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Black History Month

Resilience and Resistance On View at the New Deal Café

by Melissa Sites

A bustling crowd filled the New Deal Café Sunday afternoon, February 5 to meet and greet the artists behind a vibrant art show, Resistance and Resilience in the African Diaspora. The show was sponsored by the Greenbelt Black History and Culture Committee, chaired by Lois Rosado and Leeann Irwin, and curated by Greenbelt's 2021 Outstanding Citizen Shaymar Higgs, executive director of The SPACE Free Art For All. The show includes three dozen pieces by 15 artists, with about a third of the pieces on display in the lobby of the Greenbelt Arts Center. Additional sponsors of the show include Greenbelt Recreation and

the Greenbelt Co-op Supermarket. Mayor Emmett Jordan congratulated the committee for organizing an exciting lineup of events in celebration of Black History Month, beginning with this art show featuring Black and Brown artists. Coming events include a poetry event at the Community Center featuring Chris Haley, Sainey Cessay and Francis Stedman; a free screening of Wakanda Forever at the Old Greenbelt Theatre; mural making with art therapist Lindsey Vance at The SPACE; and more.

Higgs took the stage with several of the artists, encouraging them to say a few words about See **BLACK HISTORY**, page 6



Reflected by Kay Lee

City Offers Grants for Greenbelt Students, Homebuyers, Patients

by Erica Johns

The City of Greenbelt has launched three services to offer financial support to Greenbelt residents who are either first-time homebuyers; college, university or vocational students; or uninsured and underinsured persons needing health care. These are all grants, not loans, with no repayment required. They are intended to support residents whose financial well-being, education or health care was reduced, delayed or impeded by the Covid pandemic and its economic and family impacts.

The services are funded from \$22.88M Greenbelt received from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA), which Congress passed in March 2021 for Covid-19 emergency response and economic recovery. After gathering input from residents, businesses and staff on allocating the funds, council funded 60 projects in five categories: household needs, infrastructure, mental health resources, public safety and small

business assistance (see Residents, Council Focus on ARPA Funding Choices, Greenbelt News Review, May 19, 2022). All the funds must be assigned by December 2024 and spent by December 2026.

Scholarship

Many people postponed or interrupted education because of Covid and its family or financial impact, and may find it difficult to resume education toward personal, professional and lifetime financial goals. The Greenbelt Education Scholarship will provide up to \$10,000 across two school years for Greenbelt residents who 1) completed high school or a GED program in or since 2020, or will do so in 2023, 2) are admitted, accepted or enrolled in a two-year or four-year college, university or vocational school, during the 2023-24 or 2024-2025 school years, and 3) meet income limit requirements. The awards

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Much More Than Robotics, Greenbelt Wins Core Values

by Anna Bedford-Dillow



The Greenbelt Bots talk with judges after a match. From left: Soham Chaudhuri, Sam Winternitz, (judges), Spandana Noojipady, Callum Bedford-Dillow and Tanvi Saha

Last weekend the youngest team competing in the Maryland First Lego League (FLL) at Johns Hopkins Applied Physics Lab in Laurel consisted of five Greenbelt youths. Callum, Sam, Soham, Spandana and Tanvi had been meeting through the fall and winter, building, coding, completing missions and trying to solve the central innovation question they'd decided to take on, which was how to reduce the carbon footprint from hydroelectric power generation. Recently they'd been meeting multiple times a week, on school holidays and early dismissal days as they prepared for the big event.

Origins of the Team

Korak Saha, a research scientist at the University of Maryland, began organizing the team last summer. He and his wife Shalini wanted their daughter, Tanvi, to have the fun and educational experience that they saw her older sister enjoy during her time in the Lego Robotics program.

They'd previously teamed up with their friends for the Balti-

more Museum of Industry's paper plane contest and participated in some FLL explorer competitions. So, they reached out to more Greenbelt families with similarly aged children and before long they had a collection

of five smart and thoughtful 9- and 10-year-olds, a mixture of boys and girls, who attend four different schools between them (Greenbelt Elementary, Robert

See **ROBOTICS**, page 8

Wildlife Refuge Pushing Back Against Development Pressure

by Timothy B. Wheeler

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Look down from 30,000 feet up in the sky and a patch of green stands out amid the web of concrete and asphalt covering the landscape between Baltimore and Washington, D.C.

At the core of that verdant oasis is the Patuxent Research Refuge, 13,000 acres of forest, meadow and wetlands that a former U.S. senator once described

as the "lungs" of the region. Established in 1936, it's the only national wildlife refuge dedicated to research.

Those green lungs are at risk these days, though, because the forested lands on the periphery of the refuge are attracting development interest.

Last year, it was a largely wooded 105-acre tract on the refuge's southern border, which

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What Goes On

Monday, February 13
7:30 p.m., Council Meeting, Municipal Building
Wednesday, February 15
7:30 p.m., Council Worksession: City Manager's Quarterly Update, Municipal Building

See the city ad on page 5 or the meetings calendar at greenbeltmd.gov for more information.



Jennifer Greiner, manager of the Patuxent Research Refuge, overlooks a pond adjacent to the refuge on county-owned land that may be developed.

Letters to the Editor

Is BARC at Risk?

The Beltsville Agricultural Research Center (BARC) and the Patuxent Wildlife Center comprise approximately 20,000 acres of largely undisturbed woodland, streams, wetlands, fields and forests. They are home to many endangered species of plants and animals. Several flyways for migratory birds cross through this area. This tract has been called the lungs of the Washington, D.C. metropolitan area. What used to be a sleepy suburban area has now been noticed by developers, and the pressure has increased to use this land for their own purposes.

On BARC land previously dedicated to research the Treasury Department wants to build a one million square foot, 40 ft. tall

currency printing plant. This plant will destroy over 100 acres of animal and plant habitat that has been undisturbed for over 100 years. The plant will produce significant increases in air and light pollution. It will generate 120,000 gal per day of waste water.

Local residents and BARC supporters have taken notice and are beginning to push back. Two weeks ago, concerned citizens filed suit against the Treasury Dept challenging the woefully inadequate Environmental Impact Statement that approved the construction and operation of the printing facility. It is still possible to join the suit at no cost.

Email Mary Ann Canter at macanter@gmail.com for more information.

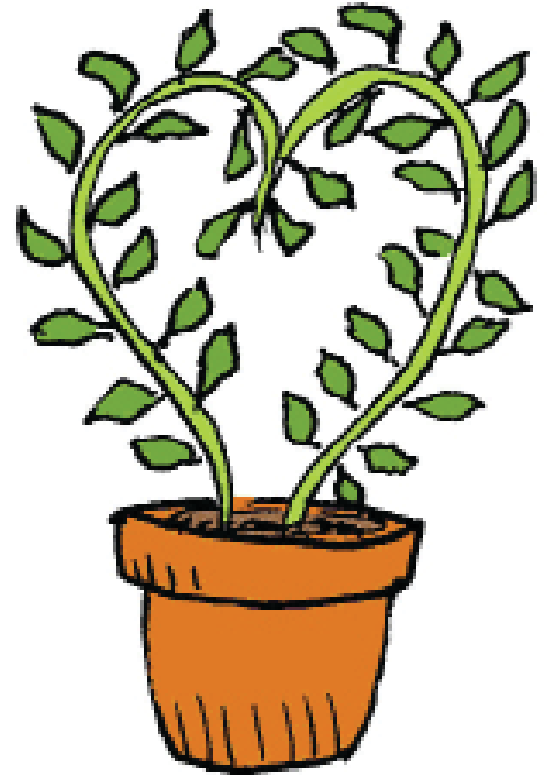
Mary Ann Canter

Thanks for the Tip

Thanks to Erica Johns's story in the September 1 issue, I learned about the new Financial Literacy requirement for PGCPs students and thought it would make an excellent video topic for Edutopia (where I work). I got in touch with the Parkdale High School teacher mentioned in the story, Tamekia Davis, and produced a video which is going gangbusters on YouTube ([youtube.com/watch?v=3G0nRsNRsJE](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3G0nRsNRsJE)) and Facebook.

