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## Students Create Clay Tiles Evoking Eleanor Roosevelt

by Melissa Sites



PHOTO BY CHRISTINE WILKIN

Artist in Residence Parran Coltery gives a demonstration to Eleanor Roosevelt High School students.

Two hundred Eleanor Roosevelt High School (ERHS) students are working with Artist in Residence Parran Coltery to create stoneware tiles that reflect their dreams for the future. These tiles, once fired and glazed, will be assembled and installed in the stairwell near the school's main

lobby. The completed installation will be three tiles high, running about 15 feet long, with a center medallion featuring a sculpted image of Eleanor Roosevelt, with the inspirational words, "The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their dreams." This tile installation will join

existing student art murals on the walls of ERHS as part of the administration's plan to combat students' high stress levels.

Art I teacher Christine Wilkin is leading the project made possible by matching grant funding

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## Council Challenges Verizon For Ongoing Poor Service

by Matthew Arbach

On February 19, the Greenbelt City Council discussed issues of customer service with Verizon.

Council expressed their longstanding concerns about the proper and safe maintenance of Verizon infrastructure, such as cable boxes and wiring, and their efficiency in responding to reports about service and equipment. Speaking for Verizon were network engineers David Gray and Charlene Bobel, real estate manager Genese Thomas and Candice Austin, director of government and community affairs.

From the onset, Thomas assured council that while Verizon tries to first achieve a blanket zoning agreement with the county, the company has every intention of working with the city to create a plan that works according to its needs.

There is continued concern about the dangerous placement and insufficient locking of buried cable boxes. Green in color, they blend in with the grass and are difficult to spot, and thus are places for potential accidents. Councilmember Silke Pope said that this was brought up at Verizon's last meeting in 2013 and still awaits proper addressing, citing this as neglectful

and irresponsible. Councilmember Edward Putens recounted an inspection done personally with fellow homeowners of unsafe cable boxes in his neighborhood. Verizon did not respond to their concerns.

Councilmember Emmett Jordan relayed a question concern-

ing the numerous double poles throughout the city where "Verizon has failed to remove its equipment from an old pole that was replaced with a new one by another utility," in this case Pepco.

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PHOTO BY KOFI AHIAZERO

The Eleanor Roosevelt High School girls basketball team has a 13-5 season record. See story, page 15.

## Citizenship Question Not Included in 2020 Census

by Brogan Gerhart

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When completing the 2020 Census, residents will not be asked if they or anyone in their home is a U.S. citizen, according to the U.S. Census Bureau.

In 2019, the Supreme Court ruled that the Commerce Department's decision to include a citizenship question on the 2020 Census violated federal law. The reason for the court's decision stemmed from the fact that they felt the Trump administration's Department of Commerce was disingenuous in its intentions for adding the citizenship question, according to court records.

In preparing for Census Day, April 1, the U.S. Census Bureau has made it clear on their website that the census should count

"everyone living in the country, including non-citizens."

At the county level, Jordan Baucum Colbert, 2020 Census outreach coordinator for Prince George's County, said the importance of everyone being counted boils down to one thing: federal funding.

"We all use those resources despite what status we are," Baucum Colbert said, stressing that when people aren't counted, the community loses money. "In the state of Maryland, each person's participation is worth \$18,250 over the course of 10 years."

Prince George's County is currently attempting to elevate the importance of the census by utilizing over 100 partners on its Complete Count Committee, including liaisons to access hard-to-reach communities.

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## Black History Month

## Women Led the Way to Polls: Gibbs Recalls Their Struggles

by Grace Kathleen Todd

Historian C.R. Gibbs described the challenges and victories of African American suffragettes to an engaged audience at the Greenbelt Library on Tuesday, February 11.

Gibbs is the author or co-author of six books on African American

history and won the 2008 Award for Excellence in Historic Preservation in Public Education from the D.C. Preservation League.

"I seek ... to present the history of our people in a full and fair manner," Gibbs said.

In the lecture titled *We Are Rising: The Story of African American Women and the Vote*, Gibbs chronicled multiple African American suffragette heroes from across the country over many decades, including Elizabeth Piper Ensley, Harriet Tubman, Ida B. Wells, Nannie Burroughs, Thelma Glass, Lenora Fulani and many more.

"Black women often lead the way for the vote, and yet remain unknown," Gibbs said. "It is our hope that this year, in the centennial of the constitutional amendment giving women the right to vote, the crucial role of black women will not be forgotten."

African American suffragettes



PHOTO BY GRACE KATHLEEN TODD

C.R. Gibbs speaks at the Library as part of the Spring 2020 African History and Culture Lecture Series.

had to contend with barriers that white women did not, including exclusion and backlash from white women themselves.

"White women turned their back on black women," Gibbs said. "It was up to black women and black men to once again fight for their rights."

The backlash was not humane. In asserting their voting rights, African American suffragettes faced an intersection of racism and sexism in the form of cruel media portrayals and sexual and physical violence.

The 19th Amendment, which granted women of all colors the right to vote in America, was ratified on August 18, 1920.

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### What Goes On

**Monday, March 2**  
8 p.m. Council Worksession, Hanover Parkway Bikeway Feasibility Study, Municipal Building  
**Wednesday, March 4**  
7:30 p.m. Council Worksession, Greenbelt Postmaster, Community Center

# Letters to the Editor

## Thanks to All Involved

As Black History Month in Greenbelt ends, I want to thank Mayor Colin Byrd and the Greenbelt City Council; Greg Varda, acting director of the Department of Recreation; Chris Cherry, Performing Arts Program coordinator; Caitlin McGrath, executive director, Old Greenbelt Theatre; and Megan Searing Young, director of the Greenbelt Museum, for their support, collaboration and assistance in making this year's programs dynamic and sensational. Special thanks to Bev Palau, Public Information Department, and her wonderful staff for doing PSAs and for marketing program events. We had to postpone the panel discussion on Desegregating Greenbelt because two participants had medical challenges, but hopefully we will be able to reschedule it at some point.

The Greenbelt Black History Month Committee worked diligently to organize programs that entertained, reflected the culture and contributions of African Americans to our society and to our city. Committee members are to be congratulated for a job well done: Leeann Irwin, co-chair; Lois Rosado, co-chair; Nicole Williams, Carolyn Lambright-Davis, Brian Butler, Katie Pugliese, Iona King, Robert Goldberg-Strassler, Joe Parks, Emmett Jordan, Greg Varda, Carol and Murray Malveaux. Thank you all for your time and commitment.

I also want to thank Shaymar Higgs, from the Space-Free Art at Beltway Plaza Mall. Shaymar requested space for the one event held there on February 15. The Drum Circle was a huge success and many children and their families had a wonderful time learning how to play the drums and learning about other instruments. We also appreciate Jānubi Devendra, marketing director at BPM, and Kap Kapastin from the Quantum Company for their assistance with the Drum Circle. Many residents commented that they were in shock. Nothing like that had ever been done before in

the Mall. So, we will have to do that again.

We thank all of the performers for contributing their time and talents to our month-long celebration: Chris Haley; Belly Dancers of Color Collective; Sistah Joy Alford, the first Poet Laureate of Prince George's County; Greenbelt S.I.T.Y. Stars; Kids in the Dream Youth Band; Eleanor Roosevelt Gospel Choir, under the direction of Michelle Fowlin; Katy Gaughan of the Drum Circle; CHEARS Earth Squad, and Padma Wine, director of the Shamanic Trance Dance Empowerment Center at Beltway Plaza Mall.

Our month of programs closed on a high note with the showing of the movie Harriet, on Sunday, February 23 at the Old Greenbelt Theatre. The theater was packed and all present seemed enthusiastic and appreciative of the film.

We hope residents of our city continue to encourage, support and celebrate Black History Month in Greenbelt.

*Lois Rosado, Co-Chair  
Greenbelt Black History  
Month Committee*

## To My Love... And the News Review

You cannot imagine how much your love notes page brightened this old soldier's day. Romance is alive and well in Greenbelt.

I missed the deadline but did not miss giving my true love of 50 years a dozen American Beauty roses with the following note:

Go lovely rose.

Tell her who has enchanted me that now she knows.

When I resemble her to thee,

How sweet and fair she seems to be.

- Your very own poet-warrior.

And to my friends at the Greenbelt News Review, this missive:

It is said, the only certainties in this life are death and taxes but I know of another which is as life-affirming and luminous as the star of Bethlehem. It is

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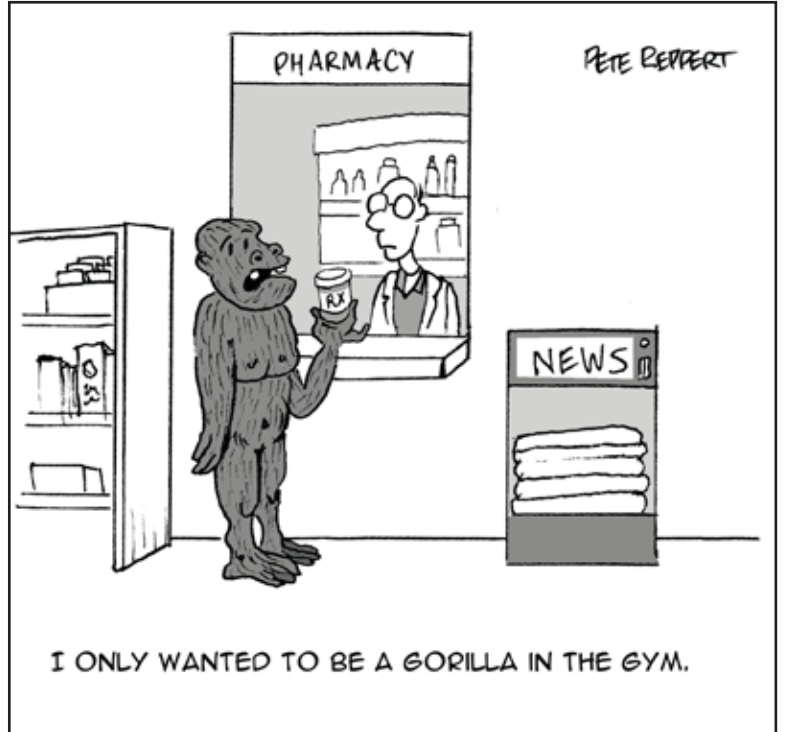
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(2019)(102 mins)  
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## On Screen

### Portrait of a Lady on Fire (Auditorium)

France, 1760. Marianne is commissioned to paint the wedding portrait of Héloïse, a young woman who has just left the convent. Because she is a reluctant bride-to-be, Marianne arrives under the guise of companionship, observing Héloïse by day and secretly painting her by firelight at night. As the two women orbit one another, intimacy and attraction grow as they share Héloïse's first moments of freedom. Héloïse's portrait soon becomes a collaborative act of and testament to their love. A.O. Scott of The New York Times on the film: "A subtle and thrilling love story, at once unsentimental in its realistic assessment of women's circumstances and almost utopian in its celebration of the freedom that is nonetheless available to them." In French with English subtitles.

