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## Utopia Festival Will Screen Diverse Films, Oct 14 & 15

by Susan Gervasi

Greenbelt's Utopia Film Festival 2017 is scheduled for the weekend of October 14 and 15 at the Greenbelt Arts Center and Old Greenbelt Theatre, with an array of independent documentaries, features, short films and animation from across the nation and around the world.

"In this tense social and political climate, when divisiveness is defiantly paraded above camaraderie, I am proud that Utopia once again presents a slate of films united in their goals to entertain, enlighten and touch," said Utopia Executive Director Chris Haley. The film festival, now in its 13th year, is a non-profit project of Greenbelt Access Television.

For this year's event, Utopia volunteers reviewed hundreds of entries and chose 40 of the best independent cinematic works that reflect the diversity of the human experience and emotion. Offer-

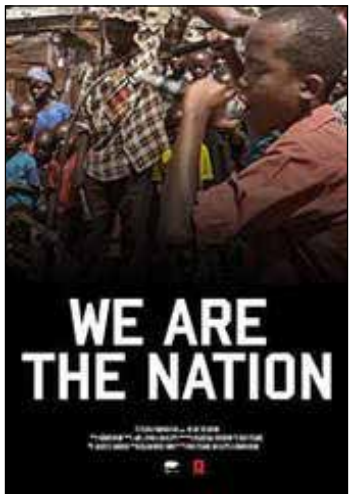


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ings range from the light-hearted Filling In, about an unlikely candidate for an unlikely job, to The Writer with No Hands, the disturbing true story of a vanished screenwriter and the British filmmaker searching for answers to his disappearance.

Other Utopia films focus on

social change, the environment and World War II.

An American House explores Annunciation House, which opens its doors to immigrants, refugees and others who have entered the U.S. illegally and helps prepare them for what they will confront beyond its doors.

Left on Pearl documents the 1971 feminist takeover and occupation of a Harvard University building. At the time, among other inequities, job ads were segregated by gender, women's shelters did not exist and married women could not open bank accounts without their husbands' permission. The filmmaker is expected for a Q & A session.

Other Utopia films that address social change include Union Leader, about a young family man who confronts problems at the notoriously shoddy chemical

See **UTOPIA**, page 7

## Important Changes Proposed To WMATA Bus Routes Here

by Carolina Velloso

The Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) is proposing several changes to Metrobus routes, including to the B30, G12 and G14 lines that service Greenbelt. WMATA's proposal calls for two major changes to the G12 and G14 bus routes, which were discussed at the Greenbelt City Council meeting on September 11 with WMATA representative Albert Himes.

Per the proposal, the timed transfers at Roosevelt Center would be eliminated. Untimed transfers would still be available. The changes would result in a 15 to 30 minute wait at the Roosevelt Center for transfer between the two routes.

Additionally, arrival and de-

parture times between Greenbelt and New Carrollton Metro stations would be staggered. The WMATA proposal states that spacing departure times evenly would increase frequency on stops along the routes from every 30 and 60 minutes to every 15 and 30 minutes. It would also improve service and reduce congestion at New Carrollton station, per the proposal.

At the council meeting, Mayor Emmett Jordan praised the shorter wait times, but opined that buses should continue stopping and waiting at the Roosevelt Center on the untimed transfers under the staggered system, even if for fewer minutes.

The proposed change to B30, the Greenbelt-BWI Express Line, would add Arundel Mills Mall as a stop to the route. The new route would increase time between buses from every 60 to every 70 minutes during weekday rush hours.

WMATA's proposal cites expansion into new markets and increased ridership as a reason for the change.

A second option for the B30 route would be to add service along Baltimore Avenue (U.S. 1) between Sunnyside Avenue in Beltsville and Fort Meade Road (MD 198) in addition to Arundel Mills Mall. This option would increase time between buses from every 60 to every 90 minutes during weekday rush hours.

At the meeting, councilmem-

bers expressed interest in adding Arundel Mills Mall to the route, but were more hesitant about the large increase in wait times that would result by adding U.S. 1 to the route.

Jordan and Councilmember

See **WMATA**, page 11

### What Goes On

- Saturday, September 30**  
7 p.m., 80th Anniversary Celebration: Here to Stay, Music of the Pioneers, Community Center
- Sunday, October 1**  
3 p.m., 80th Anniversary Celebration: Here to Stay, Music of the Pioneers, Community Center
- Monday, October 2**  
8 p.m., Council Worksession on Senior Mobility, Municipal Building
- Tuesday, October 3**  
7 p.m., Council Candidates Forum, Municipal Building
- Wednesday, October 4**  
8 p.m., Council Worksession on Economic Development, Community Center
- Thursday, October 5**  
7:30 p.m., Council Candidates Meet and Greet, Greenbriar Community Center Terrace Room

### Election 2017

## Stewart, Davis and Celdran Offer Their Biographies

Thirteen candidates have now been certified for the Greenbelt City Council by City Clerk Bonita Anderson. The biographies are prepared by the candidates and are published in the order in which we receive them. The biography for Danielle Celdran is on page 8.

### Susan Stewart

Susan was born in Washington, D.C. in 1975 and raised in Maryland. Her parents met across the world from here during the Vietnam War. Her mother is from South Vietnam and her father is a veteran retired Sergeant First Class of the U.S. Army from Talladega, Alabama. As a middle child, she grew up in the Wheaton/Silver Spring area near Sligo Creek Park, where her parents still live.

Susan graduated second in her class at Albert Einstein HS in Kensington. She holds a Bachelor of Music degree in violin performance with a minor in mathematics from James Madison University and received a Master of Music degree in violin performance from the University of Notre Dame on full scholarship. In addition to performing, she taught many students, from ages 3 to 70. After moving to Ohio as her husband pursued his law degree, in 2006 the couple and their son moved to Greenbelt.

As a stay-at-home mother, Susan worked as a community activist, focusing on progressive and environmental issues. She attended leadership training and conferences, lobbied our county, state and U.S. Congress, and volunteered with many groups, including the Chesapeake Climate Action Network, the Maryland Sierra Club, Progressive Majority, Wellstone Action, Peace & Justice coalition, Powershift, Our Revolution and Progressive MD. Over the years, she contributed her time as a citizen activist on issues such as civil marriage, LGBT equality, ending poverty, preventing climate change, healthcare reform, advocating for peace, ending corruption and protecting the environment.

Susan has served on the Executive Committee for the Prince

See **STEWART**, page 8

### Judith F. "J" Davis

Judith F. "J" Davis is in her twelfth term on Council. Currently serving as Mayor Pro Tem, J formerly was Mayor for 16 years, Greenbelt's longest continuously serving Mayor. Prior to her election to Council in 1993, she was appointed to the City's Advisory Planning Board for ten years and was elected Chair by its members for four years. Davis represents Greenbelt on the Anacostia Trails Heritage Area Governing Board. Recently, J was appointed to the Central Maryland Transportation and Mobility Commission.

After moving to Greenbelt in 1975, J soon became active in local affairs. A Greenbriar condominium owner, she was elected to its Phase I Board of Directors for 14 years. She was Carnival Chair for the Labor Day Festival Committee for 18 years. In 1995, J was on the Project Design Committee for GIVES, the Greenbelt Intergenerational Volunteer Exchange Service, and became a charter member and officer.

Davis has honed her leadership skills and expanded her experience and effectiveness by serving tirelessly in many roles. As Mayor, J was the Council's representative to the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG) Board of Directors. In 2005, she was elected Chair of the COG Board and, in 2010, was its corporate President. Davis is a member of COG's Chesapeake Bay and Water Resources Policy Committee, which she has served on since its inception. Davis is a member of the Energy, Environment, and Natural Resources Policy Committee for the National League of Cities, having first been appointed in 2005. Due to her focus on environmental issues, J has brought back innovative ideas and best practices to be incorporated by the City. To ensure that Greenbelt remains aware of what is going on in Annapolis, J has

See **DAVIS**, page 8



PHOTO BY BROOKS DUBOSE

A boy takes a lap in the obstacle course at the Greenbelt Recreation Department Bike Rodeo at Beltway Plaza on Sept. 23. See page 12.



Susan Stewart

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J Davis

PHOTO BY BARRY BORDAS



Election 2017

## Once More We Quiz The Candidates

The News Review once again asks candidates for election to the Greenbelt City Council to respond to questions posed by this newspaper. This year we ask four questions. Answers to the questions will be published during October with the first question's answers published October 5 and the remainder in subsequent weeks. Candidates are required to submit their answers to the News Review offices before 8 p.m. on the Monday preceding the question's publication date, preferably by email to [editor@greenbeltnewsreview.com](mailto:editor@greenbeltnewsreview.com). Answers will be limited to 300 words. If an answer exceeds the limit, the answer will be cut off at that point.

Question 1. What would you like council to accomplish in the next term?

Question 2. What ideas would you put forward or support to increase the connectivity of Greenbelt East, Center and West?

Question 3. With the FBI headquarters now off the table for Greenbelt, what would you like to see done with the proposed development site?

Question 4. How would you balance the benefits of green actions against their cost?

## Voter Registration for City Election Closes October 10

by Kathleen Gallagher

Have you been procrastinating? It is too late to decide to run for city council. It's too late to sign a candidate's petition. But there is still time to register to vote in the November 7 Greenbelt election. If you haven't done it, just do it!

