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Council and Beltway Plaza Plan for FBI HQ – or Not

by Dylan Matthew Sinn

Fred Wine, president of Quantum Companies, the company that owns Beltway Plaza, assured the city council at a March 16 worksession that the mall is doing “extremely well” in spite of the delayed decision on the site of the new FBI headquarters.

When asked by Councilmember Judith Davis what the company’s “Plan B” was if the FBI building does not get constructed in Greenbelt, Wine opined, “Our piece of property in that [Beltway Plaza] location is great. We always think about doing better things with it, but it’s not always so easy... We have been sort of thinking the FBI would be a really good motivator, but we’re prepared to think about it without [the headquarters].”

Bulletin

GSA announced this week that the decision on the FBI headquarters site has been postponed indefinitely.

Davis said she doesn’t think it’s likely the development will happen anytime soon. “My personal opinion is it’s never happening, to be perfectly honest with you,” Davis said, “not until the next four years are done.”

Mayor Emmett Jordan immediately disagreed with Davis, although he said he is “greatly frustrated” with the General Services Administration (GSA) in decision on the headquarters site.

“I still think we have the best site [for the building] and there’s a strong possibility [the FBI] will still come,” Jordan said. “My thinking is the city and the property owners need to be prepared

for that, so I strongly think we should be putting our heads together to put some plans in place.

“If the announcement [that the GSA has chosen Greenbelt] happens, everything will sort of move so quickly, I’m concerned that the city and our neighbors should be well-prepared.”

The GSA’s decision on the site for the \$2 billion construction project was delayed until March in October of 2016 and then delayed again on March 10 as the GSA waits for congressional funding.

Wine said that he still hopes the GSA will choose Greenbelt.

“Every night I go to bed and pray, I say ‘FBI,’” he said, drawing laughs from councilmembers. “I mean we want it as much as anybody.”

Before the decision has been officially made, however, Wine explained that it has been difficult to spend resources with so much uncertainty. He drew parallels between the FBI development project and the Purple Line light rail project, which has affected his businesses as well.

“We have seven properties on the Purple Line,” he said. “So, again, I’m not reacting to what might or might not happen until I see it happen. The FBI could say, ‘Yes, Greenbelt,’ and then 43 different organizations could try to sue and stop it. So it’s like, to plan and spend money so prematurely is just hard for us to want to do.”

Other Business

Near the end of the meeting, Jordan asked Wine for economic
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PHOTO BY BEVERLY PALAU

ACE Educator Awards 2017. Front row from left: Janet Mirsky, ACE; Rosalind Ceasar, ACE staff liaison; Lupi Grady, school board representative; Erika Brett, ERHS; Michelle Harrison, GES; Felecia Motley, Turning Point; Bonnie Merryman, SHL; Joseph Fernandez, Magnolia; Melinda Brady, ACE; Sudhanshu Sinha, ACE; Kate McElhenny, ACE. Back row from left: Joe Schlosnagle, representing the state delegation; County Councilmember Todd Turner; Councilmembers Leta Mach, Edward Putens, Silke Pope; Mayor Emmett Jordan; Councilmember Judith Davis; Susan Breon, ACE Chair; Councilmember Konrad Herling; Jon Gardner, ACE; and Councilmember Rodney Roberts. ACE member Elsie Waynes and Renita Staley, ACE educator from Greenbelt Middle School, were unable to attend.

ACE, City Recognize Outstanding Educators in Greenbelt Schools

by Mary Moien

The 2017 Advisory Committee on Education (ACE) Educator Awards were presented at the March 13 Greenbelt City Council meeting. Janet Mirsky, ACE treasurer, introduced the presentation and summed up selected ACE accomplishments. This year is the 22nd for ACE Educator Awards. Leta Mach, ACE’s city council liaison and Rosalind Ceasar, the city’s staff liaison to

ACE, were recognized.

ACE, formed in 1994 with an updated charter in 2007, serves as a link between the community and council to promote high quality schools for Greenbelt. This year, ACE has sponsored reading clubs at two Greenbelt schools and has awarded 20 grants, totaling more than \$8,000, to provide educational opportunities beyond the school curricu-

lum. The ACE Educator Awards recognize school-based adults who have made an exceptional contribution to their schools. Recipients of the award may be any member of the school team: teacher, guidance counselor, other professional, or support or building staff. ACE selects the awardees based on nominations from

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What Goes On

Saturday, March 25

9 a.m. until noon, or until the truck is full. Donation Dropoff, parking lot between Municipal Building and Community Center

Monday, March 27

7:30 p.m., Greenbelt CERT, Police Station (see City Ad for details)

7:30 p.m., Special Meeting of City Council, Municipal Building

7:35 p.m., Executive Session of City Council, Municipal Building

8 p.m., City Council Meeting, Budget Presentation, Municipal Building. Live on Verizon 21 and Comcast 71 and streaming at www.greenbeltmd.gov/municipaltv

Tuesday, March 28

3:30 p.m., Senior Citizens Advisory Committee, Community Center

7 p.m., Advisory Committee on Education, Municipal Building

7 p.m., Advisory Committee on Trees, Public Works Building

7:30 p.m., Green ACES/Green Team, Community Center

Wednesday, March 29

7:45 a.m., Business Breakfast, Municipal Building

7 p.m., Council Worksession with WMATA, Community Center

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

Friday, March 31

Senior Mobility Survey submission deadline. Complete the survey at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/greenbelt seniorsurvey>

Saturday, April 1

7 to 9:45 p.m., Contra Dance, Community Center Gym (there is a fee). (See City Ad for details)

City Contracts for Long-Sought Recreation & Parks Master Plan

by Kathleen Gallagher

At its meeting on February 27, the city council took steps to develop Greenbelt’s very first recreation and parks facilities master plan, a project long anticipated by recreation staff and the city’s Park and Recreation Advisory Board. Other matters included an annual presentation from the Anacostia Trails Heritage Area, Inc., discussion of the city’s practice for selecting auditors and clarification of matters related to the county zoning rewrite. Several requests were also presented to council for future consideration, including one regarding possibly high lead levels in the water at some local schools.

Two resolutions for negotiated purchase that had been introduced for first reading at the February 13 meeting were adopted. As-

stant Recreation Director Joe McNeal was present to answer questions about the resolution for \$50,000 to develop the recreation and park master plan. Of the firms responding to a Request for Proposals (RFP), the firm recommended by staff to undertake the job was GreenPlay, LLC. Although the firm is based in Colorado, the project manager assigned to Greenbelt is located in Silver Spring.

Staff and council both found the proposal to be thorough and impressive in its approach to evaluating current facilities and framing recommendations for the future. A telling indicator of the proposal’s thoroughness was that Councilmember Judith Davis shook her head and said, “I couldn’t find any questions to

ask!”

Beyond the proposal itself, Recreation Department staff had interviewed all the consultants involved and followed up on

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Frozen forsythia

PHOTO BY HELEN SYDAVAR

Letters to the Editor

ATM at Co-op

I am writing on behalf of the Greenbelt Co-op Supermarket & Pharmacy in response to Francis Mihalovic's letter in the March 16 Greenbelt News Review titled, Co-op ATM Gone. The Co-op was notified by Bank of America that they were removing the ATM machine months before the burglary at the Roosevelt Center MiniMart, so the two events are completely unrelated. Bank of America, the owner of the machine, cited low usage of that

ATM and its inability to justify the maintenance costs. The Co-op did not own the ATM, but leased the space to Bank of America to provide the machine.

Co-op staff recognizes the importance of an ATM in the store and has reached out to a few banks and credit unions to secure another machine. We hope to have a new ATM installed soon.

Joe Gareri

Marketing & Outreach Coordinator, Greenbelt Co-op Supermarket & Pharmacy

GHI Notes

Thursday, March 23, 7 p.m., Finance Committee Meeting, Board Room

Friday, March 24, Office closed. Emergency maintenance service available at 301-474-6011.

Monday, March 27, 7 p.m., Communications Committee Meeting, GHI Lobby

Wednesday, March 29, 7 p.m., Executive Session of the Board, Board Room

Saturday, April 1, 11 a.m., Pre-purchase Orientation, Board Room

Menu for Senior Nutrition Program

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

All meals include margarine, coffee or tea and skim milk. Menus for the week of March 27 are as follows:

Monday, March 27: baked chicken with cacciatore sauce, whole grain penne pasta, spinach, wheat bread, sliced pears, cranberry juice

Tuesday, March 28: vegetable soup with crackers, seafood salad sandwich on Kaiser roll, mixed green salad with French dressing, fresh fruit, cranberry juice

Wednesday, March 29: turkey a la king, brown rice, sliced carrots, biscuit, pineapple tidbits, orange juice

Thursday, March 30: meatloaf with tomato gravy, whipped potatoes, cabbage with carrots, wheat bread, cherry fruit treat, cranberry juice

Friday, March 31: stuffed salmon with dill sauce, rosemary cannellini, beans, brussel sprouts, cornbread muffins, applesauce, grape juice

On Screen

Difficult Love

A United Kingdom is a meticulous, polite film depicting an explosive subject: An interracial marriage in 1940s Bechuanaland, now Botswana, between Secreste Khama (David Oyelowo, who played Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. in Selma) and Ruth Williams (Rosamund Pike, who played Ben Affleck's murderous wife in Gone Girl.)

This is not your everyday garden variety case of miscegenation – is there any such case? Khama is heir to the kingship of a South African apartheid-afflicted British protectorate. The prospect of a white queen invites no willing suspension of disbelief.

It's no surprise that violence simmers just beneath the banalities of civilized chit-chat, jazz music, ballroom dancing. The film starts airing Friday, March 24 at Old Greenbelt Theatre.