Rated R. Running time: 119 minutes

### Once Were Brothers: Robbie Robertson and The Band (Pop-up)

A confessional, cautionary and occasionally humorous tale of Robbie Robertson's young life and the creation of one of the most enduring groups in the history of popular music, The Band. The film blends rare archival footage, photography, iconic songs and interviews with many of Robertson's friends and collaborators including Bruce Springsteen, Eric Clapton, Van Morrison, Martin Scorsese, Peter Gabriel, Taj Mahal, Dominique Robertson, Ronnie Hawkins and more.

Rated R. Running time: 102 minutes

- Sandy Rodgers

# Community Events

## Golden Age Club

The Greenbelt Golden Age Club meets every Wednesday at 11 a.m. in the Community Center Multipurpose Room. All Greenbelt seniors are invited to participate in the meetings and join the group. Note that the meeting will NOT be held when schools are closed or start late due to weather issues.

### Programs for March:

March 4, Business Meeting.  
 March 11, Presentation by the Military Road School Preservation Trust. The Military Road School, opened in 1864, was one of the first schools for African American children in Washington, D.C.

March 18, Monthly potluck and birthday luncheon. Bring a special dish to share.

March 25, Bingo.

The Golden Age Annual Luncheon will be held Wednesday, April 15 at the College Park Holiday Inn. Get your tickets at the meeting now. Stephanie Dailley and Company, who wowed the crowd with Broadway songs last year, will have a new show featuring Hollywood hit songs.

## Registration for Little League Baseball

Greenbelt Youth Baseball Little League has opened registration for interested youth from 4 to 13 years of age. General guidelines for division assignments are in four groups. Children from 4 to 6 will play tee ball. Machine pitch will be played by youngsters 7 and 8. Nine- and 10-year-olds will get their first experience in player-pitch games. Eleven- to 13-year-olds will play in the intermediate league. After the regular season is complete, teams representing the league will participate in Little League's playoffs in the 9- to 10-year-old division and the 11- to 12-year-old division. If parents wish, an inexperienced or advanced player may be moved to one age group older or younger with the approval of that division's coaches.

The league also seeks volunteers for coaching and other roles supporting the youth in the area. Email [greenbeltyouthbaseball@gmail.com](mailto:greenbeltyouthbaseball@gmail.com) if interested. Registration is online. The league's web address is [gyblittleleague.org/greenbeltbaseball](http://gyblittleleague.org/greenbeltbaseball).



## Mindfulness Series

Greenbelt Unplugged is sponsoring a new monthly series that will explore different mindfulness practices from various traditions. Meetings will be held the second Sunday of each month. The first meeting will be at the Greenbelt Youth Center Conference Room on Sunday, March 8 from 1:30 to 3 p.m. This month's exploration will be the process of dialogue developed by David Bohm. All are welcome, admission is free. Location will change for future meetings see [greenbeltunplugged.org](http://greenbeltunplugged.org) for more details.

Also, First Friday Family Game Night meets in Room 114 on March 6 from 6 to 9:30 p.m.

## Celebrate Greenbelt Through HUG Walk

RUAK (Random Unselfish Acts of Kindness) is again organizing the Help Unite Greenbelt (HUG) Walk to be held on Sunday, March 29 (rain or shine).

All Greenbelters are invited to participate in this event, joining the walk in any of the Greenbelt neighborhoods noted below and continuing through the city. RUAK requests that any and all groups and individuals from the community co-sponsor this no-cost event, spread the word and join their neighbors to celebrate Greenbelt as a special warm and welcoming place to call home. (There are already over 40 co-sponsors including social, civic and religious groups.)

The HUG Walk Schedule: 1 p.m., gathering at the Indian Creek Trail bridge (Greenbelt Station); 1:30 p.m., walk starts; 2 p.m., join the walk at Springhill Lake Recreation Center; 2:30 p.m., join the walk at Buddy At-tick Park; 3 p.m., join the walk at Roosevelt Center; 3:30 p.m., join the walk at Greenbriar Community Center; 4 p.m., join the walk at Windsor Green Community Center; 4:30 p.m., walk concludes at Schrom Hills Park.

Any group that wishes to co-sponsor this event should contact RUAK at [spreadruak@gmail.com](mailto:spreadruak@gmail.com) or Robert Goldberg-Strassler at 301-345-8755 by Friday, March 13. Further details of the Walk will be included in the Greenbelt News Review in an upcoming issue prior to the event.

More Community Events are located throughout the paper.

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*Leaves of America*  
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 Friday and Saturday  
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Buy Tickets at [www.greenbeltartscenter.org](http://www.greenbeltartscenter.org)  
 Tickets: \$24 adults, \$22 seniors/military, \$12 students/youth

Coming Soon to the Greenbelt Arts Center  
 March 6 - 8 - *Wicked Thoughts*  
 March 20 - 29 - *Shipwrecked*

## Girl Scouts Collecting For Animal Shelters

by Kira Wilkinson

Girl Scout Troop 23007 is collecting donations of pet supplies to give to the Greenbelt Animal Shelter and the Prince George's County Animal Shelter for homeless animals. All donations must be given by Sunday, March 15. Donation points are at the Greenbelt Co-op Supermarket (look for the box at the front of the store); the troop leader's house at 8-D Ridge Road; a troop parent's house at 6303 Pontiac Street, Berwyn Heights; and a troop parent's house at 4102 Oliver Street, Hyattsville. Leave donations at homes on the front porch.

Remember, these animals are just looking for a home. Donating needed supplies makes their life a little brighter. Seeing the future pets enjoy life makes all the girls in the troop smile. A list of the needed items can be accessed here: <https://bit.ly/3boS2dx>.

For questions, contact [GSTroop23007@gmail.com](mailto:GSTroop23007@gmail.com).



## Join Friday Peace Vigils at the Center

Peace vigils happen every Friday at 5 p.m. in the Roosevelt Center in front of the Mother and Child statue. Participants share a thought, sing a song or serve as a witness for peace in the world with neighbors and friends. For more information, contact John Campanile at [jbelltower@yahoo.com](mailto:jbelltower@yahoo.com).

"Our lives begin to end the day we become silent on things that matter." - Martin Luther King, Jr.

## Art Drop-in Sunday For Making Postcards

The Recreation Arts Program invites guests of all ages to make their own mixed media art postcards at a Community Art Drop-in on Sunday, March 1. One option is to take inspiration from the thoughtful words of quotable women in celebration of Women's History Month. Both art materials and starter quotes will be provided, but feel free to bring along any inspiring words of wisdom. This workshop will be led by Racquel Keller, an artist-in-residence and instructor of painting and drawing at the Community Center. The event takes place in the Ground Floor East space at the Community Center. Admission is free, but reservations are recommended; follow the link at [greenbeltdm.gov/arts](http://greenbeltdm.gov/arts) to sign up for the 1 or 2 p.m. seating. A limited number of guests will also be welcome on a walk-up basis as space allows.

## Homeschoolers Look For Participants

Join Greenbelt Homeschoolers. We are an inclusive, diverse and welcoming community for homeschooling families (of all ages). Find us on Facebook at Greenbelt Homeschoolers.



## 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 March 2 are as follows:

Monday, March 2: Santa Fe beef chili, brown rice, spinach, corn muffin, fresh fruit, cranberry juice

Tuesday, March 3: Navy bean soup, sliced turkey with gravy, macaroni and cheese, sliced carrots, biscuit, Mandarin oranges, apple juice

Wednesday, March 4: Cabbage roll with marinara sauce, whipped potatoes, herbed green beans, whole-wheat bread, fresh fruit, grape juice

Thursday, March 5: Chicken shawarma, yellow rice, curried okra and tomatoes, naan bread, pineapple tidbits, cranberry juice

Friday, March 6: Baked cod loin with lemon butter sauce, lima beans, garden vegetables, whole-wheat roll, cinnamon applesauce, fruit punch.

**GATe**  
**GATe Annual Membership Meeting**  
**Sunday March 15th at 3pm**  
 Join us at the Greenbelt Access Television Studio  
 15 Crescent Road, Greenbelt MD, Suite 204  
 for our Annual Membership Meeting!  
 The meeting includes a recap of last year's events  
 at GATe and voting for new board members.  
 Refreshments will be provided.  
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**GATe** Program Schedule **Friday Feb 28 - Thursday Mar 5**

7 am	Greenbelt Newsreel	• Community Events • Weekly Updates
8 am	Democracy Now!	• Independent Global News
9 am	GATe Classic Film ★ Drama/Romance • 1934	• Our Daily Bread • Tom Keene • Karen Morley Made Possible by a Grant from ★ Beijing of Greenbelt ★
11 am	Greenbelt Discussions	• Local Topics & Guests
12 pm	Greenbelt Newsreel	• Community Events • Weekly Updates
1 pm	Bob Zugby Remembers	• 33 Years in Service to GATe
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# Sisterhood Is Celebrated Monthly at Mishkan Torah

by Mary Moien and Robin Olson

The beginning of each month on the Jewish calendar is called Rosh Chodesh. Women from Mishkan Torah Sisterhood celebrate Rosh Chodesh each month by having a themed potluck and a learning experience organized by Sisterhood member Rae Brooks. Most recently the celebration was for the month of Adar, considered to be a lucky and happy month. The month leads into the festival of Purim.