Being registered to vote in a Greenbelt election means being age 18 or older by election day and being registered to vote in Prince George's County at a residence address that lies within the boundaries of the City of Greenbelt.

The deadline for registering or for correcting registration information for purposes of the city election is Tuesday, October 10. Forms and corrections must be received by the Prince George's County Board of Elections in Largo by 4:30 p.m. Be aware that Monday, October 9 is a federal holiday. Post offices and county offices will be closed.

Voters can check to see if their registration information is correct on the website of the State Board of Elections at [elections.state.md.us](http://elections.state.md.us). From the home page, click on Voter Services under the heading Hot Topics. One's personal information should be correct at this location, but the polling places identified

will not be correct for city elections. The voting machines described on the state's website are not used in city elections either.

Anyone with a Maryland driver's license or Maryland Motor Vehicle Administration (MVA) identification card can register to vote or make corrections to registration information online at the State Board of Elections website.

For those who prefer paper, forms can be printed from the state website and returned by postal mail. No computer? No problem. Residents can pick up forms at the Greenbelt library, from the city clerk's office or from the county Board of Elections.

If time does not permit mailing forms in time to be received by the deadline, registration or changes may be accomplished in person at the county Board of Elections office at 1100 Mercantile Lane, Suite 115A, in Largo or at any full-service MVA office during regular hours.

Questions about registration should be directed to the county Board of Elections office at 301-341-7300 or to the city clerk's office at 301-474-8000. Additional information on the city election can be found on the city website at [greenbeltnmd.gov](http://greenbeltnmd.gov).

On Screen

### New Films at Theater

Two new films are coming to Old Greenbelt Theatre this Friday, September 29: California Typewriter and Polina (Polina, danser sa vie).

California Typewriter, directed by Doug Nichol, is a documentary about artists, writers and collectors who continue to use the typewriter despite living in a society that embraces speed and convenience in an increasingly digital age. In the film, Tom Hanks, John Mayor, David McCullough, Sam Shepard and others explore and offer intriguing insight into humans' ever evolving relationship with machines as well as technology, both old and new. The film also follows the struggles faced by California Typewriter, one of America's last typewriter repair shops.

Running Time: 1 hour, 43 minutes.

Not Rated

The film Polina, directed by Valerie Muller and Angelin Preljocaj, is a drama that follows the life of a talented young dancer. Polina, played by the professional dancer Anastasia Shevtsova who has danced with Saint Petersburg's Mariinsky Theatre, has grown up with the strict and demanding lifestyle of a classical ballet dancer. The film follows Polina as she gives up the opportunity to join the Bolshoi Ballet, along with everything she is familiar with, to move to France in order to pursue contemporary dance. Upon her arrival, Polina learns quickly how challenging it is to succeed despite her dedication and hard work.

Running Time: 1 hour, 52 minutes

Not Rated

- Mary Loutsch

### Correction

In last week's issue a statement we made was open to misinterpretation. In our story on Page 1, Council Adds Voting Age, Maybe Dam Loan to Ballot, in the continuation on Page 7 we made reference to Rick Ransom's request to add the Greenbelt Pledge to the city website. The Community Relations Board created the pledge in response to a planned Ku Klux Klan march that was to have occurred in 1997. There is no such march proposed now.

### News Review Annual Meeting

Sunday, October 1  
at 1:30 p.m.  
Greenbelt Library



Old Greenbelt Theatre  
129 Centerway  
301-329-2034  
[www.greenbelttheatre.org](http://www.greenbelttheatre.org)  
Members always \$6.50!  
Adults \$9, Senior/Student \$8, Members \$6.50, Kids \$6  
All shows before 5 PM:  
Adults \$7, Members \$6.50, Kids \$5  
OC = Open Captions  
CC = Closed Captions

SHOWTIMES  
Sept 29th - Oct 5th

POLINA  
French & Russian  
w/ Subtitles  
(NR) (108 mins)  
Fri. - Sun. 3:00, 8:00 PM  
Mon. 3:00 PM  
Tues. - Thurs. 8:00 PM

CALIFORNIA TYPEWRITER  
(NR) (103 mins)  
Fri. & Sat. 5:30 PM  
Sun. 12:30, 5:30 PM  
Mon. & Tues. 5:30 PM  
Wed. 3:00, 5:30 PM  
Thurs. 5:30 PM

Fall Family Series:  
MY NEIGHBOR TOTORO  
(1988) (G) (100 mins)  
Sat. 11:00 AM

Monday Matinees:  
SULLIVAN'S TRAVELS  
(1941) (NR) (91 mins)  
Mon. 1:00 PM

Miyazaki Mondays:  
MY NEIGHBOR TOTORO  
(1988) (G) (100 mins)  
Mon. 8:00 PM



The cooperative spirit: He wanted to play bingo, she wanted to dance.

- Izzy Parker, News Review, November 17, 1949

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All letters must include the letter writer's name, physical address and telephone number. Only the name will be published; the News Review will consider withholding the name upon request.

All letters are subject to editing for reasons of space, libel, privacy, taste, copyright and clarity.

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# Community Events

## Free Flu Vaccines In Franklin Park

Free flu shots for persons age six months and older will be offered Thursday, October 12 from 1 to 7 p.m. at Springhill Lake Recreation Center. Injectable (shot) vaccine will be offered. No appointment is necessary. Children under 18 years of age must be accompanied by a parent/guardian.

Limited parking is available at the center, located at 6101 Cherrywood Lane.

## GAIL Assistance In Estate Planning

The Greenbelt Assistance in Living (GAIL) program presents Attorney Cheryl Chapman Henderson's Workshop, Your Authority, Your Estate Plan: Remain in the Driver's Seat on Thursday, October 12 from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. at the Municipal Building, 2nd floor. To register, call Greenbelt CARES at 301-345-6660.

Topics include successful secrets to estate planning, wills and probate, trusts – revocable, irrevocable, special needs – and how they work, powers of attorneys, advance directives and HIPAA authorizations. Learn about basic Medicaid, Medicare and VA benefits.

This is an interactive presentation so expect to get many questions answered.

## MakerSpace Events

Get out and see what we're making:

Thursday: Coder Dojo (kids!) (new time) 5 to 6:30 p.m., Connected Gadgets from 7 to 8:30 p.m., and Coder Dojo (adults) from 8:30 to 10 p.m.

Friday: Open Projects

Saturday: Adult Robotics from 10 a.m. to noon and FLL Team 3 from 1 to 2:30 p.m.

Sunday: Animation from 2 to 4 p.m.

Monday: (New!) Little Scientists 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. Kids (7 and under) will explore science concepts. FLL Team 1 from 5 to 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday: FLL Team 2 from 5:30 to 7 p.m. and Labradoodles from 7:30 to 9 p.m.

Wednesday: Fiber Fans from 6 to 9 p.m.

## Toastmasters Meet

The Greenbelt Toastmasters Club will meet on Wednesday, October 4 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. For more information call 240-542-8625.

## Council Candidates Meet and Greet

Greenbelt East Advisory Coalition, Inc. is hosting a council candidates meet-and-greet forum on Thursday, October 5. In this informal setting, Greenbelt residents are invited to meet briefly with each candidate one-on-one to either ask questions or address concerns during the two minutes allotted for each candidate. Light refreshments will be provided.

The event will be held at Greenbriar Community Terrace Room located at 7600 Hanover Parkway. Doors open at 7:15 p.m. and the program will begin at 7:30 p.m. with a brief introduction by each candidate; each candidate will provide a closing statement at approximately 9:30 p.m.

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## Tennis Tournament Funds Scholarships

Starting at 8 a.m. on Saturday, September 30 and continuing on Sunday, October 1 the Greenbelt Tennis Association (GTA) will sponsor a doubles tennis tournament at Braden Field. GTA will seek to find partners for those who enter solo. A portion of the proceeds will be donated to the David Craig Memorial Scholarship Fund, with GTA members paying a discounted fee for entry.

The Craig Memorial tournament will continue in a singles format at Braden Field on October 7 and 8. Once again GTA members pay a discounted entry fee and a portion of the proceeds will be donated to the scholarship fund.

To register, go to greenbelt.com/tennis, email gta@greenbelt.com or call 240-764-9236.

## Greenbelt Children Walk to School

Greenbelt Elementary School and Springhill Lake Elementary School will participate in National Walk to School Day on October 4 to celebrate the benefits of walking and cycling.

GES PTA members will lead groups of students from the Community Center, Lastner Lane and Plateau Place. Greenbelt City Police will walk first with students from Springhill Lake Elementary and then join the walkers for Greenbelt Elementary School.

## Solar Homes Shine Saturday, October 7

Drive, walk or cycle through Greenbelt and notice numerous homes with roofs full of solar panels. Maybe one is just curious to know more about them. Maybe one is seriously interested in having them installed on a house but are confused by the various purchasing options. Buy? Lease? Or maybe go with the little or no down payment option and pay a fixed price per kilowatt-hour to the installer for the amount of electricity the solar panels produce each month. To learn more, mark the calendar for the weekend of October 7 to 8 when solar homeowners across the Washington, D.C., region and the nation will be opening up homes to show their systems and answer questions.