Thanks so much for the hot tip!

Melissa Thompson



Pete Reppert

- News Review, February 13, 2020



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Video of Financial Literacy class at Parkdale High School



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Screen 1 - Main Auditorium

To Leslie (R) (CC) (DVS)
(2022) (119 mins)

Fri. 8:15 PM
Sat. 5:15 PM, 8:15 PM
Sun. 2:15 PM (OC)
Mon. 2:15 PM, 5:15 PM
Tues. 7:15 PM
Wed. 7:30 PM
Thurs. 5:15 PM

Women Talking (PG-13) (CC)
(DVS) (2022) (104 mins)

Fri. 5:15 PM
Sun. 5:15 PM
Wed. 5:00 PM

CULT CLASSICS!

Beetlejuice (PG) (1988)
(92 mins)

Thurs. 8:00 PM

Screen 2 - The Screening Room

All Quiet on the Western Front (R) (2022) (147 mins)
German w/ English subtitles

Fri. 5:00 PM, 8:00 PM
Sat. 5:00 PM, 8:00 PM
Sun. 2:00 PM, 5:00 PM
Mon. 2:00 PM, 5:00 PM
Tues. 7:00 PM
Wed. 7:00 PM
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On Screen at Old Greenbelt Theatre

To Leslie

Leslie (Andrea Riseborough) is a West Texas single mother struggling to provide for her son (Owen Teague) when she wins the lottery and a chance at a good life. But a few short years later the money is gone and Leslie is on her own, living hard and fast at the bottom of a bottle as she runs from the world of heartbreak she left behind. With her charm running out and with nowhere to go, Leslie is forced to return home to her former friends Nancy and Dutch (Allison Janney and Stephen Root). Unwelcome and unwanted by those she wronged, it's a lonely motel clerk named Sweeney (Marc Maron) who takes a chance when no one else will. With his support, Leslie comes face to face with the consequences of her actions, a life of regret and a second chance to make a good life for her and her son.

Women Talking

Do nothing. Stay and fight. Or leave. In 2010, the women of an isolated religious community grapple with reconciling a brutal reality with their faith. From Director Sarah Polley, the film stars Jessie Buckley, Rooney Mara, Claire Foy, Judith Ivey, Ben Whishaw and Frances McDormand. "It's a film with so much depth and, of course, one of the greater casts you'll see this year," said critic Amy Nicholson, of KPCC-NPR Los Angeles.

Beetlejuice

In this classic 1988 dark comedy, Barbara (Geena Davis) and Adam Maitland (Alec Baldwin) die in a car accident and find themselves stuck haunting their country residence, unable to leave the house. When the unbearable Deetzes (Catherine O'Hara and Jeffrey Jones) and teen daughter Lydia (Winona Ryder) buy the home, the Maitlands attempt to scare them away without success. Their efforts attract Beetlejuice (Michael Keaton), a rambunctious spirit whose "help" quickly becomes dangerous for the Maitlands and innocent Lydia.

All Quiet on the Western Front

(In German with English subtitles)

The film tells the gripping story of a young German soldier on the Western Front of World War I. Paul and his comrades experience first-hand how the initial euphoria of war turns into desperation and fear as they fight for their lives, and each other, in the trenches. The film from director Edward Berger is based on the world-renowned bestseller of the same name by Erich Maria Remarque. Critic Nick Schrager of The Daily Beast said of the film: "A striking and harrowing portrait of the perils of nationalism, the chaos and madness of combat and the lasting physical and psychological scars produced by both."



See the Love Notes on pages 10, 11, 16 and 17

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Community Events

Art Share

Teen and adult artists of any experience level are invited to join in February Art Share on Sunday, February 12 from 2 to 3 p.m. at the Community Center, Room 113. This event is part of a monthly, informal series giving local artists the opportunity to get to know other creatives. Share and discuss one to three pieces of one's own work (any medium) in a supportive, group setting. Sign up to participate: bit.ly/3X1pkWK. Greenbelt Recreation's arts programs are supported in part by a grant from the Maryland State Arts Council. For additional program information, visit greenbeltnmd.gov/arts.



PHOTO BY AMANDA DEMOS LARSEN

Greenbelt artists share their work.

Mindfulness

This Sunday Joe Parks of Greenbelt will talk about a form of Mahayana Buddhism that is based upon the Lotus Sutra. The practice is a simple chant that goes "Nam-myoho-enge-kyo." Skeptical? So was Joe when he first heard about it. Hear his story and what changed his mind. The meeting will be at an earlier time this week, 1:30 to 3 p.m. on February 12. Meeting ID: 943 5969 1872 Passcode: 016110. To get the link and be added to the group's list, send an email to events@greenbeltunplugged.org.

Greenbelt Chess Club

The Greenbelt Chess Club will meet on Monday, February 13 in the New Deal Café, from 6 to 8 p.m. All ages and skill levels are welcome. Teaching will be provided as needed. Bring a chess set if available. For questions email Effie Levner 443-415-1053.



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The Black Equestrian Experience with Ponies Unlimited

Dem. Club Has Talk On Black Equestrians

The Eleanor and Franklin Roosevelt Democratic Club meets Friday, February 17, 7:30 p.m. at Greenbriar Community Room for a special presentation on the Black Equestrian Experience with Ponies Unlimited. Stand Foundation Equestrians and special guests will discuss the unknown and rarely discussed history of Black equestrians and stables in Prince George's County and the Washington Metro Area.

Star Party Saturday

The Astronomical Society of Greenbelt will host a star party, free and open to the public, on Saturday, February 11 at the City Observatory located at Northway Fields. Attendees can expect to see the Green Comet, Jupiter, Mars and galaxies, nebulae and star clusters currently high in the sky, viewed through the observatory telescope and astronomical camera.

All are welcome and there is no charge. Visitors are encouraged to bring their own telescopes to set up on the hilltop.

Observing will begin at 6:30 p.m. and continue for two hours. Attendees are asked to park in the ballfield lot, not up on the hill, unless bringing a telescope. The star party will be canceled without notice if it is hopelessly cloudy.



Black Cultural History Events

Black History events during the next 10 days begin with the Kaiser Mobile Bus Unit providing free Covid-19 and flu vaccines plus other health screenings at Beltway Plaza, near the TJ Maxx entrance on Saturday, February 11 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

From noon to 3 p.m., there is a Mural Painting session with Art Therapist Lindsey Vance. Join the session and leave a legacy symbol or picture to be added to the community mural on display. The event will take place in Center Court of Beltway Plaza.

The Eleanor Roosevelt Jazz Quintet will perform on Sunday, February 19 from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. at the Community Center. Also featured will be spoken words with Chris Haley, Sainey Cessay, Francis Stedman; Capoeira Angola with Mestre Santemu; and Kweku Owusu, drums and dance.

Wakanda Forever will be shown free of charge at Old Greenbelt Theatre on Sunday, February 26 at 1 p.m.

For more information, email blackhistoryandculturegb@gmail.com.

More Community Events are located throughout the paper.

Pre-K Bilingual Stories Stay and Play Friday

On Friday, February 10 at 10:30 a.m. at the Springhill Lake Recreation Center, RUAK (Random Unselfish Acts of Kindness) with the Prince George's County Memorial Library System will present engaging, lively stories and activities for young children and their caregivers to help build early literacy skills. This monthly bilingual program is an introduction to reading aloud to children as a way to instill the love of literature. After the readings, the children can stay and play with balls in the gym. There will be free children's books and free healthy nutritious snacks. Spread the word to friends and families.