In preparation for this gathering, Brooks sent an email saying, "There is an expression one says to another during the month of Adar: Be happy, it's Adar." With this in mind the potluck theme is "bring something to

eat that makes you happy, and wear something that makes you happy."

It was agreed to have a small Purim play to discuss two fabulous females of the Bible, Vashti and Esther. As can be seen from the photograph, some of the women dressed as the prominent characters in the Queen Esther story. Following the theme of Be Happy, It's Adar, it appeared that most people were happy eating desserts and that was what most women brought to the potluck although there were some Jewish staples of whitefish salad and kugel. The Purim play was followed by singing and reading poems about laughter.

## Conquer Stage Fright

On Saturday, March 7, Rev. Fay Lundin will offer a free class on taming performance anxiety (stage fright) for those speaking or performing in public. The class is from 10 to 11:30 a.m. at Mowatt Memorial United Methodist Church, 40 Ridge Road. Lundin is a pastor and recognized as a Master of Biblical Storytelling by the Network of Biblical Storytellers, International. She has taught biblical storytelling locally, at national retreats and in India.

This workshop will allow participants to identify the mechanics of stage fright and will provide tools and practices to convert performance anxiety into enthusiasm and confidence. These tools can be used by public speakers, musicians, athletes and others.

Participants are invited to bring a short speech or music to perform. There will be access to a microphone and a piano.

## Mowatt MUMC Hosts Lenten Study Group

Mowatt Memorial United Methodist Church will offer a Lenten study group on Saturdays from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the downstairs nursery room. The first session is on February 29, the last on April 11. The study will be based on *Balancing Life on the Edge of a Cliff* by Greenbelt author Peggy Rooney. There is no fee except for optional purchase of the book. Lunch will be provided. All are welcome. For further information, call 301-474-9410.



Condolences to family and friends of Brecken (Bhakti) Chinn who died on November 1, 2019. There will be a memorial service for her on Saturday, April 25.

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



**Catholic Community of Greenbelt MASS**  
Sundays 10 A.M.  
Municipal Building  
ALL ARE WELCOME.



PHOTO BY MELANIE FISHKIND

Purim characters from left are Robin Olson as Vashti, Paula Volk as Queen Esther, Debra Cope as Mordecai, Marcie Lissauer as Haman, Phyllis Oresky as King Ahkashverus and Leslie Montroll as the narrator.



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The Mishkan Torah Rosh Chodesh group celebrates the month of Adar.



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Greenbelt Community Church



Join Us this Sunday at 10:15 for **Into the Wilderness of Life**  
*Genesis 2: 15-17, 3: 1-7  
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**English Club**

Tuesday, March 3, 6 p.m. Learning to speak English? Join the club and practice speaking English in a friendly atmosphere with people from diverse backgrounds.

**Ready 2 Read**

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

Encourage children to make reading a positive experience by bringing them to the library's storytimes. Each program contains 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. No advance registration is available.

**African History**

Tuesday, March 3, 7 p.m. Cowboys, Cactus and Sodbusters: Blacks in the Old West will be the next session of the Spring 2020 season in this audio-visual lecture series presented by historian C.R. Gibbs.

**Kids Club**

Thursday, March 5, 4 p.m., ages 5 to 12. Homework help and reading practice for students in grades 1 through 6. Ayuda con las tareas y práctica de la lectura para los estudiantes en los grados de 1 al 6. Service will be provided during half-hour sessions by appointment only; call the branch to register at 301-345-5800 option 2.

**Arts Advisory Board Meeting, March 3**

The Greenbelt Arts Advisory Board is scheduled to meet on Tuesday, March 3 at 7 p.m. in Room 112 at the Community Center. Topics will include review of Recognition Group basic certification applications for FY2021, Roosevelt Center lighting, community arts mixer planning and a proposed donation of a painting to the city. Non-members who wish to attend are encouraged to contact ndewald@greenbeltmd.gov before 5 p.m. on the meeting date.

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# City Information & Events

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**MEETINGS FOR MARCH 2-6**

Monday, March 2 at 8:00pm, **COUNCIL WORK SESSION re: Hanover Parkway Bikeway Facility Feasibility Study** at Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road. *Live on Verizon 21, Comcast 71 and 996 and Streaming at www.greenbeltmd.gov/municipaltv*

Tuesday, March 3 at 7:00pm, **ARTS ADVISORY BOARD** at Community Center, 15 Crescent Road. *On the Agenda: Meeting with representatives (as available) of arts-based Greenbelt Recognition Groups, Roosevelt Center lighting, Artwork for Greenbelt Municipal Building and May 5 arts mixer*

Tuesday, March 3 at 7:00pm, **PUBLIC SAFETY ADVISORY COMMITTEE** at Police Station, 550 Crescent Road. *On the Agenda: Continued review and discussion of city security cameras Updates to violent crime incidents in Greenbelt East*

Wednesday, March 4 at 7:30am, **BUSINESS COFFEE** at Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road.

Wednesday, March 4 at 7:30pm, **COUNCIL WORK SESSION w/Greenbelt Postmaster** at Community Center, 15 Crescent Road. *Live on Verizon 21, Comcast 71 and 996 and Streaming at www.greenbeltmd.gov/municipaltv*

Thursday, March 5 at 5:30pm, **FOREST PRESERVE ADVISORY BOARD** at Community Center, 15 Crescent Road. *On the Agenda: DNR grant proposal for stormwater management, Delineating Community Garden and Forest Preserve boundaries, Designating portions of Greenbriar & Schrom Hills Parks as Forest Preserve and Trails Plan kickoff discussion*

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

## Let's Tackle Anger for teens



**Mondays**  
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**Community Art Drop-In**

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A limited number of walk-up participants will also be welcome for each seating on a space-available basis.

**VACANCIES ON BOARDS & COMMITTEES**

Volunteer to serve on City Council Advisory Groups. There are currently vacancies on: Arts Advisory Board, Forest Preserve Advisory Board, Senior Citizens Advisory Committee and Youth Advisory Committee. For more information call 301-474-8000

**FREE PRODUCE FIRST THURSDAY OF THE MONTH**



The City of Greenbelt's Greenbelt Assistance in Living program partners with the Capital Area Food Bank to provide **FREE PRODUCE** to local families.

**March 5th**  
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**May 7th**

**1:30-3:00pm**

**Springhill Lake Elementary School**  
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**QUESTIONS?**

Call Katherine Farzin, Community Outreach Coordinator at (240) 542-2019.

For more information on City Events, Meetings, Services and more, follow us on Facebook @ cityofgreenbelt or visit [www.greenbeltmd.gov](http://www.greenbeltmd.gov)

## City Notes

At Springhill Lake Recreation Center, Greenbelt Library staff presented Story Explorers, where elementary students learn to love reading.

Public Works installed new flags at the Community Center.

Horticulture/Parks pruned and cleaned the evergreen bed at the lake entrance.

Refuse/Recycling collected 25.08 tons of refuse and 12.90 tons of recyclable material.

Sustainability/Environmental staff met with the Sustainability Coordinators of College Park and Laurel.

Recreation Administration staff attended the Maryland Recreation and Parks Association director's Summit in Easton, networking with recreation directors from around the state.

Mom's Morning Out Preschool director attended a STEM workshop provided by the Smithsonian Institution.

Animal Control reunited a dog with its owner, and impounded a stray kitten from a feral colony. The shelter now houses a kitten and two dogs, with a gecko in foster care.

CARES welcomes UMD Family Science senior Cierra Ware, new intern in the city's Vocational/Education program.

## District 22 Scholarship Applications Due Apr. 1

Maryland State Delegate Nicole Williams, representing District 22, offers scholarships for new and returning college students and students enrolled in trade schools. The District 22 application for her Scholarship Program is available online at [nicolewilliams.com/scholarships](http://nicolewilliams.com/scholarships). Go to [mdelect.net](http://mdelect.net) to verify that Delegate Williams is your representative.

The application must be completed and submitted online no later than April 1. Applicants must first complete a FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) by Maryland's deadline, March 1, at [fafsa.ed.gov](http://fafsa.ed.gov). The scholarship application asks about extracurricular activities, volunteerism and employment history. It also requires a two-page essay about how House Bill 1 aims to eliminate student achievement gaps. A scholarship committee made up of citizens across District 22 determines the final selection of recipients in the spring. Other scholarship opportunities are also available through the Maryland Higher Education Commission ([mdcaps.mhec.state.md.us](http://mdcaps.mhec.state.md.us)). For questions about the awards process, call Delegate Williams' office at 301-858-3058.

## Delegate Washington Hosts Table Talk

Delegate Alonzo T. Washington invites members of the Greenbelt community to his upcoming Table Talk event on Saturday, February 29 at 11 a.m., at the New Deal Café. He will be reviewing his bills for the 2020 Legislative Session, as well as facilitating a discussion on education reform in Maryland. The session is free and open to the public.



## Composting Castings

Some of the team involved in using the scraps from the New Deal Café had fun packaging worm castings into bags, complete with homemade labels at Hally Ahearn's home. The bags will soon be available to the public. The Greenbelt Zero Waste Circle collaborates with the New Deal Café to compost all of the New Deal Café's food scraps. Worm castings are a nutrient-dense compost that is a product of vermicomposting, using worms to compost food scraps.