Greenbelt will be represented by six homes, the largest concentration in the area. And not just solar energy will be highlighted. Half the Greenbelt homes will showcase plug-in hybrid and all-battery electric cars and home charging systems. Plus, a myriad of energy-conserving and water-conserving products will be a part of this green building tour. All six Greenbelt homes will be open on Saturday, October 7 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Visit the Tour of Solar and Green Homes website for details: solartour.org/homes.html.

An electronic tour guide can be downloaded for free or a printed copy may be purchased for a modest fee.

## Public Lands Day At Greenbelt Park

Celebrate National Public Lands Day 2017 on Saturday, September 30 from 8:45 a.m. to noon at Greenbelt Park. Participants will be meeting at the Sweetgum Picnic Area. There are many volunteer projects from trail maintenance to installing grills to campfire circle rehabilitation.

To help volunteer at Greenbelt Park, go to nps.gov/gree and sign up through Event Brite. Wear proper clothes and shoes for volunteer service. Free water bottles and T-shirts will be provided from the National Park Conservation Association.

Later that day, there will be a free movie night featuring American Graffiti. A ranger talk will kick things off at 7:45 p.m. and the film begins at 8:15 p.m.

More Community Events are located throughout the paper.

## 5K SCT Wellness Walk/Run on Sat.

On Saturday, September 30, starting at 9 a.m., a Journey to SCT Wellness 5K walk & run event will be held at Braden Field in Greenbelt. This event is in honor of Journey Bessai Butler who died in July 2015 from an illness associated with sickle cell trait. There is a registration fee (T-shirt included). Go to <https://journeytosctwellness5k.itsyourrace.com/register/> to register. For more information, call 240-755-6283 or email j2hminc@gmail.com



## 1K and 5K Fun Runs At Greenbelt Elem.

The Greenbelt Elementary School PTA is sponsoring the annual Rafael's Race 1K fun run and 5K race on Saturday, October 7. The event remembers Rafael Martins, a GES student who died in 2009, and raises funds the PTA provides to the school to support student field trips. Both runs start and end at Greenbelt Elementary School, 66 Ridge Road, with the 1K starting at 8:40 a.m. and the 5K at 9 a.m. More information and a link to register are available at [greenbeltelementarypta.org/?page\\_id=2868](http://greenbeltelementarypta.org/?page_id=2868).

## Paint-Out Picnic Sunday, October 1

Neighbors of all ages are invited to pack up some art supplies and head outdoors on Sunday, October 1 for a free community-wide painting and drawing event. Participants can check in at the Community Center any time between 10 a.m. and noon to pick up maps showing gathering places where participating artists can connect.

From 1 to 2 p.m., participants are invited to return to the Community Center front lawn for a picnic and art share.

Additional cultural activities include a Studio Open House and Sale with the Community Center's artists in residence (1 to 4 p.m.), a free children's clothespin puppet workshop (1 to 3 p.m.) and historic house tours with the Greenbelt Museum (1 to 5 p.m.; there is a small fee).

At 3 p.m., the Community Center will host another special event in honor of the city's anniversary. Here to Stay: Music of the Greenbelt Pioneers will include popular songs of the 1930s, classic film clips and lively commentary in a performance hosted by Chris Cherry and Stefan Brodd. The show is free but tickets are required; contact the Community Center business office at 301-397-2208.

### City Council Candidates' Forum

Come see and hear your candidates respond to questions; or take this opportunity to ask a question yourself! Open to the public ...

**When: Tuesday, October 3, 2017, 7:00 pm**

**Where: Municipal Building Council Chamber**

**Live streaming on Greenbelt Access Television**

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## Greenbelt Arts Center COMING SOON TO GAC

BEAU JEST



by James Sherman  
Directed by Norma Ozur

October 20-November 11, 2017

Ticket prices: \$22 General Admission, \$20 Students/Seniors/Military, \$12 Youth (12 and under with adult)

### COMING SOON

Auditions - Almost, Maine - Oct 16 to 19  
The Wizard of Oz - Nov 24 - Dec 17 - Directed by Jon Gardner  
Almost, Maine - Jan 26 - Feb 17, 2018 - Executive Directed by Bob Kleinberg

For information & reservations, call 301-441-8770 or email: [info@greenbeltartscenter.org](mailto:info@greenbeltartscenter.org) or BOOK TICKETS ONLINE at [www.greenbeltartscenter.org](http://www.greenbeltartscenter.org)

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# Obituaries



## Andrew Dale Collins



PHOTO COURTESY OF THE COLLINS FAMILY

**Andrew Dale Collins**

Andrew Dale Collins, 40, of Halethorpe, Md., died of cancer on September 18, 2017. He is survived by his parents, Edie and Terry Collins of Chambersburg, Pa., and his sisters, Sara Elizabeth and Amelia Rachel. Collins was a firefighter for the District of Columbia, Engine 22, for the past 13 years, but started as a volunteer for the Greenbelt and Laurel fire departments in the 1990s.

Collins graduated from Frederick Douglass High School in Upper Marlboro, where he lettered in baseball for three years as the starting catcher and for two years as starting tackle on the Prince George's County AA Champion football team. He graduated from the University of Maryland in 2001. He loved the Northwest and traveled out to The Gorge in Washington State to see his favorite band, The Dave Matthews. He also loved the Orioles, Ravens and the Redskins. He collected model trains with his father and enjoyed playing board games, playing with his two boxer dogs or just sitting and reading a good book or watching TV with his family. He adored his nieces, Prue Collins and Ryleigh Allen, and his nephews, Jacob Allen and Liam Collins, all of Chambersburg.

A service was held at the Greenbelt firehouse on September 25. A large contingent of fire trucks and personnel from many communities attended. Collins then had his last ride on a fire truck to the Laurel Fire Station where he volunteered for many years.

Memorial donations may be made in Collins' name to curesarcoma.org or Sarcoma Foundation of America, 9899 Main St., Suite 204, Damascus, MD 20872. Online condolences may be expressed at kelsocorneliusfh.com.

## Eugene Krebs



PHOTO COURTESY OF THE FAMILY

**Eugene Krebs**

Longtime Greenbelt resident Eugene F. Krebs (Gene) died on August 6, 2017, from complications of a stroke at the age of 94. He lived in Green Ridge House where he was known to assist his fellow residents with errands such as driving them to various appointments or picking up groceries. He was also known for his daily trips to Roosevelt Center to visit his many friends at the businesses there including Generous Joe's, the Co-op Supermarket and the Credit Union where he had served on the board for 14 years. He also participated in many of the Community Shred events and enjoyed riding on a fire engine in various Greenbelt parades. His other interests included playing tennis well into his 80's and going to Mission BBQ where he was recognized for his service in the Army Air Corps during WWII.

Mr. Krebs was born and raised in York County, Pa. After moving to Prince George's County in the early 1950's he embarked on a 50-plus year career in real estate. During that time he was a salesman, a broker, an appraiser and a member of the Prince George's County Board of Realtors where he served as president in 1987-88. He taught real estate courses

at Prince George's Community College for many years. He also enjoyed acting as Santa Claus at many functions throughout the county.

He was married to Martha Mann Krebs for 44 years until her death in 1992. He is survived by five daughters: Linda Ruppert (Patrick) of Fairfax Va. and Sarasota Fl., Barbara Krebs of Alexandria, Va.; Lorraine Falter of Harwood, Md.; Melissa Claire (Ed) of Davidsonville, Md.; Debra Marinucci of Houston, Tx.; and one son, Mark Krebs, of Laurel, Md. He is also survived by nine grandchildren, ten great-grandchildren, his sister Jeune Jones of York, PA and many nieces and nephews. He donated his body to the State Anatomy Board of Maryland for research. The family will have a memorial celebration of life on the afternoon of September 30 in Greenbelt. For details, send an email to patlinda1@gmail.com with your name and phone number.

### Julia Stratchko

Greenbelter Julia Stratchko, 86, died on Tuesday, September 26, 2017.

A viewing will be held on Sunday, October 1 from 2 to 4 and 4 to 6 p.m. at the Borgwardt Funeral Home in Beltsville.

A funeral service is planned for Monday, October 2 at 10 a.m. at St. Hugh of Grenoble Catholic Church.

### Obituaries

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

You write it or we will if you prefer. A photograph and service information should be included. There is no charge.

## Robert Wooddell

Robert "Bob" Wooddell died peacefully on September 10, 2017, at the age of 94. He was a resident of Greenbelt for 62 years.

Mr. Wooddell was an Army veteran of WW II and retired from the University of Maryland in 1981 after 30 years of service. One of his granddaughters described her grandfather as "a kind, gentle soul with a little bit of spunk in him." He was an avid fisherman.

Mr. Wooddell's wife Virginia "Gin" Wooddell preceded him in death. He is survived by his son James (Janice) Wooddell of Myrtle Beach, S.C. and daughter Rita Wooddell of Greenbelt, two granddaughters, five great-grandchildren and one great-grandchild and proceeded in death by one great-grandson.

A graveside service with military honors was conducted on September 13, 2017. Donations may be made in his memory to: The Hospice of the Chesapeake, Philanthropy Department, 90 Ritchie Highway, Pasadena, MD 21122.

Condolences to family and friends of Andrew Collins who died September 18. He started his career as a firefighter as a volunteer at the Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department.