El viernes 10 de febrero a las 10:30 a.m. en el Centro Recreativo del Lago Springhill, RUAK (Random Unselfish Acts of Kindness) con el sistema conmemorativo de bibliotecas del condado de Prince George's presentará historias interesantes y actividades animadas para niños pequeños y sus cuidadores para ayudar a desarrollar habilidades de alfabetización temprana. Este programa bilingüe mensual es una introducción a la lectura en voz alta a los niños como una forma de inculcar el amor por la literatura. Después de las lecturas, los niños pueden quedarse a jugar con pelotas en el gimnasio. Habrán libros infantiles y aperitivos saludables y nutritivos gratis. Corra la vos a sus amigos y familias.

Poetry in the Garden With CHEARS

A poetry reading will take place on Sunday, February 12 from 3 to 5 p.m. in the clubhouse at Schrom Hill Park. Everyone is welcome. Bring a poem to share, or just come to listen and enjoy the words said by others.

For questions or more information call Effie Levner at 443-415-1053.



Camp Registration Opens for Residents

Resident registration is now open for Greenbelt Recreation's 2023 spring break and summer camps. Programs are available for children ages 3.5 to 17 years, including arts, dance, sports, music, field trips and more. Inclusion services and financial assistance are available, as well as before-and after-care.

Registration will open at 10 a.m. on Monday, February 13 for nonresidents. View the Camp Guide at bit.ly/3X410pQ.



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Happy Kinder Campers

Novel Endings Open for Business

Novel Endings is the used book room within the Greenbelt Library. Sales of books and other media from this room support special programming and the Library.

Maintained by volunteers for the Friends of Greenbelt Library, Novel Endings receives donations of book discards from the library as well as donations from the community by special arrangements. To donate books, email friendsofgreenbeltlibrary@gmail.com. Cash and check donations are also accepted in the black box next to the Library's front desk.

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It's time to renew your membership or join NDC. Go to www.newdealcafe.com, click on "ABOUT", then "BECOME A MEMBER OR RENEW."

*For more information on these events, visit the NDC CALENDAR page on our website.



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Noon	Democracy Now!	Today's Syndicated Program
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Violinist Brings Historical Performances from Juilliard

by Melissa Sites



PHOTO COURTESY RELIC

Relic, a period chamber orchestra, will present a series of free concerts in Greenbelt in February.

Natalie Kress is a new Greenbelter, bringing a feast of early music events to our area in the coming weeks. A graduate of the Historical Performance Graduate Program at Juilliard, Kress is part of an 11-member period chamber orchestra called Relic, which will present Winter Oasis: Music of Bach, Handel, Buxtehude and Vivaldi.

Relic will present a packed schedule of free concerts in our area this month, funded by a grant from the Greenbelt Community Foundation. Highlights include a lunchtime concert at the New Deal Café on Monday, February 20, and a concert with the University of Maryland Baroque Ensemble in collaboration with Relic and Aisslinn Nosky, at Gildenhorn Recital Hall, The Clarice Smith Performing Arts Center, on Friday, February 24. The series will begin and end with concerts at the Greenbelt Community Church on Thursday, February 16 and Sunday, February 26.

From February 15 to 18, Relic will offer a preschool concert, a children's concert and an open rehearsal at the Community Center and will also visit with orchestra students at Eleanor Roosevelt High School. Anyone interested in becoming a volunteer or hosting a musician during this project can contact RelicEnsemble@gmail.com.

Relic uses a unique method of

presenting work, telling a story by piecing together a narrative from movements and sections of pieces, along with poetry. The group includes familiar violins, violas and cellos, but the baroque setup uses gut strings and a lighter bow, along with harpsichord and the theorbo, a bass instrument related to the lute.

In Winter Oasis, Relic presents "a journey through the depths of winter... [and] the mysterious and austere power of German sacred baroque repertoire [in] a series of querulous, bleak and stir-crazy episodes," venturing through "an oasis of celestial solace, before coming to a fiery finish."

Kress has been a lifelong musician. Her mother, a violinist in the Delaware Symphony, raised her as a "hardcore Suzuki baby." She earned her bachelor's degree

in music and psychology, and a Master of Music in violin performance at SUNY Stony Brook. After working as a musician on Long Island and in New York City, she met her mentor at the Amherst Early Music Festival: Aisslinn Nosky, concertmaster at the Handel and Haydn Society in Boston. Kress found her niche in playing a period instrument. To achieve success in the field, she went to study at Juilliard, and now says, "I get hired all over the world to play baroque and period instruments."

She currently pursues a doctorate in music at the University of Maryland, while performing as a period violinist with an array of groups. Kress is a founding member of Quartet Salonières

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Pancakes and Ashes At Community Church

Greenbelt Community Church, United Church of Christ, will hold an annual Shrove Tuesday pancake supper on February 21, from 5:30 to 7 p.m. The menu includes pancakes, sausage and scalloped apples. Donations are accepted.

On Wednesday, February 22 at 6:30 p.m., the church will hold an Ash Wednesday service with the imposition of ashes. The service marks the beginning of the Lenten season. All are welcome to attend both events at an open and affirming church, located at 1 Hillside Road.

Mishkan Torah Offers Free Virtual Book Talk

Join Mishkan Torah on Sunday, February 12 at 2 p.m. for a talk by Mishkan Torah member Diane Tuckman on her book, *Anatomy of a Friendship*, a memoir of her life and the life of her friend Cecile Spiegel across Egypt, Germany, France and the United States. Learn about Jewish life and the stories of two incredible women. The event is free and on Zoom. To register, email AdultPrograms@MishkanTorah.org.

St. Hugh's to Sponsor Mission Here in March

St. Hugh's Catholic Church is coordinating with other local Catholic parishes to co-sponsor a mission under the guidance of the Franciscan University of Steubenville in Ohio. The mission will be held on three evenings: Sunday, March 5 through Tuesday, March 7 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at St. Joseph's Catholic Church, 11007 Montgomery Road, Beltsville.

The three nights will include Catholic speaker, musician and author Dan Harms along with the ministry team from the Franciscan University. Each night will include prayer, music and Eucharistic adoration as well as a time for refreshments and fellowship. There is a small registration fee. To learn more about this mission or to register, visit event.me/w8qyba. Call Mary Ann Tretler at St. Hugh's at 240-517-7559 for additional information.



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February 12, 2023 at 3:00 pm
Choosing Trust

Rev. Ann Kadlecsek with Elizabeth Porter, Liturgist

Trust is at the core of human relationships, communities, and healthy ways of being in the world. And yet we all experience so many reasons not to trust. What is trust, in such an untrustworthy world? How and why might we choose trust anyway?

We regret that the music in our services is not coming through clearly on Zoom or FaceBook. We are trying to fix this problem, but in the meantime please join us in person if you can.

Streaming to our Facebook page, on Zoom and in person at 3:00 at:
University Christian Church, 6800 Adelphi Road, Hyattsville, MD

Bra, Menstrual Product And Toiletry Drive

Greenbelt Alliance for Reproductive Freedom (GARF) participants will be on the Co-op ramp on Saturday, February 11 between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. to collect bras, menstrual products and toiletries to benefit two nonprofits: Shepherd's Cove Emergency Shelter for Women and Children and I Support the Girls, which coordinates the direct delivery of supplies on an as-needed basis to organizations serving women and girls.

