



## Council Discusses Immigration Enforcement, Cell Reliability

by Diane Oberg

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The Greenbelt City Council broke from its normal pattern of unanimity at its regular meeting on August 13. The discussion, which focused on local immigration enforcement, cellular reliability and economic goals, was marked by argument and calls for public comment.

### Cell Reliability

Council accepted without discussion the Public Safety Ad-

visory Committee's report on cellular phone connectivity and reliability. PSAC reported that "the issue of cellular connectivity and reliability has become an urgent issue that needs to be addressed as soon as possible." PSAC found that signal problems caused residents frustration and even prevented calls to 911. They also reported a variety of coping mechanisms people used while trying to make calls such as standing by windows, hanging out second floor windows, stand-

ing on porches, walking to the street or even walking down the street until they find a signal. The problem affects service by all major carriers serving Greenbelt. Carriers say the problem results from overloaded cell towers, and the only solution is to add another cell tower. Council will discuss the report at a future meeting. See [greenbeltmd.gov/PSAC-cell](http://greenbeltmd.gov/PSAC-cell) for the PSAC report to council.

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Delia Johnson (foreground) shows off the clay figures she made at the Clay at the End of the Day program in August.

## Hope Center's Festival Attracts Large Crowd for Fun, Services

by Chris Rogers-Spatuzzi



PHOTO BY CHRIS ROGERS-SPATUZZI

Pastor Sergio Chavez, who organized MyHopeFest, stands smiling at his event.

Food, carnival entertainment, free backpacks, school supplies and more highlighted the second annual MyHopeFest on Saturday, August 18 at Greenbelt Middle

School. Hope Center, a non-denominational church that meets at Greenbelt Middle School, put on this free event.

More than 800 people came

out to the event, more than doubling last year's attendance. It was catered toward families, with kids' activities such as a bounce house and a petting zoo, health screenings for all ages and live music and entertainment appealing to parents.

Hope Center was founded in November 2016 and started My Hope Fest last year as a way to grow its presence in Greenbelt while giving back to the community.

"We wanted to let the community know - Greenbelt Police Department, Franklin Square Apartments - that we are here to serve them," said Sergio Chavez, the lead pastor at Hope Center. "It just came about with a group from the church saying 'How can we partner with the community to just have a day for them?'"

Last year, more than 400 people came to the event, and the church gave out 500 free meals and 250 backpacks. However, the church was just nine months old at the time and not very well known, Chavez said, so they hoped that their second year would be even more successful.

Chavez and other members of Hope Center's congregation began intensively planning and prepping for this year's My Hope Fest six months ago. The goal

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### What Goes On

**Monday, August 27**  
7:30 p.m. Swearing in of new Police Chief Rick Bowers, Municipal Building  
**Wednesday, August 29**  
8 p.m. Council Worksession with Beltsville Agricultural Research Center, Greenbriar Community Building

## Fed SNAP Payment SNAFU Threatens Market Program

by Cathie Meetre

In recent months, an impending federal contracting gaffe has remained unresolved, threatening the ability of farmers markets, including Greenbelt's, to continue to process SNAP payments (SNAP is the Department of Agriculture food subsidy program often referred to as food stamps). Happily, though, decisive action by New York State has averted disaster for now. The modern SNAP program uses a chip-based card system, just like regular debit cards, with a password that must be validated by online processing when the card is presented.

The contract for processing

farmers market SNAP payments was recompeted by USDA and won by a new company that does not support the cellular technology used now. Although this situation has been imminent for some time, causing uncertainty among farmers markets nationally, the federal government has not provided any alternative.

Making SNAP payments at farmers markets is complicated by the fact that the markets generally do not have the sophisticated online systems that grocery stores have in place. They have come to rely on Novo Dia's solution, which utilizes electronic

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## City's Economic Development Subject of Council Meeting

by James Giese

The Greenbelt City Council spent an evening listening to and commenting on City Manager Nicole Ard's presentation concerning the city's vision, objectives, possible action items and measures of outcomes relating to city economic development activities at an August 6 worksession. For the past two years, council has been considering actions to further the city's economic development. Mayor Emmett Jordan called on council to adopt an economic development action plan and Councilmember Edward Putens said there should be no more worksessions without action, but it was agreed that

formal action would have to wait until all councilmembers could be present sometime in September or October. Councilmembers Judith Davis and Silke Pope did not attend the worksession.

In the meantime, Ard will recruit for the budget-funded position of Economic Development Coordinator after circulating the proposed job description among councilmembers.

### Coordinator

The new employee will coordinate economic development operations and activities to achieve the goals and objectives of the

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## Summer Help Program Vital To Public Works, Participants

by Jason Martin

In the 1970s the City of Greenbelt Department of Public Works initiated a summer help program. This program provided temporary employment for qualified individuals through the early 1980s. The Summer Help Program was re-established in 2015 and has been in operation ever since. Several current Public Works employees started their careers as summer help staff. The program is vital to the department accomplishing its mission.

Summer help staff assist various crews during the months when Public Works has its high-



PHOTO BY JASON MARTIN

Michael Adegbenro, one of the Summer Help staff, assists the various crews during the summer months when the Department of Public Works has its highest demand on personnel.

est demand on personnel. Given the temporary nature of summer help positions and the time frame

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# Letters to the Editor

## Come March with Us

Please join Moms Demand Action for Gun Sense in America on Monday, September 3 at the Labor Day Festival Parade – 10 a.m. to noon. Check in at the corner of Ivy and Lastner Lanes at 9:15 a.m. to be in position by 9:45 a.m. Sign up to join us by emailing Joani Horchler at Joanihorchler@gmail.com or kflamm47@gmail.com. Everyone wear red. Kids welcome.

*Kathie Flamm*

## Conversation Club? Club de conversación

Quiero agradecerles por pensar en las personas que vivimos en Greenbelt y hablamos español. Yo tengo dos años viviendo en este país, madre de dos niños cuya limitación para conseguir trabajo es el inglés, el cual puedo leerlo porque mi gramática se encuentra en un nivel intermedio alto pero mi pronunciación si requiere de mucha práctica.

Ojalá que a través de su periódico se pueda formar un club de conversación entre personas que hablan perfectamente el inglés para enseñar o practicar el español o castellano con personas que somos nativas hispanohablantes que queremos aprender más sobre el inglés. De antemano muchas gracias por tomar en cuenta nuestras opiniones.

*Vanessa Morin*

(I want to thank you for thinking about the Spanish-speaking people who live in Greenbelt. I am the mother of two children and have been living in this country for two years. I can read English well because my grammar is at a high-intermediate level, but my pronunciation, which limits my ability to get work, needs a lot of practice.

I hope that through your newspaper we can form a conversation club between people who speak English perfectly to teach or practice Spanish with people who are native Spanish speakers who want to learn to speak better English. Thank you in advance for taking into account our opinions.)



## Take a Stand

I am not a resident of Greenbelt. I do, however, have a vested interest in what goes on there because I care about the people who live there, take part in social activities and have been actively involved with Greenbelt People Power.

From the beginning of this grassroots group, we have actively tried to engage both the police department and the city council in discussion of best practices when dealing with immigrants. We are talking about immigrants with both legal and non-legal status because we believe that if someone lives in Greenbelt, they are residents of Greenbelt and deserve protection by the police. We also believe that the guidelines of Brian Frosh are best (e.g., not detaining anyone unless they have committed a crime and not holding anyone for ICE without a judicial warrant). This would avoid becoming involved with ICE, which we believe is not the police officer's job. As others have pointed out, doing so could be considered unconstitutional and the police department could be held liable.

I am wondering what kind of place people want Greenbelt to be: one where people feel safe and protected or one where people live in fear?

I would like to see the people of Greenbelt take a stand for what they say they believe: that all residents deserve protection under the law and can live in peace. I would like to see the people of Greenbelt act like a welcoming community they often profess to be.

My group and myself would like all these things to be set in writing (by the police department and by city council) so that everyone in the community knows precisely what to expect.

Where do you stand, Greenbelt? Please let us know. Let city council and the police department know what you believe in.

*Lorraine Wilson  
Berwyn Heights*

## More on Fire Safety

I want to offer some comments on the August 16 story, "Simple Tips for Preventing, Escaping a Residential Fire."

It is indeed dangerous to use an appliance cord or extension cord that is damaged; however, it is dangerous to run any cord under a rug, or pinched between furniture and a wall.

A less-important misstatement asserted that smoke alarms are needed in living rooms or dining rooms. Depending on how close a dining room location is to a kitchen, locating a smoke alarm there may result in nuisance alarms. It's far more important to install smoke alarms in each bedroom, and outside sleeping areas, so that smoke doesn't have to get past bedroom doors before the alarms go off.

The basic smoke alarm information, and the related pointers, can be freely accessed in the National Fire Alarm and Signaling Code <[https://www.nfpa.org/codes-and-standards/all-codes-and-standards/detail?code=72](https://www.nfpa.org/codes-and-standards/all-codes-and-standards/list-of-codes-and-standards/detail?code=72)>.

*David Shapiro*



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## On Screen

### BlackKkKlansman Challenges 1970s USA Race Relations

Spike Lee's latest movie, BlackKkKlansman, comes to Old Greenbelt Theatre this Friday, August 24. It's laced with Lee's customary wit, hilarity and reflective, searing probing of white America's racial history. Based on the true story of African-American police detective Ron Stallworth, who infiltrated the Ku Klux Klan in Colorado Springs in the 1970s. BlackKkKlansman is a "furious, funny, blunt and brilliant confrontation with the truth," according to New York Times critic A.O. Scott.

Ron Stallworth is played by John David Washington (yes, Denzel's son). Adam Driver is white Jewish detective Flip Zimmerman, who actually attends the KKK meetings as Stallworth makes frequent phone contact, especially with David Duke (Topher Grace). Harry Belafonte plays an old man who lectures black college students on his life experience, including the lynching of his best friend that he witnessed years earlier. Corey Hawkins is Kwame Ture, aka Stokely Carmichael. Alec Baldwin plays a white supremacist spewing hatred. Laura Harrier is Patrice, the black student union leader who debates with Stallworth about civil rights activism without knowing his true job.

Director Lee also co-wrote the script and has pointedly inserted clips from Gone With the Wind and The Birth of a Nation.

Running time: 2 hours, 15 minutes.

Rating: R

- Jim Link



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# Community Events

## Registration Open For Public Schools

Prince George's County public school offices are now open for registration for the upcoming academic year. Early registration of children, especially kindergarten-aged children (those who will be 5 years old by September 1), is important for staffing purposes.

Because of ongoing construction at Greenbelt Elementary, registration there is by appointment only. Appointments can be made by calling the school at 301-513-5911. Registration and other office business will take place at a temporary office that has been set up at Greenbelt Middle School at 6301 Breezewood Drive.

Registering parents/legal guardians will need a current lease, mortgage statement/settlement papers or deed/GHI Mutual Ownership Contract for proof of residency, the child's original birth certificate, valid identification, immunization records and two pieces of mail (less than 30 days old) with the current address. If the child is transferring from another PGCPs school, parents or guardians should obtain a transfer document from the previous school as part of the registration process.

## Maryland Senior Call Check Program Pilot

The Maryland Department of Aging has embarked on a free automated phone safety check system. Every day a call will be placed to a program participant at a regularly scheduled time. These calls will take place from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., as close as possible to the one-hour time slot pre-selected by the participant. If the phone is not answered on the first call, the system will try two additional times. If those calls go unanswered, an additional call will be made to notify an alternative person, selected by the participant during program enrollment. This could be an adult child, a neighbor or another loved one. The alternate will then be encouraged to check on the older adult program participant.

