (HIRL) advised that storm doors never pay for themselves but in response to member requests board is considering options for including a member option for storm doors.

Further Information

The town hall was videotaped by Greenbelt Access Television and will be available on that source three to four weeks after the meeting. The meeting script will likely be posted on GHI’s HIP website but the meeting PowerPoint was too large to post in its entirety. Responses to all questions submitted at the meeting will also be posted here in addition to the many reports and other references already provided by the Buildings Committee.



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Joseph, Greenwald & Laake Elevates Four Attorneys

Joseph, Greenwald & Laake, P.A., announced that it has promoted Joseph M. Creed and Anne E. Grover from senior counsel to principals. In addition, Darin L. Rumer has been elevated from associate to senior counsel and Allison McFadden has been elevated from staff attorney to associate.

"We are proud to have the opportunity to reward these outstanding attorneys with promotions," said Burt M. Kahn, managing director. "We are particularly pleased to elect and welcome Joe and Anne as principals. Their dedication to their clients and firm is greatly appreciated, and we look forward to a great future with them."

Creed is a member of the firm's Civil Litigation and Labor & Employment groups. He advises and represents individuals and businesses in various civil litigation matters. He is an experienced litigator and appellate attorney, having tried cases and argued appeals in state and federal courts. His practice includes business litigation, professional licensing matters and all aspects of employment law.

Grover, a member of the firm's Family Law practice, represents

clients in a wide range of family law matters, including separation and divorce, child custody disputes, contempt and enforcement proceedings, drafting and negotiating prenuptial agreements and obtaining protective orders. She has represented clients throughout Maryland, as well as in interstate jurisdictional matters and appeals. Grover is skilled as both a negotiator and a litigator and brings a sophisticated understanding of financial and tax issues to her analysis of her clients' needs.

Also a member of the firm's Family Law practice, Rumer advises clients in family law matters, including child custody and divorce litigation, separation agreements, child support and alimony issues, property distribution issues, domestic violence and other areas.

McFadden, also a member of the firm's Family Law practice, represents clients in a wide variety of domestic relations matters, including custody disputes and divorces. She enjoys working closely with her clients to assist them through each phase of their cases, from discovery and depositions through preparation for mediation and trial.

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"[ASG] has a rather broad view of astronomy. We've had conversations about climate and space weather. Occasionally, we'll have programs about specific NASA missions," said Gay. ASG will host NASA astrophysicist Dr. Peter Chen in a meeting later this month.

While there were few attendees at the Thursday night APOD program, Cleaton Henry of Waldorf stressed astronomy's importance.

"We are a small part of a big world. Astronomy is beginning to understand this world," said Henry, ASG's president for the past two years.

Henry, who works in health-care, said he first realized his passion for astronomy while living in Barbados, where he was born.

"It's interesting because people would spend time under the stars," Henry said. "You see these points of light. You feel it's so far away and you wonder, what's there?"

Henry's curiosity as a child led him to read several books on astronomy and construct his own homemade telescopes. Now he is a proponent of outreach programs and star parties where, he said, Greenbelt's astronomy enthusiasts gather together in amazement to observe the sky.

One of the biggest hits at the ASG's star parties?

"People are always amazed to see the rings around Saturn," Henry said.

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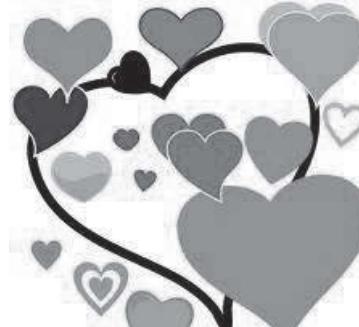
application for a Class B (BLX), Beer, Wine and Liquor License, for Goodies Food, LLC, trading as East Pearl (a restaurant) at 7701 Greenbelt Road. Generally, the city council does not take a position on such applications and council, by motion, unanimously took no position on the application. Mayor Emmett Jordan explained that council's position does not jeopardize the application and that the city wishes the

applicants well in the opening of a new restaurant in Greenbelt East.

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Police Blotter

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

Assault

January 26, 12:07 p.m., 6100 block Greenbelt Road. A man inside Target attempting to steal a child safety seat was approached by three employees who took possession of it. He assaulted the three employees, punching them several times and biting one on the hand. A woman then entered the store and jumped on top of the employees and tried to pull the man away. They both ran from the store and fled in a vehicle described as a dark grey 4-door Ford with Fla. tags. They are both described as being black, the man 5'10" tall, 160 pounds, wearing grey sweat pants and a white shirt under a grey hooded sweatshirt beneath a black jacket, the woman, 5'8" to 5'10" tall, 160 to 180 pounds with hair in a large Afro, wearing blue jeans and a white shirt under a brown (possibly leather) jacket. None of the employees suffered serious injuries.