Our sympathies to family and friends of Eugene Krebs, who died August 6 at the age of 94. Mr. Krebs was a longtime resident of the city and active in many community organizations.

Deepest sympathies to the family and friends of JoAnne (Jo) Pritchard, who died on September 16 in Lynchburg, Va., at the age of 87. A 47-year resident of the city, she and her late husband, Patrick, lived in 6 Court Ridge Road. She "loved walking among the flowers of Greenbelt" but moved to Virginia almost two years ago to live with her son Marc and his wife, Mary. A memorial service will be held on Friday, October 20 at 11 a.m. at the Paint Branch Unitarian Universalist Church in Adelphi, to which Marc, Jo's son Evan and her daughter Lynn invite all her Greenbelt friends and neighbors.

Robert "Bob" Wooddell died on September 10 at the age of 94. He was a resident of Greenbelt for 62 years. Our condolences to friends and family.

Please share your accomplishments, milestones and news in the Our Neighbors column. Send details of your news items to editor@greenbeltnewsreview.com.

### Our Empty Bowls Will Fill You Up

Greenbelt Potters, Greenbelt Community Church and Mishkan Torah Synagogue will be co-sponsoring an Empty Bowls fundraiser for Help By Phone on Saturday, October 7 from 4 to 7 p.m. in the social hall at the Greenbelt Community Church, 1 Hillside Road. Tickets can be bought from Marsha Voigt 301-345-7631, Kathy Reynolds 301-351-7496 or the Community Church 301-474-6171. All proceeds will go to Help By Phone to support their seven food pantries in the county.



**Catholic Community of Greenbelt MASS**

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301-474-4322

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Saturday 9:00 a.m., 5:00 p.m.  
Daily Mass: 7:15 a.m.

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

Pastor: Rev. Walter J. Tappe

**C. S. Lewis at Roosevelt Center**  
**Public Reading of**  
**"The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe"**  
**Every Wednesday,**  
**beginning August 16th**  
**5:30 PM – 6:30 PM**

Sponsored by Greenbelt Baptist Church

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Sunday Worship  
10:15 a.m.

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Rabbi Saul Oresky Cantor Phil Greenfield

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*Saturday morning services at 9:30 AM.  
Children's Education, Adult Education, Social Action, etc.*

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Conservative and Reconstructionist*

**Christianity & Smartphones**  
*a theology of staying / as connected & distracted*



Where: Greenbelt Baptist Church  
When: October 5 7:30pm



### GCAN Tackles 100% Renewable Energy

Greenbelt Climate Action Network meets Wednesday, October 4, 7 to 9 p.m., Community Center, Room 114.

Meg Robbins will discuss a proposed bill to move Maryland away from dirty energy sources, and toward 100 percent clean, renewable energy by 2035. Robbins is a Maryland organizer with Food & Water Watch, working with communities to advocate for 100 percent renewable energy and clean, healthy air. She has a background of grassroots organizing on environmental and public interest issues. Learn more and take action for 100 percent renewables by 2035 at [fwwat.ch/MDOFFBill2017](http://fwwat.ch/MDOFFBill2017).

For more info, contact Lore Rosenthal, Greenbelt Climate Action Network, [lore@simplicity-matters.org](mailto:lore@simplicity-matters.org) or 301-345-2234.

### Services to the Blind Topic of Explorations

Explorations Unlimited welcomes Lawrence Bowens and staff from Blind Industries and Services of Maryland (BISM) on Friday, October 6. They will provide an overview of the services and workshops that BISM provides. This is an opportunity to get answers to any questions regarding low vision or blindness related issues.

BISM, established in 1908 by the Maryland General Assembly, provides evolving employment and training opportunities for blind and visually impaired people of all ages. The Rehabilitation and Training Division offers innovative programs that teach real-world skills, build self-confidence and prepare blind people for the everyday challenges of family, school and work. Programs and services are free of charge for Maryland citizens.

Explorations Unlimited is held every Friday beginning at 1 p.m. at the Community Center. This presentation will be held in Room 114. Everyone is welcome to attend, and questions are always encouraged. Call 301-397-2208 for more information.

### Greenbelt Puppeteers Offer The Crystal Ball

Beech Tree Puppets presents the Grimms' tale, The Crystal Ball, on Saturday, September 30 at 11 a.m. at the Christian Community Church, 4221 Metzert Road in College Park.

Ingrid and Ole Hass guide their handcrafted, multicultural marionettes while singing, narrating and playing instruments. This delightful 40-minute performance will entertain audiences of all ages. Admission is free, though a freewill offering would be welcome.

### Holy Cross Thrift Store

Every Thursday  
10am - 4pm

Good, clean clothes for women, men and children!  
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# City Information

## MEETINGS FOR WEEK OF OCTOBER 2-6

Monday, October 2 at 8:00pm, **COUNCIL WORK SESSION re: Senior Mobility and Accessibility Study Report** at Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road. Live on Comcast 71, Verizon 21 and Streaming on [www.greenbeltmd.gov](http://www.greenbeltmd.gov).

Tuesday, October 3, at 6:30pm **ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON TREES** at Public Works Facility, 555 Crescent Road. *On the agenda: Field trip to view damaged trees along Mathew Street in East Greenbelt, Telecon with Davey Resource Group to discuss the Urban Forest Master Plan for the City of Greenbelt*

Tuesday, October 3, at 7:00pm **COUNCIL CANDIDATE FORUM** at Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road. Live on Comcast 71, Verizon 21 and Streaming on [www.greenbeltmd.gov/municipaltv](http://www.greenbeltmd.gov/municipaltv).

Tuesday, October 3, at 7:00pm **COMMUNITY RELATIONS ADVISORY BOARD** at Springhill Lake Recreation Center, 6101 Cherrywood Lane. *On the agenda: Planning for youth police-community forum, 13th Amendment/Freedom Day Holiday Referral and Report on Information Day table at Labor Day Festival.*

Tuesday, October 3, at 7:00pm **PUBLIC SAFETY ADVISORY COMMITTEE** at Community Center, 15 Crescent Road. *On the agenda: Security Camera Work Session with Council on October 30th, Police purchasing military equipment, PSAC Brochure Path by Greenbelt Station*

Wednesday, October 4 at 8:00pm, **COUNCIL WORK SESSION re: Economic Development (tentative)** at Community Center, 15 Crescent Road. Live on Comcast 71, Verizon 21 and Streaming on [www.greenbeltmd.gov](http://www.greenbeltmd.gov).

Thursday, October 5, at 7:30pm **COUNCIL CANDIDATE MEET AND GREET** at Greenbriar Community Center-Terrace Room, 6900 Hanover Parkway.

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

## CITY ELECTION INFORMATION REMINDER - VOTER REGISTRATION DEADLINE

**The final day to register to vote for the 2017 Greenbelt City Council election is Tuesday, October 10, 2017.**

For information about registering to vote in Prince George's County, contact the County Board of Elections at 301-341-7300 or [www.princegeorgescountymd.gov/1980/Voter-Registration](http://www.princegeorgescountymd.gov/1980/Voter-Registration). Forms for voter registration and address and name change are available at the Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road. A link to Voter Registration forms is also available on the city website, [www.greenbeltmd.gov/elections](http://www.greenbeltmd.gov/elections).

All forms must be received by the County Board of Elections in Upper Marlboro no later than 4:30 p.m., Tuesday, October 10.

For additional information, contact Bonita Anderson, City Clerk at 301-474-8000 or [banderson@greenbeltmd.gov](mailto:banderson@greenbeltmd.gov).

*If you are already registered to vote in Prince George's County but have moved or changed your name since the last election, you must complete an application to have this information changed. \*\*This can also be done online at <https://www.princegeorgescountymd.gov/1980/Voter-Registration>*

## VACANCIES ON BOARDS & COMMITTEES Volunteer to serve on City Council Advisory Groups.

There are currently vacancies on: Advisory Committee on Education, Advisory Planning Board, Arts Advisory Board, Greenbelt Advisory Committee on Environmental Sustainability, Park and Recreation Advisory Board and Youth Advisory Committee.

**For information on how to apply contact 301-474-8000.**



## CONTRA DANCE!

Saturday, October 7 from  
7-9:45pm

Lesson at 6:30pm

Greenbelt Youth Center Gym,  
99 Centerway

Join in the fun with Ann Falon calling to the music of Brambleberry, featuring Chelle Fulk on the Fiddle, Bob Garber on the Clarinet and Diane Sorenson on the Keyboard

Fee: \$10 per person (cash at door) 18+; \$5 for those 7 - 17 and free for those 6 and under

Visit Greenbelt CityLink at [www.greenbeltmd.gov](http://www.greenbeltmd.gov)  
Go to [www.greenbeltmd.gov/infowall](http://www.greenbeltmd.gov/infowall)  
to access all city social media!

## A WEEKEND OF EVENTS!



**NATIONAL PUBLIC LANDS DAY**  
Saturday, September 30  
9am-12pm

**Springhill Lake Elementary School**  
6060 Springhill Drive.

Volunteer opportunity. Help us cover the bare soil with local recycled wood waste which will help to make the school a safer place! Bring a reusable water bottle, Weather appropriate clothing and closed toe shoes that you don't mind getting dirty and service forms if you are a high school student. Contact [btownsend@greenbeltmd.gov](mailto:btownsend@greenbeltmd.gov) or [Mel-amin@greenbeltmd.gov](mailto:Mel-amin@greenbeltmd.gov).