This free service is open to any Maryland resident age 65 or older. Each person must apply on his or her own behalf and must provide full first and last name, county and city of residence, telephone number, date of birth, name and telephone number of one alternate contact person, and preferred time to receive the daily call.

Note that the program will become effective once there are 1,000 Marylanders enrolled. For questions or to sign up, call 1-800-243-3425 or visit [aging.maryland.gov](http://aging.maryland.gov).

## Toastmasters Meet

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



## Registration Open For Citizens Academy

The Greenbelt Citizens Police Academy (GCPA) has opened registration for Class 18-02, which will meet this fall for nine classes, two hours once a week on Thursdays from September 6 through November 1.

This free nine-week program is designed to increase communication and understanding between members of the Greenbelt community and the Greenbelt Police Department. It combines classroom and hands-on instruction on a wide variety of police functions and is an opportunity for individuals who live, work or attend school in Greenbelt to gain a better understanding of how the city law enforcement agency works.

Learn more about the GCPA at [gpdcitizensacademy.com](http://gpdcitizensacademy.com) or contact George Mathews, police public information liaison at 240-542-2116.

## Greenbelt Park Events

Saturday, August 25: National Park Service Birthday. President Woodrow Wilson signed the National Park Service Act on August 25, 1916. Come celebrate the 102nd birthday of NPS.

Saturday, August 25: Junior Ranger Beginner's Tree Walk. Join a beginner children's tree walk. Meet at the ranger station near the campground at 9 a.m.

Sunday, August 26: Greenbelt Walking Club. Join a 1.4 mile group walk around the park road loop. Greenbelt Park is a great place to improve your health. Meet at the Sweetgum Picnic Area at 9:30 a.m.

Sunday, August 26: Mission 66, The Birth of the Greenbelt Campground. Go back in time to 1966 and celebrate the 50th birthday of the National Park Service and the first year of the Greenbelt Park campground. Meet at the ranger station near the campground at 2 p.m.

Friday, August 31: Anacostia River Watershed Cleanup. Come to Greenbelt Park and help clean a portion of the Anacostia River watershed. The cleanup is part of the 100th anniversary of Anacostia Park in celebration of the Year of the Anacostia. Wear clothes that can get dirty and sturdy boots. Gloves and bags are supplied. Pre-registration is required though the Event Brite link at [nps.gov/gree](http://nps.gov/gree). Meet at the Sweetgum Picnic Area at 9 a.m.

More Community Events are located throughout the paper.



## Labor Day Festival Art Show Exhibitors

With so many artists living in Greenbelt, the Labor Day Festival provides an opportunity to exhibit artwork and support the visual arts. Paintings, drawings, crafts, ceramics, sculptures and prints are welcome in the Art Show. Winners will be awarded ribbons, prizes or cash. For more information and to download entry forms, visit [greenbeltlaborday.com](http://greenbeltlaborday.com). Keep encouraging creative artists.

## Labor Day Tennis Social and Picnic

On Saturday, September 1 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., the Greenbelt Tennis Association (GTA) will sponsor a tennis social at the Greenbriar Condominium courts, 7600 Hanover Parkway. GTA will provide drinks, snacks and a cookout with hamburgers and hot dogs. Bring a potluck dish to share. This event is free to GTA members, with a nominal fee for non-members. To RSVP or for more information, send an email to [rsvp\\_gta@outlook.com](mailto:rsvp_gta@outlook.com), call 301-715-3632 or visit [greenbelt.com/tennis](http://greenbelt.com/tennis).

## 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, which provide at least one-third of Recommended Dietary Allowances for older adults, include margarine, coffee or tea and skim milk. Menus for the week of August 27 are as follows:

Monday, August 27: Swedish meatballs, whole grain penne pasta, glazed carrots, wheat bread, tropical fruit, apple juice.

Tuesday, August 28: vegetable soup, pork roast with apple glaze, mashed spiced yams, green beans, dinner roll, pineapple tidbits, cranberry juice.

Wednesday, August 29: ginger pepper steak, brown rice, broccoli, wheat roll, cinnamon applesauce, grape juice.

Thursday, August 30: baked chicken with mushroom gravy, whipped potatoes, peach crisp, cucumber and tomato salad, wheat bread, orange juice.

Friday, August 31: stuffed salmon with Old Bay cream sauce, white beans with arugula, garden vegetables, dinner roll, fresh fruit, cranberry juice.

## Retro Town Fair Spotlight on Food

The Greenbelt Museum is pleased to have a food historian of note to judge in the food category this year. Elliot Merker is a food historian focused on international food cultures and cuisine, as well as their spread and evolution through immigration. Merker has demonstrated historical cooking and interpreted foodways of the American past at George Washington's Mt. Vernon. He is currently researching and writing a food history cookbook. Merker is delighted to be a part of the Greenbelt Museum's sixth Retro Town Fair, to be held on Sunday, September 2. Baked good entries need not be from a vintage/historical recipe, but each year some entries are from New Deal or WWII era recipes. Visit [greenbeltmuseum.org](http://greenbeltmuseum.org) for more information about the Retro Town Fair and to print out an entry form.



## Greenbelt Writers Monthly Meeting

The Greenbelt Writers Group will meet Friday, August 24 at 7:30 p.m. in the Community Center. All local writers are welcome to attend; there will be open readings for those wishing to participate. The group usually meets on the third Friday of the month but for August will meet on the fourth Friday. For more information on the group, contact Barbara Ford at [barb.ford@comcast.net](mailto:barb.ford@comcast.net).

## Ribbons Awarded For Best Photos

Have you taken any awesome photos that you would like to share with your neighbors? The Labor Day Festival Photo Show is coming soon. Both adults and children (under 12) are invited to enter up to two photographs per person. Categories include Greenbelt Memories, Families, Children, Wildlife, Pets and more.

Frames with outer dimensions greater than 16 inches by 20 inches will not be accepted, and smaller frames are preferred, as space is limited.

Bring ready-to-hang photos and completed registration forms to the Community Center, Room 114 between 5 and 7 p.m. on Thursday, August 30 or Friday, August 31. Judging is done on Friday night, and winning ribbons will be on display starting Saturday at 1 p.m.

There is no charge to enter. For more information, contact Keith and Janet Zevallos at 301-982-0850, email [laborday\\_photoshow@yahoo.com](mailto:laborday_photoshow@yahoo.com) or go online at [greenbeltlaborday.com](http://greenbeltlaborday.com).

## Last Book Drop-off Tuesday, August 28

Book donations for the Greenbelt Elementary School PTA Used Book Sale at the Labor Day Festival should be dropped off at the Co-op Supermarket no later than Tuesday, August 28. At-home pickup for large donations can be arranged. Leave a message at 240-821-5878 to arrange a pickup or school drop-off. Donations are tax deductible; just ask for a receipt.

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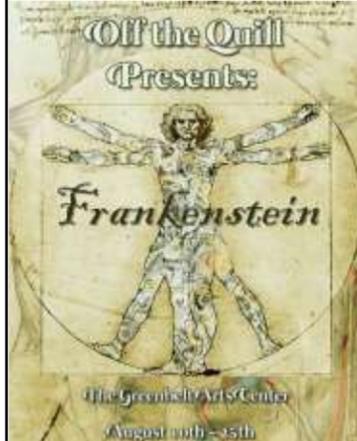
"Poverty Inc." (2014)  
"Wheelchair Diaries," (2013)

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tablets with cellular technology for communications for the electronic payment processing. A small, portable Bluetooth printer is used to print receipts. Many markets, including Greenbelt's, received their equipment as part of a subsidized program – but because the new vendor doesn't support cellular transactions, the equipment, acquired only last fall by Greenbelt's market, would become useless.

Enter the State of New York to save the day for markets nationwide. Governor Andrew Cuomo, while announcing that New York State has separately contracted with the current vendor of services (Novo Dia) to continue beyond the expiration

of the federal contract, slammed the federal government's inaction. Cuomo stated that, "New York will not stand idly by as the federal government's ineptitude takes food out of the mouths of New Yorkers."

The company Novo Dia, which worked with the USDA to develop the farmers market technology, was anticipating going out of business when the contract ended. New York's direct action has paved the way for 1,700 markets nationwide to continue to operate their SNAP systems and utilize their several hundred dollars-worth of electronic equipment distributed earlier at government expense.

Although Greenbelt's Farmers

Market SNAP program is small and of recent origin, it continues to attract new participants with its matching funds program. A SNAP shopper at the Greenbelt Market gets a dollar-for-dollar match for the first \$10 spent at the market, doubling the value of their own contribution and helping to fulfill the market's pledge to bring locally-grown, high-quality food to all residents of the city. Because of Governor Cuomo's action, Greenbelt Farmers Market will continue to support SNAP at its Sunday market – 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the parking lot next to Roosevelt Center except for Labor Day weekend.



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of operation, most qualified applicants are college students looking to broaden their skill set and earn some extra money before school starts in the fall. All work done by summer help focuses on the public works mission of maintaining and beautifying Greenbelt's public spaces.

The Summer Help staff for this year is a diverse cast of characters with differing backgrounds and future goals. Michael Adegbenro has been working with the streets crew installing signs, painting curbs and repairing roads to ensure those traveling within and through Greenbelt can do so safely. He is a University of Maryland student from New Carrollton who is working towards a degree in mechanical engineering. When asked about what he hopes to learn during his time at Public Works, Adegbenro responded, "I want to learn more about the balance and interactions between Public Works, the city and residents." Assisting him on the street crew is Zach Bernheisel. Bernheisel is a Greenbelt native who attends Transylvania University in Kentucky and aspires to be a screenwriter. He

has helped with crosswalk installation, potholes and all the other tasks that go with keeping Greenbelt's roads in good working order.

Bernheisel says, "I've learned that there is a lot going on behind the scenes that keeps the city going" and that he "likes giving back to my hometown."

Ivah Tukpah and Alex Moxey are assisting the horticulture crew. Their tasks include planting, pruning, mulching and pulling weeds to keep the city's landscape looking good. Moxey is from Centerville, Md., and is currently serving as a member of the Maryland National Guard. He wants to join the U.S. Air Force once his contract is up but says he "likes the hands-on labor, that Public Works is one big family" and that he "wants to learn to use the variety of new tools and equipment that Public Works has." Moxey also admits that working on the trash truck during the hot summer days can be hard on the nose. Tukpah is from Upper Marlboro and is attending Morgan State University studying

to be a transportation engineer. Tukpah has enjoyed "learning about plants and hopes to learn more about landscaping." He also likes the friendly environment at Public Works.

These young people are providing an essential service to the Department of Public Works and the City of Greenbelt. In return, they are learning unique and valuable skills. The summer help staff say they enjoy learning to use equipment that they have never used, or in some cases, seen before and that they have gained an appreciation for what goes into keeping the city running.

The Department of Public Works would like to thank Michael, Zach, Ivah and Alex for their efforts and hope that they take away from this experience skills and knowledge that will aid them in the future.

Jason Martin is the city environmental coordinator.





**Catholic Community of Greenbelt MASS**

Sundays 10 A.M.  
Municipal Building

ALL ARE WELCOME.



"It is not for him to pride himself who loveth his own country, but rather for him who loveth the whole world. The earth is but one country, and mankind its citizens." - Baha'i Writings

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**Greenbelt Baha'i Community**

1-800-22-UNITE                      301-345-2918  
Greenbelt.Bahai.Info@gmail.com    www.greenbeltbahais.org



**Greenbelt Community Church, United Church of Christ**

**Never put a period where a comma should be . . .**

Whoever you are and wherever you are on your Spiritual journey, you are welcome **HERE**.