Director: Amma Asante

Running time: 1 hour, 51 minutes

Rating: PG13

- Jim Link

We Goofed!

The November Police Blotter in last week's hard copy of the News Review was meant to be a placeholder. Somehow the correct blotter was not inserted. On Thursday we were able to make the substitution in the website version.

This week we are running both last week's and this week's blotter.

City Notes

Planning staff prepared a green streets, green jobs and green towns green design grant application for Cherrywood Lane.

Refuse/Recycling/Sustainability crews collected 23.84 tons of refuse and 12.83 tons of recyclable material.

Horticulture/Parks crews picked up fallen limbs at 39 locations across Greenbelt after the snow storm and worked on coordinating tree selections for replacement trees per Pepco's vegetation management plan.

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 Sat. 3:00, 5:45, 8:15 PM
 Sun. 2:30 PM (OC), 5:15 PM

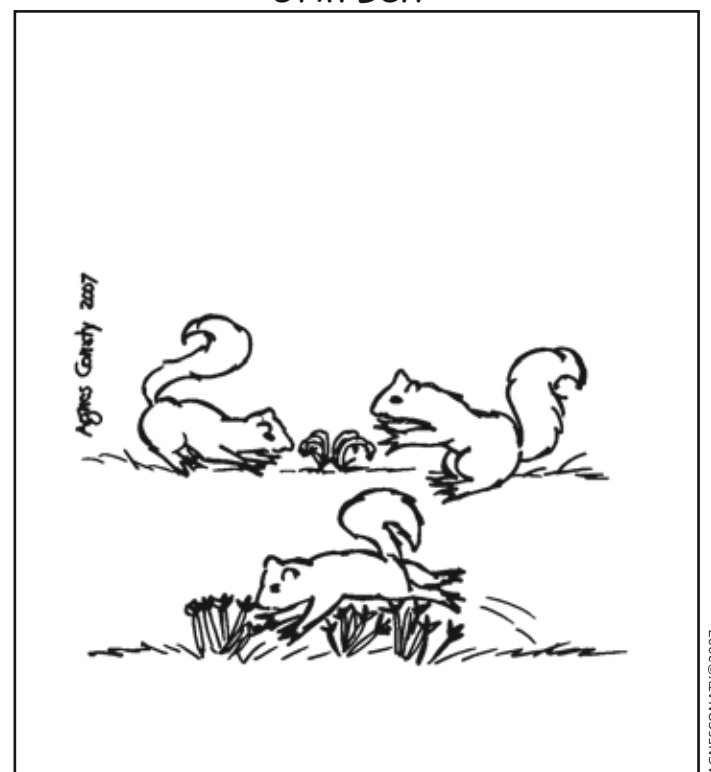
Mon. 8:00 PM
 Tues. 5:15, 7:45 PM
 Wed. 2:30, 5:15, 7:45 PM
 Thurs. 5:15, 7:45 PM

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 ARIETTY
 (G) (96 mins)
 Sat. 1:00 PM

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 Mon. 10:30 AM

VON DOOM - FREE!
 (60 mins) (Five short films
 in the Dr. Doom Series)
 Mon. 6:15 PM

Grin Belt



"I told him spring cleaning is not gonna happen if you're glued for hours watching 'March Madness.'"

Cartoon originally published on March 22, 2007.

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Greenbelt Community Center at 15 Crescent Rd.
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Community Events

Toastmasters Meet

The Greenbelt Toastmasters Club will meet on Wednesday, March 29 at 7:30 p.m. in the Social Hall of Greenbelt Community Church at Hillside and Crescent Roads. The group offers professionals, students, stay-at-home parents and retirees a supportive environment to improve skills in communication and leadership.

GES Spring Fair

Greenbelt Elementary School's PTA will be hosting this year's Spring Fair and Yard Sale at the school on Saturday, April 1, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Bring the whole family for a fun and free day of carnival games, bucket truck rides, craft activities and the second annual Greenbelt's Got Talent show. Concessions and Scholastic books will be available for purchase. All proceeds benefit classroom projects and programs.

Donations for the yard sale may be dropped off at GES from 8:45 a.m. to 9:15 a.m. Tuesday, March 28, through Friday, March 31, or from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. on the day of the sale.

New Deal Café Events

Tuesday, March 28 from 8 to 10 p.m. Claw Comedy Productions presents the New Deal Laugh-In Showcase featuring some of the area's funniest comics performing together for one night only. Parental guidance is suggested.

Wednesday, March 29, 4ThaGruv, a band of five playing contemporary jazz with a twist of funk, performs from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m.

Thursday, March 30, Mid-Day Melodists with Amy C Kraft on piano from noon to 2 p.m. Open Mic with Tom Gleason from 7 to 10 p.m.

Friday, March 31, John Guernsey, jazz and blues piano, from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Jennifer Cooper & GroovSpan from 8:30 to 11:30 p.m. Cooper shows off her rougher side with a special all-blues show, backed by GroovSpan.

Saturday, April 1, Bruce Kritt, classical guitar, from 5 to 6 p.m. John Guernsey plays jazz and blues piano from 6:30 to 8 p.m. From 8:30 to 11:30 p.m., IlyAIMY mixes genres from rock to folk to soul to bluegrass with flavors as varied as jazz and hip hop.

Donation Drop-Off

Green Drop accepts charitable donations on the second and fourth Saturday of each month. The next one is on Saturday, March 25 from 9 a.m. to noon or until the truck is full. The truck parks in the parking lot between the Municipal Building and the Community Center. For further information, contact the City of Greenbelt Recycling Office at 301-474-8308 or go to gogreendrop.com/acceptable-items/.

Star Party Will View Supernova Remnants

The Astronomical Society of Greenbelt will host a star party, free and open to the public, on Saturday evening, March 25 at the Observatory located at Northway Fields.

Attendees may observe Mars and the Orion Nebula, and Jupiter late in the evening. The featured object is the Crab Nebula, the remnants of a supernova explosion bright enough to be seen in daylight for weeks in the year 1054 A.D., and the pulsar at its center and other interesting features. Also observe a few of the many observable galaxies in the constellations Leo, Virgo and Coma Berenices. Visitors are welcome to set up their own telescopes on the hill. The moon will not be up, so it will be dark.

Observing will begin at around 8:30 p.m. and continue for about two hours. Attendees are asked to park in the ballfield lot, not up on the hill, unless bringing a telescope. The star party will be canceled without notice if it is hopelessly cloudy.

Greenbelt Co-op Upcoming Events

On Friday, March 24 from 4 to 7 p.m. there will be a wine tasting featuring Lobetia Wines, a new, highly acclaimed, organic winery from Spain. Wednesday, March 29, is Patron Appreciation Day when everyone receives 5 percent off most purchases all day. That evening, there will be a food and wine tasting from 4 to 7 p.m. featuring riced and mashed cauliflower plus a selection of wines poured by Terry from EMD distributors.

The Co-op will finish up the month with a wine tasting on Friday, March 31 from 4 to 7 p.m. featuring Stonewall Cellars from California, and will hold a monthly member appreciation drawing where two lucky Co-op members will each receive a \$50 Co-op gift card.

On April 1 there will be no fools around here. From 10 a.m. to noon, there is a book signing featuring local authors reading from their books and personalizing copies for customers. There will also be food and drink sampling from several new vendors.

Co-op appreciates member support as Greenbelt's only member owned supermarket and pharmacy. For more information about the Co-op, subscribe to its monthly events e-newsletter at greenbelt.coop.



Tree Protection Event Saturday, March 25

The Department of Public Works, in conjunction with International Forest Day of Community Service, is hosting a community service event: Coexisting with Beavers. Participants will learn to protect trees from both beavers and invasive species at Buddy Attick Park. High school students can earn community service hours; they should bring their service-learning form.

Participants should meet inside the Public Works building at 10:30 a.m.; the event will last until 1 p.m. Dress warmly and wear closed-toe shoes; bring a reusable water bottle and mug for free coffee or hot cocoa.

RSVP to croessler@greenbeltmd.gov or 240-542-2150.

Events at MakerSpace

This time it is really spring. Let's start something new:

Thursday, March 23: Coding Club from 7 to 8 p.m.

Friday, March 24: Fermentation Fans meet from 7 to 9 p.m.

Saturday, March 25: Python Programming from 10 to 11:30 a.m., Video Production Meetup from 2 to 4 p.m.

Sunday, March 26: Quilting Time from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Quilters are taking a field trip to Southern Comforters Quilt Guild show. Animation Meetup from 2 to 4 p.m.

Tuesday, March 28: Chess Club (for all ages!) from 7 to 10 p.m.

Wednesday, March 29: Fiber Fans from 6 to 9 p.m.

Save the dates: Maker Festival: Saturday, April 1 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Next Repair Cafe: Saturday, April 22 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Sign up for Spring Break and Summer Camps on the website at make125.org.

Golden Age Club

by *Bunny Fitzgerald*

The Golden Age Club had to cancel the Birthday Pot Luck Lunch last week due to the snow and icy roads. We're sorry if members were unhappy.

The meeting on March 29 will be "The Tea." Bring your favorite mug or cup and enjoy a social hour. There will be goodies, too.

Just a reminder, time is running out to sign up for the 60th Anniversary Luncheon on April 26.

An Ice Cream Social with entertainment will be on Friday, March 31 at 1 p.m. Enjoy the music and make an ice cream sundae.

NDC's Poetry Moment Salutes Bob Dylan

A reception featuring poetry, music and refreshments will be held Sunday, April 2 from 2 to 4 p.m. at the New Deal Café. This year the annual event salutes Bob Dylan, Nobel Prize winner in Literature. Geoff King, singer, songwriter and guitarist, will perform works by Dylan.

All are invited to read original or published poetry in English and other languages.