Weapon

January 27, 3:25 p.m., 6000 block Springhill Drive. A 19-year-old nonresident was arrested and charged with possession of a dangerous weapon (brass knuckles) after officers responded to a report of suspicious people in a laundry room. A 19-year-old Greenbelt resident was arrested and charged with possession of paraphernalia commonly used to prepare marijuana for ingestion. Both men were released on citation pending trial.

Arrest

Three people have been arrested in the fraud that occurred in the 8900 block Edmonston Road, reported July 21. Two nonresident men ages 22 and 49 and one nonresident 42-year-old woman were charged with theft by scheme, conspiracy to commit theft by scheme and forgery.

DWI/DUI

January 23, 9:47 p.m., Green-

belt Road near Cherrywood Lane. A 70-year-old Greenbelt resident was arrested and charged with alcohol and other traffic-related charges after a traffic accident investigation. He was released on citations pending trial.

January 25, 12:32 a.m., Greenbelt Road near Kenilworth Avenue. A 27-year-old Greenbelt resident was arrested and charged with alcohol and other traffic-related charges after being stopped for a traffic violation. He was released on citations pending trial.

Disorderly Conduct

January 28, 12:44 p.m., 9200 block Springhill Lane. An 18-year-old resident was arrested and charged with disorderly conduct and resisting arrest by an officer investigating a suspicious person. The man refused medical treatment for a minor injury and was transported to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner.

Trespass

January 22, 6:06 p.m., 6000 block Greenbelt Road. A 30-year-old nonresident man was arrested and charged with trespass after he was found on the grounds of Beltway Plaza after having been banned from the mall by agents of the property. He was released on citation pending trial.

January 26, 5:25 p.m., 7500 block Greenbelt Road. A 43-year-old Greenbelt man was arrested and charged with trespass after he was located on the grounds of Greenway Center after having been banned from there by agents of the property. He was released on citation pending trial.

Burglary

January 22, 1:29 p.m., 6000 block Springhill Drive. A residence was entered after breaking through a drywall panel. It is

unknown if anything was taken.

January 22, 6:20 p.m., 8000 block Brett Place. A residence was entered after breaking out a rear window. Nothing appeared to be missing.

January 23, 6:30 p.m., 9100 block Edmonston Road. A television, notebook-type computer, camera and jewelry were taken after a sliding glass door was forced open.

January 26, 5:50 p.m., 9300 block Edmonston Road. A television was taken after entry was made by breaking a sliding glass door.

January 26, 11:38 p.m., 9300 block Edmonston Road. A television was taken after entry was made by breaking a sliding glass door.

Vandalism

January 22, 3 p.m., 6900 block Hanover Parkway. Graffiti was spray painted on a fence and entrance to a structure.

January 26, 4 p.m., 6100 block Springhill Terrace. The sliding glass door to a residence was broken.

Vehicle Crime

One vehicle was recovered in the 9100 block Edmonston Road, a 2005 Ford Super Cab pickup truck reported stolen by Fairfax County police. No arrests were made.

Four thefts from vehicles were reported. A spare tire was taken from under a car in the 9000 block Edmonston Road and tires and rims were taken from a vehicle at the Exxon station in the 7600 block Greenbelt Road. A cell phone was taken from an unsecured vehicle in the 100 block Julian Court. A handicap placard was taken in the 7800 block Hanover Parkway after the driver side window was broken.

Vandalism was reported in the 6100 block Breezewood Court where the front passenger window of a vehicle was broken out.