Join us for this Sunday's message at 10:15  
**"I have called you by name. You are mine."**

1 Hillside Road, Greenbelt    301-474-6171    Rev. Glenmyce Grindstaff

**ST. HUGH OF GRENOBLE CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
135 Crescent Road, Greenbelt, MD 20770  
301-474-4322

**Mass Schedule:**  
Sunday 8:00, 9:30, 11:00 a.m.  
Saturday 9:00 a.m., 5:00 p.m.  
Daily Mass: 7:15 a.m.  
Sacrament of Penance: Saturday 3:30-4:30 p.m.

**Pastor: Rev. Walter J. Tappe**



**GREENBELT BAPTIST CHURCH**

Biblical  
Confessional  
Reformed  
Gospel-Centered



Sunday School 9:15am  
Worship Service 10:30am

www.greenbeltbaptist.org  
(301) 474 4212  
@GreenbeltBaptist

All are welcome to come and worship the Triune God with us.



# Obituaries

## Carolyn Lubetzky

Carolyn Diane Lubetzky, 75, died at her home in Washington, D.C., on August 3, 2018. She grew up in Los Angeles with her parents Lawrence and Bessie (Gursky) Schneider and brother Jerry Schneider. During childhood, she spent many holidays with her cousins at a family ranch in Brentwood, Calif. She met her husband, David Lubetzky, in Los Angeles and they were married in 1967. After they moved to Washington, D.C., Mrs. Lubetzky began teaching at Greenbelt Elementary School, where she taught for 30 years. She wanted to make science and math fun and hands-on for students. Her classrooms had floor-to-ceiling butterfly terrariums and collections of unique insect and mineral specimens. She was named a 1993 Maryland Finalist for the Presidential Awards for Excellence in Science and Mathematics Teaching.



PHOTO COURTESY OF THE LUBETZKY FAMILY

**Carolyn Lubetzky**

Mrs. Lubetzky enjoyed going to the beach with her husband, watching her son grow up and, more recently, becoming a grandmother.

She is survived by her husband David, brother Jerry, son Darren (Blythe) and grandson Jack.

A gathering of family and friends to celebrate her life will be held at a later date.



**Maeve Waters reads while Jude Ossi (back) and Kai Waters help to sort books for the Greenbelt Elementary School annual used book sale at the Labor Day Festival.**

PHOTO BY ANNE GARDNER

**Mowatt Memorial United Methodist Church**  
40 Ridge Road, Greenbelt

Open hearts, Open minds, Open doors  
www.greenbeltumc.org 301-474-9410

Rev. Fay Lundin, Pastor

**Worship Service 10 a.m.**  
I'll go with you.




**Paint Branch Unitarian Universalist Church**  
3215 Powder Mill Road, Adelphi  
Phone: 301-937-3666    www.pbuuc.org

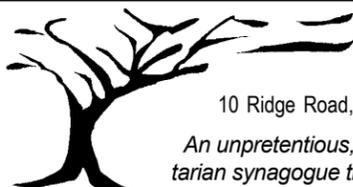
Welcomes you to our open, nurturing community

**August 26 10 a.m.**  
**"Rising to the Challenge"**

by Rev. Rachel Christensen, Minister; Samantha Evans, Worship Associate

Supporting our Religious Education Program  
- now, in the interim, and always.



**Mishkan Torah Congregation**

10 Ridge Road, Greenbelt, MD 20770 301-474-4223

An unpretentious, historic, welcoming, liberal, egalitarian synagogue that respects tradition and becomes your extended family in the 21st century.

Shabbat services: Friday evening at 8:00 PM,  
Saturday morning services at 9:30 AM.  
Educational programs for children K-12 and for adults.  
Combined innovative full family educational program for parents and children.  
Conversion classes. Concert choir. Social Action program.  
Opportunity for leadership development.  
Moderate, flexible dues. High holiday seating for visitors.  
Sisterhood. Men's Club. Other Social Activities.  
Interfaith families are welcome.

*Historic synagogue dually affiliated with United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism and the Jewish Reconstructionist Federation*



Condolences to the family and friends of Carolyn Lubetzky who died in Washington, D.C., on August 3. She taught at Greenbelt Elementary School for 30 years.

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

**At the Library**

All Prince George's County Memorial Library System (PGC-MLS) branches will be closed on Sunday, September 2 and Monday, September 3 for Labor Day. The Greenbelt branch library will reopen on Tuesday, September 4 at 1 p.m.

Teen Advisory Board (TAB), Monday, August 27, 4 p.m., ages 13 to 18, limit 15 participants. Volunteer to make the library a better place for teens by talking about books, music and movies, and suggesting additions to the collection. Registration is required; contact the branch either in person or by calling 301-345-5800. (TAB will meet weekly on Monday afternoons.)

English Conversation Club, Tuesday, August 28, 6 p.m. Learning to speak English? Join this club and practice speaking English in a friendly atmosphere with people from diverse backgrounds. (The club meets weekly on Tuesday evenings.)

Ready 2 Read Storytime. Tuesday, August 28, ages 3 to 5, 7 p.m., limit 20 people. Wednesday, August 29, ages 3 to 5, 10:15 a.m., limit 20 people; ages 2 to 3, 11:15 a.m., limit 20 people. Thursday, August 30, newborn to age 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.

Make reading a positive experience for children by bringing them to the library's story times. Each program includes a mixture of engaging activities and age-appropriate stories that support early literacy. Stop by the Information Desk immediately prior to each session to pick up free tickets available on a first-come, first-served basis.



**Cooperative Opens in Adelphi**

Silver Oaks Cooperative School in Adelphi is starting their inaugural year with one-third of the students as Greenbelters. The school focuses on spirited learning, growth, development and fun. They are holding an evening mystery event on Saturday, September 8. There is a fee. For more information visit the school website: silveroakscooperative.org.

**Holy Cross Thrift Store**

Every Thursday  
10am - 4pm

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

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



# City Information & Events

**MEETINGS FOR AUGUST 27-31**

Monday, August 27 at 7:30pm **SWEARING IN OF POLICE CHIEF RICK BOWERS** at Greenbelt Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road.

Tuesday, August 28 at 6:00pm **BOARD OF ELECTIONS** at Greenbelt Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road. *On the Agenda: Election Code Review-Review and approval of proposed amendments to Sections 8-11, 8-13, 8-21, 8-22, 8-23, 8-24, 8-25, 8-26, 8-27, Greenbelt City Code, Review and approval of Board Report #18-1 responding to City Council referral on amending the Election Code Sections 8-11, 8-13, 8-21, 8-22, 8-23, 8-24, 8-25, 8-26, 8-27, Greenbelt City Code*

Tuesday, August 28 at 7:00pm **ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION** at Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road. *On the Agenda: Review School Liaison Assignments, Labor Day Parade, 2018-2019 Budget, Report on Council's work session with Advisory Committee Chairs, Grants Workshop Planning, Planning for School Board Candidates' Debate*

Tuesday, August 28 at 7:30pm **GREEN ACES/GREEN TEAM** at Community Center, 15 Crescent Road. *On the Agenda: Greening of the Labor Day Festival, Review of the Adult Mosquito Control presentation, Presentation about upcoming CHEERS project.*

Wednesday, August 29 at 8pm **COUNCIL WORK SESSION w/Beltsville Agricultural Research Center**, at Greenbriar Community Building, 7600 Hanover Parkway, Suite 101.

Thursday, August 30 at 7:00pm **FOREST PRESERVE ADVISORY BOARD** at Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road. *On the Agenda: Discussion of Section 2 Trails of the Guidelines, including revisions to Section 1 Introduction, Finalize Sections 8, 9, and 10 of the Stewardship Guidelines, Finalize and Approve FPAB response letter to "Illegal Hunting" letter posted in GNR on March 22, 2018, Final revisions to Article 12 (finished in May 2017 but never voted on).*

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

**Police Chief Rick Bowers Swearing in**  
Monday, August 27, 2018  
7:30pm  
Greenbelt Municipal Building  
25 Crescent Road  
All are welcome!

Come join us in welcoming Chief Bowers!  
Light refreshments will be served.

**Fall Recreation Programs Starting Soon!**

Check out our Fall 2018 Activity Guide for more details! Explore our Activity Guide for lots of options for all ages and interests. We offer seasonal special events and varied recreation facilities and classes to provide opportunities for community celebrations, a chance to learn something new or improve your skills in an activity you enjoy, all while socializing and staying active!

Please visit our website, stop by a recreation center, or give us a call for more information.

Greenbelt Recreation  
www.greenbeltmd.gov/recreation 301-397-2200

**Mom's Morning Out**

This traditional pre-school program provides activities that encourage social development, offers beginning reading, math, & science curriculum, develops fine and gross motor skills and encourages lots of fun with peers. Children must be fully potty trained before they are eligible to register.

**Ages 3-4 years Tu/Th 9:00am-12:00pm  
Greenbelt Youth Center**

**Ages 4-5 years M/W/F 9:00am-1:00pm  
Greenbelt Youth Center**

Instructors: Gaye Houchens, Shelly Cooper  
Children may attend all five weekdays with instructor approval.

\*Pre-School Program is licensed by the Maryland State Department of Education #251208

Registration now open! Sign up soon! Spaces are limited!  
For registration information call 301-397-2200.  
Session begins on September 10, 2018

Follow the City of Greenbelt on Facebook at  
[www.facebook.com/citofgreenbelt](http://www.facebook.com/citofgreenbelt).  
For information on City Services, Events, Meetings,  
and more, visit Greenbelt CityLink at  
[www.greenbeltmd.gov](http://www.greenbeltmd.gov)

**There's Still Time to Sign Up For The Citizen's Academy**

Sign Up for the Fall Session of the Greenbelt Citizens Police Academy Scheduled to Begin September 6th.

After a successful Spring Session of the Greenbelt Citizen's Police Academy, Registration for the fall session of the Academy is now open!

Class 18-02 will begin on Thursday, September 6th and continue through November 1st. This is a free nine (9) week program designed to increase communication and understanding between members of the Greenbelt community and the Greenbelt Police Department. It is an excellent opportunity for individuals, living, working or attending school in Greenbelt to gain a better understanding of how your law enforcement agency works. The GCPA combines classroom and hands on instruction on a wide variety of police functions.

Anyone interested in attending our Academy can check out our website at [www.gpdcitizensacademy.com](http://www.gpdcitizensacademy.com) for more information. You can also contact George Mathews at 240-542-2116.

**VACANCIES ON BOARDS & COMMITTEES**

Volunteer to serve on City Council Advisory Groups.

**There are currently vacancies on:**

Advisory Committee of Education, Arts Advisory Board, Ethics Commission, Forest Preserve Advisory Board, Greenbelt Advisory Committee on Environmental Sustainability, Park and Recreation Advisory Board, Senior Citizens Advisory Committee, and Youth Advisory Committee.

For information on how to apply: 301-474-8000

**WATERSHED STEWARDS ACADEMY**



Are you looking for an exciting opportunity to learn more about your local watershed and how you can help address pollution problems? Consider joining the Watershed Stewards Academy, an 8-session classroom and field-based course operated by the Anacostia Watershed Society! As a participant, you will learn about stormwater runoff and County resources for greening your community, conduct water quality sampling, and go on a boat tour of the Anacostia River.

The next course in Prince George's County and hosted by the City of Greenbelt will start Wednesday, September 12th from 6:30-9:00pm.