For more information, visit newdealcafe.com/events/Poetry-Moment.php. Poetry Moment is sponsored by Friends of the New Deal Café Arts (FONDCA) and supported by the City of Greenbelt and a previous grant from Prince George's County.

Writers Group Meets Friday, March 24

The Greenbelt Writers Group will hold its first meeting of the year on Friday, March 24 at 7:30 p.m. in the Community Center. All writers are invited to attend and participate in setting plans for the year, including ideas for an anthology and for reinstating critiques. Open readings will be held. Input is needed. Current and new members are invited. Contact Mary Moien at 301-474-4713 for more information.

Free Astronomical Lecture March 30

Dr. Claire Parkinson will be the featured speaker at the March meeting of the Astronomical Society of Greenbelt on Thursday, March 30 at 7:30 p.m. Her topic will be Measuring Sea Ice from Space. She may also spend some time discussing climate change.

Parkinson is a noted authority on climate change and measurement of sea ice. After graduating from Wellesley College with a degree in mathematics, she earned a master's degree and doctorate in geography and climatology from The Ohio State University. She has been employed as a research scientist at NASA Goddard Space Flight Center since 1978. Her research focus has been on sea ice. She is the author of many scientific papers and several books. The recipient of many honors, Parkinson was recently elected to the National Academy of Sciences. She is also a Fellow of the American Geophysical Union.

The meeting will be held at the H.B. Owens Science Center, 9601 Greenbelt Road, Lanham (adjacent to DuVal High School). All are welcome; there is no admission fee.



More Community Events are located throughout the paper.

Utopia Film Festival Presents Sunday, March 26, Wed., March 29, & Fri., March 31 Beginning at 8 PM

"Living On Your Feet (2010)," "Souls of Mischief (2011)," and "After the Factory (2012)"

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Homespun Ceilidh Band - Apr 7 - Musical concert
Tribute - Apr 21 - May 13 - Directed by Gayle Negri
She Speaks - June 2 - 18 - Guest Production from the Rude Mechanicals

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Farmers Market Is Getting Ready for the New Season

by Cathie Meetre



PHOTO BY KARL GARY

Shoppers beguile themselves on a sunny summer day at the Farmers Market.

Although the first signs of spring have taken rather a beating from snow and cold, there is the promise of longer days now the solstice is past and one Greenbelt activity after another will start to come on line. The pool will be drained and cleaned, the sand will be spread in the baseball infield and the Farmers Market will reappear May 14 (Mother's Day) in the parking lot outside the Aquatic Center.

Vendor Selection

Each year market vendors must reapply for their spots and compete with new potential vendors. Choosing the final crew is a painstaking process performed by the board with the Market Master, returning veteran Nancy Solomon. Selection balances the variety of items available in the market, focuses on sustainable practices, evaluates producer-only status and takes into account previous vendor performance and reliability for those that are returning. The market always seeks a dairy vendor but they are tough to find because of the regulations surrounding dairy products. Fresh honey is another high priority item that's not so easy to procure. The final list of vendors is not yet available, but most of last year's attendees are returning – with some exciting new entries.

An Organized Market

Market Master Solomon is the primary architect and executor of the market's structure. In addition to creating the layout, each week she keeps vendors organized and shoppers in line, assisted by market volunteers who help set up and take down the information tent and take shifts to answer questions. Volunteers serve on the board and are also invited to contribute in non-market day ways by visiting vendors or planning events. There's lots to do and the market would not survive without volunteers. Vendors say the Greenbelt Market is one of the best organized they attend – it's part of what keeps good vendors returning.



Flowers at the Farmers Market

Permits

The Farmers Market makes by no means an automatic appearance. Unlike leaves and longer days, it can't be taken for granted. For example, in the interests of fire safety, the Prince George's Office of the Fire Marshals has increased its inspection requirements and added new offsets and requirements to eliminate dangers from cooking appliances and propane. The Health Department too is keenly interested in food hygiene and storage standards. Balancing the constraints in planning the market layout is a headache for Solomon and obtaining the permit is a time-consuming and rigorous process that changes yearly.

Vendor Locations

To accommodate new fire safety regulations, the market must revise its layout this year and long-time vendors may not remain in their traditional spots. Shoppers, don't panic – most vendors are returning but to accommodate offsets around cooking trucks and propane tanks and observe aisle-size restrictions, they may reappear in different areas. Final details are still in the works and will be subject to the Fire Marshal's inspection.

SNAP Tokens

A trial balloon for 2017 is the market's participation in the SNAP program. The market is acquiring the infrastructure to be able to accept SNAP cards and use a token-based system to pay vendors who serve participants. It's especially important to encourage healthy eating for those on a budget and the market plans to reach out to corporate and individual donors to chip in to incentivize recipients to shop the fresh, local produce found at the market.

Power Play

A new initiative for the market this year, after complaints from market-goers last year about noise and fumes, is the elimination of gasoline-powered generators and idling vehicles used to power electrical items. Thanks to the city Public Works Department, power will be available on two of the four light poles within the market boundary – stepped down to the more usual 120 volts from the higher voltage used by the lights. The elec-

trical outlets will be a boon, but create additional layout constraints because they can only serve one row of stalls.

Sponsors and Donors

Sponsors and donors are critical to our survival. For example, last year one of the market's four banners that gets strung across the street developed an un-mendable split. Although vendors pay a fee for their spaces at the market, their fees cover only basic expenses like insurance and permits. Extras like banners come from funds raised by the market from generous contributors.

This year's sponsors include Proteus Bike Shop on Route 1 in College Park, owned by Greenbelter Laurie Lemieux; Freedom Realty, owned by Sarah Liska (who grew up in Greenbelt); Bee Yoga Fusion; long-time resident and author Kim Kash; the New Deal Café; and founder member Kim Rush Lynch of Cultivating Health. Sponsorship includes benefits of advertising in market publications and a table at one or more markets, depending on sponsor level.

To keep track of the evolving vendor list and to sign up to donate or become a new volunteer for 2017, visit the website at greenbeltfarmersmarket.org.



PHOTO BY ERIC ZHANG

Greenbelt residents Marjorie Gray (left) and Michael Travis hold a sign against the Dakota Access Pipeline (DAPL) at the Native Nations March near the White House on March 10.

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policy recommendations for council. Wine asked that the council give him "direction" in the form of grants or increases in zoning density allowances, rather than ideas that are "so broad they're meaningless."

The Quantum president made it clear that he would be willing to work with council to help Greenbelt. "If we can do something that's beneficial, you have my word, we'll do it," Wine told the council.

Dylan Sinn is a University of Maryland graduate student in journalism writing for the News Review.



MakerSpace Tech Camps

Animation – Game Design
MicroElectronics – Robotics

Register NOW at Make125.org

1	Spring Break	April 17 - 21
2	Minecraft	June 19 - 23
3	Robotics	July 10 - 14
4	Minecraft	July 17 - 21
5	Tech Topics	July 31 - Aug 4
6	Engineering	August 7 - 11
7	Robotics	August 14 - 18

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Thank You, Maria Silvia Miller

Help Plant Trees, Shrubs And Reap Many Benefits

by Connor Roessler

Want to learn how to plant trees while making a positive impact on the community? Help plant native trees and shrubs near the playground at Buddy Attick Park in the Greenbelt Arbor Day Tree Planting Volunteer Event on Saturday, April 8 from 10 a.m. to noon. All training and tools will be provided by Greenbelt Public Works. Sign up in advance at signupgenius.com/go/409084fa4ad2ba3f58-city1. For more information contact Brian Townsend at 240-542-2158 or btownsend@greenbeltmd.gov.

Greenbelt is lucky to have many trees. With over 60 percent of the city's land covered in tree canopy, Greenbelt has one of the highest urban tree canopy percentages in the country. Here are five benefits that trees provide:

1. Trees clean the air. Trees absorb and capture many air pollutants such as ozone, sulfur dioxide and particulate matter. A study from the U.S. Forest Service found that areas with more trees had less air pollution and a reduction in respiratory-related illnesses.

2. Trees clean the water. Trees are natural filters for stormwater pollutants. Established tree roots help to keep soil in place. This means that trees help to protect local waterways and the Chesapeake Bay from sediment and erosion.

3. Trees provide habitat for wildlife. Many animals rely on trees for food and shelter. Many mammals and birds nest and rest in trees. Other animals, including humans, rely on the cooling effects of shade on a hot summer day. The fruits, nuts and roots from trees feed countless species. Greenbelt enjoys its rich diversity of wildlife thanks to the abundance and variety of trees.

The entire life and death cycle of trees provides benefits to wildlife. Standing dead and dying trees, called snags, are important for birds, small mammals and other wildlife. Snags are used for nest cavities, nurseries, stor-



PHOTO BY PANORAMIO

Trees in bloom on Southway provide many ecosystem services.



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Roosevelt Center trees foster community connectedness.

age areas, foraging, roosting and perching. Decaying logs retain moisture and nutrients that aid in new plant growth and support beetles, other insects and earthworms.

4. Trees cool down urban spaces in the summer. Human-made surfaces like parking lots and rooftops absorb more heat than green spaces or areas with lots of trees. This means that human-made surfaces, called urban heat islands, are much warmer than areas planted with trees, especially in the summer. Trees

prevent cities from becoming too warm in the summer and can provide natural insulation for buildings all year.

5. Trees can improve your mood. Trees also provide healing benefits for the community beyond the environmental context. A study from the University of Illinois College of Agricultural, Consumer and Environmental Sciences has found that communities with trees feel more connected, and residents spend more time interacting than they do in communities lacking green spaces. Access to trees in parks, along roadways and next to buildings elevates mood and gives people a better outlook on life as compared to areas covered in concrete and steel.

Connor Roessler is a Chesapeake Conservation Corps member working for Public Works.