**SPECIAL 80<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION: HERE TO STAY-- THE MUSIC OF THE GREENBELT PIONEERS**

Saturday, September 30 at 7:00 pm

Sunday, October 1 at 3:00 pm, **Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Road**

Talented hometown vocalists perform unforgettable songs from Greenbelt's first year, when swing was king and big bands ruled the airwaves! Hosted by Chris Cherry with pianist Stefan Brodd. Two shows only: FREE, but tickets are required. Visit the Community Center office or order tickets by phone 301-397-2208

## MOONLIT MOVIE-AMERICAN GRAFFITI:

Saturday, September 30  
8:15pm

**Greenbelt National Park Sweetgum Picnic Area. Free.** Presented by Greenbelt National Park in partnership with the Greenbelt Recreation Department and the

Old Greenbelt Theatre. Bring a blanket or lawn chairs to enjoy this FREE outdoor movie experience. Visit the park after hours for a nostalgic look at America when Greenbelt Park was only 12 years old in the 1960s. Enjoy this iconic movie about coming of age at the end of summer 1962 with Richard Dreyfuss, Ron Howard, Harrison Ford, Paul Le Mat, Candy Clark, Wolfman Jack, and Cindy Williams.



**GREENBELT PAINT-OUT PICNIC**  
Sunday, October 1 from 10am-1pm,  
Free.

**Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Road.**

A free outdoor painting and drawing event for all ages!

Rain date: Sunday, October 8. In case of inclement weather, call the hotline for recorded information: 301-474-0646.

10:00am - 1:00pm: Bring your art supplies! Check in at the Greenbelt Community Center, then enjoy painting or drawing outdoors at a

variety of locations around the city (maps provided.)

1:00pm - 2:00pm: All participants are invited back to the front lawn of the Community Center for a picnic and art share. Bring your lunch or take advantage of the Greenbelt Farmers Market and other carry-out dining options.



## AN ARTFUL AFTERNOON

Sunday, October 1 from 1pm-4pm,  
Free.

**Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Road.**

1:00pm-3:00pm: Make a clothespin puppet with Artist in Residence Celestine Ranney-Howes, - FREE. Materials provided, while supplies last. All ages welcome.

1:00pm-4:00pm: Third floor artist studios are open for visiting and shopping.

1:00pm-5:00pm: Greenbelt Museum historic house tours at 10-B Crescent Road (\$3)

3:00pm: Celebrating Greenbelt's 80th Anniversary. See the listing above for Here to Stay: The Music of the Greenbelt Pioneers. This show is free, but tickets are required.

Ongoing: FREE art gallery and Greenbelt history exhibits at the Community Center.



Passes available to Greenbelt residents for only \$10 annually. You may purchase your pass at the Greenbelt Aquatic and Fitness Center, the Greenbelt Youth Center or the Springhill Lake Recreation Center.

Residents seeking a pass must show proof of residency (State issued photo ID or current lease with a valid Greenbelt address. For more information about Shuttle-UM visit [www.transportation.umd.edu/schedules.html](http://www.transportation.umd.edu/schedules.html)





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 301-262-0020

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 Crofton, Maryland 21114  
 410-451-9091

*Doctors Community Practices at District Heights*  
 6400 Marlboro Pike  
 District Heights, Maryland 20747  
 301-736-7000

*Doctors Community Practices at Laurel*  
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 Laurel, Maryland 20707  
 301-725-5652

*Doctors Community Practices at Riverdale*  
 6502 Kenilworth Avenue, Suite 100  
 Riverdale, Maryland 20737  
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 Lanham, Maryland 20706  
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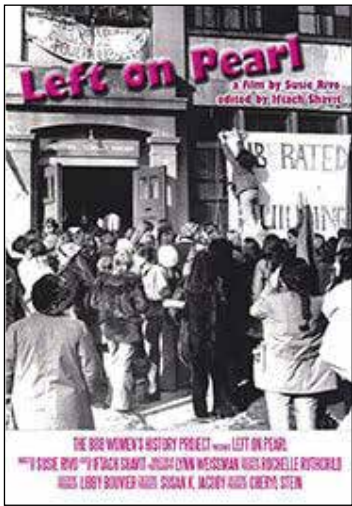


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plant where he works, and We are the Nation, about rapper Bilian Okoth's use of music to help thousands of Kenyan children orphaned by political violence.

Several other Utopia films focus on WWII. Forgive Don't Forget documents an American filmmaker's journey to Japan to personally return a Japanese soldier's sword confiscated during Japan's 1945 surrender. Angels of the Sky features interviews with WWII pilots from the 8th Air Force who were shot down over German territory and captured as POWs. And another perspective on WWII is explored in An Undeniable Voice, an interview by actress Sharon Stone with Sam Harris, believed to be one of the youngest Holocaust survivors.

On the environmental front, Streams of Plastic documents how Central Americans and Southeast Asians are working to stop the flow of plastic pollution damaging their reefs and coastlines. BURNED: Are Trees the New Coal? probes the policy loopholes and huge subsidies enjoyed by the power industry as our forests are destroyed. And the short film True Colors investigates the world of cotton production, its use of toxic dyes



Left on Pearl

PHOTO COURTESY OF THE FILMMAKER

and pesticides and a scientist whose discoveries could decrease that usage.

Utopia documentaries also include Paint as You Like, about a son's emotional journey through his father's life as an artist (filmmaker expected for Q & A) and The End of the Road, which profiles a group of Vietnam War resisters, free-spirited Canadians and nonconformist Europeans who have settled in Lund, Canada.

"Every year I am freshly encouraged by the plurality of ar-

tistic souls who have endeavored to address the social issues of our times ... and ultimately say, 'No, inequality is not okay. Injustice is not just the way it's always been and always will be,'" added Utopia director Haley, an actor who directs research into slavery in Maryland for the Maryland State Archives and is a nephew of Roots author Alex Haley. "Yes, we can and should strive for something better. I'm proud that Utopia annually tries to share that vision."

Utopia will also present a free screening of animation works by students of George "Mr. Geo" Kochell, who teaches computer animation for the Greenbelt Association for Visual Arts and Greenbelt Access Television, the primary Utopia sponsor.

Schedule and venue information will be included in the next two issues of the News Review, and can also be found on the Utopia website: utopiafilmfestival.org. Tickets can be purchased at the venue door per film or through an all-weekend pass to all events. For more information, contact 301-466-9524 or write utopiafest2017@gmail.com.

## Greenbelt 80th Anniversary



Greenbelt's first families moved into the new town 80 years ago this week.



PHOTO BY HARRIS & EWING (LIBRARY OF CONGRESS COLLECTION)

Mr. and Mrs. J.M. Ashley and children Lynn, Dorma, and Eddie were the first to arrive in Greenbelt, on September 30, 1937. Here they are having their first meal in their new home.



PHOTO BY MARJORY COLLINS (LIBRARY OF CONGRESS COLLECTION)

The class of 1942 holds their high school prom in the school gym. Music of 1937 and 1938 will fill the gym this weekend during Here To Stay: The Music of the Greenbelt Pioneers. See the city ad on page 5 for more information.

## WSSC Announces Change In Average Water Usage

by Amy S. Hansen

Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission (WSSC) quietly implemented a major change in their last quarterly bills. No, it is not a difference in the amount owed. That is up to the individual. Rather, it is a shift in how much is collectively used.

WSSC consumers are, on average, using less water than they used to. Starting with bills issued after July 1, 2017, the water company is reporting that each consumer uses an average of 55 gallons a day, rather than the 70 gallons that was on earlier bills.

In short, conservation is working.

WSSC serves 432,720 residential accounts in Prince George's and Montgomery counties for 1.8 million people. There are 25,706 commercial and government accounts, but those don't figure into this average.

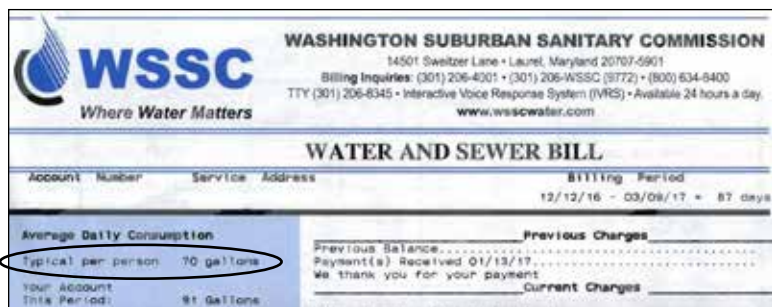
In the last several years, customers (and their builders) have installed low-flow toilets and water-saving showerheads. This is probably the reason for the 15 gallon-per-day change, said WSSC spokesperson Lyn Riggins.

"This was not something that changed overnight; however, we had to pick a time to change that information on the bill and that was July 1," said Riggins.