For more information and to register, please visit [www.anacostiaws.org/programs/education/watershed-stewards-academy](http://www.anacostiaws.org/programs/education/watershed-stewards-academy) or contact Matt Gallagher at [mgallagher@anacostiaws.org](mailto:mgallagher@anacostiaws.org).

**Volunteers Needed to Encourage Recycling & Composting**

Public Works, and Green ACES are seeking volunteers to stand near sets of recycling, trash, and compost bins to cheerfully encourage and help people "recycle the recyclables," "compost the compostables," and "trash the trash."

**Training will be provided at the Public Works building on Wednesday, August 29, at 7:30 PM.**

For students or any other volunteer we will be glad to sign community service hours and/or provide recommendations as appropriate. To register for the training please contact: Jason Martin, Greenbelt Environmental Coordinator, at [jmartin@greenbeltmd.gov](mailto:jmartin@greenbeltmd.gov) To sign up to Volunteer at the Festival please go to

[www.SignUpGenius.com/go/10C0D4CABA929A2FD0-greening3](http://www.SignUpGenius.com/go/10C0D4CABA929A2FD0-greening3)



**POOCH PLUNGE!**

Saturday, September 8, 2018, 11:00am-3:00pm

Greenbelt Aquatic & Fitness Center (Outdoor Pool)  
101 Centerway  
\$10.00 per dog

You and your dog are invited to the Annual Pooch Plunge, a swim/splash party for you and your canine pal!

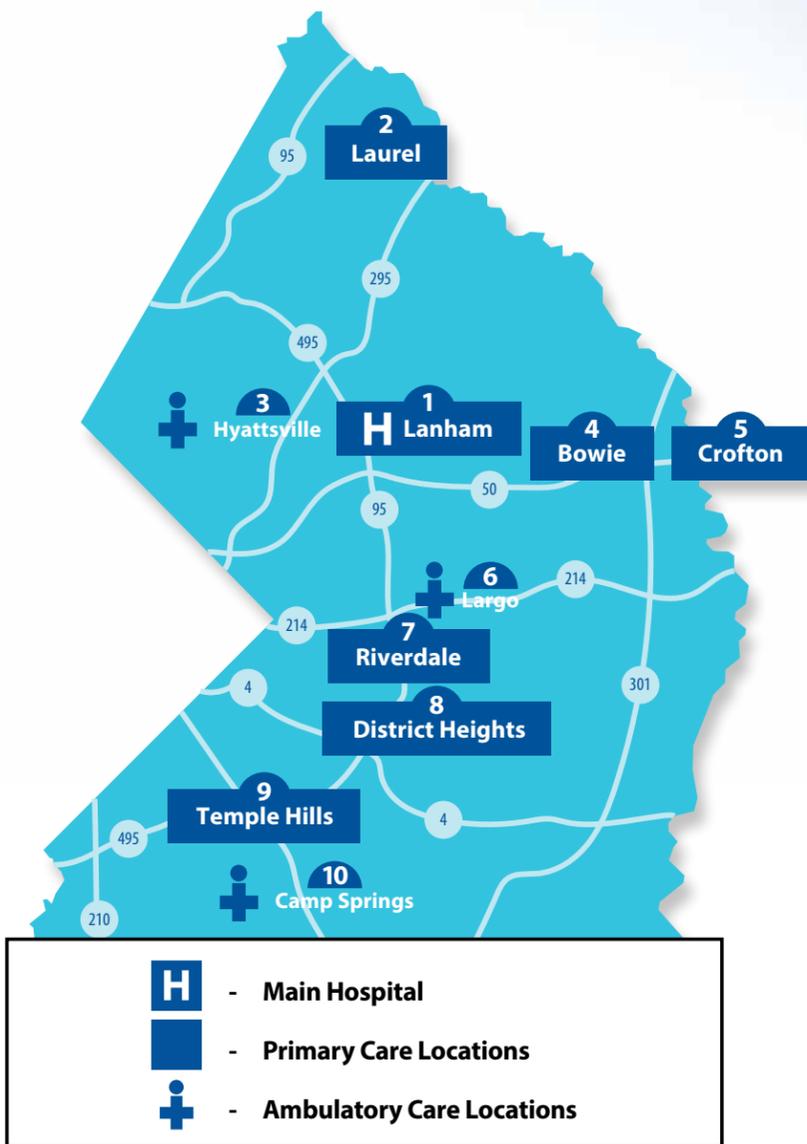
Participation is limited to 75 dogs and 75 handlers. Each dog handler must be 18 years of age or older. One dog per handler; no charge for handler.



# LET OUR SYSTEM CARE FOR YOURS

Your body is a complex system. Each part has an important role in supporting your well-being. The same is true at Doctors Community Health System. Our network of care can help you maintain and improve your overall health. **So, let our system care for yours.**

At the heart of this network is our flagship – **Doctors Community Hospital** in Lanham, Maryland. For your convenience, we complement the hospital’s medical and surgical programs with more than a dozen centers of care located throughout the area:



- + Ambulatory Surgery **1 7**
- + Bariatric and Weight Loss Program **1**
- + Breast Health **1**
- + Digestive Disease Care **1**
- + Emergency Services **1**
- + Endocrinology and Diabetes Care **2 7**
- + Health Center **3**
- + Imaging Services **1 6**
- + Infusion Care **1**
- + Orthopedic Services **1 4 10**
- + Primary Care **1 2 4 5 7 8 9**
- + Radiation Oncology **1 4**
- + Rehabilitation Program **1 4 10**
- + Sleep Care **1**  
(adults and children)
- + Surgical Services **1**  
(bariatric, breast, general, thoracic and vascular)
- + Wellness Center **4**
- + Wound Care **1**

When you need high-quality and comprehensive care, choose Doctors Community Health System. **The health of your system is our system’s priority.**

**Contact us today for more information or to schedule an appointment.**

**301-DCH-4YOU | 301-324-4968 | DCHweb.org**





# Why Cook?

Relax Over the Weekend . . .  
Eat Out at the Festival!

Food Booths in the Carnival Midway include:

*Eleanor and Franklin Roosevelt Democratic Club*  
– Lemonade, Crab Pretzels, Funnel Cakes  
*Green Vegan Networking*

– Mac & Cheese, Fried Broccoli, Caribbean Fruit Drinks  
*Greenbelt Fraternal Order of Police Lodge #32*

– Pit Meats (Beef, Turkey, Ham), Crab Cake, Chicken Tenders, Butterfly Chips

*Greenbelt Labor Day Festival Committee*

– Cheeseburgers, Nachos, Fried Candy Bars, Tator Tots  
*Greenbelt MakerSpace – Snoballs*

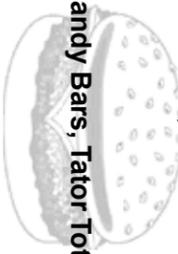
*Greenbelt Senior Softball*

– Jerk Chicken, Chicken Curry, Caribbean Favorites  
*Old Greenbelt Theatre*

– Chicken on a Stick, Pad Thai, Fried Rice, Smoothies  
*St. Hugh's Church Knights of Columbus*

– Italian and Polish Sausage

Sodas and Beverages Available at Many Booths



## Reduce, Reuse, Recycle at the Labor Day Festival

Please help green the Labor Day Festival!

The Public Works/Green Team booth and volunteers will have information about recycling, composting and filling up your reusable water bottles. We'll also have some fun informational games and green prizes at the Public Works booth.

There are water fountains at the Municipal Building, Aquatic Center, and the Co-Op grocery store. Some businesses and restaurants will also let you fill your water bottle. Look for the TapIt decal or water bottle flyer in store windows.

Trash, recycling and composting bins with instructional decals will be grouped together throughout the festival grounds.

# Carnival Midway Booths and Activities

Ride tickets - \$1.00/each, \$20.00 for 25 tickets, and \$25.00 for the "All You Can Ride Wristband" for unlimited rides during certain times on ONE DAY ONLY. Choose between 11am to 4pm Saturday OR Noon to 4pm Sunday. No charge for entertainment, shows or events unless noted. Vouchers for wristbands may be purchased for \$12.00 at the Co-op Supermarket until Noon on Friday, August 31. These vouchers can be redeemed at the Festival for the wristband. Prices subject to change without notice. No refunds.



*Greenbelt Animal Control – Pet Goodie Bags & Informational Handouts*

*Greenbelt Baptist Church – Information, Activity*

*Greenbelt Community Emergency Response Teams (CERT) – Public Safety Outreach*

*Greenbelt Elementary School PTA – Used Book Sale*

*Greenbelt Nursery School – "Greenbelt Is Great" T-shirts and Car Magnets*

*Greenbelt Police Department – Information*

*St. Hugh's Church Ladies of Charity – Bingo, Soda, Water*

Rides by Sherwood Amusements. Booths constructed and wired by Greenbelt Public Works Department.

## The Greenbelt Labor Day Festival offers a unique opportunity for local residents to display their talents and creativity.

### Art Show

Community Center. Pre-registration for the art show is not required; bring your artwork to the Community Center between 5-7pm on Thursday, 10am-Noon or 5-7pm on Friday.

Participating children must live or go to school in Greenbelt or have a parent or grandparent who lives or works in Greenbelt. Participating adult artists must be from Greenbelt or the surrounding communities.

Adult artists are limited to four entries, and children and teens are limited to three entries. Adult two-dimensional art work must be framed for hanging. Children's art can be matted or mounted. Adult artists must volunteer to help with hanging the artwork Friday evening or sit with the show for one hour during the Festival.

Viewing will be Saturday and Sunday 1-6 pm. Awards will be presented on the stage Monday at 1:30pm. Viewing will take place Monday 1-4pm, except during the award ceremony, and pick-up will run from 4-5pm. The committee is not responsible for unclaimed work.

For information see: [www.greenbeltlaborday.com/events-and-activities/art-show/](http://www.greenbeltlaborday.com/events-and-activities/art-show/) or contact Tom Baker at [tombakercreate@gmail.com](mailto:tombakercreate@gmail.com).

Sponsored by Greenbelt Association for the Visual Arts (GAVA)

#### Categories:

##### ADULT

- Drawing
- Painting/Oil, Acrylic, Watercolor
- Prints/Hand-Pulled, Digital
- Fine Crafts
- Sculpture/3-D



##### CHILDREN

- Pre-School to age 6
- Ages 7 to 10 years
- Ages 11 to 14 years
- Ages 15 to 18 years
- Drawing
- Painting
- Prints/Collages
- Sculptures/3-D
- Fine Crafts

The **Cipriano Award** is given each year to one adult winner and one child for art depicting "Americans at Work."

### Photo Show

Community Center. Pre-registration for the photo show is not required; bring up to two photos per person and a completed registration form to the Community Center between 5-7pm on Thursday or Friday. Outside of frame must be less than 16" by 20" and be ready to hang.

Viewing will be Saturday and Sunday 1-6pm, Monday 1-4pm. Visitors can vote for their "Community Favorites" on Saturday and Sunday. All winning photos will have ribbons displayed on photos on Saturday and announced on stage Monday at 1:30pm. Pick-up will run from 4-5pm on Monday. For information see [www.greenbeltlaborday.com/events-and-activities/photo-show/](http://www.greenbeltlaborday.com/events-and-activities/photo-show/) or contact Keith Zevallos at 240-355-2908.