Birds Seen in Greenbelt



PHOTO BY GLORIA A. BROWN

Cooper's hawk seen near the lake



PHOTO BY MARY MURCHISON-EDWARDS

Male cardinal



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Volunteers plant a tree as part of Greenbelt's Arbor Day celebration.



MAKE THE RIGHT CALL... JOIN US FOR GREENBELT FEDERAL CREDIT UNION'S ANNUAL MEETING

Thursday, March 30th at 7 p.m. at Greenbelt Community Center Room 201

We'll have lots of snacks, so bring your appetite!

AGENDA INCLUDES: BUSINESS MEETING, ELECTION, REFRESHMENTS AND DOOR PRIZES.

Mishkan Torah Annual Stream Cleaning

All are welcome to Greenbelt's fourth annual Reverse Tashlich on Sunday, April 2, which is being held under the auspices of the Jewish Federation of Greater Washington's Sara & Samuel J. Lessans Good Deeds Day. The event is also being supported by the Alice Ferguson Foundation, members of the Beaverdam Creek Watershed Watch Group and Mishkan Torah Congregation's Social Action Committee.

Usually performed on Rosh Hashanah (Jewish New Year), tashlich refers to the Jewish custom of throwing crumbs into a body of water to symbolically rid oneself of bad habits. A modern spinoff of the traditional custom, a reverse tashlich offers us the opportunity to reverse the effects of some of our bad habits by cleaning up a local stream. This year trash will be removed around Still Creek near the Greenbelt Dog Park.

Participants should register in advance on shalomdc.org/mishkantorahgdd2017. Registration is free and open to all. We will meet at 9:45 a.m. at Mishkan Torah, 10 Ridge Road, then caravan to the nearby site.

Please wear boots or sturdy shoes that can get muddy, long pants, a long-sleeved shirt and a hat to protect against ticks. (Participants should do a thorough tick check following the cleanup.) Bring work gloves if you have them. Trash bags and work gloves will also be available at the site.

At last year's Reverse Tashlich, 23 volunteers collected 24 bags of trash, 14 bags of recyclables, 9 tires and about 50 pounds of bulk trash. With your help, we hope to have even more volunteers – and remove even more trash – this year.

Obituaries

The News Review publishes obituaries of Greenbelt residents, past or present.

You write it or we will if you prefer. We try to include information about participation in various activities and organizations, where the person lived and something about the family. A photograph and service information should be included. There is no charge.



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A Wider Parkway Clear Zone Improves Visibility, Vegetation

The National Park Service is removing hazardous trees and invasive plants to widen the clear zone along the Baltimore-Washington Parkway. A wider clear zone will improve road and environmental conditions and increase visibility and safety for drivers.

From March 19 to April 14, drivers should expect to see crews removing immature, invasive or unhealthy trees along the southbound lanes of the parkway from Powder Mill Road to U.S. Route 50.

The parkway, intended as a scenic and recreational gateway connecting Baltimore and Washington, has become one of the most heavily used roadways in the D.C. Metro area. Like other major roadways, the parkway includes a clear zone, unobstructed land along the travel lanes which allows drivers to stop safely or regain control of their vehicle. Currently, vegetation is encroaching on the parkway's clear zone, leaving less area for drivers to pull over in an emergency.

"The major reason to remove vegetation and unhealthy trees is driver safety," said Matthew Carroll, superintendent of the

parkway. "An added benefit is that removing non-native invasive plants, such as white mulberry, improves the environmental condition of national parkland."

This is the first of many steps to return the parkway to its original design, to provide a transportation corridor that blends natural topography, cultural landscapes and scenic forest.

Studies have documented traffic safety issues on the parkway, and removing vegetation and other obstructions from the roadway was recommended in the Baltimore-Washington Parkway Traffic Safety Plan.

Men's Chorus Give Free Concert

The UMD Men's Chorus will hold a Men's Chorus Invitational on Friday, March 31 at 8 p.m. in the Memorial Chapel at UMCP. Guest choirs join the UMD Men's Chorus to perform music for men's voices, both as distinct ensembles and en masse.



"See the truth in all religions, for truth is in all & truth is one!" - Baha'i Writings

Greenbelt Baha'i Community

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Daily Mass: 7:15 a.m.

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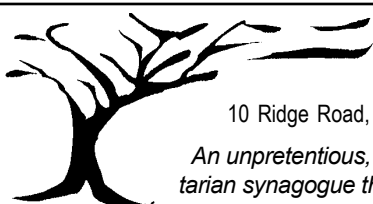
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Tea Party For a Cause

A tea party to benefit the House of Ruth will be held at the 6100 Westchester Park Drive Party Room on Sunday, May 7 at 1 p.m.

There will be sandwiches, desserts, a silent auction and door prizes and a guest speaker from the House of Ruth. Help bring an end to domestic violence.

All are welcome, but seating is limited. For further information or to reserve seats, call Kathy Miller at 240-447-8284 or Sherri Tibbs at 240-375-5550 by April 17.

Weekly Q&A

Al-Huda will be offering weekly question and answer sessions on Islam at the College Park Community Center during March and April, except for April 1. No reservations or fee required. For more information call 301-982-9463 or 301-982-2402 or write to aboutislam@darussalaam.org.



The News Review offers its condolences to the family and friends of Chanel Nicole "Nikki" Hugley, who was the victim of an apparent hit and run accident on March 17.

Congratulations to Jessica Jazmin Michaca-Silva who has accepted membership in The National Society of Collegiate Scholars (NSCS). NSCS is a member of the Association of College Honor Societies and is the nation's only interdisciplinary honors organization for first-year and second-year college students. Membership is by invitation only, based on grade point average and class standing.

Share your news for the next Our Neighbors column by sending your news items to editor@greenbeltnewsreview.com.



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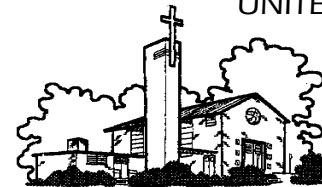
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Free Easter Egg Hunt!

Saturday, April 8th 2017
1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

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For more information visit
Holy Cross Lutheran Greenbelt



City Information

GREENBELT CITY COUNCIL-SPECIAL MEETING Municipal Building, March 27, 2017 – 7:30 p.m.

ORGANIZATION

- Call to Order
- Roll Call
- Approval of Agenda

OTHER BUSINESS

Executive Session: To discuss collective bargaining negotiations or consider matters that relate to the negotiations as authorized by the General Provisions Article of the Annotated Code of the Public General Laws of Maryland, Section 3-305(b)(9).

*This meeting is an open meeting of the City Council. The public may attend the meeting and observe the vote of Council to close the meeting for the executive session.

GREENBELT CITY COUNCIL- REGULAR MEETING Municipal Building, March 27, 2017 – 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
 - Oath of Office-New Police Officers
 - Arbor Day Proclamation
 - Proposed FY 2018 City Budget
- 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 Greenbelt City Code, Chapter 2 "Administration," Article IV, "Public Ethics," Sec. 2-111 "Financial Disclosure – Elected Officials, Appointed Officials and Employees" to Amend the Real Property and City Employment Reporting Requirements for Certain Employees
2nd Reading, Adoption

OTHER BUSINESS

- Audit Services for FY 2017
- Food Truck Hub at Capital Office Park
- Submission of Grant Application for Urban Land Institute Technical Assistance Panel
- Council Activities
- Council Reports
- *- Approval of Friends of Greenbelt Museum Naming Opportunity
- * - Reappointment to 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.

CONTRA DANCE

SATURDAY, APRIL 1

7-9:45pm, Beginner Lesson at 6:30pm
Greenbelt Community Center Gym
15 Crescent Road



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MEETINGS FOR WEEK OF MARCH 27-31

Monday, March 27 at 7:30pm, **GREENBELT CERT** at Police Station, 550 Crescent Road. *On the Agenda: Overview of the CERT Leadership Retreat/Goals for 2017-2018, Proposed budget request for Public Safety Work Session, Public Safety Budget Work session with City Council (Date and Time), Shirt Update, Reminder about American Red Cross Fire Alarm Installation Volunteer Opportunity (4/22), Membership Categories, New Business.*

Monday, March 27 at 7:30pm, **SPECIAL MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL** at Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road.

Monday, March 27 at 7:35pm, **EXECUTIVE SESSION** at Municipal Building Library, 25 Crescent Road. *See notice below.*

Monday, March 27 at 8:00pm, **CITY COUNCIL MEETING/ BUDGET PRESENTATION** at Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road. *Special Meeting and Regular Meeting will be live on Verizon 21, Comcast 71 and streaming at www.greenbeltmd.gov/municipaltv.*

Tuesday, March 28 at 3:30pm, **SENIOR CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE** at Community Center, 15 Crescent Road. *On the agenda: FORA/GAIL update, Widowed Persons update, Open Forum report, Not For Seniors Only, New Business*

Tuesday, March 28 at 7pm, **ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION** at Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road. *On the agenda: Feedback on Educator Awards; Council Meeting with Advisory Committee Chairs, Student Awards Preparations, Updates – School Board Hearing, Grants.*

Tuesday, March 28 at 7:00pm, **ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON TREES** at Public Works Facility, 555 Crescent Road. *On the agenda: Tree Master Plan Issues and Arbor Day Celebration, April 8, 2017*

Tuesday, March 28 at 7:30pm, **GREEN ACES/GREEN TEAM** at the Community Center, 15 Crescent Road. *On the agenda: North Core Plans – Jessica Bellah, Updates from Sustainability Framework / Green Team Circles, Making a video of Green Team activities. Invite Elliott Campbell to speak to the group – HT Odum Emergy Concept.*

Wednesday, March 29 at 7:45am, **BUSINESS BREAKFAST** at Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road.