Donations can also be dropped off anytime throughout February at bins in six locations: the Co-op Supermarket, the Aquatic & Fitness Center, the Youth Center, Springhill Lake Recreation Center, the New Deal Café and Choice Clinical Services in Roosevelt Center.

New and/or gently used bras of any size or type, new sealed menstrual products and new travel or regular-size toiletries (toothbrushes, toothpaste, soap, shampoo, conditioner, razors) are in high demand. "Gently used" bras means clean, no large stains, broken clasps or straps, holes, stretched out elastic, smoke smell (even after washing), missing underwire or underwire poking through. Other items such as period panties, menstrual cups and new underpants in unopened packages are also needed.

For more information, email greenbeltarf@gmail.com. To make a monetary donation, visit I Support the Girls at bit.ly/ISTGxGreenbeltARF.

City Notes

Black History Month activities began with a thematic Artful Afternoon.

Street Maintenance/Special Details installed Black History Month banners and park rangers posted related flyers at city parks.

Sustainability/Environmental's PowerPoint presentation augmented the Greenbelt Lake Photographers Exhibition at the Patuxent Research Refuge.

Refuse/Recycling collected 24.19 tons of refuse and 10.07 tons of recyclables.

Animal Control sheltered three dogs, eight cats, six kittens and three rabbits.

The Community Center offered free space to the Concert Band, Golden Age Club, Greenbelt Arts Center and Girl Scouts. Staff toured the Police Department and transferred their security system to a different company.

Therapeutic Recreation staff attended the Senior Citizen Advisory Committee meeting and hosted an increasing number of Senior Lunch guests.

At the Prince George's County Job Fair, CARES's Deji Ayoku recruited employers for Greenbelt's own upcoming job fair.

The Greenbelt Assistance in Living (GAIL) program launched its Community Nursing partnership; student nurses from local nursing schools will provide home visits to Greenbelt seniors.

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City Information & Events

The strength of Greenbelt is diverse people living together in a spirit of cooperation. We celebrate all people. By sharing together all are enriched. We strive to be a respectful, welcoming community that is open, accessible, safe and fair.

GREENBELT CITY COUNCIL - REGULAR MEETING Monday, February 13, 2023 at 7:30 pm

ORGANIZATION

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

COMMUNICATIONS

- Presentations**
 - Prince George's County Board of Education District 2 Member
 - Recirculating Car Wash Pilot Program
 - Random Unselfish Acts of Kindness Proclamation
- * Minutes of Council Meetings
- Administrative Reports
- * Committee Reports

LEGISLATION

- City Manager Residency Charter Amendment

OTHER BUSINESS

- Sponsorship Request Policy
- State and County Legislation
- Business Improvement Recovery Fund Round III Grant Program
- Council Activities
- Council Reports
- * Appointment to Advisory Board
- * Meetings
- * Stakeholders

In advance, the hearing impaired is advised to use MD RELAY at 711 to submit your questions/comments or contact the City Clerk at (301) 474-8000 or email banderson@greenbeltmd.gov.

MEETINGS FOR FEBRUARY 13-17

Monday, February 13 at 7:10 pm, **ADVISORY BOARD INTERVIEW**

Wednesday, February 15 at 7:30 pm, **WORK SESSION - CITY MANAGER'S QUARTERLY UPDATE**

Wednesday, February 15 *after Work Session*, **CLOSED SESSION - PERSONNEL MATTERS / PENDING LEGAL ISSUES**

Tuesday, February 15 at 7 pm, **PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD**, *On the Agenda: Approve Agenda, Council Liason Update, Presentations, Recreation Department Update, Administrative Report*

Tuesday, February 15 at 7 pm, **ADVISORY PLANNING BOARD**, *On the Agenda: Approval of Agenda, Approval of Minutes for September 21, 2022 and January 25, 2023, Introduction of Economic Development Manager, Discussion of ARPA Spending Plan for Bicycle and Pedestrian Improvements, Staff Updates*

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OFFICIAL NOTICE

In accordance with Section 3-305(b)(1) and (7) of the General Provisions Article of the Annotated Code of the Public General Laws of Maryland, a closed session of the Greenbelt City Council will be held on Wednesday, February 15, 2023, immediately following the Council Work Session – City Manager's Quarterly Update, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building: 1) to discuss the appointment, employment, assignment, promotion, discipline, demotion, compensation, removal, resignation, or performance evaluation of appointees, employees, or officials over whom this public body has jurisdiction; any other personnel matter that affects one or more specific individuals; 2) to consult with counsel to obtain legal advice on a legal matter.

The purpose of this meeting is 1) to address personnel matters over which this public body has jurisdiction; 2) to consult with legal counsel regarding outstanding legal matters.

*** The public may attend the Council Work Session prior to the closed session and observe the vote of the Council to move into the closed session on Wednesday, February 15, 2023.**

Bonita Anderson, City Clerk

Greenbelt ARPA Funds Assistance Programs Update (as of 2/6/23)

Rent and Utility Assistance
 · 435 Greenbelt Households were granted assistance totaling \$2,218,628.56.

Mortgage and HOA fee Assistance
 · 19 Greenbelt Households were granted assistance totaling \$65,623.41



Resistance and Resilience in the African Diaspora

BLACK HISTORY MONTH 2023

The programs presented this year in recognition of Black History Month 2023 highlight the talents, genius and survival skills of people with African heritage as they strive to live and thrive in various challenging environments.

Presented by Greenbelt Recreation and the Black History and Culture Committee.

Community Art Fun: February 11 12 - 3 pm

Kaiser Health Screening Unit FREE: February 11, 10 am - 3 pm

Free Family Film at the Old Greenbelt Theatre: FREE
 February 26 at 1 pm, Marvel's Black Panther: Wakanda Forever

In Person Cultural Program: February 19, 2:30 - 4:30 pm

Featuring spoken words with **Chris Haley, Sainey Cessay, Francis Stedman;**
 Capoeira Angola with **Mestre Santemu;**
Kweku Owusu drums and dance.

MONTHLY COMMUNITY ART SHARE

Sunday, February 12, 2-3 pm | Teen/Adults | FREE
 Community Center, 15 Crescent

Artists of any skill level are invited to share 1 to 3 pieces of their work (any medium).

Details and sign-up: <http://bit.ly/3X1pkWK>

GAIL PROGRAM OPEN HOUSE

February 15, 1-3 pm

Greenbelt Community Center, Ground Floor East, 15 Crescent Rd

Come visit our new location!

Meet new GAIL staff, hear about current programs and new workshops, blood pressure screening, and light refreshments!

Please RSVP by February 10. Contact Brendy Garcia (240) 424-0302.

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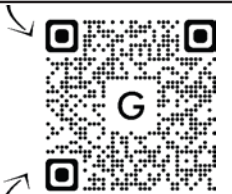
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GREENBELT EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP BECA DE EDUCACIÓN GREENBELT

Application period open through March 31, 2023.

El período de solicitud esta aqui al 31 de marzo de 2023.



FIRST-TIME HOMEBUYERS GRANT PROGRAM

Find out more about the City of Greenbelt First-Time Homebuyers grant program today! The grant funds can be used for closing costs and/or down payment for FHA, VA, USDA, FNMA, or Freddie Mac loans. <http://ow.ly/xlKZ50My327>

PRESIDENTS' DAY OF SERVICE

FEBRUARY 20, 10 AM - 1 PM
BUDDY ATTICK PARK

Be a part of the community effort to protect trees from beaver herbivory at Buddy Attick Park. Volunteers will work with Public Works staff to place wire caging around the trunks of native trees to protect them from beaver herbivory and remove invasive vines.

Register by email at kdriscoll@greenbeltmd.gov.