Beth Leamond and Danny Lewis have fun creating homemade labels for bags of worm castings. The bags will soon be available to the public.

- Photos by Kathy Bartolomeo



Hally Ahearn, Danny Lewis (behind) and John Campanile package worm castings at Hally Ahearn's home.

## Widowed Persons Support Group

A six-week support group for widowed persons will meet on Tuesdays from March 3 to April 7 at the Community Center. Each session runs from 10 a.m. to noon.

Being part of a support discussion group is one of the first steps for many in processing grief. This support group will offer help in finding a new understanding and purpose in life by talking, listening and sharing emotions and coping mechanisms with individuals going through the same experiences.

Participation is free, but registration is required. For more information, call or email: Ms. Heike, 301-464-0104, [heikenland@msn.com](mailto:heikenland@msn.com).

Sponsored by the City of Greenbelt and Patuxent Widowed Persons Service.

### A Hundred Wild Things

A Field Guide to Plants in the Greenbelt North Woods



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Owen A. Kelley

## Greenbelt Zero Waste Circle

by John Campanile

Zero Waste (ZW) volunteers met February 11 to review recent developments, set initiatives for 2020 and develop strategies to meet these goals. The ZW Circle is one of the subgroups of the Greenbelt Green Team, the force behind efforts to become a Sustainable Maryland Certified municipality. ZW is a philosophy and strategy to reduce environmental footprints by minimizing the amount of waste that is land-filled and to conserve resources by considering all discarded materials as resources to be recovered and reused.

Among the first items on the agenda was to welcome the team's recently-hired Public Works liaison, Kevin Carpenter-Driscoll. His official title is environmental coordinator.

The state of Maryland has proposed green legislation that the ZW team is monitoring. ZW encourages residents to contact their representatives to support: HB209, a ban on plastic bags; HB589, which would require large producers of waste (hotels, hospitals, universities, etc.), producing more than two tons per week to compost if there is a composting facility within 30 miles; HB296, a ban on plastic straws; and HB0438/SB0560, to remove trash incineration from Maryland's Renewable Portfolio Standard.

A Greenbelt Guide to the ZW Event Planning document has been completed and circulated to the City of Greenbelt and to the Greenbelt Homes Inc. board of directors. This document is a how-to guide on recycling and composting waste whenever an event, large or small, is planned.

Organizers of the HUG (Help Unite Greenbelt) Walk have asked the ZW Circle along with other city groups, to co-sponsor the March 29 walk. With the advice and support of ZW advocate Aileen Kroll, this year's walk will be a litter pick-up walk. There will be an opportunity to host a table at the end of the walk at Schrom Hills Park and plans to support the organizers by trash talking at three locations: Springhill Lake Recreation Center, Roosevelt Center and Schrom Hills Park.

The Greenbelt Co-op Supermarket is searching for a new manager. ZW Circle discussed a letter that will be drafted by Co-

op members indicating what initiatives the Circle would like to see the new hire undertake, such as reducing produce waste, eliminating plastic bags (especially given possible legislation) and #5 foam trays, and providing more bulk and organic food options.

Within the next two months, Public Works will be inaugurating a permanent food scraps drop-off program at the Buddy Attick Recycling Center, and another at the Greenbelt Farmers Market. In addition, Public Works will continue to support present and future community composting operations, and has endorsed ZW Circle's proposal for placing two additional hot compost stations in central and eastern Greenbelt.

The three-bin hot compost operation at Springhill Lake Recreation Center has been a major success with about 50 families participating, meaning the bins fill up so quickly that monthly work sessions are now scheduled.

ZW Circle has certain Greenbelt festivals and events on their radar for this year, and would appreciate volunteers and participants. These include the 50th anniversary celebration of Earth Day starting in April; various cleanup projects; the Environmental Outreach Events at the Community Church and Green Man Festival in May; Springhill Lake Recreation's Celebration of Spring; Crazy Quilt Festival in June; and the Labor Day Festival, providing residents with information on home composting and hands-on activities. Look for their booths and help make Greenbelt greener by becoming zero waste citizens.

Zero Waste team members Hally Ahearn, Susan Barnett and Tom Taylor contributed to this article.



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# Small-Scale Nuclear Reactors May Be in Our Power Future

by Joyce Wineland

Greenbelter Steve Mirsky gave a presentation to the Engineering Colloquium at Goddard Space Flight Center on January 27. His topic was NuScale Small Modular Reactor and Micro Reactor Design Overview and Licensing Status. Over 60 attendees were present in person as well as live streaming to remote NASA sites.

Some people have a deep-seated fear of nuclear power. Mirsky's talk tried to set those fears to rest by describing the inherent passive safety and simplicity of the NuScale modular reactor design that relies on natural processes. NuScale, a U.S. company headquartered in Oregon, is on track to receive U.S. government design certification in September 2020.

In 1977, President Carter signed a bill that banned recycling of used nuclear fuel, although it is done regularly in France and other nations. This recycling reuses 96 percent of the fuel, so only 4 percent needs to be stored long-term. Without recycling, storage of the used fuel has proved to be a problem.

Nuclear reactors do not emit carbon, so they do not contribute to climate change. They are also the only 24/7 365-day means of producing continuous base load electric power with no climate



PHOTO BY JANET MIRSKY

Steve Mirsky

related emissions. Each nuclear power plant eliminates the need for a fossil fuel-burning plant with a high carbon footprint.

Mirsky talked about the famous nuclear reactor disasters: 1979 at Three-Mile Island in Pennsylvania, 1986 at Chernobyl, Ukraine (then part of the USSR) and 2011 at Fukushima Daiichi in Japan. The only one that caused deaths from the radiation was the one in Chernobyl, largely because they did not use standard safety precautions and had a design without the safety features of all U.S. nuclear power plants.

In addition to hundreds of nuclear power and research reactors around the world, hundreds of ships and submarines run on

nuclear power, plus dozens of satellites and rovers in outer space. The robust and conservative design of nuclear power plants has resulted in their original 40-year operating licenses to be extended to 60 years. Just recently, one nuclear power plant has received a second extension to operate for 80 years.

NuScale has developed a self-contained module that is 76 feet tall and 15 feet in diameter. Twelve of these modules in one building can generate 720 megawatts of electricity. The modules are in a pool below ground and inside a nearly indestructible building. The entire facility can be contained on only 35 acres, a fraction of the space needed for current operating nuclear power plants. This technology could be used in conjunction with renewables like solar and wind for times when the sun does not shine or the wind does not blow. It can also be used to produce hydrogen and desalinated water at the same time as electricity.

This modular nuclear power plant or the micro reactor that is still being developed, could be useful on small sites like military bases, isolated communities, islands, mines, satellites or future bases on the Moon or Mars.

# Actresses to Glow as MAD Presents Steel Magnolias

by Lauren Ward and Katrina Jackson



PHOTO BY TERRY NGUYEN

From left, Anne Hull plays the role of Ouiser Boudreaux, along with Nina Harris as Clairee Belcher, Rachel Heney as Shelby Eatenton-Latcherie, Divya Pereira as Truvy Jones, Jill E. Goodrich as M'Lynn Eatenton and Robin Roper as Annelle Dupuy-Desoto.

NASA Goddard's Music and Drama Club (MAD) is presenting Steel Magnolias. This is a story told by six women heavily steeped in Southern values and sensibilities living in Louisiana in the 1980s. And yet versions of this famous play have been set on international stages all over the world – Ireland, Japan, Poland and elsewhere. Director and NASA video producer Paul Morris credits its success to playwright Robert Harling's expert expression of universal themes.

"When we approached this script, we knew this is what most people think of when they hear Steel Magnolias – ourselves included," says Morris. "But when we really sat down with the text and took a closer look at these six colorful women and their stories, we realized there is so much more going on.

"It's about life, death and all our yearnings in between. It's about laughter in the midst of tears. It's about hope and disappointment and finding some kind of meaning in this crazy existence of ours." Morris attributes to these raw themes his decision to ultimately strip the show down to its essence, tone down the pink, put it in a black box and focus on the true heartbeat of this story.

Founded in 1970, MAD has offered theatrical activities to NASA civil servants, contractors, family members and guests for 50 years. Traditionally MAD produces one large-cast musical

in the fall, one small-to-medium-cast play or musical in the winter, and a variety show in the spring. Over the past several years, this schedule has fluctuated a little, some years forgoing a winter show or variety show, some years shifting the winter show to springtime or the spring variety show to summertime.

This year, for the first time, MAD is mounting two full-scale productions in the first half of the year. The first, this production of Steel Magnolias, offers a few of the women of MAD a chance to sink their teeth into some serious, dramatic acting. MAD did Steel Magnolias once before back in 1993, and the world is just as much in need of well-written female characters now as it was then.

Central character Truvy Jones delivers one of the most famous quotes in Steel Magnolias: "Laughter through tears is my favorite emotion." In one breath, it summarizes the spirit of the production by conveying the heaviness of loss, the lightness of friendship and the love that carries six steel magnolias.

"May we all find this kind of love in our lives," concludes Morris.

To purchase tickets, visit madtheater.org or contact publicity manager Lauren Ward at lauren.ward@nasa.gov. Performances will be held on February 28, 29, March 1, 6, 7 and 8 at the NASA Goddard Recreation Center (9998 Good Luck Road).

## Greenbelt Unplugged Monthly Activities

This year, Greenbelt Unplugged will sponsor two recurring monthly activities. On the first Friday of every month from 6 to 9:30 p.m., they will continue the First Friday Family Game Night series. All ages are welcome and there is no cost. Bring a game to share if desired.

In addition, they are adding a new series, Regaining Consciousness, that explores different mindfulness practices. This series meets on the second Sunday of each month from 1:30 to 3 p.m. To find out more information, or to be added to the mailing list, see the website at greenbeltunplugged.org



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Crocuses in full bloom at the corner of Northway and 49 Court Ridge



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Snowdrops are blooming at 59 Court Ridge.