Wednesday, March 29 at 7:00pm, **COUNCIL WORK SESSION wWMATA** at Community Center, 15 Crescent Road.

Wednesday, March 29 at 7:30pm, **ADVISORY PLANNING BOARD** at Community Center, 15 Crescent Road. *On the agenda: Revised Plan- Detailed Site Plan (DSP) – Greenbelt Station North Core/Metro Parking Redevelopment*

Detailed agendas are posted on the calendar at www.greenbeltmd.gov. This schedule is subject to change. For confirmation that a meeting is being held call 301-474-8000.

OFFICIAL NOTICE

In accordance with Section 3-305(b)(9) of the General Provisions Article of the Annotated Code of the Public General Laws of Maryland, an Executive Session of the Greenbelt City Council will be held on Monday, March 27, at 7:35 p.m. in the Library of the Municipal Building.

The purpose of this meeting will be to discuss collective bargaining negotiations between the Fraternal Order of Police Lodge 32 and the City.

* It is anticipated Council will schedule this Executive Session at its Special Meeting on Monday, March 27th, 7:30 p.m. in the Council Room of the Municipal Building. The Special Meeting is open to the public. The public may attend and observe the vote of Council to close the meeting.
Cindy Murray, City Clerk

SPRING GED COURSES

Monday, Wednesday Course at Springhill Lake Clubhouse at 6101 Cherrywood Lane from April 3 to June 7th from 10am-12pm

Monday, Wednesday Course at Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road from April 3-June 7 from 1pm-3pm

Registration is on the first day of class. Must be at least 16 and have withdrawn from school. FREE to Greenbelt residents with proof of residency. Non-Residents must pay \$175 for registration. All students are required to purchase GED textbook, calculator and test-taking materials from CARES for \$45.

Questions: Judy Hering 301-345-6660 or jhering@greenbeltmd.gov

For information on city services, meetings, events and more, visit Greenbelt CityLink at www.greenbeltmd

Follow the City of Greenbelt on Facebook and Twitter@cityofgreenbelt.gov

VACANCIES ON BOARDS & COMMITTEES

Volunteer to serve on City Council Advisory Groups. There are currently vacancies on: Advisory Planning Board, Arts Advisory Board, Forest Preserve Advisory Board, Greenbelt Advisory Committee on Environmental Sustainability, Park and Recreation Advisory Board, Senior Citizen Advisory Board and Youth Advisory Committee.
For information on how to apply contact 301-474-8000.

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Call Katherine Farzon, GAIL Public Health Intern to register at 240-542-2033 or kfarzin@greenbeltmd.gov

DONATION DROP-OFF

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SENIOR MOBILITY SURVEY

Attention Greenbelt Residents 50 years or older, your input is needed by March 31!

Share your insights about transportation for Greenbelt residents by completing the **Greenbelt Senior Mobility Survey**. This online survey, at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/GreenbeltSeniorSurvey>, is part of a study that will help seniors and residents with disabilities live longer in their homes by removing barriers to mobility and improving transportation options.

Paper versions of the survey are available. Info: Christal Batey 240-542-2012 or cbatey@greenbeltmd.gov.

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SHLES Essay Contest Winners Receive DARE Recognition



Four DARE essay contest finalists with the Acting Greenbelt Police Chief. From left, Jonathan Abarca, Amari Hargrove, Acting Chief Thomas Kemp, Dana Mazariegos and Braylon Martin.

Four Springhill Hill Lake Elementary School 5th graders received books, including some autographed by the author, during the 2017 DARE culmination assembly that took place March 9 in the school's auditorium. The culmination marks the end of the students' 10-lesson DARE (Drug Abuse Resistance Education) instruction.

The assembly began with a

music video showing the students as they took part in the program.

Then all of the students were recognized for successfully completing the program, receiving a Certificate of Completion and a DARE T-shirt. In attendance to support the students was Chief Thomas Kemp of the Greenbelt Police Department.

Then the four finalists for the essay contest were announced.

The finalists were Dana Mazariegos, Amari Hargrove, Braylon Martin and Jonathan Abarca. Grand Prize winner Braylon Martin also received a Kindle Fire tablet computer. The signed books included works by RL Stine (Goosebumps), Brandon Mull and Lemony Snickets.

Braylon's essay focused on how DARE can help a person make healthy choices in life and the importance of resisting negative peer pressure. Kemp offered his congratulations to not only the essay winners but to all of the fifth graders who took part.



Braylon Martin reads the winning essay.

Ready to Play Ball



On March 10, city workers spread new soil to get Braden Field ready for spring ball games.

PHOTO BY AMY HANSEN

Eat a Sub for Charity

On Wednesday, March 29 one hundred percent of sales at 36 area Jersey Mike's locations, including the Beltway Plaza location, will be going to five local charities. The Greenbelt location proceeds will go directly to Luke's Place - Recreation Center for the Developmentally Disabled. The charities for all the locations are Capitol Area Food Bank, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Luke's Place, and the Culpeper Va. location of Relay For Life.

Jersey Mike's "Day of Giving" is the culmination of its 7th annual March "Month of Giving" fundraising campaign for area charities. This year the focus was supporting the five charities all

month long.

Representatives said "The more you order, the more we give. Jersey Mike's is committed to 'Giving...Make a Difference in Someone's Life.'"

Last year, the nationwide initiative raised more than \$4 million for local charities. Since 2010, Jersey Mike's has raised more than \$20 million for local charities and has distributed more than 1.5 million free sub sandwiches to help numerous causes.

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Meals on Wheels Needs Drivers

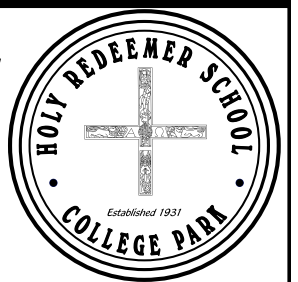
The College Park Meals On Wheels program delivers both hot and cold meals to area residents, most of whom cannot get out of their homes easily if at all. This local Meals On Wheels program charges clients only \$5 a day for two or three meals; it is subsidized by local governments.

There is a strong need for two more people who would pick up the meals around 11 a.m. one morning a week and drive around delivering them in the area. It takes about 60 to 90 minutes to deliver five to ten meals. Many meal recipients are in Greenbelt, as well as Berwyn Heights, College Park, Riverdale and others. This is volunteer work, though the driver is reimbursed for mileage. Contact Kathie Selzer at 301-474-1002 between 9 a.m. and noon weekdays to volunteer.



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references. The plan includes provision for meeting with council, staff and the public for their ideas. Davis stressed the need to involve the city's young people – not just those participating in organizations but also those who are not. Resident Bill Orleans encouraged the city to ride herd on assuring the public involvement, commenting that it had been less than promised in the Forest Preserve survey. McNeal agreed that reaching all the appropriate stakeholders would be challenging.

FY 2018 Landscaping

The other resolution authorized the negotiated purchase of grass-cutting and landscaping services for the next fiscal year for \$47,984 with Lorenz, Inc., located in Baltimore. Richard Fink, superintendent of parks and grounds, said that in addition to its low bid, this company is notable for its commitment to natural landscaping and other Greenbelt practices.

Councilmember Rodney Roberts objected to contracting out these services, saying the money should be spent on hiring local young people and others who need summer jobs. Other councilmembers pointed out that young people are not available for the whole growing season because they are in school. In addition, substantial time for their training and supervision would be a problem for the relatively few staff available to do it. The resolution passed on a 6 to 1 vote.

ATHA

Aaron Marcavitch, executive director of Anacostia Trails Heritage Area (ATHA), visits the member municipalities within the area every year to provide an update on the organization while also encouraging continued membership and the paying of dues. Since he is also a Greenbelt resident, the city is usually the first stop on his circuit. His news this year included the relocation of the ATHA office to the Pyramid Atlantic Arts Center at 4310 Gallatin Street in Hyattsville, as well as plans to welcome Glenn Dale, the City of Bowie and the Town of Cheverly into the heritage area.

Marcavitch also described ATHA's upcoming annual bike rally to be held on Saturday, May 6 starting at 10:30 a.m. from the Arts Center building. It is called the Rivers to Rockets Rally and this year will be a scavenger hunt.

Audit Firms

Greenbelt's practice has been to change audit firms every three years. The city issues an RFP and then awards a one-year contract with an optional two-year extension. Since the current auditing firm will complete the two-year extension this year, an RFP would soon be issued.

City Treasurer Jeffrey Williams has supplied information to the city manager and council

suggesting that the city's current practice is neither the best way to do it nor the practice of most municipalities. According to Williams, while it might look like a good idea to bring "fresh eyes" to the city's financial records more frequently, the fairly long learning curve for a new audit firm in fact means that it is not until the third year that the firm can begin to look more deeply into the city's policies and procedures while working more independently of city staff.

Williams described the practice of a number of local cities that award a three-year contract with two optional additional years. One city has had the same firm for 20 years but requires a rotation of field staff and first-level supervisors every four years. Williams recommends that adopting a longer contract period with extensions would be more efficient and beneficial to the city.

Councilmember Leta Mach said she would be comfortable with extending the overall time period from three years to five. Mayor Emmett Jordan said he liked sending out the RFP more frequently, though that would not have to prohibit a firm from competing again. He agreed to place the matter on a future agenda. Williams asked for a decision by early April in order to be able to send out an RFP if necessary.

Inside/Outside the Beltway

Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission staff had written to the city seeking clarification on its preference for being designated as inside or outside the Capital Beltway for purposes of the administration of the zoning ordinance as it is to be rewritten. Greenbelt in fact straddles the beltway. Although the county had thought the city would prefer to be identified with one area only, at the recommendation of Planning Director Celia Craze council voted to identify the parts of the city as they actually exist.