COMMUNITY POLICE ACADEMY

TUESDAY EVENINGS FROM FEBRUARY 28 - MAY 9
BUDDY ATTICK PARK

A free 11-week course 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.

Applications are due Sunday, February 19.

For more information or to apply, visit www.greenbeltmd.gov/CPA

GREENBELT RECREATION'S SUMMER CAMP GUIDE AT www.greenbeltmd.gov/camps

Registration begins **February 6 at 10 am** for Greenbelt residents, **February 13 at 10 am** for non-residents.

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their art. "Artists have been the storytellers of history; we are the ones that move and make change," Higgs said, "inspiring people worldwide to overcome systematic injustice and oppression with our rich cultural heritage. There are things [in this show] that will wake you up."

One artist named herself Greatness, because, she said, "What matters is that we all have the power to wake up every day and choose greatness." A collector of textiles, Greatness crafted an elaborate fabric headwrap featuring a vivid pattern of black-and-white triangles, along with sunny yellow, emerging from her piece, titled, *The Ancestors Carried Me in their Thoughts* by Greatness. "In African culture women wrapped their heads, or wore their babies on their back, and used fabric to keep the load from off their shoulders," Greatness explained.

Many powerful pieces stand out in this breathtaking show. In the front room, a fauvist portrait of a woman in shades of brilliant orange and magenta, along with the stenciled words "Look at me, see my face, see theirs in mines," is titled *Reflected*, by artist Kay Lee. Nearby, several pieces by Ryan Mista astound with their amazing colors and meticulous draftsmanship. A spray-paint artist, Mista has a practice wall in Mount Rainier. The building owner opposed his paintings at first, but the neighbors came together to support him. Now, the alley has been transformed by his art and the neighbors are granted a revolving display of amazing art. One of Mista's works, *Living in my Shadow*, caught the eye of attendee Temisan Shebi, who felt compelled to learn more: "I had to learn the backstory, and dive deeper. I hate that I had to walk away. It evokes conversation. You can find a personal connection, even while you wonder, do you want that story?"

In the back room, artist Ellen Cort has three pieces on display. She took up art after retiring and began to study at Prince George's Community College. Getting started was hard, but she said, "I'm for adventure. Working through my difficulties, coming out with success in the end."

Her art has appeared in numerous shows at the New Deal and other locations around Prince George's County.

At the Arts Center, a plexi-glass piece by Shaymar Higgs features geometric imagery like a quilt. Peggy Martin said, "The thing I noticed was the static dynamic tension in the quilt pattern. You see what you expect to

Museum Will Host Virtual Tour of Jim Crow Museum

On Wednesday, February 22 at 6 p.m., the Greenbelt Museum will host a free, virtual tour of the Jim Crow Museum of Racist Memorabilia led by staff of the museum, which is located on the campus of Ferris State University in Big Rapids, Mich.

This is a virtual event. Space is limited; register in advance via Eventbrite (link on greenbeltmuseum.org). An email with a Zoom link will be sent to attendees closer to the date of tour. Sponsored by the Friends of the Greenbelt Museum and the City of Greenbelt.



Cover Me + Mine by Keyonna M. Jones

see and then there's something that doesn't fit." Higgs explained that the piece is influenced by the idea of escape maps that are "hidden in plain sight," with arrows pointing the way to freedom. Another artist, Floyd Roberts, thinks about his friends and paints portraits out of what he thinks up: *Miss Patient*, a nurse from West Africa in her home, surrounded by greenery, and Dan-

iel Patrick, an artist in his studio, with artworks and masks behind him. A young artist, Indalyn McCaskill, created the piece *Purple Rain* out of a mistake, when she accidentally got water on the canvas. "It was nice to enjoy myself," she commented. "I felt as though art was so much anxiety for me for a while, just to create and have something beautiful come out was really nice."



PHOTO BY IAN BLACKWELL ROGERS

Shaymar Higgs, center, introduces several artists at the reception, including, from left, Greatness, Indalyn McCaskill, Ryan Mista, and Sam Dodson IV.



The Ancestors Carried Me in Their Thoughts by Greatness



A Review

Art: Powerful, Moving, Hard

by Melanie Iversen

February is here, and Black History Month presents new stories celebrating the creativity born from a long, hard history. The amazing works hanging now at the New Deal Café are important and they will get to you. Take the time to let your eyes listen; these pieces speak volumes, leaving me wanting to know more.

The works beckoned me, and I felt the pull to go slow, surrounded by many different times. A colorful piece, *The Tale of Two Cities* by Kay Lee, showed where Black history started and where it landed, here, chained, in our country. Freedom got entangled with the chains: it was not here to greet them upon their many arrivals. While the artwork was bright, the message was strong and heavy. Reflected by Lee, another large piece, calls out, "Look at me - see my face, see theirs in mines." Powerful words.

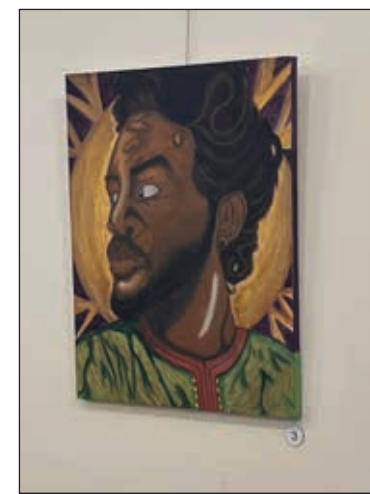
Nelson Mandela by Sam Dodson IV eyed me from across the

room, his black-and-white portrait a witness to years of struggle. A man with his eyes wide open, *Yasssss!* by Ken Carter, felt real to me. I think he was watching the others, making sure they were safe. I sat beside a three-dimensional picture (*The Ancestors Carried Me in their Thoughts* by Greatness) of a woman so realistic I wanted to sit with her, hear her stories and learn more about her. *Cover Me + Mine* by Keyonna M. Jones, an intense work hanging in the hall, resembles twists of rope full of shape and color, complicated and confusing, intertwined in tangles.

In the back room, three pieces hang quietly together, portraits of musicians by Neil Harpe: *Charley*, *Standing at the Crossroads* and *R.J.* I saw musicians playing their truths and I was moved by how subtle black-and-white works show the artists' determination to be heard.



A Tale of Two Cities by Kay Lee



Yasssss! by Ken Carter

- Photos by Melanie Iversen

SUMMONS AND NOTICE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, COUNTY OF RICHLAND IN THE FAMILY COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT.

Docket No. 21DR403843 Dominic Ward Plaintiff vs. Sabrina Lloyd, Defendant. To the Defendant. You are summoned and required to answer the Complaint in this action. The original has been filed in the office of Clerk for Richland County, SC, a copy of which will be delivered to you upon request. You must serve a copy of your Answer to the Plaintiff at 105 Milkweed Road, Elgin SC 29045, within thirty (30) days after service. If you fail to answer the Complaint in the time stated, judgement by default will be entered against you for relief of the Complaint. Dated 01/17/2023 Dominic Ward, Plaintiff.

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GATE'S ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

(in person)

26 MARCH 2023 • 3:00 PM
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A Community's Trust Matters To State Senator Washington

by Susan Taylor

After backing from the District 22 delegation, Prince George's County Democratic Central Committee and many residents, Maryland Governor Wes Moore appointed State Delegate Alonzo T. Washington to fill the Senate seat vacated by long-time State Senator Paul Pinsky. Washington feels



Alonzo Washington

honored to be the first Black state senator from District 22. "I don't take the trust that this community has given me for granted."

In his recent conversation with the News Review, newly sworn-in Senator Washington spoke widely about his dedication to the needs of the land and people of Maryland and homed in on the specific priorities of Greenbelt.