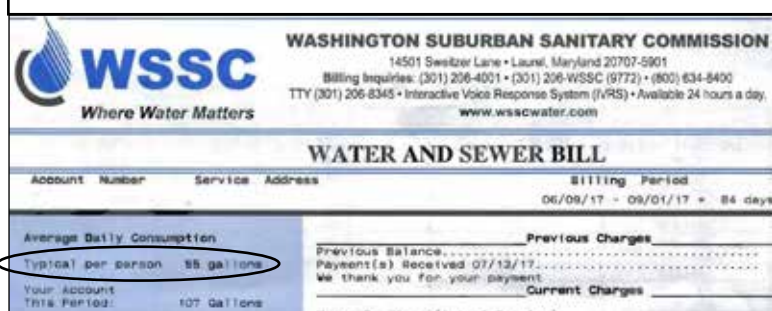
Water is amorphous. It flows. It splashes. It seeps away. Without putting a pitcher below the faucet, it is difficult for many of us to understand how much we use.

"Think about a gallon of milk," suggested Riggins. "Then ask do I need to use 55 of these a day?" While many people don't think about it, enough have so that the water consumption per person is down by 15 times 1.8 million or 27 million gallons per day.

Riggins said that WSSC is



WSSC bills from 2016 (above) and 2017 (below)



pleased with the conservation and hopes it will continue. But she noted: "This is a double-edged sword for us. We want people to use water. That's our revenue. But we want them to use it wisely."

Greenbelt's Sustainability Coordinator Luisa Robles said she is also pleased to hear about the change in the average. "Unfortunately, we have no way of know-

ing how much our city uses," she said. But she does see conservation efforts, such as residents purchasing rain barrels to collect rain water for gardens.

Riggins said WSSC is working at restructuring their rates and is trying to find ways to emphasize both conservation practices and the affordability part of water usage that everyone pays attention to: the bill.

### Romanian Food Festival

**Fri, Sept 29, 5 pm - 8pm**  
**Sat, Sept 30 & Sun, Oct 1, 11 am - 7 pm**

St. Andrew Romanian Orthodox Church  
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Plan to join us for  
 Traditional Folkdance with Carpathia DC  
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Entrance fee covers all three days:  
 \$5 adults; \$3 kids (7 & older)

Menu and more details at [romanianfoodfestival.com](http://romanianfoodfestival.com)

PRELIMINARY AGENDA

### GHI BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Thursday, October 5, 2017

GHI ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

1. **GDC Open Meeting**
  - Review 2nd Quarter GHI Financial Statements
2. **GHI Open Session – Begins at 7:30 p.m.**
  - Announcement of Executive Session Meetings Held on September 21, 2017
  - Approve Minutes of Special Open Meeting Held on September 7, 2017
  - Approve Minutes of Regular Open Meeting Held on September 7, 2017
  - Approval of Addendum for Trust Ownership and Trustee's Affidavit – 5-E Eastway
  - Proposed Purchase of a Vehicle for the HIP Staff – 2<sup>nd</sup> reading
  - Consultant's Job Classification and Salary Survey Report
  - Request by the Member of 46 E Ridge Rd to Install a Non-conforming Door
  - Architectural Review Committee's Recommendation that Members be Informed of the Appeals Process when Permit Applications are not Approved

To request a sign language interpreter for a board 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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### Danielle "Li'l Dan" Celdran



PHOTO COURTESY OF CANDIDATE

**Danielle Celdran**

Danielle "Li'l Dan" Celdran grew up in Springhill Lake, Glen Oak apartments and GHI. Her parents whisked her away at age 10 to Lanham. A young adult in the late 90's, she was determined to return to her Greenbelt roots. She currently resides in Boxwood Village with her husband "Big" Dan Taylor, son Danzson and their three cats and dog. Li'l Dan earned her bachelor's of science degree in Kinesiology from the University of Maryland, College Park. Since 1997, she's been employed by the Greenbelt Recreation

Department in various positions including: management, personal trainer and customer service representative.

Li'l Dan has served the Greenbelt community in numerous volunteer positions including on the boards of Greenbelt Co-op Supermarket and Pharmacy and GreenBeLT PRIDE. She has been a catalyst for change at various organizations such as: the Greenbelt Mamas and Papas, Greenbelt Cooperative Nursery School, Greenbelt Elementary School, Greenbelt Homeschoolers and Greenbelt Animal Shelter. Li'l Dan has also volunteered as an EMT and provided administrative support to the Berwyn Heights Volunteer Fire Department.

Li'l Dan believes in the power of an active and involved community. She hopes her candidacy will encourage all voices in local government to effect positive change. Li'l Dan is running a finance-free/in kind campaign because she believes that public participation should not come with a price tag.

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George's Sierra Club for 6 years, helping with many efforts such as Zero Waste. For the MD Sierra Club's 2015 Jamboree, she helped coordinate volunteers and helped organized meals for the event. She has also publicly testified and lobbied on several issues, such as fracking in Maryland, LNG exports, and the TPP.

In-between being a citizen lobbyist and a mother, she has been an active volunteer for local groups such as the Greenbelt Farmers Market and the PTA, notably having chaired the Labor Day book sale for several years. She started Treadle Tree, a project to make used T-shirts into reusable shopping bags. Her son Nathaniel, age 14, is a freshman at Eleanor Roosevelt High School, and a student at Tai Yim Kung Fu school in Kensington. Her husband Jonathan Gordy is an attorney, a member of the GHI Audit committee, and an amateur potter, taking classes at the Greenbelt Community Center. Susan continues to play the violin, is beginning archery, enjoys gardening and a good game of Catan with the family.

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served for many years on several legislative committees.

Davis served as President of the Maryland Municipal League after 11 terms on its Board of Directors. In addition, Davis is a past president of the Maryland Mayors Association, the Prince George's County Municipal Association (PGCMA), and the Prince George's Elected Municipal Women. J has strongly advocated Greenbelt's positions at the county, state and national levels.

In 2011, Davis was presented COG's highest honor, the Elizabeth and David Scull Metropolitan Public Service Award. For her environmental work, J was given the Greenbelt Green Man Award in 2010.

J actively supports many civic organizations, including Friends of the Greenbelt Museum, Friends of the Greenbelt Theatre, Greenbelt Golden Age Club, Greenbelt Lions, and Greenbelt's American Legion Auxiliary.

An educator for 35 years, J retired in 1999. In her spare time, J enjoys traveling with her significant other, Neil, her sister and her niece.

### City Notes

Street Maintenance/Special Details crew put down new blacktop on the pathway across from 69, 71 and 73 Courts of Ridge Road.

Horticulture/Parks crews cut grass throughout Greenbelt, pressure washed the Braden Field tennis courts, removed a dead/hazardous tree in the Community Center playground, pruned low branches on Greenknolls Place and reviewed installed replacement trees and fall planting maps with a Pepco contractor. Horticulture/Parks also partnered with Jaden Dirksen in planning and organizing for his Eagle Scout project to create a new pollinator garden at Buddy Attick Park.

Mom's Morning Out preschoolers enjoyed nature walks and observing signs of the changing seasons, along with learning through play, crafts and a preschool curriculum of pre-reading and basic math skills.

### GHI Notes

Thursday, September 28, 7 p.m., GDC Strategic Plan Work Session, Board Room.

Tuesday, October 3, 7 p.m., Parking Task Force Meeting, Board Room.

Wednesday, October 4, 7 p.m., Addition Maintenance Program Task Force Meeting, Board Room.

Thursday, October 5, 10 a.m., Storm Water Management Task Force Meeting, Board Room;

7:30 p.m., Board of Directors Meeting, Board Room.

Friday, October 6, office closed. Emergency maintenance service available at 301-474-6011.

### School Overcrowding Topic and Meeting

A community meeting on the planning study of enrollment and building utilization among high schools in northern Prince George's County will be held on Thursday, October 5 at 7 p.m. in the Northwestern High School cafeteria. The public is invited.

The study will examine how to address current and projected over-enrollment at seven area high schools, including Eleanor Roosevelt High School.

Northwestern High is located at 7000 Adelphi Road, Hyattsville. For more information, visit [pgcps.org/Discussions](http://pgcps.org/Discussions).

## Lucky Is as Lucky Does! 13 Candidates for Council

by Kathleen Gallagher

At this time two years ago, this paper described the group of 11 candidates for seven city council seats as "a bumper crop." Little did we know!

This year, 13 candidates are vying for the seven seats: six incumbents and seven challengers. Whether 13 proves to be a lucky or unlucky number – and for whom – will be unknown until election night on November 7. Until then, we know Greenbelt is lucky to have 13 residents willing to present themselves and put the time and effort into running a campaign.

The incumbents running for new terms are Judith Davis, Emmett Jordan, Leta Mach, Silke Pope, Edward Putens and Rodney Roberts. Davis, Jordan and Putens reside in Greenbelt East. Mach, Pope and Roberts live in center city. The seventh current councilmember, Konrad Herling, is stepping down this year, with his vacant seat undoubtedly upping the candidate pool.

Challengers who have run for office previously include George Boyce, William Orleans and Susan Stewart, all three of whom are residents of center city.

Newcomers to the fray include Colin Byrd, Danielle ("Li'l Dan") Celdran, Ric Gordon and Aaron Marcavitch. Byrd lives in Greenbelt East. Celdran and Marcavitch live in center city.

Gordon lives in Greenbelt West.

On September 25, the certified candidates assembled prior to the evening's city council meeting to draw for positions on the ballot, as well as for positions for campaign signs to be placed on city property. Results for the campaign signs are best viewed in person, so keep an eye out for sign poles that are coming soon to a corner near you!