In this context, the primary distinction between "inner and outer" beltway or "urban and suburban" lies in the standards applied to the use of the land. More urban standards allow for greater freedom to make changes, which encourages the redevelopment of properties and the retention of residents and businesses. More suburban standards are less flexible and allow less freedom in making changes to nonconforming uses. While council supported this view, Jordan said he would like to see more fine-tuning of the categorization. He asked, for example, whether commercial uses should be treated the same way throughout the city.

Requests to Council

Several requests were made of council under the Petitions and Requests section of the meeting. These items are not usually acted upon at the meeting.

Theodora Scarato described

her attempts to get useful information on the 88 schools in Prince George's County that she says have been reported as having elevated lead levels in their water. In some schools, she had learned, faucets have been turned off for years with parents not being informed. Initially she thought Greenbelt schools were not involved, and she had seen specific information that levels at Greenbelt Elementary School were acceptable. Later information, including some for Eleanor Roosevelt High School, suggested the need for more data. Because of the difficulty in getting this information, Scarato asked if the city could help by taking the lead. The mayor said the city would look into soliciting information on the schools serving Greenbelt children.

Terry Kucera and Anne Marigsa represented the board of the Greenbelt Farmers Market in asking if the current permission for wine tasting and sales could be expanded to include craft beers and hard cider. This year will be the market's 10th anniversary, and it will open for the season on the second Sunday in May.

Among other ideas, Colin Byrd presented a plan by which the council would create ordinances setting deadlines for its consideration of proposed plans and ideas for development projects. Councilmembers attempted to explain that this was unnecessary and inappropriate and that when formal proposals are submitted, as required, to the county, the city follows the existing county laws and procedures.

Rick Gordon, a resident of Franklin Park, proposed that a city-wide voter registration effort be undertaken as a way to increase resident involvement in community and civic affairs. He also offered to help.

Arbor Day Foundation Offers Trees in March

The Arbor Day Foundation is making it easy for everyone to celebrate the arrival of spring by planting trees. Join the foundation in March and receive 10 white pine trees or 10 white flowering dogwood trees as a premium. Foundation members also receive a subscription to Arbor Day, the foundation's bimonthly publication, and The Tree Book, which contains information about tree planting and care. To become a member of the foundation and receive the trees, see arborday.org/march.



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each school's administration. The ACE Educator Awards complement the ACE Student Awards, which will take place on Monday, May 8.

ACE members were introduced: Susan Breon, chair and liaison to Eleanor Roosevelt High School; Jon Gardner, liaison to Eleanor Roosevelt High School and member in charge of the grants program; Sudhanshu Sinha, liaison to Springhill Lake Elementary School; Veronica Martin-Frederick, liaison to Greenbelt Middle School; Melinda Brady, member responsible for interfacing with the Prince George's County School Board and other outside organizations; Don Rich, liaison to Magnolia Elementary School; Elsie Waynes, liaison to Turning Point Academy; Kate McElhenny, liaison to Greenbelt Elementary School; Ema Smith, liaison from the Youth Advisory Committee to ACE and Janet Mirsky, treasurer of ACE and liaison to Dora Kennedy French Immersion School.

In addition to council, other dignitaries present included Lupi Grady, Greenbelt's school board representative and Todd Turner, Greenbelt's representative on the county council. Joe Schlosnagle represented State Senator Paul Pinsky and Delegates Tawanna Gaines, Anne Healey and Alonzo Washington, who were all in session in Annapolis that night.

Brady announced the awards and read the nominating statements.

Springhill Lake Elementary

Bonnie Merryman is a true asset to both students and staff of Springhill Lake Elementary. She has an extensive background in the skills, pedagogy and best practices required to turn struggling readers into success stories. Merryman has commanded a plethora of direct services to students and staff of Springhill Lake for the past 14-plus years as a first grade teacher, grade level chair, staff developer, mentor teacher and, currently, the pri-

mary reading intervention teacher. Over the past seven years, Merryman has hosted the reading program sponsored by ACE.

Merryman's students have thrived in all subject areas due to her creative and innovative approaches to getting students reading and comprehending at the primary level. She is regarded as an exemplary educator, dedicated to the work of educating children to their highest potential. Her colleagues and administrators respect and appreciate the work she does for Springhill Lake.

Magnolia Elementary

Great teachers are able to motivate and inspire growth in their students. This is how Joseph Fernandez is described. Fernandez's profound concern for student learning inspires his choices each day he spends in school, working selflessly for advancement of every student's knowledge and skills. As the school's instructional lead teacher he provides information so teachers can develop their outcomes and expectations to ensure that students can move forward in their academic progress and be successful.

Fernandez is energetic, enthusiastic and knowledgeable. He devotes a great amount of time to preparing professional development opportunities for teachers, collaborating with the teachers and observing instructional gains made by their students. Fernandez also works to expand the knowledge of educators to ensure that all students engage in global learning and experiences.

Turning Point Academy

Felecia Motley is an outstanding professional, mentor and teacher of math and Spanish. She had retired after over four decades in education, then came to Turning Point Academy seven years ago and brought with her leadership. Motley wrote the school song. She visits households within the school community to provide support and

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Police Blotter

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

Assault Arrest

March 10, 12:55 a.m. 6400 block Capitol Drive. A 32-year-old nonresident man got into an argument with two patrons at the TGI Fridays. He was arrested and charged with two counts of second degree assault and two counts of affray and disorderly conduct and was transported to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before the district court commissioner.

March 10, 3:01 a.m. 7800 block Walker Drive. An assault occurred at the Hilton Garden Inn. A desk clerk at the Hilton said he was inside the lobby when a man jumped over the counter towards him. The clerk fled the hotel with the man following him where he was assaulted outside. An officer patrolling the area saw someone being assaulted in the parking lot of the Hilton Garden Inn but the assaulter fled. He was found by a K-9 handler in a nearby parking garage and was arrested. The clerk was taken to the Washington Hospital Center for treatment. The 26-year-old nonresident was taken to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner.

Robbery

March 9, 2:01 p.m. Area of 7 Parkway. Two 19-year-old non-residents were arrested for strong arm robbery, second degree as-

sault and theft. A victim was punched and kicked, a bag was forcibly removed, and then they fled. A K-9 officer in the area saw the suspects in 25 court Ridge Road; the two men fled but were caught in the area of Crescent Road and Southway. After being positively identified by the victim, they were transported to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner.

March 11, 7:34 p.m. 9200 block Springhill Lane. A man was walking to a residence when he was approached by two people; one punched him taking his cell phone and wallet. He refused treatment. The men are described as Latino, 14 to 17 years old, both with short brown hair and wearing white T-shirts and grey jeans.

March 14, 6:39 p.m. 6000 block Greenbelt Road. A woman was talking to someone inside Beltway Plaza when several people ran by her, one grabbing her cell phone from her hand. She could provide no description of the people.

Attempted Robbery

March 9, 4:08 p.m. Area of Springhill Terrace and Springhill Drive. A man was approached by someone who punched him and demanded his cell phone. He refused and was punched again when the attacker fled. He is

described as black wearing dark clothing.

March 9, 7:37 p.m. Area of Cherrywood Lane and Greenbelt Metro Drive. A woman was walking to the Metro when someone pushed her over the nearby guardrail and onto the grass. She was not injured.

March 15, 2:39 p.m. 5500 block Cherrywood Lane. A woman was walking down the sidewalk when someone approached her from behind, knocked the cell phone from her hand and tried to pull her purse from her arm. He is described as black, 5'8" tall, 140 pounds with a light complexion and wearing all black clothing.

Automotive Crime

Several vehicle thefts and vandalism occurred. 7500 block, Greenway Center Drive, rear tags were stolen, Md. 8BL5036; 200 block Lakeside Drive, the passenger window of a vehicle was broken out, nothing taken; 100 block Westway, four tires and rims taken from a vehicle; 5700 block Greenbelt Metro Drive, the rear passenger window was broken out of a vehicle but nothing was taken.

A 2010 Mercedes Benz that was reported stolen on January 20 from 9100 block Edmonston Road was recovered in the area of Oden Hall Road and Russell Avenue, Gaithersburg.

Last week's Police Blotter was inadvertently omitted from the paper, so it is printed here.

Burglary

March 3, 6:56 p.m. 6300 block Golden Triangle Drive. A watch, cologne and an iPad were taken from a hotel room at the Courtyard Marriott.

Assault

March 7, 5 p.m. 6300 block Golden Triangle Drive. Officers responded to two people fighting inside the lobby of the Courtyard Marriott. A 58-year-old woman of no fixed address was arrested and charged with second degree assault, disorderly conduct and trespass. She was transported to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner.

March 4, 6:38 p.m. 9200 block Springhill Lane. A woman saw a man urinate in public. She verbally confronted him, he spit on her and fled in what's described as a white Mercedes Benz sedan. He is described as black, 5'9" tall, 150 pounds, a thin build, wearing a grey sweat suit and white Jordan brand sneakers.

DWI/DUI

March 4, 1:36 a.m. Greenbelt Road and Southway. A 21-year-old resident was arrested and charged with driving while impaired by alcohol and other traffic related charges by officers who were investigating a nearby traffic accident. The man was released on citations pending trial.

Robbery

March 1, 4:50 p.m. 6100 block Springhill Terrace. A man

walking along a footpath was approached by three men; one punched him causing him to fall to the ground. His cell phone was taken and the men left. They are described as black males, between 16 to 18 years old, around 5'10" tall. There was a delay in reporting the incident but no reason given.

Indecent Exposure

March 4, 3:20 p.m. 5800 block Cherrywood Terrace. A woman was walking to a residence when suddenly a man turned to face her and exposed himself to her, threatened her then walked away. He is described as Hispanic, 5'7" tall, curly hair, wearing a red, white and black jacket, black pants, blue sandals and a black backpack with a large Nike emblem.