Continuing His Vision

When asked how his legislative vision may change in this new role, Washington stated, "I don't think my vision for Maryland and Greenbelt has changed. I stand true to my progressive values to make sure that Black and brown people, and the most vulnerable people in Maryland are successful," declared Washington.

Strong and effective public education is a prime concern. "I want to see high quality, world-class public schools for all of our students," he said.

Washington continued by highlighting his commitment to "climate justice" in the district and for the Chesapeake Bay.

Childhood poverty is a concern close to Washington's heart and personal experience, stating, "I want to make sure that people are welcomed in Greenbelt and not pushed out by developers."

Focus on Education

Washington has been a member of a work group developing new guidelines and procedures for the Prince George's County Public Schools (PGCPS) school board as it transitions to an all-elected board. Those new structures will be detailed in a bill to be introduced by the county's legislative team this session.

As he had in 2018, Washington has sponsored a bill (PG 501-23) to create an Office of Integrity and Compliance to oversee both PGCPS and the board. The new office would "provide more

oversight, accountability and transparency" to "stop the long history of disturbing instances of waste, fraud and abuse within our school system." Washington wants residents to have confidence that PGCPS is providing students an education that demonstrates that "money is well spent," and

"to give the new board the power it needs to hold our school system accountable."

"The current board system isn't working right now," he said, and he is determined to attract dedicated professionals to the board and offer support (such as a higher wage and more staff), "so they're more successful in their jobs."

Maglev and Streetscapes

Looking at Greenbelt-specific initiatives, Washington mentioned three: maglev, Greenbelt Road Streetscape and the potential relocation of the FBI headquarters.

"We're going to work really hard to be sure the governor does not fund any of the projects associated with the maglev" assured Washington. "There's ample amount of money available to build new transit." Washington is determined that none of that money will be spent on maglev-associated projects, even studies.

Washington believes "if we do it the right way," the FBI relocation will bring "sustainable economic development" that will support and align with "Greenbelt's visions."

In particular, Washington hopes that his new role will allow him to "push forward" Greenbelt Road improvements to the streetscape, saying, "This will be one of the top transportation issues for us this session."

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and Relic, both out of New York, and Musicivic Baroque (Pennsylvania). She is a core member of Repast Baroque Ensemble,



Natalie Kress

PHOTO COURTESY NATALIE KRESS

and concertmaster of La Grande Bande of Minnesota. She plays frequently with The Handel and Haydn Society (Massachusetts), the Washington Bach Consort, The Washington National Cathedral Baroque Orchestra, The English Concert and many more.

Relic will also present concerts during February in Washington, D.C., Alexandria, Richmond, Pennsylvania and New York City (live stream link at relicensemble.org/events). Find out more about the group at relicensemble.org, and watch a video clip here: https://youtu.be/_xdiufBmCUg.

Relic: Free Concert Schedule

Audience members are encouraged to register at relicensemble.org/events. See QR code in the ad on this page.

Thursday, February 16, 2 p.m. Open Rehearsal, Community Center, Room 201

Thursday, February 16, 7:30 p.m. Concert, Community Church

Saturday, February 18, 9:30 a.m. Children's Concert, Community Center, Room 114

Monday, February 20, noon, Lunchtime Concert, New Deal Café

Friday, February 24, 8 p.m. Concert, University of Maryland Baroque Ensemble Collaboration with Relic and Aisslinn Nosky, Clarence Smith Performing Arts Center, Gildenhorn Recital Hall

Sunday, February 26, 3 p.m. UMD Baroque Ensemble Collaboration with Relic and Aisslinn Nosky, Greenbelt Community Church

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My said Attorney-in-fact: Orin Wayne Solomon© is empowered hereby to determine in his sole discretion the time, purpose for and manner in which any power herein conferred upon his shall be exercised, and the conditions, provisions and covenants of any instrument(s) or Document(s) which may be executed by his pursuant hereto; and in the acquisition or distribution of real, personal or private property, my said Attorney-in-fact shall have exclusive power to fix the terms or amounts thereof for cash, funds, credit and/or affecting all property, including rights, titles, interest to same and if on/for credit with or without security.

WITNESS my hand this 30th day of May,2018

Signature by accommodation UCC 3-419

/s/ ORIN WAYNE SOLOMON

Debtor

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On 05-30-2018 before me.

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Goddard Montessori, Dora Kennedy French Immersion and Glenarden Woods). Thus, Greenbelt Bots was born.

Saha along with Praveen Noojipady, a senior scientist at NASA Goddard, had several goals for the team that they would coach and mentor. Most importantly, they hoped that the kids would learn the “gracious professionalism” espoused by FLL and the league’s core values of discovery, innovation, impact, inclusion, teamwork and fun. They also wanted to help them develop a research mindset. “First Lego League gives them this opportunity to introduce science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) through fun, exciting hands-on experience,” noted Saha. “Participants gain real-world problem-solving experience through a guided, global robotics program.”

Hard Work

The team registered with the FLL in August and throughout the fall they met once a week. In those early meetings they talked about the process, trained themselves to work as a team and built the different missions required. Most of the sessions lasted for an average of three hours. The FLL helps the mentors build lesson plans for every session and the kids took notes in their own engineering notebooks. This helped prepare them to develop strategies for their later missions and find solutions for their innovation idea. Fulfilling missions involved building spike prime codes (very similar to scratch programs) to control their robot. By December they started meeting twice a week and had regular practice through robotic games.

The Innovation Problem

Every team is required to devise an innovation problem. This year’s broad topic was to address global challenges related to the United Nations Sustainable Development Goal Seven, focused on ensuring access to affordable, reliable, sustainable and modern energy for all. With Noojipady as innovation mentor, the Greenbelt Bot team researched and brainstormed various power sources and issues surrounding their generation and distribution during some of their meetings. They also divided research among themselves and came back to report what they’d discovered to the group at the next session. The question they ultimately chose was “How to reduce the carbon footprint from hydroelectric power generation.”

The team figured out numerous different ways the carbon footprint increases in a big hydel power project and then they proposed their solution, which was to have multiple “check dams” along the mouth of the tributaries joining a main river. They spent about three sessions developing a 3D model from paper wraps, egg cartons, glue, casting rolls, colors and artificial vegetation.

Final Preparation

Their final few meetings were filled with intense practice sessions for the robotic games, the innovation problem presentation they would have to give and preparation for the judging sessions. In addition to guidance from Praveen, the team also met with an energy sector stakeholder, Prabuddha Banerjee and learned a lot about the energy sector from him.



PHOTO BY KORAK SAHA

The Greenbelt Bots take second place in the category of Core Values. Pictured from left are Soham Chaudhuri, Sam Winternitz, Callum Bedford-Dillow, Tanvi Saha and Spandana Noojipady.

The Competition

On Saturday the atmosphere at APL’s Koissiakof Convention Center was charged with excitement and full of positive energy as hundreds of people gathered. Twenty-two teams along with their coaches, family members and other supporters were present for the qualifiers. One organizer said that in over a decade organizing the event this was their first experience of a full house, with every team showing up for the competition.

The robots competed on large tables with challenges distributed around a map across the surface. There were four tables altogether for simultaneous runs, one team per table. In the morning the teams were assigned practice times on the tables and those that weren’t practicing milled around the room, watching how the other teams tried to solve the challenges with their robots. The variety of designs was impressive;

no two bots were quite the same.

Two tables were back-to-back, adding to the noise and cross-talk that filled the center at all times. It was loud inside, with people cheering for their respective teams while they competed in the robotics games, and the competitors interacting with each other, the judges and the general public.

The competition runs were well organized and meticulously timed. Teams had 10 minutes to set up, get ready and complete the mission. The time limit for their run was just 2.5 minutes. Then the judges reviewed the points earned, completed paperwork and reset the map for the next run.