#### Categories:

- Proud America
- Extreme Weather
- Those Who Serve and Protect Us
- Greener Living in Greenbelt
- My Greenbelt/Greenbelt Memories
- Landscapes – Sunrise/Sunset
- Landscapes – All Other
- People – Photos of Children
- People – Photos of Adults & Families
- Flowers • Wild Animals and Nature
- Pets • Travel • Buildings & Architecture
- Still Life/Pictorial/Abstract



#### Special Thanks To:

City of Greenbelt  
Greenbelt Police Department  
Greenbelt Public Works  
Greenbelt Recreation

# Monday, Sept. 3

## 9am-5:30pm GREENBELT MUSEUM EXHIBITION

See Friday 9am entry for description.

## 10am-Noon 63rd ANNUAL GREENBELT LABOR DAY PARADE

The parade will entertain you with a variety of groups, demonstrating our community spirit and accentuating our city's diverse cultural background. There will be the Old Guard Fire and Drum Corps, the Continental Color Guard, bands, fire trucks, color guard, numerous community organizations and more. The Grand Marshal is Greenbelt's Outstanding Citizen. Master of Ceremonies will be Dave Zahren, host of "It's Academic". Parade Route: Down Crescent Rd. from Greenhill to Southway, Parade is marshaled by the Prince George's County Emergency Radio Association (PGCERA) with assistance from the Prince George's County Amateur Radio Emergency Service (PG-ARES) and the Eleanor Roosevelt High School National Honor Society.

## 11am-6pm CARNIVAL AND BOOTHS

See Carnival Midway entry at 6pm Friday.

## 11am-2pm TOURS OF THE GREENBELT MUSEUM

10-B Crescent Rd. Immediately following the parade, come by the Museum house for a quick tour. The Greenbelt Museum's historic home has been restored and furnished with objects from the period 1937-1952. FREE.

## Noon-2pm LUNCHEON ON THE LAWN

Greenbelt Community Church, Corner of Hillside and Crescent Rd. After parade. Barbeque sandwich or hot dog, baked beans, slaw, chips, drink and dessert for one reasonable price.

## Noon-6pm CRAFT FAIR

See Sunday Noon entry for description.

## Noon-6pm FACE PAINTING FUNDRAISER

Various locations throughout the festival.



Granny and the Boys

The Greenbelt Labor Day Festival Committee would like to thank the Eleanor Roosevelt High School National Honor Society members who have volunteered their time at this year's Festival.

## 1-3pm ART EXHIBITION

See Saturday 1pm entry for description.

## 1-3pm MOVIE: MY MAN GODFREY

Old Greenbelt Theatre. In this 1936 film, a scatterbrained socialite hires a vagrant as a family butler ... but there's more to Godfrey than meets the eye. Starring William Powell and Carole Lombard. FREE  
*Sponsored by the Roosevelt Center Merchants Association*

## 1-3pm YOUTH SCAVENGER HUNT (TEAMS OF 2)

Youth Center. Can you find them all? Team up with a friend and see if you can find all Greenbelt has to offer. Ages 15 & under. Registration begins at 12:45pm in front of the Youth Center entrance. Trophies will be awarded to winners and runners-up.  
*Sponsored by Greenbelt Recreation*

## 1-4pm ART SHOW AND PHOTO SHOW

Community Center. See Saturday 1pm entry. Awards will be presented on stage from 1:30-2:30pm. Exhibitors pick up their items at 4-5pm.

## 1:30-2:30pm AWARD PRESENTATIONS

Stage. Presentation of awards for the Art Show, Photo Show, Best Entry in each parade category and Best in Parade.

## 3-6pm JOHNNY SEATON

Stage. Johnny Seaton wows audiences with his performance of the music of Elvis Presley.  
*Sponsored by Greenbelt Sunoco*

## 3-7pm GREENBELT AMERICAN LEGION FAMILY PICNIC

After enjoying Labor Day Festival activities in Roosevelt Center, have fun at the American Legion Labor Day Family Picnic. Fun events for children and adults.



Johnny Seaton

# Friday, Aug. 31

All events will take place in the Roosevelt Center parking lots unless otherwise noted. No advance registration is required unless stated. No alcoholic beverages will be sold at the Festival. City ordinances prohibit the consumption of alcoholic beverages in city parks, buildings and the Festival area.

In case of rain, stage events and some booth activities will be moved to the Community Center and the Youth Center. Carnival rides may close without refunds. For Festival information and a schedule, check Verizon Channel 21 and Comcast Channel 71 or see [greenbeltlaborday.com](http://greenbeltlaborday.com). Carnival directory signs are located at the Information Booth, Upper Lot Entry and Southway/Crescent Road entrance.

Avoid parking problems, ride the FREE Festival shuttle. The shuttle will pick up at various parking locations around Greenbelt (see shuttle schedule on page 8 for a complete listing) and deliver the riders to the Festival area. Armory for parking only; no shuttle pickup from Armory. Walk 0.4 mile to Festival from Armory.

This schedule is subject to change without notice. Questions? Call Festival information at 301-675-0585 or visit the website at [greenbeltlaborday.com](http://greenbeltlaborday.com) or visit the Information Booth on the grounds.

## 9am-9:30pm GREENBELT MUSEUM EXHIBITION

Community Center, Rm. 110, The Knowing Hands That Carve This Stone: The New Deal Art of Lenore Thomas Straus. FREE.

*Sponsored by Maryland Heritage Areas Authority, Prince George's County Councilmember for 4th District – Todd M. Turner, The Estate of Sue Hoya Sellers, City of Greenbelt, and the Friends of the Greenbelt Museum*

## 5-7pm ART SHOW ENTRIES ACCEPTED

Community Center. Entries accepted only. Entries also accepted Thursday 5-7pm and Friday 10am-Noon. See page 7.

## 5-7pm PHOTO SHOW ENTRIES ACCEPTED

Community Center. Entries also accepted Thursday 5-7pm. See page 7.



Diamond Alley

## Bingo Memorial Games

**Friday, August 31 at 7:30pm:** "L" game for Liz Labukas

**Friday, August 31 at 8pm:** "P" game for the Peterson Family

**Saturday, September 1 at 7:30pm:** "I" game for Kelly Ivy

**Saturday, September 1 at 8:00pm:** "M" game for Michael Maxwell, Jr.

**Sunday, September 2 at 7:30pm:** "T" game for Tess Osborne

**Sunday, September 2 at 8pm:** "D" game for Debbie Reese

**Sunday, September 2 at 9pm:** "TX" game for Thomas X. White

## 5-7pm TABLE TENNIS TOURNAMENT

Youth Center. "Open Division" - no age limit. Trophies to winners and runners-up. Singles & Doubles. Registration from 4:30-5pm. See Youth Table Tennis Tournament entry at noon Sunday.  
*Sponsored by Greenbelt Recreation*

## 6-10pm CARNIVAL MIDWAY OPENS

Midway Rides by Sherwood Amusements, Games, food sale and information booths organized by Greenbelt organizations. Booths constructed and wired by Greenbelt Public Works Department. Ride tickets sold by volunteers from the Eleanor Roosevelt High School National Honor Society. No charge for entertainment, shows or events unless noted.

## 6-11pm FACE PAINTING FUNDRAISER

Various locations throughout the festival.

## 6:30-7:15pm OPENING CEREMONIES

Stage. Police and color guard. Introduction of dignitaries. Presentation of Outstanding Citizen Award, the major civic event in Greenbelt each year, honoring all the outstanding citizens who make Greenbelt great. Sign language interpreter.

## 7:15pm 2018 OUTSTANDING CITIZEN RECEPTION

Municipal Building, Council Meeting Room. Public is invited.

## 8-11pm FAST EDDIE AND THE SLOWPOKES

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Fast Eddie and the Slowpokes

# Saturday, Sept. 1

- 8:30am- SLOW PITCH TOURNAMENT**  
**8pm** Braden Field, Northway Field and Schrom Hills Park. Come out and see DMV's best softball teams play in a one-day tournament for the coveted Labor Day trophy. Tournament schedule will be posted soon.  
*Sponsored by Greenbelt Recreation and National Softball Association*
- 9am- GREENBELT MUSEUM EXHIBITION**  
**9:30pm** See Friday 9am entry for description.
- 9am GREENBELT MUSEUM WALKING TOUR**  
 10-B Crescent Rd. Join the Greenbelt Museum for a history-filled walking tour. The tour will leave from the museum's historic house at 10-B Crescent Road. Learn about Greenbelt's unique design and why the community is a National Historic Landmark. The tour is free but space is limited.

- 9:30- CHILDREN'S PET SHOW**  
**10:30am** Community Center Lawn. All kinds, types, sizes of pets. Bring your pet to register at 9:30am. Judging at 10am. Awards at 10:30am. Greenbelt's greatest pets get some well-deserved attention. Rain or Shine!  
*Sponsored by Girl Scout Troop #27 of Greenbelt*
- 10am INFORMATION DAY & COMMUNITY EXHIBITS**  
**4pm** Roosevelt Center. Visit the information and display tables set up by local groups and learn about your community! Participating groups listed in box below.
- 10:30am BOOTHS**  
**-10pm** See Carnival Midway entry at 6pm Friday.

## Information Day and Community Exhibits

- Astronomical Society of Greenbelt
- AT&T - Greenway Shopping Center
- Beltway Plaza Mall
- Central Maryland Chorale
- Terri Danvish - PNC Bank
- District 36 Toastmasters
- The Gemz
- GHI Companion Animal Committee
- GIVES (Greenbelt Intergenerational Volunteer Exchange Service)
- Greenbelt Community Animal Response Team (GCART)
- Greenbelt Community Church
- Greenbelt Community Foundation
- Greenbelt Federal Credit Union
- Greenbelt Homes, Inc.
- Greenbelt News Review
- Greenbelt Recreation Arts
- Holy Cross Lutheran Church
- Kitchen Saver
- Maryland 529
- Melaleuca Wellness Company
- Narcotics Anonymous
- Power Home Remodeling
- Prince George's Audubon Society
- Prince George's County Democratic Socialists of America
- Prince George's County Emergency Radio Association, Inc
- Prince George's County Moms Demand Action for Gun Sense in America
- Prince George's County Peace & Justice Coalition
- Prince George's Philharmonic
- Register of Wills
- St. Columba's Scottish Country Dance
- 40 Days for Life - College Park

- 11am- CARNIVAL**  
**10pm** See Carnival Midway entry at 6pm Friday.
- 11am FACE PAINTING FUNDRAISER**  
**4pm** Various locations throughout the festival.
- noon- GRANNY AND THE BOYS**  
**1:30pm** Stage. The name says it all! Come hear Alice Donahue and her four "boys" perform their own special brand of live funk fusion on keyboard, bass, guitar, and drums.  
*Sponsored by Lains Auto Services*
- Noon- MEET AT THE MUSEUM**  
**4pm** 10-A Crescent Rd. Take a break from the festivities and make plans to meet up with friends old and new on the shady grounds of the Greenbelt Museum. Relax, reminisce, and reconnect! FREE.