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# New Deal Café Hosts Display Of Area Poetry Poster Project

by Hiram Larew

The Poetry Poster Project, a display of poems by several Prince George's County poets, is currently on display through April 10 at the New Deal Café.

Supported by a 2017 Individual Artist Grant from the Prince George's Arts and Humanities Council, the Poetry Poster Project features framed, family-friendly poems by six popular county poets – Diane Wilbon Parks, Sylvia Dianne 'Ladi Di' Beverly, 'Sistah Joy' Alford, Forestine Bynum, Edgar Gabriel Silex and the county's 2017 Youth Poet Laureate Samantha Jackson. Hi-

ram Larew organized the Poetry Poster Project.

Exhibited in county libraries, office buildings, churches, performing arts centers, the Maryland House of Delegates, book fairs and wineries, the Poetry Poster Project celebrates the wonderful diversity of poetic talent in Prince George's County.

A celebratory reception and reading by the Poetry Poster Project poets will be held on Sunday, March 8 from 3 to 5 p.m.

On Facebook at The Poetry Poster Project.



Diane Wilbon Parks and Ladi Di Beverly are two of the poets featured in the Poetry Poster Project.

- Photos by Hiram Larew



Ladi Di Beverly, left, and Lunden Gillespie view the Poetry Poster Project at Spauldings Branch Library in District Heights.

## Send Us Your High Resolution Photos!

The News Review encourages readers to send in photos of Greenbelt landmarks, activities and the changing seasons. Photos should be at least 300 dpi, and must include the name of the photographer and a caption. The caption must name any identifiable people in the photo, as well as explain the picture.

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# Whitman's Civil War Stories Feature Chris Dwyer at GAC

by Julie Rapp

Christopher Dwyer gives a stand-out performance portraying Walt Whitman in *Leaves of America: Walt Whitman's Stories of the Civil War*. Dwyer, director of the music theater program at St. Vincent Pallotti's Art Academy, wrote the script based upon Whitman's vivid accounts of the Civil War, using Whitman's poetry and memoirs. His powerful portrayal of Whitman in this one-man show creatively depicts Whitman's experiences visiting sick and dying soldiers from both sides of the divide. The audience is carried back in time by a powerful dialogue, an exceptional sound track, authentic Civil War photographs and scenes projected on a screen throughout the performance.

Dwyer's emotive and passionate storytelling paints a compelling picture of what America was like during the Civil War years. The audience journeys back in time to hear stories of soldiers' dying moments, the pain felt by Americans upon the assassination of President Lincoln, and Whitman's recounting of his search for his brother. The one-hour theatrical experience blends Whit-



Christopher Dwyer, right, uses excerpts from Walt Whitman's poetry as well as his memoirs of the civil war in this one-man show.

- Photos courtesy Christopher Dwyer

man's oratory with documentary style projections, evocative songs of the time and realistic sound effects to give the audience a transformative experience.

Dwyer grew up in Greenbelt. Come see this wonderful show now playing at the Greenbelt Arts

Center through Sunday, March 1. Shows are Friday and Saturday evenings at 8 p.m. and Sunday matinees at 2 p.m. For more information or to purchase tickets visit [greenbeltartscenter.org](http://greenbeltartscenter.org) or call 301-441-8770.



## Community/MNCPPC Volunteer Academy

The Maryland-National Capital Park Police, Prince George's County Division, is hosting a free, eight-week Park/Community Volunteer Academy for those ages 18 and up. Classes meet Tuesday evenings from 6:30 to 9 p.m., beginning on March 3 and concluding on April 21. Classes will be held at the Prince George's Sports and Learning Complex, located at 8001 Sheriff Road, Landover. Topics include park rules and regulations, criminal law, traffic law, crime scene management, drug and gang awareness, role of the prosecutor, safety awareness training and CPR (optional). At the completion of the academy, participants will receive a certificate and an opportunity to join our Park Police Volunteer Association.

If interested in attending, contact Corporal Trevin Sherard at 240-695-3891.

For more on the county Department of Parks and Recreation, visit [pgparks.com](http://pgparks.com) and stay connected on Facebook, Twitter, Flickr, YouTube and Instagram. The M-NCPPC Department of Parks and Recreation encourages and supports the participation of individuals with disabilities in all programs and services.

## Woodwind Quintet

The Oculus (Five) Fellowship Woodwind Quintet will present a free concert entitled *The Night Becomes Day* on Saturday, February 29 at 2 p.m. in the Gildenhorn Recital Hall of The Clarice.

Experience Oculus (Five) tackle a masterwork of string quartet writing, including Shostakovich's String quartet No. 8 (arranged for woodwinds); Hindemith's character-filled quintet, Kleine Kammermusik; and the premiere of a love song by living composer Arnold Kirshenbaum.

PRELIMINARY AGENDA  
**GHI BOARD OF DIRECTORS**  
**Thursday, March 5, 2020**  
 GHI ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

- A. GHI Special Open Session Meeting – starts at 7.00 p.m.**
  - Approve Motion to Conduct an Executive Session Meeting on March 5, 2020
- B. GHI Executive Session Meeting – starts after the GHI Special Open Session Meeting adjourns**
  - Approve Minutes of Executive Session Meeting held on February 6, 2020
  - Member Financial Matters
  - Member Complaint Matter
- C. GHI Open Session Meeting - starts at 7.45 p.m.**
  - Announcement of Executive Session Meeting held on March 5, 2020
  - Approve Minutes of Special Open Session Meeting held on February 6, 2020
  - Approve Minutes of Regular Open Session Meeting held on February 6, 2020
  - Request from the Greenbelt Maker Space Coop to Use a GHI Rental Garage as a Tool Lending Library
  - Investment Committee 2019 Report
  - Member Responses re: Proposed Installation of Light Fixtures in the Common Area Between 11 and 13 Courts Ridge Rd
  - Proposed Chain Link Fence Encompassing Gardenside Yards of Two Units that Require Exceptions to GHI Rules: §VII.B.1.a and §VII.B.1.c
  - ARC Recommendation re: Revisions to Member Handbook Section V11: Fences



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## Black History Month

# Film Highlights a Battalion Of Black Women in WWII

by Rayonna Burton-Jernigan

In honor of Black History Month, the Eleanor & Franklin Roosevelt Democratic Club screened *Six Triple Eight*, a film about the history of the battalion of 817 African American women who delivered mail to U.S. Troops during WWII.

"[The film] is really important because it reminds us that we need to be together," said Konrad Herling, president of the club. "I think it's really important that we talk about black history. It's an essential part of American history. A lot of times, we forget that and I'm glad that once a year our democratic club does have a tribute to black history."

In the film, there are interviews with women who were in the battalion, including Charity Adams, Deloris Ruddock and Anna Mae Robertson, concerning the obstacles they faced and how they overcame them. In addition to relating their experiences, viewers receive information from their children, people who have been inspired by their story and others.

Retired U.S. Army Master Sergeant E-8 and producer Elizabeth Helm-Frazier had been familiar with the picture of Women's Army Corps Major Charity Adams, walking and inspecting the first soldiers to arrive in England in 1945. After the death of Adams, she learned the story of the battalion and everything they did.

"I was always asking, who are these people because that's the unit I want to be in — these women look like me," said Helm-Frazier. "And I was even more amazed because these were not only women, but they were black women who look like me. And because of their service paving the way, my service was a lot easier."

The film came to fruition after the dedication of a monument, a bust of Adams, to honor the 6888th battalion in November 2018. The monument is located at the Buffalo Soldiers Commemora-



Konrad Herling greets Edna W. Cummings, one of the producers of the film.



Members of the 6888th battalion of the WAC stand for inspection.

tive Area in Fort Leavenworth, Kansas.

After the viewing of the film, the floor was open to a discussion between attendees and producer Edna W. Cummings, a U.S. Army Veteran.

During the Q&A portion of the event, Mayor Colin Byrd noted actions he has taken in

support of awarding the Congressional Gold Medal to honor the 6888th Central Postal Directory Battalion.

The club then moved to contribute their efforts by sending letters to Maryland officials to get support and sponsorship for what this group of women has done and the medal that they deserve.

copper line.

Both council and Beverly Palau, the city's public information and communications coordinator, asserted that they had received many complaints from the community about Verizon's poor response to requests for maintenance and service. It was deemed a communication problem, stemming from a lack of knowing the proper channels. The representatives agreed that there was a deficiency and were asked to provide all the relevant

contact information, which they were willing to do.

The representatives said they would examine the lack of FIOS coverage for the entirety of businesses at Roosevelt Center, which is needed and has been an issue for several years.

All four representatives were committed to relaying the concerns from council and staff and replying in a timely matter. Austin, who began in November, said "let's move forward and go from there."

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The U.S. Census Bureau said it is important that residents are also aware that information submitted will not be shared with any law enforcement agency.

"The Census Bureau is bound by Title 13 of the U.S. Code to protect your personal informa-

tion and keep it strictly confidential," their website reads. "Your answers cannot be used to impact eligibility for government benefits. Your answers are only used to create statistics about our country. That's every answer, to every question."

## Lake Path Now Open



The fence is gone and walkers and joggers may now cross the dam at the Lake.



On February 21, Greenbelt public works crew cleans the lake bed of trash washed in via the Lake's feeder streams.

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However, for African American woman, the battle was not over.

"Yes, black women could now vote," Gibbs said. "But not really. They had the right in law, but not in fact."

Backlash continued and African American women kept fighting for human rights. "We want the story of these women to be known," Gibbs said.

The lecture did in fact bring the women's stories to light for audience members, who said that traditional education didn't teach them about many of the prominent women mentioned in the lecture.

"It's good to know there is someone still around giving us history that we should know,"

said Krystina Tucker, who came from Forestville to hear Gibbs speak.

Tucker attended with a friend from the capital, Yvonne Liser, who said the event was an excellent example of using the Library to learn.