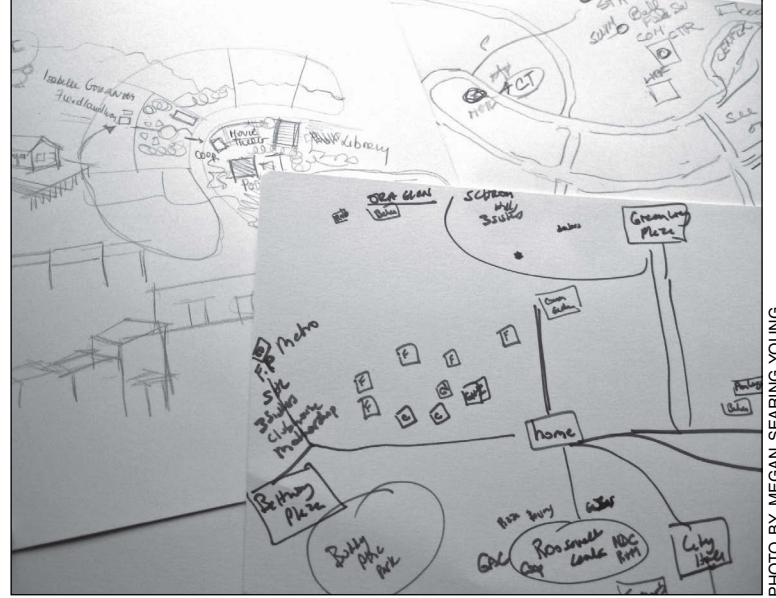


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A Review

GAC's Latest Play "Clybourne Park" Explores Racial Anxieties with Humor

by Jim Link

Clybourne Park is a nuanced, searing, yet hilarious probing of racial anxieties sparked by neighborhood demographic changes. A spinoff of Lorraine Hansberry's revelatory, explosive *A Raisin In The Sun*, the (perceived) threat now comes 50 years later in the form of a white family moving into the now black Clybourne Park area of Northwest Chicago. Black blockbusting roiled the genteel neighborhood in 1959; white gentrification looms ominously in 2009.

The production, now at the Greenbelt Arts Center, is another brilliant, polished effort by that oh-so-professional duo, director Bob Kleinberg and producer Malca Giblin, and respective family members.

Act I (which occurs in 1959) depicts Russ and Bev being badgered by Karl, head of the Clybourne Park Home Improvement Association, to retract their decision to sell their home to a black family. Unaware the buyers are black, Russ and Bev just want to leave after the traumatic death of their son.

Tension builds almost imperceptibly, so circuitous, evasive and euphemistic is the dialogue. Eventually the veneer of civility is ripped off in a wrenching catharsis.

Act II (2009) features the same seven cast members as different characters, real estate salespeople indulging in the same painful evasiveness about the elephant in the living room – race. As they try to sell Russ and Bev's former home again fragile gentility erupts into savage candor.

Not a Downer

Despite its bleak, discomfiting themes, though, *Clybourne Park* is not a downer. Allusions to skiing blacks and tap dancing whites considerably lighten the gloom.

The actors' chemistry is spot on. They have a field day playing two different roles, talking over and past one another in an orgy of non-communication.

Attey Harper is wonderful as the obsequious black domestic Francine in Act I and the shrieking banshee in Act II. Similarly Ryan Willis, Francine's husband, is the ever-polite Albert – "Yes ma'am, no ma'am" – in Act I, who plays the violent-when-goaded Kevin in Act II.

Ted Culler is the grieving, traumatized Russ (Act I), then is the annoying sewer worker Dan who discovers family secrets. David Colton is the anemic, useless preacher Jim (Act I), then the assertive salesman Tom. Holly Trout is the deaf, pregnant and inarticulate Betsy, then the pregnant, hearing and voluble Lindsey.

Susan Harper is the mousy, chirpy Bev who later plays the extrovert Kathy. Last is Jim Adams who plays two bluster-



PHOTO BY BOB KLEINBERG

Clybourne Park cast members included, back row, from left: Jim Adams, Ted Culler and Ryan Willis; and front row, from left: Susan Harper, Holly Trout, Attey Harper and David Colton.

ing jerks – Karl and then Steve, a pompous real estate agent. It takes a real actor to give each jerk his particular idiosyncrasies.

Do the sins of the sons always repeat those of the fathers? The somber moral of this coruscating play is that "plus ca change, plus c'est la meme chose," as Klein-

berg says. Or "It's deja vu all over again," to quote Yogi Berra.

Good news – *A Raisin In the Sun* is coming to GAC in May.

See *Clybourne Park* on Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m. on February 6, 7, 13, 14, 20, 21, and on Sundays at 2 p.m. on February 8 and 15.



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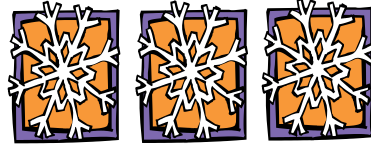
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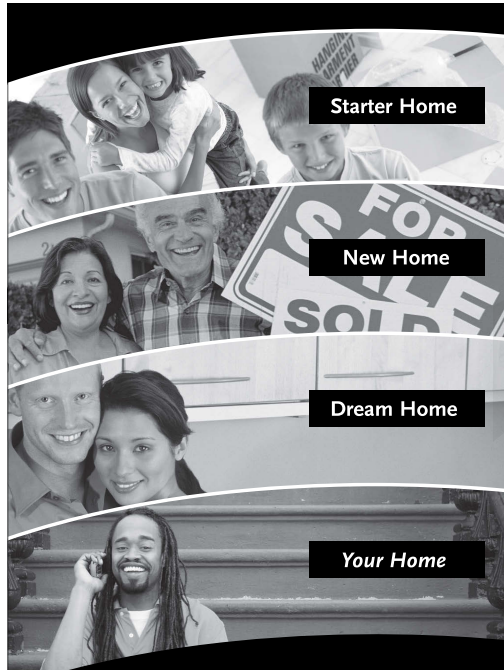
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ASG plans to begin an investigation of twelve edge-on galaxies listed in a recent Sky and Telescope magazine article, to determine which can be seen from our area with our 14 inch observatory telescope and its astronomical video camera.