- 1-6pm ART SHOW AND PHOTO SHOW**  
 Community Center. See displays of art and photographs by local artists of all ages. See page 7.
- 1-5pm FAMILY-FRIENDLY CARTOONS**  
 Old Greenbelt Theatre. Beat the heat by taking a break from the festival fun in the cool, air-conditioned comfort of the Old Greenbelt Theatre. Dip in and out, and stay as little or as long as you like! FREE.  
*Sponsored by the Roosevelt Center Merchants Association*
- 1-3pm ART EXHIBITION**  
 Greenbelt Community Center Art Gallery, Room 112. Where Two Worlds Touch: Drawing and Sculpture by Mary Baum, Jim Doran and Annie Farrar. Three artists explore edges and portals connecting physical and metaphysical realms.  
*Sponsored by Greenbelt Recreation with support from the Maryland State Arts Council*

- 1-3pm ROLLER SKATING**  
 Youth Center Gym. Grab your skates and save the date! Join family and friends to participate in a storied Greenbelt tradition. Roller skates are provided FREE of charge or bring your own.  
*Sponsored by Greenbelt Recreation and MANCPPC*
- 2- SPLIT 2ND**  
**4:30pm** Stage. While primarily a classic rock band, these veteran musicians cover all your favorite tunes from the '60s to today's music, from Motown to country and stretching across a variety of popular musical genres.  
*Sponsored by Beltway Plaza Mall*

- 4&6pm MEMORIAL GATHERING**  
 Grassy area behind Mother and Child statue. Come to honor those friends and relatives who have passed. There will be a motorcycle ride at 4pm, followed by a memorial gathering at 6pm. Please feel free to bring flowers to lay on the hill during the memorial service.
- 5- PATTY REESE**  
**7:30pm** Stage. Patty Reese's soulful expression and powerhouse pipes have prompted comparisons with the likes of Janis Joplin, Aretha Franklin and Bob Dylan.  
*Sponsored by Terri Danvish - PNC Bank*

- 8-11pm DIAMOND ALLEY**  
 Stage. Diamond Alley performs an exciting and diverse mix of contemporary and classic hits as well as the band's own popular original tunes.  
*Sponsored by Town Center Realty*

# Sunday, Sept. 2

- 9am- GREENBELT MUSEUM EXHIBITION**  
**8:30pm** See Friday 9am entry for description.
- 9- "TOUR DE GREENBELT" BIKE RIDE**  
**10:45am** New Deal Cafe. Join Mayor Emmett Jordan and Jeff from Proteus Bicycles on a bike ride around Greenbelt. The ride will take place in two stages, both starting at the New Deal Cafe. The first stage will leave at 9am and go to the new Greenbelt Station neighborhood in Greenbelt West. The second stage will leave at approximately 10am and go to Schrom Hills Park. Note, this is not a supported ride and may not be suitable for families with very young children.
- 11am- FACE PAINTING FUNDRAISER**  
**11pm** Various locations throughout the festival.

- Noon- CRAFT FAIR**  
**8pm** Roosevelt Center. Visit with local artists as they display their handmade crafts. See box below for list of crafts.
- Noon- CARNIVAL AND BOOTHS**  
**10pm** See Carnival Midway entry at 6pm Friday.
- Noon- PITCHES BE CRAZY**  
**1:30pm** Stage. Pitches Be Crazy (PBC) is a five-person vocal band that rocks R&B, hip hop, funk, disco, rock, pop and soul hits of the past five decades ... completely a cappella. Focused heavily on the jams of the 1990s, this "party on stage" brings its "dope noise" to the show and will have audiences singing and dancing.  
*Sponsored by the National Cooperative Bank*

- Noon- YOUTH TABLE TENNIS TOURNAMENT (SINGLES ONLY)**  
**2pm** Youth Center Gym. Open to anyone 15 years & younger. Registration from 11:30am-noon. Trophies to winner and runner-up. See "Open Division" Table Tennis Tournament entry at 5pm Friday.  
*Sponsored by Greenbelt Recreation*
- 1-3pm ART EXHIBITION**  
 See Saturday 1pm entry for description.

- 1-4pm RETRO TOWN FAIR**  
 10-B Crescent Rd. Fair will take place on the grounds of the Museum house. Ribbons will be awarded for the best entries in a number of categories, including flowers, vegetables, baked goods, canned goods and needlework/sewing. Entries accepted 10am-11:30am. Winners on display 1-4pm. All items must be picked up between 4-5pm.

## Craft Fair

- Visit with local artists as they display their handmade crafts. Many items including bags, baskets, bath and body products, decorative soaps, fabric arts, greeting cards, henna designs and art work, jewelry, knitwear, pens, pillows, sand dye, scarves, scents, shea butter products, tie dye, totes, T-shirts, weaving, dolls, pottery and woodcrafts.
- Roosevelt Center: Sunday, noon-8pm, and Monday, noon-6pm



- 1-5pm GREENBELT MUSEUM HOUSE**  
 10-B Crescent Rd. The Greenbelt Museum's historic home has been restored and furnished with objects from the period 1937-1952. See how Greenbelt's families lived back then. FREE.
- 1-6pm ART AND PHOTO SHOW**  
 Community Center. See Saturday 1pm entry for description.
- 2-4pm HOT SHOT HOOPS**  
 Youth Center Gym. Ages 12 & under. Registration at 2pm; tournament begins at 2:30pm. Participants have two minutes to make as many shots as they can within a half-court area. Trophies will be awarded to the winner and runner-up.  
*Sponsored by Greenbelt Recreation*

- 2-4pm The 2 4 U Band**  
 Stage. The 2 4 U Band (Janet and Ralph) have been performing a variety of musical styles for over 27 years featuring one of the most versatile female vocalists in the DC area.  
*Sponsored by David R. Cross*
- 3-5pm FAMILY-FRIENDLY CARTOONS**  
 Old Greenbelt Theatre. See Saturday 1pm entry for description.  
*Sponsored by the Roosevelt Center Merchants Association*
- 4-15- TWO BALL TOURNAMENT (TEAMS OF 2)**  
**5:15pm** Youth Center Gym. Ages 13 & over. Registration at 3:45pm; tournament begins at 4:15pm. Trophies will be awarded to winners and runners-up.  
*Sponsored by Greenbelt Recreation*

- 4:30- RISING STARS PERFORMANCE SHOWCASE**  
**7:30pm** Stage. Performers age 17 years or younger will have the chance to display their talent, whether it be singing, dancing, playing a musical instrument or other.
- 5pm LARRY NOEL 15K RACE**  
**5:10pm 3K FUN RUN**  
 The DC Road Runners Club is conducting its annual Larry Noel Greenbelt 15K Race and 3K Fun Run. As in past years, the 15K race will start on Northway at 5pm, and the 3K Fun Run will start near the Youth Center at 5:10pm.  
*Sponsored by DC Road Runners*

- 8-11pm THE NOWHERE MEN**  
 Stage. Like to dance? Love that Motown sound, the great horn bands of the '60s and '70s and hits from artists like Earth, Wind & Fire: The Temptations and much more: Then you will love The Nowhere Men.  
*Sponsored by Choice Clinical Services*

## Rising Stars Performance Showcase

- Sunday, September 2, Main Stage, 4:30-7:30pm
- Katelyn, the Green Acrobat, performs during the Rising Stars, a program that gives performers age 17 years or younger the opportunity to display their talent.



# Business

## Gwen Vaccaro's Skin Care Spa Offers New Acne Treatments

by Karen Yoho

September marks the start of a new school year for many local students, but continuing education and training opportunities occur year-round for adult professionals. Earlier this summer, licensed esthetician Gwen Vaccaro headed to Las Vegas for the International Esthetics, Cosmetics and Spa Conference (IECSC) for three days of professional education.

Vaccaro, who owns the Pleasant Touch spa in Greenbelt, attends this show every other year to learn about the newest products and equipment. "As the largest spa conference in the U.S. with more than 600 exhibitors, it can be overwhelming, but I go for the incredible educational sessions. That's where I can best learn about new treatments and techniques to bring back to my clients," said Vaccaro.

Although the Maryland Board of Cosmetologists doesn't require continuing education for estheticians, Vaccaro has made a personal commitment to attend a conference every year. This is her 10th in Las Vegas. She also attends local training sessions throughout the year provided by skincare product companies, such as Eminence Organic Skincare. Pleasant Touch is the only authorized Eminence spa in Prince George's County. "I learned about the importance of products that combine pure, natural ingredients that are most effective at restoring health and healing to skin at the Las Vegas convention 16 years ago," shared Vaccaro.

Vaccaro is fascinated by the mind-body connections to healthy skin. She completed her initial training and certification as an esthetician in 1986, added a massage therapist license in 1993 and maintained her certification as a registered nurse until 2008. Vaccaro opened Pleasant Touch in a small space under the Old Greenbelt Theatre nearly 24 years ago. Her business grew, and she designed a second-floor, full-service spa in Roosevelt Center in 2005. She was active in reestablishing the Roosevelt Center Merchants Association, and her spa was open six days a week, employing as many as 12 massage therapists, estheticians and nail technicians.



PHOTO COURTESY OF GWEN VACCARO

After two days visiting 600 booths and dozens of educational sessions, Gwen Vaccaro of Pleasant Touch rode a scooter at the International Esthetics, Cosmetics and Spa Conference (IECSC) in Las Vegas.

About six years ago, she decided that she wanted to concentrate on spending more one-to-one time with clients focusing on skin wellness. "I could see that dissatisfaction with skin and years of improper care can lead women to perceive themselves as 'less than.' This can wreak havoc with their self-confidence and quality of life. Vibrant, healthy skin is possible at any age," said Vaccaro.

Beyond learning and networking with other spa owners and estheticians, attending this year's IECSC was particularly uplifting for Vaccaro. She typically returns home energized with a renewed sense of commitment to bring healthy skin to current and new clients, but she says this year feels different. After seeing new products and treatment methods, she is on a "mission," as she calls it, to help teens who have self-diagnosed acne. "I get excited about new products and treatments, but the advances in treating teen acne are remarkable," explains Vaccaro. "I've seen firsthand the toll that acne

can take on teens' self-esteem. A teenager doesn't have to suffer or be ashamed of their skin. Now we have professional products and methods that can control and prevent moderate acne and restore healthy skin. Teens with severe acne will always need medical intervention, but even severe acne can be minimized with esthetic support." Vaccaro now offers a state-of-the-art treatment program that includes sonic machines and light therapy to teens. She invites teens accompanied by a parent to begin with a free consultation and treatment. Vaccaro will assess the teen's acne and discuss various treatment protocols.

During her 32-year career in skin care, Vaccaro's approach has always begun with educating her clients. Now more than ever, she looks forward to opportunities to share her experience and the knowledge she has gained through continuing education.

Pleasant Touch will be at the Greenbelt Labor Day Festival Information Day on Saturday, September 1, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

## Fun at MakerSpace Worth Waking up Early on Saturday

by Fatima Acosta, age 11

On Saturdays, I go to this place called Greenbelt MakerSpace. Greenbelt MakerSpace is a place where you do different projects and learn new skills. I already learned how to sew and make paper circuits. My mom and dad love that I come to MakerSpace. They think it is good for me to know how to do the things that I'm learning there. Right now I am making an emoji pillow.

Everyone who comes wants to come even though we have to wake up early on a Saturday morning. MakerSpace is really fun and interesting.

Most of the boys are building a city. Most of the girls right now are sewing. Others are using Minecraft to help design the city. I stay from 10 a.m. to noon in the MakerSpace every Saturday. We built parts of a beehive and then we got to eat the honey that we collected from the hive.

I am so glad I go to Greenbelt MakerSpace. I also like to go because my friends are so creative and have great ideas.



PHOTO BY LEILANI NAGALO

Fatima shows off a kirigami made at MakerSpace.



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was to create the same type of event as in 2017, but get the word out earlier and offer more activities and incentives for people to attend.

"This year, we said we wanted to be more intentional about letting the community know that we are offering these services," Chavez said. "Pretty much everything we did last year, we've just brought it to a whole other level this year. We didn't have the barbers last year, so it's little elements like that. The petting zoo we have out there is a new element."