Automotive Crime

A man walking to his car at 6100 Breezewood Court found an intruder inside his unsecured vehicle. The man took money and a pair of sunglasses and fled. He is described as Hispanic, curly black hair, wearing a red and white jacket.

There were several thefts from vehicles reported. In 6900 block Hanover Parkway, an in-dash radio was taken out of a vehicle when its driver's side window was broken and another vehicle was broken into but nothing taken. A computer carry bag was removed from a car in 6600 block Lake Park Drive as its

driver's side window was broken. A handicap placard was stolen from a vehicle in 7600 block Mandan Road that was broken into by the driver's side window. In 6200 block Springhill Court, a front license plate was stolen, and someone rummaged through a vehicle but nothing was taken in 8100 block Mandan Terrace.

In 1 Court Hillside, a liquid that appeared to be lighter fluid was poured inside a vehicle.

A 2008 BMW motorcycle was recovered by the police department in 9100 block Edmonston Court. A 2000 Honda Civic that was reported stolen on February 20 was recovered by police in the 1900 block Palmer Road, Fort Washington.



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Pedestrian Fatality Occurred Friday on Greenbelt Road

by Jill Connor

Greenbelt police are investigating a fatality in what appears to have been a pedestrian hit and run accident on Friday, March 17 at approximately 7:05 a.m. on the right shoulder of westbound Greenbelt Road, east of Capitol Drive.

Chanel Nicole "Nikki" Hugley, a 35-year-old resident of Greenbelt, was pronounced dead at the scene. Hugley is survived by her mother, Valerie Sky Bailey; her father, Andre Bailey and her sister, Shanika Hugley. Shanika Hugley has set up a Go-Fund-Me page for a Repass gathering in place of a funeral for her sister.

The police press releases indicate that evidence at the scene is consistent with Hugley being struck by a dark silver or grey 2007 to 2011 Toyota Camry with an after-market chrome mirror cover on the driver side and after-market parts on the headlight trim (as seen in the photos below). Anyone who may have witnessed this accident or has any information is asked to con-



Chanel Nicole "Nikki" Hugley

PHOTO PROVIDED BY FAMILY

tact Officer Scott Kaiser of the Greenbelt Police Department at 301-474-7200.

Westbound lanes of Greenbelt Road were shut down for several hours and the eastbound side had slow traffic due to rubbernecking, said police representative George Mathews. The road closing caused many commuter and school busing delays in the area.

Sue Krofchik also contributed to this story.



Evidence from the hit and run accident on Greenbelt Road - Photos courtesy Greenbelt Police Department



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extends her hand towards those in need. She is dedicated to her students, a true professional and role model to the developing staff. Her colleagues describe her as a wise counselor and bearer of integrity and she is highly respected by everyone at Turning Point Academy.

Greenbelt Elementary

Michelle Harrison has impressed her colleagues at Greenbelt Elementary with her professionalism and her genuine interest and love for teaching and learning. She has served the students in PGCPSS for 11 years. In addition to being an outstanding teacher, Harrison serves as a role model to other teachers. Kindergarten teachers from schools across the county come to visit Harrison's classroom where she provides demonstration lessons and guidance. All are amazed at the beautiful and creative learning environment that she creates. Harrison serves as kindergarten grade level chairperson, and sponsors the Poetry Club. She also gets the award for most school-spirited as she dresses in costume for every holiday and celebration.

Harrison's commitment to the students at Greenbelt Elementary is well known and has quickly earned her the respect of the community.

Greenbelt Middle

There are numerous avenues for making exceptional and positive contributions in children's lives and Renita Staley appears to cover every one on the map. She travels far beyond her job description of office manager. Staley advises students and staff. She provides great leadership to students by frequently working with groups to make programs happen for the school. A few of her productions include the school-wide fundraiser, dances, staff appreciation events and field trips. Even when she is not spearheading one of these activities, she ensures that students receive the best the school can offer.

From scheduling, through staffing, to room assignments, Staley's capable hands are on it. In all of her endeavors her first question is, "how can this help our students?" Staley is so integral to helping students that the most popular response to questions at Greenbelt Middle School is, "Ask Ms. Staley."

Eleanor Roosevelt High School

Erika Brett is a key component in the daily success at Eleanor Roosevelt. She is involved in all aspects of the school's activi-

ties. She is a valued member of the leadership team, able to work under difficult, high-pressure situations and still attain excellent results. She projects a warm, cheerful attitude and resolves conflicts with remarkable patience and admirable tact. She stays upbeat and positive while encouraging everyone to participate and better themselves and she uses creativity and resourcefulness to get her job done.

Though Brett is ERHS' curriculum coordinator, to most she exceeds that title. She has become a mentor who is always available to help and support both teachers and students. She deeply cares about new teacher progress. Her focus on the global studies program enriches students' international vision and deepens their cultural knowledge of Japan year after year.

Brett is a product of Greenbelt and Eleanor Roosevelt High School.

Words from the Awardees

All of the awardees were thrilled to receive the recognition. Merryman said she loves seeing the smiling and happy faces of her pupils, especially when they have an "aha" moment in learning. Her parents and husband were present and she said how much they supported her in her teaching career. She commented on how much the staff have helped her over the years.

Fernandez was prepared. He said this award was a great honor and it would not have been possible without the guidance of Dr. Gillens, Magnolia principal. Teaching is a blessing and a vocation, he said. He thanked his wife Leonore who was an earlier ACE awardee. He recalled a student from 1990 who recently wrote him to tell him how his expectations for the student inspired him later in school.

Motley commented on what a great honor it is to be a teacher. Teaching is a ministry and it is a blessing to help shape the lives of the students, she said. "I love to teach!"

Harrison offered grace and honor to God and to the wonderful school staff for her success. She also thanked the parents for their support throughout the year.

Brett thanked God for bringing her back to Greenbelt and to Roosevelt High School. She feels humbled to be here in the city that supported her in her early years.

Dora Kennedy French Immersion School did not submit a nomination for this year.

At the Library

Storytimes

Monday, March 27, ages 3 to 5, 7 p.m., limit 20 people. Tuesday, March 28, ages 3 to 5, 7 p.m., limit 20 people. Wednesday, March 29, ages 3 to 5, 10:15 a.m., limit 20 people; ages 2 to 3, 11:15 a.m., limit 20 people. Thursday, March 30, ages newborn to 2, 10:15 and 11:15 a.m., limit 15 babies with parent(s)/caregiver(s); ages 2 to 3, 4:15 p.m., limit 20 people.

Crazy 8s! Season 4

Tuesday, March 28, 4:30 p.m., for grades 3 to 5, limit 15 children. This after-school math club is designed to get kids fired up about math. Every week Crazy 8ers will engage in activities where they may race across the country, make music with their hands and feet, or train to be a firefighter – all while bonding with new friends over math.

Lecture Series

Tuesday, March 28, 7 p.m. will be the first session of the Spring 2017 season in this audiovisual lecture series presented by historian C.R. Gibbs. Other sessions will be presented during the spring on Tuesday evenings through May 2.



Snow Day Movie



As the county school system shut down for a snow day on March 14, the Old Greenbelt Theatre offered a free showing of the movie *Storks*. Assistant House Manager Brenna Lauer greeted customers. Also shown are Office Coordinator Carol MacAdam, Executive Director Caitlin McGrath and volunteer Patty McCarty.



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Greenbelt History in Photos

Designing Utopia

by James Giese

This is the 15th in a series of articles with photos depicting the early history of Greenbelt.

Douglas D. Ellington (1886 – 1960) was the chief of the Architectural Section of the Berwyn Project (later called Greenbelt Project). He had been a notable architect in Asheville, N.C., having designed its city hall, a major church and a high school and other buildings and homes. While no design in Greenbelt is credited to any individual architect, one can presume Ellington significantly influenced the design of the city's major buildings. Upon leaving the government in 1937, Ellington returned to Asheville and to Charleston, S.C., to resume his practice, designing primarily homes.

Reginald J. Wadsworth (1885 – 1981) was the assistant chief of the Architectural Section. He began his career in private practice designing homes. In 1933 he became a government service architect in the Chief Quartermaster Office of the U. S. Army at Fort Monmouth, N.J., and in 1935 he became a federal employee, retiring in 1952. He and Ellington are generally credited as co-architects for Greenbelt rather than boss and assistant.

Below is a photo of an early version of the plan for the community building which was conceived to be both an elementary school and a center for community activities and served that purpose until the building was acquired by the Prince George's Board of Education and became Greenbelt Center School. Now, acquired by the city from the school board, it is the Community Center. While final construction differs somewhat from this plan (notably the addition of glass brick instead of some windows), the plan is pretty much the final design.

(The source of the biographical information for Douglas Ellington and Reginald Wadsworth is taken from the application for placement of Greenbelt Center School on the Register of Historic Places prepared by Tracey Dillard and Richard Striner of the Art Deco Society of Washington, D.C., American Institute of Architects Directory of Architects, and the North Carolina Architects and Builders, a Biographical Dictionary. Photos are from the Library of Congress photo files, available on line at loc.gov/pictures.)