Observing will begin at around 6:30 p.m. and continue for about two hours. Visitors are also welcome to set up their own telescopes on the hill.

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Tuesday, February 10 at 7 p.m. Afro-Latinos: The Hidden Legacy will be the next session in the audio-visual lecture series presented by C.R. Gibbs, renowned historian of the African diaspora. Other sessions will continue each Tuesday evening through February 24 in celebration of Black History Month.

Storytimes

Monday, February 9, Chinese/English Preschool Storytime, 7 p.m., for ages 3 to 5, limit 20 people. This bilingual storytime includes children's stories, songs, rhymes and other activities in Chinese and English.

Tuesday, February 10, Toddler Storytime, 2 p.m., for ages 2 to 3, limit 20 people; and Thursday, February 12, Preschool Storytime, 10:30 a.m., for ages 3 to 5, limit 20 people; Baby Laptime Storytime, 11:15 a.m., for ages birth to 12 months, limit 20 people; Baby Storytime, 12:15 p.m. for ages 12 to 24 months, limit 20 people.

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City Notes

Department of Public Works (DPW) staff continued project management and oversight of the Greenbelt theater renovation project.

Facilities Maintenance staff continued painting and installing exterior lighting at the theater.

DPW administration received a \$4,400 grant from the National Recreation and Park Association's Walk with Ease Program.

Refuse/Recycling/Sustainability crews collected 29.52 tons of refuse and 11.7 tons of recyclable material last week.

Co-op Patron Day, Food Demos

The Greenbelt Co-op will hold wine tastings on February 20, 4 to 7 p.m. and February 11 and 25, 5 to 7 p.m. Sample Co-op's selections and save 5 percent when purchasing wines tasted. This month's Healthy Happy Hour is on February 11, 5 to 7 p.m. and will feature dark chocolate, sparkling Lambrusco and sparkling pomegranate juice.

February 25 is Patron Appreciation Day and the Seasonal & Savory Food Demo and Wine Tasting will be held from 5 to 7 p.m. Staff will serve an avocado, grapefruit, fennel and arugula salad and pair it with selections from Co-op's wine department. Visit greenbelt.coop for more information.

WAGS Adoption Event at PetSmart

Well-Wishers for the Animals of the Greenbelt Shelter (WAGS) will be holding an adoption event, Unconditional Love, from noon to 3 p.m. on Sunday, February 8 at PetSmart, 7475 Greenbelt Rd. Several cats and dogs from the city animal shelter will be on hand to meet prospective adopters.

Photos and profiles of animals are posted on the shelter's website at greenbeltmd.gov/animalshelter and Facebook page. Currently the shelter is waiving adoption fees on all adult cats. For more information, contact animal control officer Lauren Crossed at lcrossed@greenbeltmd.gov or 240-508-7533.

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CPAE Book Launch: A Week with Beijing

On Saturday, February 7, from 2 to 4 p.m., Meg Eden will launch her newest poetry collection, A Week with Beijing. Twenty-one poems chart the narrator's relationship with a woman who personifies the city for which she is named. This event is part of the College Park Arts Exchange Cultural Connections series offering free lectures and performances focused on cultural exploration, music, art, literature and history. The event is at the Old Parish House, 4711 Knox Road, College Park.

Saving the Monarch

What You can do to Help Save the Monarch with Richard Dolesh will take place at the College Park Aviation Museum on Tuesday, February 10 at 7:30 p.m. Monarch butterflies are in deep trouble. Once found in great numbers throughout North America via their migration from Mexico into Canada, monarch populations have declined nearly 95 percent in recent years.

Free Punk Rock At The Clarice

The feminist punk rock modern dance band Tia Nina presents Juiced as part of the Festival of Subversive Artists and Minds sponsored by the University of Maryland's School of Theatre, Dance and Performance Studies. This free event will take place in the Dance Theatre at The Clarice on Saturday, February 7 at 9 p.m.

Botanic Garden Hosts Language of Flowers

On Friday, February 13 from 1 to 2 p.m. the U.S. Botanic Garden will host a free demonstration, The Language of Flowers: Victorian Bouquet Making, by Amy Brecount White, author of Forget-her-Nots.

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