Planning was a team effort, and staff members would often meet to bounce ideas off each other on how to best bring the event together, said Heidy Marquez, the Hope Kids Ministry Coordinator in charge of planning and overseeing the Kids' Zone at My Hope Fest.

The church raised money

throughout the year to fund the event and partnered with organizations in the community that contributed toward the goal as well. The end result was a bustling carnival in the parking lot of Greenbelt Middle School, but with a practical side.

Fortis College provided health screenings for all ages, Fresh Fades gave more than 60 haircuts, and 280 children picked up backpacks full of school supplies, all free of charge.

"It's free and fun for kids, it's a great idea," said Inmar Blanco, attending My Hope Fest for the first time. He emphasized that it was a good way for parents to take the family out without having to spend any money.

Marquez felt it was a success, and said that it was a fun and impactful event for both staff and attendees.

"Everyone is happy," she said. "We all have smiles on our faces."



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city and will be under the direction of the city manager, but with extensive leeway to exercise independent judgment and initiative. Qualifications include a bachelor's degree in planning, marketing, economic development, public administration or other related field and five years experience in economic development or a related field. A certified economic developer or economic development finance professional is desired.

The salary is set at the city's grade 20, which has a starting annual salary above \$66,000. That puts the position at a lower level than the city planner or assistant city planner.

### Presentation

Ard's presentation generated frequent interjections by councilmembers. She began with her proposed vision statement: "A shared vision to guide elected officials, city staff, advisory boards and volunteers; provide predictability for current and future investors by describing desired community initiatives, assets, projects and outcomes that Greenbelt will advocate for, invest in and evaluate accomplishments."

Her presentation then provided a statement on council desired outcomes: "Conserve Greenbelt's appeal as a desirable, attractive, historic, charming small town with progressive, thoughtful planning and city services that generate increased revenues and opportunities for individuals and businesses to thrive. That revenue and opportunity should further support the community's long-term sustainability, as well as improve city services, social equity and quality of life."

She then presented an extensive short- and long-term action plan that began with hiring an economic developer this fall. Some of the other actions were:

- attract new businesses;
- retain and expand existing businesses;
- confirm industry targets (aerospace, earth sciences, engineering/robotics, medical, government, legal, tourism, business-minded);
- develop a Greenbelt brand (promote Greenbelt and Greenbelt businesses to residents, visitors and businesses);
- build relationships with businesses and industries and related stakeholders;
- advocate for businesses and investors – ombudsman, survey business and reduce office space vacancies.

There followed a list of possible actions relating to improving housing, commercial buildings, transportation, infrastructure, public spaces, preservation and work force development.

She identified various means to assist business relating to grant funds and loan programs. She also listed potential legislative measures to support business and business development.

The last part of the presentation listed ways to measure business activities and economic development performance.

### Council Comments

Councilmember Leta Mach and Putens advocated adding support of cooperatives.

Jordan made note of the Medical Mile (doctors and other medical offices along Hanover Parkway in the city) and hospitality and advance technology businesses as areas of economic development to support. The medical facilities, which constitute a big part of the city tax revenues, he said, were of particular concern with a new hospital being built elsewhere in the county.

Councilmember Rodney Roberts said the city has limited space for new development. He also expressed concern over a proposal to change land use to the apartment zone. "We don't need more apartments," he said. Roberts also expressed concern about including redevelopment of public spaces, opposing new buildings that replace public uses and noting that schools have been converted to apartments. Jordan pointed out that should a new fire station ever be built, the city would need to repurpose the existing building.

Jordan urged an initiative to encourage large developments or re-developments. "There is a lot of office space that isn't getting any younger," he said.

He presented a list of broad economic goals: expand the city tax base, promote the retention of desirable business, retain jobs in the city, achieve a balance between residential and commercial development, and help new enterprises.

Mach felt that agricultural research and nutritional research should be an objective. Mach also noted a need to support people working out of their homes.

### Housing Objectives

The mayor submitted a list of housing objectives: maintain a diverse populace, encourage preservation, redevelopment and renewal, support owner occupancy,

support affordable housing, support senior housing, and support homeowner and condominium-owner associations as well as Greenbelt Homes, Inc. (GHI, the housing cooperative that owns most of the original housing built before World War II in the city).

Roberts asked what housing might be proposed for redevelopment, calling any proposal to redevelop GHI unneeded. Preservation and refurbishing were different matters that he supported. Putens agreed that housing upgrade should not be just "tear down and replace."

He also pointed out that fewer people were using personal automobiles, noting the availability of short-term rental cars and ride-share services.

Former city councilmember Konrad Herling, now an interested citizen, spoke to support targeted industry and affordable housing with more choices. He wanted to encourage cooperatives that are "not out to make a profit but (are) providing services." He also urged council to consider transportation; as it becomes more expensive, housing becomes less affordable.

Putens advocated providing a Greenbelt shuttle. Herling concurred, saying that it should connect "the ten top spots in the city."

### Realistic

Roberts noted that some proposed ideas were realistic. He contended that the once affordable GHI home he lives in is no longer affordable due to fee increases. He expressed concern that the cooperative would tear down moderately priced frame housing for replacement housing. He heard of a proposal to build 10 percent affordable housing, where the housing to be built is to cost \$300,000, a figure he considers not affordable. "We need places like GHI used to be," he lamented.

He suggested that Franklin

Park owners put up for sale half of the development's apartment units as a way to provide owner-occupied affordable housing, reduce the transient population that now resides in apartments and increase resident participation in city activities.

Jordan responded that it was a tough issue. He noted that Greenbelt was in the high-cost Washington, D.C., area with current demand for housing forcing prices up, claiming that many families pay 40 or 50 percent of their income for housing.

Jordan also said there was a need for more apartments. Seniors, of which Greenbelt has many, who no longer wish to keep up their homes are moving into apartments, he contended. At the other end of the spectrum, millennials are not buying homes. They are looking for housing with greater sustainability and more compact space, such as original Greenbelt has, he said.

From the audience, Ben Fischler advocated development of existing parking lots, noting that Greenbelt has little unde-

veloped land. He also said that Greenbelt's percentage of home ownership was below average; 45 compared to 55 percent.

Audience member Tom Taylor approved of the presentation's direction and goals. He advocated more green efforts, calling for planting of more trees, using pervious pavement, providing the shuttle bus and providing for more affordable housing with a required set aside or new construction.

Councilmember Colin Byrd agreed the presentation was a good start and shared the thoughts and concerns of other councilmembers. He was most interested in hiring the new coordinator and consulting with that person. Council has a lot of aspirations that need to be brought to reality and executed, he said.

Jordan commended Ard for the presentation and was anxious to see what the new person will do and recommend.

*Note: This story was written based on a review of the city videocast for the meeting, available at the greenbeltmd.gov website.*

## PGCPS Orientations Before Labor Day

Prince George's County Public Schools will hold mandatory pre-Labor Day systemic student orientation for specific grades on Thursday, August 30 and Friday, August 31. The first day of Maryland's public school year will be Tuesday, September 4.

For new sixth-graders, seventh-grade middle-schoolers and new ninth-graders, Systemic Orientation Day will take place on Friday, August 31. For pre-K and kindergarten students, orientation will be on Thursday, August 30. Check PGCPS and individual school websites for more detailed schedules, instructions and requirements.



## Women in Astronomy

How many women astronomers can you name? Women in the physical sciences have too often been hindered in terms of professional advancement, and the stories of many female astronomers throughout history are not well known. The Astronomical Society of Greenbelt welcomes all to hear Dr. Geneviève de Messières of the Smithsonian National Air and Space Museum's Phoebe Waterman Haas Public Observatory. She will tell the stories of five women who influenced or are influencing the field and will lead a discussion of strategies to become better advocates for women in astronomy.

This event will take place on Thursday, August 30 at 7:30 p.m. at the Community Center, Room 114.

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# Safety Issues Investigated For Greenbelt Station Trail

by Stan Zirkin

The Greenbelt City Council recently asked its Public Safety Advisory Committee (PSAC) to study issues as to the safety and security of the Greenbelt Station trail currently under construction and to make recommendations to the council.

At its August 14 meeting PSAC voted to send a contingent of its committee members to walk the trail. PSAC chairperson Cindy Comproni and members Stan Zirkin and Eunice Pierre performed this task on Saturday, August 11. Several things became immediately apparent. First, the lack of lights on the trail creates a security concern. Second, there needs to be some sort of mile markers so that police can locate persons who are encountering problems. And finally, there are several areas where overgrown vegetation can cre-



PHOTO BY CINDY COMPRONI

**Public Safety Advisory Committee members Stan Zirkin, Eunice Pierre and Cindy Comproni walked Greenbelt Station Trail in order to make security and safety recommendations to city council.**

ate a safety hazard by providing areas of limited visibility where a would-be perpetrator might hide.

Each of these matters, among others, will be discussed at future PSAC meetings.

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### Enforcement

Council discussed "General Orders for City Policy and Federal Immigration Enforcement." Acting Chief Thomas Kemp provided this order. It reminds officers that they have no authority to enforce civil violations of federal immigration laws. Officers also may not confiscate any green card, citizenship or immigration documents unless there is reason to believe the documents are altered or counterfeit. It directs them not to ask anyone about immigration status, except in certain limited circumstances. Officers may refer undocumented residents to available services. Officers should enforce judicial criminal warrants if found. Civil warrants and administrative warrants of removal from the U.S., however, are not enforceable by city police.

It was clear from the beginning that this item would need to be deferred until councilmembers as well as the public had an opportunity to review the document. Council took a few moments to provide their initial comments, and found that the orders needed further review. At the time of the

meeting, some councilmembers had not received a draft of the orders. Councilmember Colin Byrd said that cities such as Hyattsville, Cheverly and others would provide a more suitable model for local immigration enforcement.

Kemp noted that city police have received no detainers since 2015. A detainer is an administrative document that the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) places "on aliens who have been arrested on local criminal charges and for whom ICE possesses probable cause to believe that they are removable" from the U.S. See [greenbeltmd.gov/ICE\\_GO](http://greenbeltmd.gov/ICE_GO) for Kemp's order regarding Greenbelt Police policy on immigration law enforcement and interaction with ICE.

### Economic Development

Economic development was perhaps the most contentious item on council's agenda. In an August 6 worksession, council developed a list of goals for each category in this area.

Councilmember Rodney Roberts had not expected this document would go directly from worksession to approval. He called for council to accept public input before moving forward.

Mayor Emmett Jordan and Councilmember Edward Putens argued against this.

Two Greenbelt residents rose to comment. Molly Lester of Hillside Road and Bill Orleans urged council not to vote without an opportunity for public comment.

Council deferred the item until the September 10 regular meeting. For more information on economic development goals see [greenbeltmd.gov/econ\\_dev\\_goals](http://greenbeltmd.gov/econ_dev_goals).

For more information, follow these links:

**PSAC report:**  
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**Economic Dev. Goals:**  
[greenbeltmd.gov/econ\\_dev\\_goals](http://greenbeltmd.gov/econ_dev_goals)



# 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.

### Robbery

August 13, 5:08 a.m., 9100 block Springhill Lane. A person sitting in a parked car was approached by a man who displayed a handgun and announced a robbery. He kicked the person and told him to hurry up, then fled on foot after getting money.

### Theft

August 9, 9:22 a.m., 8 Parkway. A package delivered July 27 was taken from the front stoop of a residence.

August 9, 1:30 p.m., 7600 block Greenbelt Road. Two unattended cell phones were taken from atop one of the gas pumps at the Exxon gas station.