Left: Douglas Ellington

Photos by Carl Mydans

Below: Reginald Wadsworth

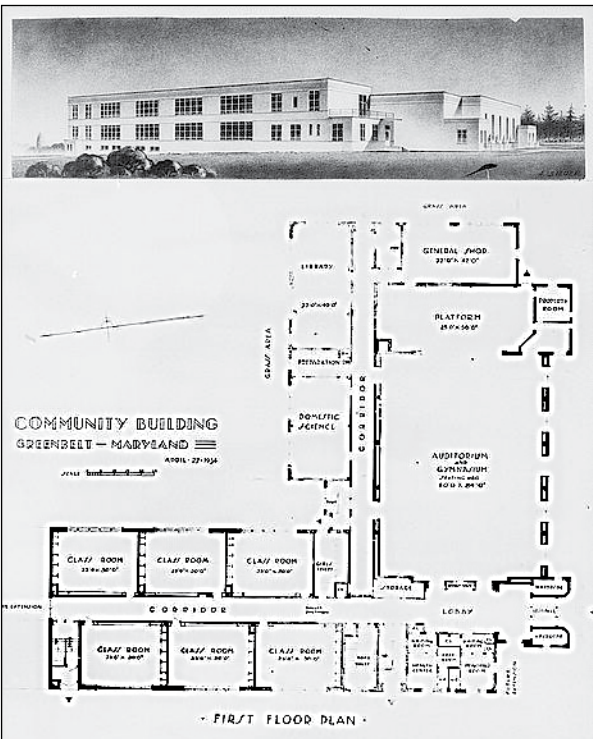


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Drawing of the plan for the community building

It May Be a Dirty Job, But You Still Have to Doo It

by Erin Josephitis

No one likes to smell, look at or step in pet waste. According to the Maryland Department of Environment, studies have found that roughly 40 percent of Americans don't pick up their dogs' waste. Pet waste is more than smelly and unsightly; it is a health risk to pets, creeks, lakes and people, especially children.

The city and Greenbelt Homes, Inc. (GHI) remind dog owners to stop poo-llution by simply picking up or "scooping the poop" 100 percent of the time. In Prince George's County, it is against the law to leave pet waste on public or private property and could result in fines up to \$250. Likewise, the GHI Member Handbook states "no condition in violation of health and safety shall be allowed, e.g., pet feces must be promptly removed and properly disposed of." The handbook reinforces that "Companion animal guardians/custodians shall keep their unit and yard clean and sanitary and promptly remove and dispose of feces deposited by their companion animal(s) in both their own and other members' yards and common areas, including on sidewalks."

The city and GHI encourage residents to "doo" the right thing and take the Scoop the Poop Pledge at mde.state.md.us/programs/marylander/outreach/pages/scoop%20the%20poop.aspx. Throw out dog waste using a biodegradable bag or flush waste down the toilet. Don't flush the

bag, though. Take multiple bags on walks, just in case. Avoid letting a dog defecate within 200 feet of a water body. Never throw dog waste in a compost bin or down a storm drain.

Pet waste is a harmful environmental pollutant, accounting for 24 percent of bacteria polluting urban and suburban waterways. Whenever it rains, pet waste left on trails, sidewalks, streets and grassy areas gets flushed into the nearest waterway. Pet waste breaks down extremely slowly, causing un-scooped poop to accumulate faster than it breaks down. Especially in winter months, abandoned pet waste freezes and remains for several weeks to months, giving plenty of time for rain or melted snow to wash it into streams, lakes, rivers and, ultimately, the Chesapeake Bay.

Like human waste, it adds unsafe levels of bacteria and nutrients to local waters when it's not disposed of properly, making the water unfit for irrigation, recreation or other uses. A day's waste from one large dog can contain 7.8 billion fecal coliform bacteria. Some of the human diseases transmitted by dog poop include tapeworms, cyclospora, campylobacteriosis, salmonellosis and E. coli. For people with weakened immune systems, E. coli infection can result in death.

Start a campaign to get a neighborhood involved, installing pet disposal facilities, poop scoo-

pers and other convenient items to encourage residents to clean up after their pets. Volunteer to stencil storm drain inlets by contacting Prince George's County Department of Environment at 301-883-5822. Most importantly, always clean up after your dog on walks and remind others to do the same. Picking up your pet's waste sets a good example for other pet owners and your neighbors will appreciate it, too. After all, less dog waste in the watershed means a happier and healthier community for all.

Health Fair at ERHS

The Journey to Health Fitness & Awareness Fair will take place on Sunday, March 26, from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. at Eleanor Roosevelt High School. The event, hosted by WPGC's Guy Lambert, is sponsored by the Eleanor Roosevelt High School Basketball Team, the City of Greenbelt and the Journey to Happiness Movement, Inc. Howard University's Center for Sickle Cell Disease will be onsite doing free sickle cell trait screenings, and University of Maryland athletes will also be present.





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Snippets from the Past

Beetle Campaign Bringing Results

Japanese beetles destroyed in Greenbelt to date total 1,783,500, of which 93,000 are from the traps and 990,500 have been collected by children. Approximately \$70 of the \$100 fund voted by the Town Council has been paid out to collectors of 283 quarts of beetles at the rate of 25 cents per quart. Angus MacGregor, head gardener, expressed the belief that the extermination campaign is bringing results and the number of beetles in town is on the decline.

The beetles, which first appeared in this country in New Jersey in 1916, have spread through the New England States, south along the Atlantic seaboard as far as Georgia, and west to Michigan and Illinois. These insects begin to emerge in the second week of June, are at their peak in July and August and decrease until October when they disappear altogether.

Each female will lay 40 to 60 eggs in a season, deposit-

ing them in the soil where the eggs will hatch in about two weeks and the hatched larvae will lay in the soil throughout the summer, feeding on roots of grass and other plants. In winter, the larvae go deeper into the soil, then return to surface in the spring, completing their growth and transforming into the pupae and later the adult.

In addition to trapping, spraying and lawn treatments, certain biological controls have been discovered which aid in destroying the grubs. Two different species of wasps, resembling winged ants, are known to burrow into the soil and lay their eggs on the beetle larvae. Upon hatching, the parasite larvae feed on and destroys the beetle grub before it develops further. Also, a virulent bacterial disease has been developed to the point that it is used as a standardized inoculating material.

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Artists' Studio Space Currently Available

The Greenbelt Recreation Department announces opportunities for local artists, artisans and designers who are interested in joining the creative community based at the Community Center. Applications are invited now through April 14 for the Artist in Residence Program which provides affordable 24-hour studio space in an atmosphere of mutual support and inspiration. New residencies will begin in June and July.

Participants are selected for the Artist in Residence Program based on their artwork, professional qualifications and interest in community involvement. This opportunity is open to those aged 18 and up, including both residents and non-residents of Greenbelt. Seven artists in residence are currently participating, sharing three subdivided, light-filled former classrooms. Current artists represent a diverse array of media including ceramic art tile, functional pottery, art quilts, costume design, assemblage, painting and cut paper illustration.

The Community Center houses a contemporary art gallery, dance studio, television production studio, arts education classrooms and many other amenities.

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Treasures of Greenbelt

The Golden Age Club at 60

by Lois Rosado

This article is part of a periodic series profiling the city's recognition groups and how they serve the city.

The Golden Age Club of Greenbelt is the oldest senior citizen's club in Prince George's County. At 60 years old, it is still going strong. It was started in 1957 as a social club for individuals 60 years and older who wanted to interact and socialize with other older or retired adults living in Greenbelt. The club began with a small group of residents, and because public transportation was scarce, early members had to drive or walk to the meetings. Over the years, the Golden Age Club has evolved as more transportation options became available, enabling many more seniors to attend club activities. The club now has over 100 members.

The Golden Age Club is independently run, self-managed and as a recognized non-profit group meets at the Community Center.

According to Cathy Brannan, who was president from 2007 to 2014 and is currently corresponding secretary, the travel club within the organization became a popular activity, so 15 years ago, the city provided the Recreation Department with a grant that is now used to organize trips for all seniors living in Greenbelt, not just club members. Karen Haseley serves as liaison from the Recreation Department to the club.

Brannan is also in charge of the Sunshine Cards within the club. They send get well cards and inspirational messages to members when they become ill. "The Sunshine Cards are an important vehicle to show support and love for our members," Brannan stated.

According to Bunny Fitzgerald, who has been a member for over 18 years and is currently recording secretary, the Golden Age Club has an Annual Yard and Bake Sale in October by the statue in Roosevelt Center to raise money for Camp Kids. They also have an Annual Birthday Luncheon; each year members pay a nominal fee to attend. "The food is very good," Fitzgerald stated. The tea was added two years ago and Marti Galvin, the current president, stated that the social contact, the warm and jovial gathering is something that everyone looks forward to attending.

Galvin, Brannan and Fitzgerald wish more Greenbelt seniors would join the Golden Age Club, and they invite those who are already members to become more involved in the activities of the club. The social events, activi-



Katherine Reynolds, Cathy Brannan, Judith Davis, Jim and Suze Marley



John Henry Jones, Bunny Fitzgerald, Cathy Brannan and the late Pauline Bordas

Photo courtesy of the Golden Age Club

ties and interactions lead to new friendships and also enable seniors to explore the Maryland environment through enjoyable day trips. Galvin indicated that she hopes more senior residents will join and help guide the Golden Age Club into a bright future. Other club officers are: VP Randy Anderson, 2nd VP John Henry Jones, Treasurer Warren Wilcox, Membership Phyllis Budin and Kathleen McFarland, and Program Coordinator Suze Marley.

The Golden Age Club meets every Wednesday at 11 a.m. Programs are organized as follows: first Wednesday there is a business meeting followed by a regular meeting where information is

shared, discussed and if necessary voted on by the members; second Wednesday there is a speaker series; third Wednesday there is Pot Luck Lunch where members' birthdays are celebrated; fourth Wednesday is Bingo and fifth Wednesday is a tea – folks bring their tea cups or mugs and are served light refreshments.

Senior Globetrotting trips are one-day events and include going to plays, malls, museums, wineries and once in a while fun mystery trips. For anyone who has not had an opportunity to go on a senior trip, they are a lot of fun and the company is wonderful. All individuals making the trips pay a fee, which includes lunch.



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