"[Libraries] offer so much to us for free," Liser said. "It doesn't make a difference who you are or what the topic is, just go."

There are six more chances to attend one of Gibbs' lectures at Greenbelt Library, with topics ranging from black pirates to black teens in the civil rights movement. All are part of the Spring 2020 African History and Culture Lecture Series.

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Gray explained that before Pepco can remove a pole, each provider's equipment must be taken down in a prescribed order. Yet, he admitted that "communication between utilities is not aligned as well as it should have been" and that there are "absolutely too many poles left too long." He said that this is a "big ticket item" now on the Verizon agenda, as they are a safety concern.

Councilmember Judith Davis brought up the frequent instance of loops of wire left hanging on poles. Gray noted that this is extra wire used for maintenance, but agreed that they could be more tightly wrapped to avoid an eyesore.

The subject of letters sent to customers informing of the required transition of in-home telephone lines to FIOS fiber optic service was discussed in regard to harsh and unclear wording. This transition replaces the existing

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# Annual Membership Meeting

Date: Tuesday, March 31, 2020

Time: 7:30 p.m.

Where: 15 Crescent Rd  
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Meeting Room 201

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from the Maryland State Arts Council (MSAC). Collery was selected from the MSAC roster of artists in residence, and will work with ERHS students for seven days.

Sophomore Jasmine Wilson, who is currently taking Art 1 with Wilkin, plans to become an entrepreneur and artist. Wilson stated, "Our purpose was to create a piece with a dream that we have for the future. The dream that I had was that we will have more female leaders, and hopefully one day, a female African American astronaut on the moon!" Wilson outlined the process of transferring her dream for the future onto a 6- by 6-inch stoneware clay tile: "First you made a sketch and brainstormed different ideas that you might have, then wrote a detailed paragraph about the dream and made sketches in the packet boxes for each symbol that you wanted to incorporate," such as the NASA symbol incorporated in Wilson's tile.

According to Wilson, "the most exciting aspect was handling the clay." She had previously worked with clay but never for a tile piece, creating the relief aspect to show what was closer and what was farther away. Wilson helped sculpt the portrait of Eleanor Roosevelt for the center medallion of the installation. "Bringing dimension to the portrait was really my goal," Wilson said.

Wilkin acquired posters from the We the Future campaign, which feature "10 young leaders representing 10 diverse movements, each already building us a better world. In partnership with the artists Shepard Fairey, Rommy Torrico, Munk One and Kate DeCiccio, this project [sends posters plus background materials] into more than 20,000 schools across the country, to inspire and engage the next generation" (amplifier.org/campaigns/we-the-future). Wilkin stated, "We looked at all 10 of the posters. Each student picked one they were interested in."

Wilkin pointed out that "kids are in school so many thousand hours, looking at the walls of their school so many hours of the day, so we want to make sure they feel inspired and empowered to really be able to contribute to the world around them. All these kids [featured on the We the Future posters] are really working hard to help with [different social issues]. So, let's think about Eleanor Roosevelt, write down your dream for a better future – not a nightmare!" Students' dreams included advancements in medical technology, healthcare for women, feminist issues, equality for African Americans, reduction of gun violence, safe, clean water, clean air and affordable housing.

Students prepared this conceptual work before Collery arrived, so that the seven days she would be on site could be used to give students hands-on guidance for turning their concepts into clay. The tiles will be painted with different colored glaze, fired and assembled in a tile mosaic to decorate a previously blank wall at ERHS.

Collery reported on working with ERHS students, "They are really invested in this project. This team did a good job in making it personal for them, and talked about putting in positive

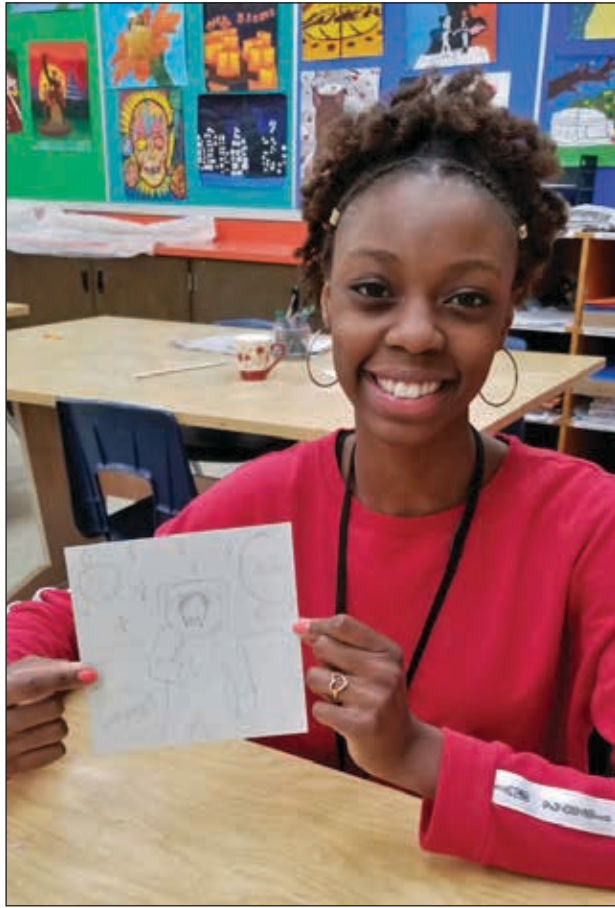


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Jasmine Wilson shares her sketch in preparation for creating her clay tile.



PHOTO BY CHRISTINE WILKIN

An image of Eleanor Roosevelt graces the centerpiece of the mosaic.

energy. They care about having their work be of good quality. This is a gift that they're giving to the school that will be there for decades."

Collery has been an MSAC artist in residence for over 20 years, and has worked with students leading hands-on art projects in over a dozen schools. She studied art and psychology at the University of Vermont and earned an MFA in sculpture from Rutgers University. Her experi-

ence working at a tile manufacturing studio in Pennsylvania, specializing in relief sculpted tile, "opened my eyes to see how I could use my sculpting and something practical, something people needed that they could purchase for their homes." Collery established Eartha Handmade Tile in Southern Maryland. Her tiles, mosaics and sculptures may be seen in shops, galleries, private residences and public art projects across the East Coast.



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# Japanese Celebrate Girls' Day, Hinamatsuri, in March

by Leeann Irwin

While living in Japan, Greenbelt resident Leeann Irwin collected some beautiful and exquisite dolls and lamps to celebrate Girls' Day. Beginning in the early 1600s, it was thought that dolls acted like good luck charms for girls. Today the day, March 3, is celebrated with wishes and prayers for health and the future

happiness of all the young girls in Japan. It's a day when girls take center stage as their families pray for prosperity for them. Special foods are also prepared for this unofficial holiday. Irwin will be celebrating Girls' Day with a display of dolls in her office – Shiatsu for Health in Annapolis – for the month of March.



Doll Festival display - photos by Leeann Irwin

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### Help Us to Help You

Over the last year, Meals on Wheels of the College Park Area (MOWCP) has been boosting community awareness in Greenbelt. As volunteer coordinator of MOWCP, I held two events in Greenbelt last year – at the Green Man Festival and at the Labor Day Festival. It was wonderful to be able to meet so many Greenbelt residents in the process as well as educate and advocate for MOWCP.

When MOWCP started in 1974, it was only delivering five meals a day. By mid-March this year, we will be serving over 120 seniors a day, Monday through Friday, with many of them residing in Greenbelt. We could not be more thrilled!

Not only does MOWCP serve a significant number of clientele in Greenbelt, we also have a large portion of our volunteer base residing here as well. From our kitchen crews to our drivers, we have the best volunteers around!

With growth, there is always a need for additional volunteers. Currently, we are looking for more help in the kitchen with assembling the meals and packing the bags as well as drivers who would be willing to drive a route to deliver meals.

If anyone is interested in vol-

unteering with us, they can email me and I will be more than happy to answer any questions they may have.

*Thank you again Greenbelt!*  
*Danielle S. Carter*  
*Volunteer Coordinator, Meals on Wheels College Park*  
*DSCarter86@yahoo.com*

### Thanks, More Thanks

Back in December, the News Review announced that DAR-CARS Toyota had given \$25,000 to the nonprofit Excellence in Education Foundation for Prince George's County Public Schools to pay off the current school lunch debt of every student in Prince George's County. What a generous humanitarian act by a local corporation to help tend to the basic needs of our children.

I am also grateful that our News Review publishes such positive news regularly and I always look forward to hearing about Uncommon Acts of Kindness by corporations, businesses, organizations and individuals in our community!

*Katrina Boverman*

### Health Insurance?

Between the holidays and the new year, things are busy. And sometimes, signing up for a health plan during open enrollment doesn't make it to the top of the list. Or, maybe there have been some changes in your life, and you realize you now need coverage. Thanks to an innova-

tive new program in Maryland, there's good news for those looking for health insurance. This tax season, Marylanders have a special opportunity to sign up.

To participate, check the box on your state tax forms allowing the Comptroller of Maryland to share information, like your household size and income, with the Maryland Health Benefit Exchange. Maryland Health Benefit Exchange will then check if you are eligible for free or low-cost health insurance and mail you a letter explaining your options. After you get your letter, you have 35 days to sign up for a plan through Maryland Health Connection. This is a special opportunity available only to Marylanders who check the box on their tax form. Otherwise, you may have to wait until the fall to sign up.

This tax season remember to check the box to check out your health plan options.

*Michele Eberle*  
*Executive Director, Maryland Health Benefit Exchange*

### Community Visioning

Readers sympathetic with the views in Molly Lester's letter in last week's News Review will be relieved to learn that the city council on Monday, February 24 discussed but did not approve the city's proposed purchase of professional services from a specific firm to undertake a community vision process.