August 13, 12:37 p.m., 6200 block Springhill Drive. A package was taken from the front stoop of a residence on July 8.

### Indecent Exposure

August 14, 5:31 p.m., Buddy Attick Park. A man sitting at a picnic table exposed himself and then fled on foot toward the recycling area.

### Fraud

August 9, 7:29 p.m., 7800 block Somerset Court. Officers responded to a report of a burglary and found that the home had been rented to a person in July by someone posing as the

homeowner. The investigation is ongoing.

### Burglary

August 12, 12:27 a.m., 6100 block Greenbelt Road. Officers responded to a report of a burglary in progress at Target. The persons involved fled before police arrived. Two backpacks were taken.

August 13, 4 p.m., Miner Street near Greenbelt Station Parkway. A window unit was taken from a house under construction.

### Vehicle Crime

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# Sports

## World of Dance Appearance Inspires ERHS Boys Step Team for Future

by Chris Rogers-Spatuzzi



PHOTO COURTESY OF DEM RAIDER BOYZ FACEBOOK

Dem Raider Boyz pose on NBC's World of Dance.

Eleanor Roosevelt's Dem Raider Boyz were eliminated from NBC's World of Dance in early August, but their appearance on the show was a success in itself for the top-ranked step team in the country. This summer, the all-male high school group became the first step team ever to appear on the World of Dance television show, making it as far as the Duels stage before being eliminated.

Despite their premature exit from the competition, Dem Raider Boyz still had a unique experience that was far different from their other performances. They have rarely traveled overnight to competitions, let alone fly across the country, so coach Richard Melvern said this trip helped them grow as dancers and as a team.

"It was especially a great bonding experience to come together and spend that much time together as a team," Melvern said. "Meeting all the teams, working with the producers and all the choreographers, it was an amazing experience the entire time out there."

When NBC called the team earlier this year to express interest in having them on World of Dance, they jumped at the opportunity. After Melvern sent in a video, the team was notified that

they made the cut for the show.

Their appearance helped bring stepping to a wider audience, showing that it can be just as much a part of dance as ballet or hip-hop. They knew they were selected by the time they appeared at the National High School Stepping Championship in May.

"Seeing stepping represented at World of Dance, we felt like we had to really bring it for nationals [this year]," said Vincent Lan, who joined Dem Raider Boyz in 2016. "We couldn't rely on just that reputation to carry us; we had to keep innovating and getting better and better."

The extra motivation paid off, as Dem Raider Boyz kicked off the summer with their third straight national championship. It continued a tradition of excellence that Melvern has been working to cultivate for more than 15 years.

In 2001, Roosevelt had a girls step team but no all-male team, so Melvern and several others came together to form Dem Raider Boyz. After graduating high school, he returned as the team's coach and choreographer, a role he has held ever since, helping the team to seven undefeated seasons, four national championships and a top ranking among D.C. area step teams. Melvern was

named the 2018 National Coach of the Year in recognition of the team's recent success.

Now, with another national title and a World of Dance appearance under their belt, Dem

Raider Boyz enter another school year with a new drive to succeed and improve.

"We really work hard to build a sense of brotherhood, dedication and teamwork," Melvern said. "Going to World of Dance, it really was humbling, being around other teams with extraordinary talent. It really makes us want to push harder to make sure our choreography and technique and everything that we do keeps building. It was very inspiring."

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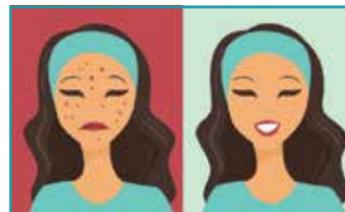
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# UMD Library Grant Funds Complement Archive Project

by Cathie Meetre

The Greenbelt Archive Project (GAP), working toward a September start on digitization of this newspaper's issues from 1943 through 2001, learned Wednesday that the University of Maryland (UMD) Libraries, with whom it is collaborating in this project, has just won a National Endowment for the Humanities grant for digitizing over 100,000 pages of Maryland newspapers. Included in UMD's project are the Greenbelt Cooperator (the News Review's original name until 1954) and News Review issues from 1943 to 1963. UMD has already digitized most Greenbelt Cooperator issues from 1937 to 1943, available on the Library of Congress Chronicling America website ([chroniclingamerica.loc.gov/lccn/sn89061521/](http://chroniclingamerica.loc.gov/lccn/sn89061521/)). Papers from 1937 to 1943 were digitized from microfilm and the quality is variable. The subsequent 20 years will be done from the newspapers themselves and should be significantly more searchable.

## 1943 to 1963

To scan this 20-year segment of papers, UMD and GAP will work together. GAP had originally intended to create the digital objects (the scan files containing all information about scanning parameters), but the funding allows UMD to accomplish the scanning activity within their larger project. Scanning is the most critical part of the job because the digital objects it produces become the best available record of the original and are the basis for all subsequent products.

GAP's role will be to prepare the newspapers for scanning – this involves selecting the best available copies, carefully opening and flattening them and placing them in archival boxes that are shipped to UMD's scanning contractor. The contractor will then create the digital files, copy them to GAP and return the originals to GAP and the News Review for preservation.

GAP will manage transferring the incoming digital files to the News Review's own archive while UMD Libraries oversees submission to the Library of Congress.

The 20 years of papers covered by the grant, however, constitute only about 7,000 pages out of the 23,000 from 1943 to 2002 because so many papers in the 1950s and early 1960s are only four pages – and some are only two. This leaves GAP with about 18,000 pages still to scan.

## 1964 to 2002

GAP expects to play the same roles for 1964 to 2002 as for the earlier period in the preparation and preservation of newspapers

and in file management. The papers, however, will remain physically in the Community Center where they will be scanned by UMD Libraries students under the technical supervision of UMD. This is a symbiotic relationship, with GAP providing the beginning and end of the workflow while professionally-supervised master in library science students complete their practicums by providing a high quality and consistent product to stand the test of time.

## Putting it All Together

The new digital archive for the newspaper is not a straightforward endeavor because it will have been generated piece-wise and in different locations using slightly different technologies. Currently 1937 to 1943 is on the Chronicling America website. The UMD grant will extend that through 1963 – the latest date that the Library of Congress currently accepts (because of copyright concerns). The period 1964 through 2001 will be scanned and submitted to the Internet Archive ([internetarchive.org](http://internetarchive.org)) and the News Review's own archive. Meanwhile 2002 to the present is only on the News Review's servers. The ultimate step is to coalesce these holdings so there is a continuous record from 1937 to the rolling present in two separated locations (for safety). Because of the Library of Congress limitation to 1963 or before, the two redundant locations will be the Internet Archive and the Greenbelt News Review's own website. Scanning the papers turns out to be the tip of the wordberg.

To get to this state of nirvana, files will need to be copied from Chronicling America to the Internet Archive and the News Review. Born digital (created electronically) products from 2002 onward must be copied to the Internet Archive.

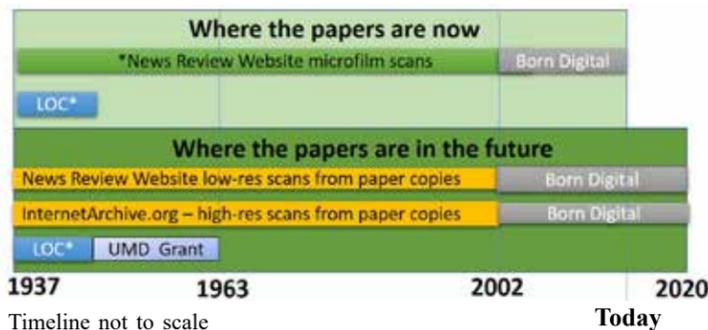
Despite these multiple paths, each segment is well-defined and can be accomplished step by step even though the overall picture is complicated. But the destination will be worth the journey.

## Scanning Papers

Who knew? Apparently scanning isn't just putting the paper in and pressing a button as one might have thought. Digital librarians Robin Pike and Rebecca Wack of the University of Maryland Libraries have laid out a course to achieve longer term goals. The scanner must be precisely calibrated to produce a consistent 'digital object' that is the best possible replication of the original object and remains comparable throughout the dataset. The files from this process are huge and uncompressed but contain within them all the information needed. The files don't depend on outside references for things like fonts or color tables.

These digital objects are then used to spin off the file flavor du jour, currently a PDF, but remain as the mother lode, even as file storage fashions change. In 50 or 1,000 years from now, when everybody has moved to NimrodWare or whatever, the digital object will encapsulate an accurate reference to an original that may itself have long ago disappeared. Indeed, the advantage of a national-class archive is that if a digital object standard is superseded, they will automatically migrate old objects to the new format.

National-class repositories, like the Library of Congress, have strict standards about the digital objects they manage whereas just for internal News Review purposes, point and shoot would probably have been good enough. But the Greenbelt Archive Project is looking beyond its own existence and perhaps even that of the newspaper and its website, planning so that people of generations to come will still be able to recreate the Greenbelt that came before them.



# Army Fife and Drum Corps Joins Parade



by Jim Tilton



PHOTO BY BUTCH HICKS

U.S. Army Continental Color Guard and Old Guard Fife and Drum Corps will march again this year in the Labor Day Parade.

The U.S. Army Continental Color Guard and Old Guard Fife and Drum Corps will again be a featured participant in this year's Greenbelt Labor Day parade. The 12-soldier Fife and Drum Corps unit includes four fifes, four bugles, two snare drums and one bass drum.

The 2018 Greenbelt Labor Day Parade will take place on Monday, September 3, from 10 a.m. to noon. The parade route is along Crescent Road, from

Greenhill Road to Southway. Participants are asked to line up in the staging area along Crescent Road between Lastner Lane and Greenhill Road between 8 and 9:30 a.m. All parade participants must pre-register no later than August 24 by emailing a completed parade application, obtainable from the Parade Participants website [greenbeltlaborday.com/get-involved/parade-participants/](http://greenbeltlaborday.com/get-involved/parade-participants/), to [GreenbeltLaborDayParade@verizon.net](mailto:GreenbeltLaborDayParade@verizon.net).

# Join Dems Club in Parade, Other Community Activities

by Konrad Herling

While the primary purpose of the Eleanor & Franklin Roosevelt Democratic Club is to help elect good Democratic candidates both locally and nationally, another major element of the club's history and purpose is helping unite our community. One of the club's first efforts 42 years ago was to bring the residential sectors of town together. The club established vice presidents to represent Greenbelt West, Greenbelt Center and Greenbelt East. In an effort to reach out to residents from Greenbelt East, the club arranged to hold its membership meetings at the Greenbriar Community Building which is where the club has met since its founding in 1976.

Additionally, the club has maintained a sustained presence and contributed to the Labor Day Festival to enhance its spirit and purpose. The club invites its members to march with the organization in this year's Labor Day Parade.

In addition to raising money for the organization's Fala Fund to support Democratic candidates, the club

contributes to Greenbelt CARES to assist those who are at risk of losing their ability to live in local apartments due to financial or other challenges.

The club also has a history of reaching out to gather the input of the entire community. As part of that effort, and consistent with its political purpose, the Roosevelt Democratic Club has begun efforts to register folks to vote in the upcoming November elections. The final day to register is Tuesday, October 16.

Anyone with ideas about a message (keep it positive) who would like to join fellow Democrats for the parade or other activities can contact the club's president, Nicole Williams, at 202-321-4207 or view the club's website at [Rooseveltclub.com](http://Rooseveltclub.com).



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Eleanor and Franklin Roosevelt Democrats march in the 2015 Labor Day Parade.

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