City Clerk Bonita Anderson had cards at the ready and candidates drew for their assigned places. Silke Pope's luck was running high since she drew first place for both ballot and sign placement. While there is considerable debate about the advantages and disadvantages of where one's name is on a ballot, few would argue that there is any disadvantage to being at the top of the ballot.

The names of the other candidates will follow Pope's (#1) on the ballot in the following order: Byrd (#2), Boyce (#3), Orleans (#4), Mach (#5), Roberts (#6), Davis (#7), Marcavitch (#8), Putens (#9), Celdran (#10), Jordan (#11), Gordon (#12) and Stewart (#13).



### Greenbelt Rotary and Field of Firsts Foundation Host Wine Gala



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I support creating a Science and Technology Advisory Committee.

#### Council Needs to Have a Vision

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I support cooperative enterprise, investment in youth, and expanded care for those in need. I will push to create innovation and incubation centers to develop jobs and smart business growth to ensure a bright future.

Follow me at [Boyce4Council.greenbeltsmd.org](http://Boyce4Council.greenbeltsmd.org); Authority: George Boyce, Candidate



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# Police Blotter

Based on information released by the Greenbelt Police Department, [www.greenbeltmd.gov/police](http://www.greenbeltmd.gov/police)  
 Dates and times are those when police were first contacted about incidents.

### Carjacking

September 15, 10:52 a.m., 5800 block Greenbelt Road. A man and a woman who know each other were involved in a verbal altercation inside the woman's vehicle when he forcibly removed her from it and drove away in it. The vehicle, a 2-door 2016 Dodge Challenger, was recovered September 17 by D.C. Metropolitan police in the 200 block 37th Place S.E., Washington, D.C. An arrest warrant has been obtained charging the 22-year-old man with carjacking, first degree assault, second degree assault, reckless endangerment, two counts of theft and malicious destruction.

### DWI/DUI

September 16, 2:26 a.m., 6100 block Breezewood Drive. A 45-year-old resident was arrested and charged with driving while impaired by alcohol and other traffic-related charges during investigation of a suspicious occupied vehicle. He was released on citation pending trial.

September 17, 5:11 a.m., Greenbelt Road near Kenilworth Avenue. A 36-year-old resident was arrested and charged with driving while impaired by alcohol and other traffic-related charges during investigation of a traffic accident. He was released on citation pending trial.

### Assault

September 17, 1:05 p.m., 6000 block Greenbelt Road. A woman became involved in a verbal altercation after a person bumped into her at Silver Diner. That person left the restaurant and returned a short time later with two other people, one of whom punched the woman several times and kicked her. They then ran from the restaurant. The woman refused treatment for minor injuries.

### Controlled Substance

September 15, 1:33 a.m., 7600 block Greenbelt Road. A 33-year-old nonresident was arrested and charged with two counts of possession of a controlled dangerous substance and removing the label from a prescription drug following investigation of a traffic accident. He was transported to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner.

### Counterfeit Money

September 17, 4:40 p.m., 7600 block Mandan Road. Two people attempted to sell merchandise by way of an internet app and agreed to meet the buyers in the 7600 block Mandan Road to complete the sale. The two buyers paid for the merchandise and left. It was then that the sellers discovered the money they were given was counterfeit.

### Vehicle Crime

An arrest was made in the recovery of a 1996 Suzuki GSX motorcycle reported stolen to Prince George's County police, when a 23-year-old nonresident was observed pushing a motorcycle in the 7600 block Greenbelt Road. The man was charged with motor vehicle theft, unauthorized use, and two counts of theft. He was transported to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner and for service of an open arrest warrant.

One vehicle was stolen, a grey 4-door 2013 BMW 528i with New York tags HHM4340.

A backpack was stolen from the 7800 block Mandan Road after a passenger window was broken out.

A possibly unlocked vehicle was rummaged through in the 7100 block Ora Glen Court but nothing was taken.

A rear windshield was broken out in the 100 block Westway.

# Partnership Aims to Boost Volunteerism at Theater

by Matthew Arbach

The Center for Dynamic Community Governance (CDCG) and the Old Greenbelt Theatre (OGT) kicked off their year-long partnership on Tuesday, September 12. Carol Shaw of the Greenbelt Community Foundation presented a \$4,777 check to CDCG founders Aileen Kroll and John Buck at a ceremony attended by members of the public and the city council.

The focus of this partnership is on volunteerism. The OGT relies on volunteers to perform duties such as concessions, outreach and publicity/marketing. They are part of a three-tier structure that includes a board, staff and volunteers. The CDCG looks to enhance and strengthen the volunteer component using their precepts which center on consensual decision-making, transparency and open communication.

The CDCG seeks to revitalize the volunteer system at OGT as efficiently and harmoniously as possible this year, says CDCG member Aileen Kroll. The goal is to enhance organization and open up the channels of communication, where everyone is valued and maximum benefit for all is achieved. She wants to ensure that OGT volunteers are a diverse group, a factor which they hope to increase by reaching out to local universities, places of worship and community organizations. A volunteer coordinator position may be created. Ultimately, a model of board, staff and volunteers will be created that can be replicated elsewhere in Greenbelt and beyond.

Cathy Jones, board chair of the Friends of Greenbelt Theatre (FGT), hopes to implement a good structure that will be ongoing. The partnership came out of the use of CDCG approaches in their monthly meetings. Since receiving their contract from the City of Greenbelt in spring 2015, the nine-member FGT board acts



Carol Shaw, left, presents a check from the Community Foundation to CDCG founders, Aileen Kroll and John Buck.

PHOTO BY MATTHEW ARBACH

as a steering committee to manage the operations of the theater as a community based non-profit.

The process of change will occur through connecting with the community and all those involved with the OGT, to ascertain their needs, concerns and ideas for making the system better. Questionnaires will also be used.

The OGT, built in 1938, is "an astonishing resource," says Kroll. It provides reasonable ticket prices, frequent speakers on relevant topics and many free showings, as well as hosting many events open to the public. Most of the concessions sold are from local vendors. Volunteers are allowed free viewings of films.

## Safer Internet Selling, Buying

The Greenbelt Police Department invites the public to use the Police Station as a safe place for completion of legal online transactions. Meeting there might also deter those persons attempting to carry out possible scams. Sellers and buyers can meet in the lobby or just outside to finalize transactions. The lobby is open and available for use 24 hours a day, 365 days a year.

The Greenbelt Police Station is located at 550 Crescent Road. For more information contact George Mathews, public information liaison, at 240-542-2116.

## Hospital to Host Pink Ribbon Rally

On Friday, October 6, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Doctors Community Hospital, 8118 Good Luck Road, will hold a Pink Ribbon Rally, with screening mammograms, clinical breast exams, music, games, wellness lectures, Zumba classes, healthful snack demonstrations, survivor testimonials and an "Ask the Doctor" component presented by a variety of healthcare providers.

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# Monday's Lockdown at Local Schools Stands Down Quickly

by Lesley Kash

A brief lockdown of all three Greenbelt West school campuses took place Monday, September 25 in response to the reported sighting of a person with a gun. The situation was resolved quickly by police and school administrators.

Shortly before 11 a.m. in the parking area of the Springhill Lake Recreation Center, a city employee reported seeing a person with what appeared to be a handgun, according to George Mathews, Greenbelt Police Department public information officer. Police contacted Springhill Lake Elementary, the school nearest to the location, and the school

was locked down promptly. Police officers conducted a search of the area, no threat was found and the lockdown was lifted after approximately 15 minutes.

Greenbelt Middle School and the Dora Kennedy French Immersion School were also put on lockdown due to proactive communication among the school resource officers at each of the three campuses. According to an assistant vice principal at Springhill Lake Elementary, the lockdown was uneventful, with all students and staff remaining "safe and secure."




## Greenbelt Cooperative Alliance

### Celebrate Co-op Month 2017 in Greenbelt

- Sunday October 1**
- 10 am - 2 pm** GCA booth at the Greenbelt Farmers Market
- 1:30 pm** GNR Annual Meeting, Greenbelt Library
- Monday October 2**
- GCA display in library display case, all month
- Tuesday October 3**
- 7 pm** GHI sponsored City Council Candidates Forum, Municipal Building
- Friday October 6**
- 7pm** Wine Tasting, GCS&P
- Sunday October 8**
- GCA Party at New Deal Cafe
- Monday October 9**
- 8 pm** City Proclamation in Municipal Center Council Room
- Wednesday October 11**
- Misbehaving Maidens, NDC
- Wednesday October 13**
- 4-7 pm** Wine Tasting, GCS&P
- 4-7 pm** Cooperative Cheese & Cracker tasting, Tillamook (a worker cooperative) Cheese and Nut Thins crackers (a cooperative)
- Saturday October 14**
- Funkis Omnibus and 4thaGruv, NDC
- Tuesday October 17**
- Rising Star Karaoke, NDC
- Thursday October 19**
- 8:30 am-2 pm** Credit Union Day
- GFCU celebrates its 80th Anniversary with cake and refreshments in the lobby (Will continue next day if supplies last)
- Friday, October 20**
- 4-7 pm** Wine Tasting of cooperative wines, GCS&P
- Saturday October 21**
- 10 am - 4 pm** Repair Café and Destruction Day, MakerSpace Roosevelt Center
- Wednesday, October 25**
- 4-7 pm** Patron Day Delectables: Co-op Salad - fruits and vegetables from co-operative farms, GCS&P
- Chris Utqiaga, NDC
- Thursday October 26**
- 8 pm** Co-op Movies at the Old Greenbelt Theatre: "The Best Movie We Ever Made" and "Spirit of Cooperation"
- SAW Open Mic, NDC
- Saturday October 28**
- 9am- noon** (or when truck is full) GFCU Community Shredding, Parking lot in front of Aquatic Center
- Sunday October 29**
- Wild Anacostias, NDC

Abbreviations: (GCA) Greenbelt Cooperative Alliance; (GNR) Greenbelt News Review; (GHI) Greenbelt Homes Inc.; (NDC) New Deal Café; (GCS&P) Greenbelt Co-op Supermarket and Pharmacy; (GFCU) Greenbelt Federal Credit Union.