Competition Problems

The Greenbelt Bots discovered their greatest challenge of the competition would be the difference in surface friction on the competition tables, which were not what they had been used to



PHOTO BY THONG NGO, FIRST LEGO LEAGUE

Spandana Noojipady, Callum Bedford-Dillow and Tanvi Saha talk with judges at the Maryland First Lego League competition on Saturday.

practicing with. They set to work with emergency problem-solving and ended up adding ballast to try to counter the low-friction problem. They’d have three runs on two different tables and the best of the three would determine their robot-based score.

In one of their challenges, they missed a windmill that was on the map, and an energy cell from a solar field, and though the robot managed to collect an energy cell from a power plant at the end, it wasn’t able to drop it before the time ran out. Their score wasn’t what they’d hoped for or what they’d achieved during their practice runs, but they ended up in the top 15 for the day – not bad for a rookie team with the youngest kids.

Interviews

The robot games are only one part of the FLL competition. Each team was also given an intense 30-minute interview by the judges. Questions covered the three major areas of the competition – their robot, their innovation project and their approach to the FLL core values. During the interview, team coaches were present but only the children could answer.

“The judging interview was a unique experience for them,”

reflected Saha. “The judges were very polite, patient and provided them with wonderful feedback which will help them in the long run.”

2nd Place, Core Values

Though their robot games didn’t earn them a top score, the Greenbelt Bots took second place in the category of Core Values, which is judged on professionalism and cooperation through FLL’s core values of discovery, innovation, impact, inclusion, teamwork and fun.

A Great Experience

“I think it is a great achievement for a rookie team like ours and inspires us to do better in future,” said Korak Saha, who was proud of the team’s work and confident they were set to grow. “I am sure we will make it to the state level next time if we learn from the feedback that we received from the judges,” he said. Shalini Saha was pleased their daughter had enjoyed so much fun with her teammates. “She not only made new friends but she learned so many good things from them, which was reflected in the judges’ comments,” said Shalini. “They said, ‘You guys are so polite to each other, we APL scientists should learn See **ROBOTICS**, page 9

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from all of you!” she shared. Their daughter, Tanvi, who is 10 years old, agreed that working with her teammates had been a wonderful experience and the competition an exciting capstone to their months of work together. “We had a lot of fun there,” said Tanvi. “Sometimes our robot didn’t work the way we wanted it to, but in the end we scored fairly well. The judges were very nice and gave us positive feedback and tips on how to improve our innovation project and robot design.” Soham Chaudhuri, who is 9 years old, agreed, “I got new friends and leaned coding,” he said. “I was hesitant and nervous when I joined the group,” said Spandana Noojipady, also 9 years old, “but it got better as we worked together as a group and got to learn new things from each other. I will definitely stay with the team and try to make it to the state level!”

Call for More STEM

“In a city like Greenbelt, where we care a lot about the overall development of our kids, it is important to take part in these competitions to give our kids more exposure to science and technology,” said Korak Saha. “In the past we used to have a MakerSpace where different teams could meet and practice for the robotic games (which requires a large wooden table), until it closed [its physical location] a few years ago,” he said. Youths used to meet for hands-on experience with technology, to play games, encounter 3-D printing and other STEM offerings, among other things at the old MakerSpace (which has recently

opened a tool lending library from the basement of the Granite Building). “I would like to appeal to city officials to consider opening or supporting such a common facility for the overall development of our kids,” he added.

Not Just Robotics

Asked what he’d want other parents to know about Lego Robotics, Saha says, “Remember the FLL competition is not only about robotics. Yes, robotics is a major part but it is just one third of the overall competition, the other two parts being core values and the innovation project.” The skills the youths learn are broader than robotics, he stressed: “Along with engineering and coding skills, the teams learn how to make professional presentations, explore new skills and ideas in innovation projects, apply what we learn to improve the world, be stronger together as a team and enjoy and celebrate what we do! It is not about winning but having fun!” said Saha. “It is very easy to build a team,” he said, stressing that the parents had supported the team in their effort. “Praveen and I couldn’t have helped the kids without their support,” he told the News Review. For further information, Saha invites people to reach out to the team. “We have a couple of youth and adult mentors who can help you begin the team building process,” he offered.

To learn more about the Maryland First Lego League, visit marylandfll.org.

The author is also the parent of one of the Greenbelt Bot team members.

Best Band in Town



PHOTO BY R. CANAVAN

Magical Mystery Girls at the New Deal Café

On January 29 the Magical Mystery Girls, a talented all-female Beatles cover band performed at the New Deal Café. The band said they were drawn to perform at the New Deal (where bands perform without cover charge) in part for the community spirit they find em-

bodied there ... and the tacos.

A six-year-old in the audience was among those captivated by their music and stage presence. “They’re the best band in town,” she said, singing, “Na na na na na na na na na” as she walked off into the night.

Ukraine Vigil



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Greenbelters show their support for Ukraine on Sunday, January 29. From left, Frank Gervasi, Marj Donn, David Shapiro, Donna Hoffmeister, Bill Orleans and Kathy Bartolomeo



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The Greenbelt Bots gather around their 3-D model.

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Love Notes



Sue
 You took me in when I
 Needed a safe place and
 Spoiled me rotten
 I love you!
 Buddy

A notre Petite-Fille, prize winning Boulanger.
 She makes the most gateaux délicieux.
 We look forward to our birthdays and anniversaires
 découvrir what délicieux gâteau you will cuire.
 Joyeuse Saint Valentin. Nous t'aimons.
 Residence Fulton. Grand-pere et Grand-mere.

To JD from AD,
 My fiancée she so pretty
 She make me write bad poeitty
 Funky, spunky, loyal, true
 All that and a bag of chips.

Roses are Red,
 Violets Are Blue,
 Reports of a Steal
 Are entirely untrue

Roses are Red
 Daffodils are Yellow
 To my dearest Rick
 You're one lovely fellow.
 The Bean

Beloved Bob and Isobel!
 You make my life meaningful
 and my heart sing.
 I'm so grateful.
 Happy Valentine's
 Day!

After 41 years
 Your smile still grabs me
 Your arms lift my spirits
 And your chef hat is still becoming.
 Love is in the air.
 Feets

Roses are red
 Violets are blue,
 Keep our Preserve
 Wooded and wild,
 Please know it's good
 for you.

Love our mothers, sisters, daughters,
 One in despair, another rejoices.
 While some prosper, some are crushed.
 Hear the stories, love the voices.
 Help them thrive or force their labor?
 Please trust women with their choices.

Forging a path of forest love requires
 Dancing deftly with film
 and digital dexterity of the wood wide web
 As you do with such aplomb.

From Plateau Place to
 Reindeer Run to
 Cruises and safaris,
 I will always love you
 wherever we go
 together!
 Happy Valentine's Day!

Keen to save our earth,
 To Green Man you gave birth.
 Through beauty, trees, and mirth
 We embrace our earth.

Lisa, Sarah, Jenny, Joe and Pete
 And in turn, Toby, Vasili, Jake, Ricky,
 Jenna, Michael, Savannah, Darien, Jeff, Lindsay, Margaret,
 Catherine, Griffin, Josie, Liz, Summer & Jasper
 Granma and Granpa Meetre love you all to bits.
 And back again

Russell – Nationals' color is red,
 One of Capitals' color is blue,
 I'm happy to have a brother like you.
 –Suzanne

There was a young lad
 Who needed a change,
 So he packed up his bags,
 And went out to the range.
 He meditated on mountaintops,
 Learned to ski down the side.
 His new ventures have enriched him,
 And he fills his parents with pride.