Following extensive discussion among council and several

community members, council instead voted 7-0 to direct staff to issue an RFP for the community visioning exercise. I believe we owe thanks to the city manager, council and residents whose efforts on this topic demonstrate their concern that Greenbelt's future be in close sync with the goals, aspirations and well-being of all its residents.

The proposal not adopted by council, a memo from the city manager and other relevant documents are on the city website: [docs.google.com/gview?embedded=true&url=https://s3.amazonaws.com/greenbeltmd%2Fbb1cfb286111b598a41fc6d9884946a80.pdf&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_source=govdelivery](https://docs.google.com/gview?embedded=true&url=https://s3.amazonaws.com/greenbeltmd%2Fbb1cfb286111b598a41fc6d9884946a80.pdf&utm_medium=email&utm_source=govdelivery).

In a note to residents who wrote to and lobbied council in the past week, Lester noted that "Ideas are already percolating among community members on possible next steps to ensure the visioning process is meaningful."

The percolating of ideas on a community-visioning type initiative appears to me to be concentrated however among European American, home-owning and older/retired residents.

My own judgment is that such ideas need to be brewing in far broader areas of our city's numerous geographic, racial and ethnic, socio-economic, age- and gender-linked communities or "sub-communities."

I hope that many residents

will offer their perspectives on how Greenbelt can move in a much more inclusive process toward identifying its values and priorities. Residents may wish to pitch in their ideas through letters to the News Review, postings on Facebook's Greenbelters group or other means. If you choose to send an email to edfallon-at-gmail.com, please indicate whether your thoughts may be shared with others.

*Ed Fallon*

### African American Women in Politics

Leap Forward: The Progression of African American Women in Politics is the topic of a free program on Friday, February 28 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the Bowie Community Center, 3209 Stonybrook Drive. Learn from the experts of Overdue Recognition Art Gallery and come for an engaging discussion about local artist Rebecca Crouch. Explore her series of paintings of prominent African American women who shaped history in the political arena, followed by a light dinner. This program is free. Call 301-464-1737 or TTY 301-699-2544 for more information.

### College Park Jumps

A Leap Day Disco will be held on Saturday, February 29 from 3 to 4:30 p.m. at the Old Parish House on Knox Road.

Kids and parents can party down at this free neighborhood dance party.



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### March's Monthly Specials



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>1</b> <b>Commander's Café</b> Honey Chicken Stir Fry Or Broiled Scallops	 <p>12:00 PM to 4:00 PM            Corned Beef Sandwich, Potato Salad &amp; Sliced Pickle            Cost: \$7.50</p>  <p>12:00 PM to 7:30 PM            Corned Beef &amp; Cabbage, Potatoes &amp; Carrots            Cost: \$9.95  <b>SPECIAL DESSERTS AND DRINKS AVAILABLE</b></p>		<b>4</b> <b>Lunch:</b> Meatball Sub  <b>Dinner:</b> Roast Beef	<b>5</b> <b>Lunch:</b> Meatloaf Platter  <b>Fried Chicken Nite</b>	<b>6</b> <b>Lunch:</b> Salmon Cake  <b>Dinner:</b> Beer Battered Haddock	<b>7</b>  <b>Steak 'n' Shrimp</b>
<b>8</b> <b>Commander's Café</b> Beef Kabob Or Tuna Steak			<b>11</b> <b>Lunch:</b> Beef Taco Salad  <b>Dinner:</b> Stuffed Cabbage Rolls	<b>12</b> <b>Lunch:</b> Steak 'n' Cheese Sub  <b>Rib Nite</b>	<b>13</b> <b>Lunch:</b> Fish Tacos  <b>Dinner:</b> Jumbo Lump Crab Cake	<b>14</b>  <b>Lamb Chops</b>
<b>15</b> <b>Commander's Café</b> Meatloaf Platter Or Steamed Shrimp			<b>18</b> <b>Lunch:</b> Reuben Sandwich  <b>Dinner:</b> Seafood Fettuccini	<b>19</b> <b>Lunch:</b> Country Fried Steak  <b>Steak Nite</b>	<b>20</b> <b>Lunch:</b> Fried Softshell Crab  <b>Dinner:</b> Stuffed Shrimp	<b>21</b>  <b>Beef Burgundy</b>
<b>22</b> <b>Commander's Café</b> Baked Ham Platter Or Jumbo Lump Crab Cake	<div style="border: 2px dashed black; padding: 5px;"> <b>Greenbelt American Legion Post 136 Restaurant</b>  <b>10% OFF</b>  <b>Saturday Night Meals</b>  <i>Does NOT include alcoholic beverages.</i>  <i>Offer only valid with coupon.</i> </div>		<b>25</b> <b>Lunch:</b> San Antonio Taco Salad  <b>Dinner:</b> Spaghetti & Meatballs	<b>26</b> <b>Lunch:</b> Smothered Chicken  <b>Rib Nite</b>	<b>27</b> <b>Lunch:</b> Shrimp Salad  <b>Dinner:</b> Broiled Fresh Salmon	<b>28</b>  <b>Crab Imperial</b>
<b>29</b> <b>Commander's Café</b> Lasagna Or Fried Shrimp	<b>HOURS OF OPERATION</b> Saturday: 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM Sunday: 8:30 AM - 12:30 PM (Breakfast) Sunday: 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (Dinner) Monday & Tuesday: Closed Wednesday & Thursday: 11:00 AM - 8:00 PM Friday: 11:00 AM - 8:30 PM		<p>While you are here enjoying a lunch or dinner, look into how you too could join the Legion, Sons of the American Legion or Auxiliary Unit #136. By joining you can participate in many different events and activities at the Post throughout the year. Visit us on the web at <a href="http://www.greenbeltmdpost136.org">http://www.greenbeltmdpost136.org</a></p> 			

# 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

February 14, 9:40 a.m., 6200 block Springhill Court. A man met someone through a dating app and agreed to meet her in an apartment building. While waiting outside, two men armed with handguns approached him, demanded money and punched and kicked him. They took his wallet, keys and cell phone and fled on foot. The man refused treatment for minor injuries.

February 16, 12:30 a.m., 5800 block Cherrywood Terrace. A man met a woman through a dating app and agreed to meet her in the 5800 block Cherrywood Terrace. She got in the passenger seat of his vehicle, at which time two unknown men approached him, one with a handgun and the other with a knife. There was a physical altercation that resulted in the man looking for a date being stabbed and struck with a handgun. The woman and the two men then fled. The injured man was transported to UM Prince George's Hospital Center for treatment.

February 17, 6:15 p.m., 9100 block Edmonston Road. Two men approached a man walking to an apartment when one displayed a handgun and announced a robbery. They took his wallet and fled on foot.

### Sex Offense

February 15, 4:05 p.m., 6100 block Greenbelt Road. A man sat down next to a woman watching a movie in the AMC Movie Theatre and passed a note to her with a name and number on it. He then touched her on the leg and left the theater.

### Assault

February 15, 8:26 p.m., 6000 block Greenbelt Road. An employee of Five Below observed a man shoplift merchandise and leave the store. When she confronted the man, he punched her in the face and fled. She refused medical treatment.

February 15, 10:13 p.m., 6200 block Greenbelt Road. An employee at Wendy's restaurant was involved in a verbal altercation with a customer who then slapped him and fled on foot. The employee refused medical treatment.

### Theft

February 13, 1:30 p.m., 6900 block Hanover Parkway. A package was taken from the front stoop of a residence.

February 13, 6 p.m., 6000 block Greenbelt Road. A man entered Cyber Unlock to pick up a cell phone he had left there to be repaired. He asked the clerk if he could use his cell phone to complete the sale. He then ran out of the store with the other person's cell phone, without paying the bill for repairs.

February 13, 7:15 p.m., 7400 block Greenbelt Road. A wallet was taken from LA Fitness after a locker was broken into.

February 18, 7:55 p.m., 7500 block Greenbelt Road. A woman reported that on February 13, while working at Hibachi and Wings, her cell phone was taken from the counter.

February 19, 11:28 a.m., 6000 block Greenbelt Road. Credit cards inside a wallet a woman lost were later used to make unauthorized purchases.

### Reckless Endangerment

February 12, 6:04 p.m., 7700 block Hanover Parkway. Officers responded to a report of the sound of gunshots. Witnesses said that shortly after hearing the shots three people were observed running from the area and getting into a vehicle described as a gray Honda Civic. No injuries or damage were reported.

### Vandalism

February 13, 6:17 p.m., 100 block Westway. A rock was used to break out the kitchen window of a residence.

February 18, 6 a.m., 100 block Centerway. Graffiti was spray-painted on a wall of the Aquatic & Fitness Center.

### Vehicle Crime

A 2016 Honda Civic stolen February 14 from the 5900 block Greenbelt Road was recovered February 16 by Takoma Park police near Poplar and New Hampshire Avenues.

A 2007 Chevrolet Tahoe SUV reported stolen January 11 from the 9100 block Edmonston Court was recovered February 14 by Prince George's County police near North Point and Levin's Court in Laurel. One arrest was made but the tags on the vehicle at the time of theft, MD 2CE7015, were not recovered and are still listed as stolen.

Windows were broken in three locations. In two, nothing appeared to have been taken. In the third, in the 7200 block Hanover Drive, a laptop computer was taken.

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# Pancake Supper



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Members and friends of the Greenbelt Community Church United Church of Christ celebrate Mardi Gras with a pancake supper on Tuesday, February 25. This is traditionally the time to use up the good and fattening foods before Ash Wednesday and the beginning of the penitential season of Lent.

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# Sports

## ERHS Girls and Boys Basketball Teams Look Forward to Successful Playoffs

by Patrick Gleason



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The Eleanor Roosevelt High School boys basketball team has an 18-2 regular season record.

With the high school basketball playoffs set to start this week, Eleanor Roosevelt High School is looking to build on a decade of success with state championships: for the girls in 2014, 2015 and 2018, and the boys in 2013, 2016 and 2019.