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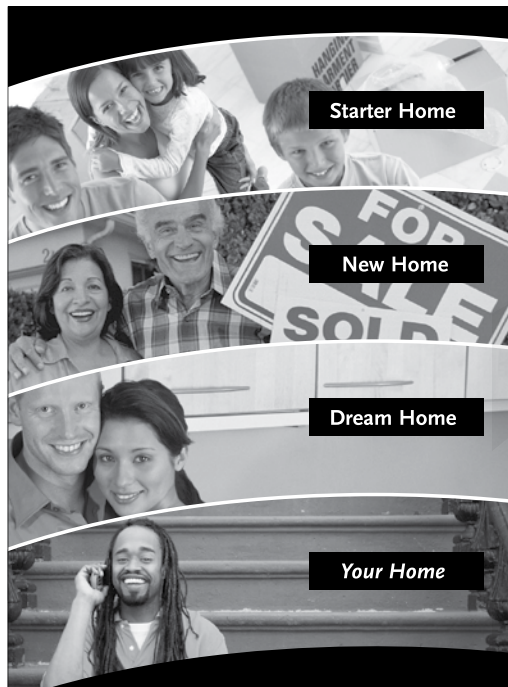
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# ERHS Girls Volleyball Team Starts Season with Wins

by Scott Fifield

The ERHS girls' varsity volleyball team is off to a 3-0 start, with straight-set wins over Gwynn Park, Northwestern and DuVal. The talented team is led by eight seniors. Its toughest

opponents are still to come in October, when the JV and varsity teams from ERHS play powerful squads from Bowie (at home on October 12) and Flowers (away on October 16).

## WMATA continued from page 1

Leta Mach also called for weekend service to be brought back to the B30 line, citing few other options for traveling between Baltimore and the D.C. area on weekends.

If approved by Metro's board of directors, the changes would go into effect around June 2018. Greenbelt residents interested in providing feedback on the proposed changes can fill out an online survey at [wmata.com/bus](http://wmata.com/bus) by 9:30 a.m. on Monday, October 2.

Carolina Velloso is a University of Maryland graduate student in journalism writing for the News Review.

## GES Seeks Career Day Presenters Nov. 17

Greenbelt Elementary School will host Career Day on Friday, November 17 between 9:30 a.m. and 3 p.m. Career Day presenters are needed for children eager to learn more about their future career options.

Presenters can speak to one class for 25 to 30 minutes or stay longer and present to additional classes. Hands-on experiences or active presentations that will hold the students' interest are best. Ages range from pre-K to 5th grade. Contact Lin Orrin at [lorryn39@gmail.com](mailto:lorryn39@gmail.com) to volunteer.

## Governance Meeting At Greenbriar Oct. 8

The Center for Dynamic Community Governance is hosting a free, fun and informative neighborhood exchange at the Greenbriar Community Center Terrace Room on Sunday, October 8. The Introduction to Dynamic Community Governance class is from 1 to 2 p.m. Have fun learning about the basics of the approach to community participation for Greenbelt.

The Community Peer Learning Circle will meet from 2 to 4 p.m. This is for those who've had previous training and want to improve their skills. To register, email Aileen at [Aileen@dynamic-governance.org](mailto:Aileen@dynamic-governance.org).




## Climate Change Symposium October 8

On Sunday, October 8 from 1 to 5 p.m. at Paint Branch Unitarian Universalist Church, 3215 Powder Mill Road, Adelphi, there will be a symposium that inspires participants to help to create a new possibility: "an environmentally sustainable, spiritually fulfilling and socially just human presence on the planet." A group called the Pachamama Alliance has been working on and improving this message for about a decade. The symposium includes participation and many videos that assess where we are now, how we got here, what is possible now and where we go from here. This program is also known as Awakening the Dreamer.

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# Rec. Department and Local Businesses Host Bike Rodeo

by Brooks DuBose



Officer Carlos Torres of Greenbelt police department instructs children in the obstacle course at the Greenbelt Recreation Department Bike Rodeo at Beltway Plaza on September 23.

Children from across the area rolled into the Beltway Plaza parking lot on their bicycles on the morning of Saturday, September 23, to take part in the Bike Rodeo hosted by the Greenbelt Recreation Department. The event was organized by Recreation Coordinator Alison Longworth in conjunction with several area businesses and the Greenbelt Police Department.

"The Bike Rodeo is designed to help children who already know how to ride, bike safely in their neighborhoods," Longworth said.

Kids lined up to be fitted for free helmets donated by Paradyne Management. If they brought their bikes, they could get them checked for free by Laurie Lemieux, the co-owner of Proteus Bicycles in College Park.

Throughout the two-hour event, instructors helped children ages 5 to 12 to improve their riding skills, assisted by volunteers and experts from the Washington Area Bicyclist Association (WABA). Riders were taught "stopping, starting, basic road rules and how to handle and avoid obstacles," said Longworth.

A course was set up with stop signs, turns and obstacles. The course helped provide a safe space for children to practice scenarios they might encounter while riding in the area, said Recreation Supervisor Anne Oudamans.

Jeff Wetzel, the youth and family education coordinator at WABA, coached kids on the course to stop every time they come to a stop sign and to look both ways. Wetzel said he hoped that events like the Bike Rodeo would spur more bicycle educa-

tion in area schools.

Bill Davis, a resident of Greenbelt, brought his granddaughter to the event to help her improve her riding. Davis said he was glad the event was held at Beltway Plaza this year instead of at Springhill Lake Recreation Center. "This location is better. There's more space. More people can attend," Davis said.

"Local businesses, police and the recreation department are working together to make it a little easier for kids to be comfortable on their bike," said Mayor Emmett Jordan. "Greenbelt was designed to be walkable and bikeable" and events like this "make sure kids stay safe," Jordan said.

A DJ played upbeat family-friendly music throughout the event. Songs like Happy by Pharrell Williams added to the fun atmosphere. "We're all about learning through play," said Oudamans. Free food, water and coffee were provided to attendees by the recreation department.

"We're really excited to be helping with this event. We feel like we are part of the fabric of the community," Lemieux said. She stressed the importance of local businesses like Proteus participating in events like the Bike Rodeo. "If we can't serve the community and get people to ride bikes and have fun on them, then we're not fulfilling our mission to really make people happy on their bicycles."

Greenbelt Police officers helped residents register their bikes, which can be useful if a bike is stolen. "If you register your bike with the city or county, when a stolen bike is recovered

it is easier to be returned to its owner," said Longworth. Many of the event volunteers were from the Greenbelt Police Explorer Program.

Proteus Bicycles provided front and rear taillights and locks to give out to children in attendance. Nearly 100 helmets were contributed by Paradyne Management as well as three bikes that were raffled off at the event. "This will be the first time [children] have been outfitted with what they need to bike safely," Oudamans said.

"We are excited to host this event. We hope to have more bike rodeos if people didn't make it out to this one," Longworth said.

*Brooks Dubose is a graduate student in journalism at the University of Maryland writing for the News Review.*

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# Local Teen's Film to Screen In International Festival

by Ingrid Cowan Hass

In the Garden, an original animated short film created by Greenbelt resident Alexandra Nickel, will screen during the Ninth Annual Tofuzi International Animation Festival held in Batumi, Republic of Georgia, October 2 to 7.

Her film is one of 10 accepted in the category films created by children and is the single U.S. film in the category.

Nickel, age 13, completed her film over 12 weeks in GAVA/GATE's animation class fall homeschool session using Adobe Flash and Final Cut Pro software. Tofuzi's acceptance marks the first time a GAVA/GATE youth film has screened in Europe.

In the Garden will also screen at the Old Greenbelt Theatre on Saturday, October 14 between 11 a.m. and noon as part of a free program featuring films by young people during this year's Utopia Film Festival. The short films, lasting an average of 1 to 2 minutes each, are made by students who create and draw characters



Alexandra Nickel

PHOTO BY CHRISTINE NICKEL

on paper, write storyboards, color and animate their artwork in Adobe Flash and add the titles and sound effects.

GAVA/GATE animation classes are offered at the Greenbelt Access Television studio each winter and fall. Home school classes are held on Mondays and after school classes on Fridays. Contact George Kochell (aka Mister Geo) at gkochell@yahoo.com or call 240-418-1889.



Film still from In the Garden by Alexandra Nickel

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