The boys have followed up last year's title with an 18-2 regular season record, ensuring them the state's number one seed. Led by Mount St. Mary's bound senior Quinton Mincey, the Raiders have dominated Prince George's County league play, capping the regular season with a 68-52 home victory over Bowie and a 69-55 win at DuVal last week. The only setbacks this season were a December matchup against DeMatha and a closely contested loss to the 18-2 Potomac Wolverines earlier this month.

The Raiders will open up their title defense next Tuesday, March 3 against either the C.H. Flowers Jaguars or the Suitland Rams. Senior point guard Olumide Lewis paces the Raider offense while senior Jahari Simon is a constant three-point threat. With a Tuesday night victory, the Raiders would host either the Bowie Bulldogs or Dr. Henry A. Wise, Jr. Pumas –

the only two 4A county teams the Raiders did not defeat by double digits – on Thursday, March 5.

On the girls side, head coach

Delton Fuller returned to guide the Lady Raiders to a 13-5 record, though three of those losses were to the defending state cham-

pion Flowers Jaguars. Senior forward Daja Claiborne headlines a team looking to reassert themselves on the county playoff scene.

Roosevelt ended the season with a 41-26 victory over DuVal on senior night. They will begin their playoffs with a trip to the number two seeded Wise Pumas – a team they defeated handily in January – on Monday, March 2. A win there would set up a likely rematch with the Jaguars next Wednesday. The Raiders will look to use the speed of guards Sameera Smith, Norma Thornhill and Nylah Lee. The playoff brackets can be found at mpssaa.org.

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Clever use of space: a small, practical addition creates an entryway foyer with a full-sized stackable washer and dryer. Galley kitchen with new butcherblock countertops and a fresh, light color palette. Also, one wall in what had been a very small third bedroom has been bumped out to make it bigger. \$150K.

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**3 Bedroom Townhome** Refined Oak hardwood flooring on both levels. Fenced backyard opens onto protected woodlands. Priced to sell at \$149,900.

**Rambler on large lot** 4 bedroom, 2 bath home on large wooded lot with parking for 5+ cars. Hardwood flooring and brick fireplace on main level.

**2 Bedroom Townhome** Priced to sell! Modern tub surround in bathroom. Upgraded cabs. & dishwasher in kit. Separate laundry area. \$124,900

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**Townhome with 2 additions** 2 bedroom GHI home on fenced, corner lot. Large family room addition in back, extra storage in front. Central HVAC.

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**Brick Townhome** 2 Bedroom GHI townhome remodeled throughout. Modern kitchen with s/s dishwasher. Hardwood both levels. \$169,900

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**Upper Level One Bedroom** GHI home with full-sized washer and dryer in separate laundry room. Refinished hardwood flooring throughout. Nice!

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# Local Artist Bodi Nolan Shows Work at Café



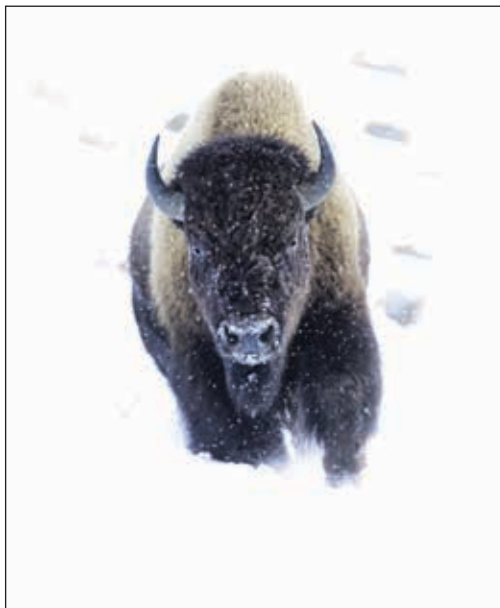
Bodi Nolan photographs a fox.

Bodi Nolan is a local artist with a show at the New Deal Café which will run until April 20. There will be a wine and refreshment reception on Sunday, March 8 from 3 to 5 p.m., along with poetry readings and jazz music.

Nolan grew up along the Chesapeake Bay, exploring secluded creeks and animal trails and gaining an appreciation for the plentiful wildlife and tucked-away nooks along its shores. He now travels the world taking photographs of native animals and pristine landscapes in the hope of raising awareness about the importance of national parks, wildlife refuges and conservation of our resources. Nolan's works have been displayed in local art galleries, on the web and in magazines and newspapers. Most recently, several of Nolan's photographs of the wolves of Yellowstone were featured in USA Today, in honor of the 25th anniversary of the reintroduction of wolves to the park.



- Photos courtesy Bodi Nolan



Wild Bison

## Black History Month

# Theater, Recreation Offer Free Screening of Harriet

by India Afriyie

The Old Greenbelt Theatre (OGT) teamed up with the Recreation Department to run a viewing of Harriet (2019) on February 23 at the theater. The Recreation Department chartered a bus to bring residents from the Springhill Lake Recreation Center to the theater to make sure the film was accessible to everyone. OGT office manager Amy Knesel said that the theater and the Recreation Center chose Harriet to honor black history. "We pride ourselves on being a community resource to serve the community the best we can by showing screenings of things that will be of interest to and enrich our very diverse population."



COURTESY FOCUS FEATURES

The movie Harriet was shown on February 23.

Fans of the movie lined up to enjoy the event with friends and family. Carl Choper, who grew up in Greenbelt, had come to visit his parents. After spending much of his youth watching movies at the theater, he felt nostalgic returning for the show. "Growing up I saw a bunch of movies here, and then it was closed which was sad. This is a great thing for a community to do. I'm involved in a lot of community efforts in Harrisonburg, Va., and I'm currently going to keep this in mind and bring it back there."

Some people came to the show for the cultural and social aspects. Maria Soto noted that she showed up because she didn't get to see Harriet the first time it was shown here. "I just don't want to rent it and see it on my own. I wanted to sit down with a group of people, other residents of Greenbelt, and be able to see it. Finally I have the opportunity."

The Old Greenbelt Theatre prides itself in the ability to bring people together and grow the community. Events like these are staples to the theater and to the community.

# Greenbelt Promotes Website's Notification Sign Up Feature

by Brogan Gerhart

The City of Greenbelt has been promoting its online "Notification Sign Up" feature, where residents can get the latest information about crime in Greenbelt, meetings, upcoming events and more, according to the city's Facebook page.

Although Greenbelt's website has had this feature for over a year, the focus of the promotion is to spread awareness about how residents and non-residents alike can personalize the newsletters they receive by email or text message.

The LISTSERV sign-up is available on the city's website's homepage, where anybody can sign up to receive newsletters about certain topics, according to Beverly Palau, public information and communications coordinator for the City of Greenbelt.

Some of the more popular topics and newsletters include: The

Artfans, City Events, Community Events, Weekly Crime Report and the Business bulletins.

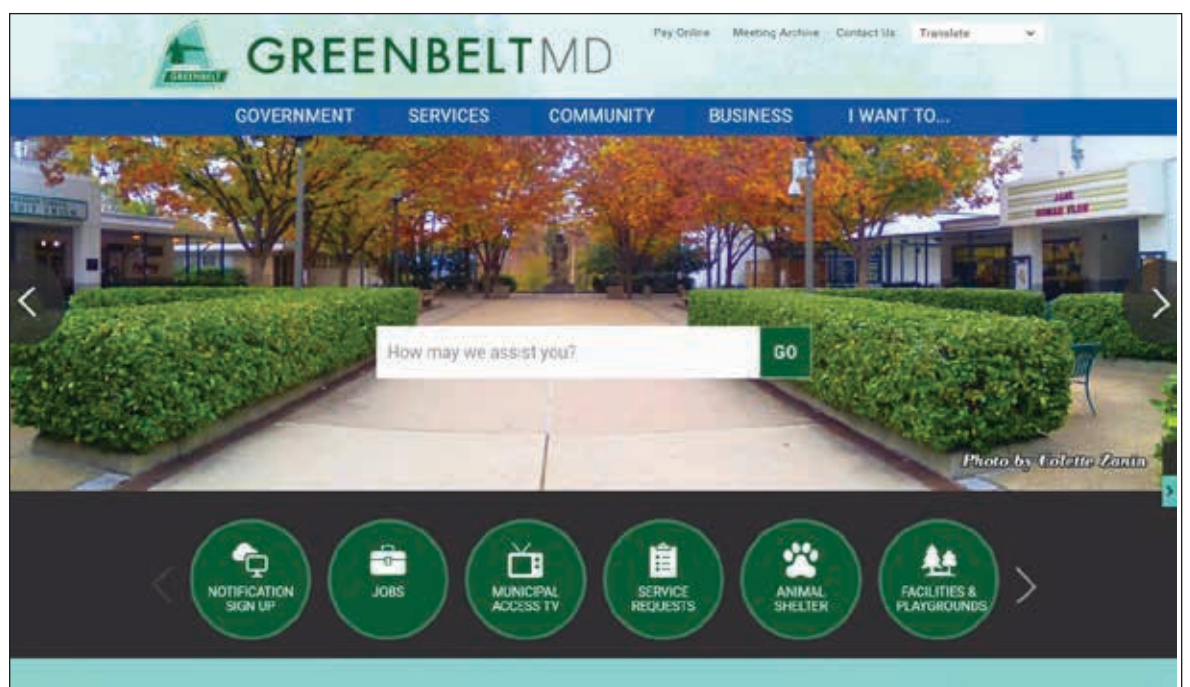
"You can sign up for one of them or all of them," Palau said, explaining that subscribers will also have the option to easily unsubscribe from emails if they feel they are getting too many.

"It's proactive," Palau said. "Instead of having to actively search for the information, it's sent directly to [you]. It also serves as a nice reminder of events."

To sign up for city notifications and to find out more about Greenbelt events and meetings, residents can visit greenbeltmd.gov.



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