Celebrate this Valentine's Day
 by letting your body move and sway.
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 10 a.m. Fridays, a wonderful time!
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Streams of love! Thank you, Tom,
 for carrying
 BCWWG forward and speaking for
 the watershed!

While my white Christmas Rose
 Is Blooming, I await Lenten's
 Broadening the color range:
 From dusky burgundy
 Through all manner of sweet pinks!
 A single plant with double Yellow
 Blooms is late winter's Joy!

To Annie, from Marc:
 Dear Annie my love it is true
 For me there is no one but you
 You're kind and you're wise
 With those great big brown eyes
 And you're warm and you're cuddly, too!

Roses are red
 Violets are blue,
 O wondrous Forest
 Greenbelt loves you.

Greenbelt is Great
 But even greater
 with love
 Because we all count!
 Happy Valentine's Day
 Love,
 Konrad Herling

We love you Greenbelt!
 You never cease to amaze.
 Quirky and weird
 In so many ways.
 Volunteers by the dozen,
 Artists galore,
 Activists many,
 Musicians and more.
 Woodlands and gardens,
 A delight to behold,
 Laughter aplenty;
 Greenbelt, you're gold.

Roses are red
 Violets are blue
 Greenbelt Theater is open
 All that's missing is you!
 Love, The Old Greenbelt Theatre

Oh, Pumpkin Queens,
 Allison, Melissa, Amy, Stacy,
 Who have dressed HER yearly
 In orange harvest glow –
 We thank you so.

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There was a young lad who simply couldn't decide,
 Whether to be on the East or the West of the Great Divide.
 So he split the difference and found lodging on either side.
 Now he has the best of everything,
 With close friends & family far and wide.

Folks at 1 Northway
 Celebrate, support and share
 Happy to be here!
 ♥ Patrice



The soda is cold
 The popcorn is hot
 We're here 7 days
 How come you're not?
 Love, The Old
 Greenbelt Theatre

Colleagues and friends at the ol' News Review,
 Can't thank you enough for all I owe you.
 While during the winter warm weather I seek,
 You're working to put out the paper each week.
 You deal with the email and forward the letters,
 Make Tracker and blotter and front page all better.
 While I'm basking in sunshine and gazing at birds,
 I'm more grateful to you than I can put into words.

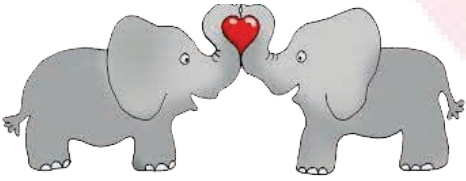


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 your culture and individual personalities.

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 Deniz and Ahmed, Happy Valentine's Day!
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If you're looking for something to do,
 that's close by and affordable too,
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 Love, The Old Greenbelt Theatre



M – I finally found my
 love of a lifetime in you.
 I only wish our lifetime
 together had started sooner.
 Thank you for loving me
 just the way I am and
 showing me what it's like to
 truly be loved by someone.
 Happy Anniversary &
 Happy Valentine's Day!
 I love you ♥ -J

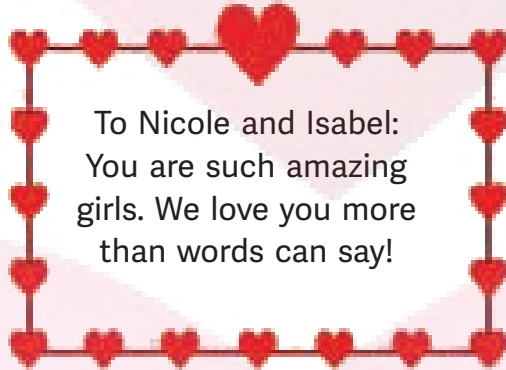
Dear Forest Full of Trees,
 How do I love thee?
 Deep in my chest,
 With each breath we share.
 I love your air the best.



Boo –
 Thank you for being you.
 You are awesome.
 Let's go to the cabin!
 – Love, Frodo and me!



Wrap Wrap Wrap –
 Like a present now...
 Love you Bean and Boo
 Now put a bow on Top!



To Nicole and Isabel:
 You are such amazing
 girls. We love you more
 than words can say!

Old man, with our age difference,
 This was inevitable.
 Son of Beach, Devo, enjoy Doggy Heaven.
 Love, Your Morning Sunshine



A mi cielo Marco:
 What would I do without you?
 No one to give me the puzzle clue
 My sous chef and fixer of all
 Birder who knows all the calls
 Time to go on a fun trip
 Some Portuguese wine we will sip
 After 40 years plus, I still love you
 so much!



A Haiku for Miche:
 I love you truly
 From now to the end of time
 And so do our cats!



RIGHT IN THE HEART OF OUR TOWN
 IS THE JEWEL IN OLD GREENBELT'S CROWN,
 COME IN AND YOU'LL SEE,
 WHEN YOU'RE AT OGT
 YOU CAN'T POSSIBLY LEAVE WITH A FROWN!
 LOVE, THE OLD GREENBELT THEATRE



TO MY DEAR LUMBERJACK:
 THANK YOU FOR DOING SO MANY KIND THINGS. YOU
 ARE OFTEN MY HERO AND ALWAYS MY BUCKET.
 LOVE, YOUR LUMP FOREVER!



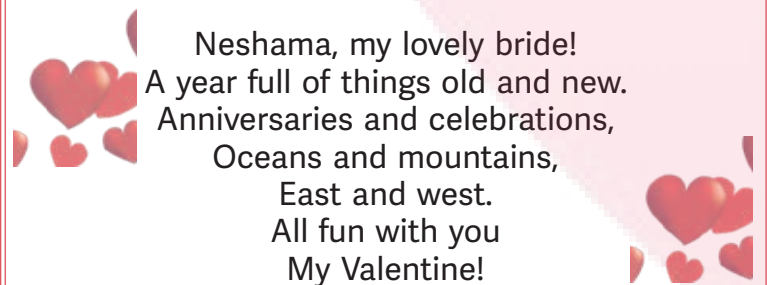
Azaleas are pink,
 Budding Trees Green,
 The North Woods in
 Spring
 Are truly inspiring!
 We love our woods.
 Lynn & John



Simon
 Solid, charming, affectionate cat
 Waiting at the Shelter
 For someone to call his own
 O! for arms big enough to hold your love
 And a lap wide enough to hold your belly!
 Sweet boy
 I adore you.
 – Jen



Neshama, my lovely bride!
 A year full of things old and new.
 Anniversaries and celebrations,
 Oceans and mountains,
 East and west.
 All fun with you
 My Valentine!



Dear B.
 I love you like the forever kind of love!
 – Love, E.



JLB–
 I love you much more than the moon and the stars,
 A sports car, ice cream or a million guitars
 Much more than the hair I ain't got on my head,
 As warm as you keep me, all snuggled in bed.
 More than the coffee I brew right on cue,
 But mostly I love you, just 'cause you are you!

MGS

Fair Nancy, my heart doth skip,
 Being without you would give me a hip.
 We'll laugh and love until we're old,
 Surely a story to be told.
 Happy Valentine's Day!



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the National Aeronautics and Space Administration wanted to put up for sale. That plan was tabled amid pushback from refuge advocates.

Now, Prince George's County is weighing plans to develop 97 mostly forested acres of public land along the refuge's southeastern border. The county last summer called for proposals to build a "mixed-use transit village" next to the MARC commuter rail station at Bowie State University.

"The site is central to Prince George's County's broader economic development goals, the growth of Bowie State University and the needs of the surrounding community," said a county-sponsored report by the Urban Land Institute. The 2020 report envisioned graduate student housing, shops and eateries, plus possibly some offices, a brewery and data center.

Refuge Manager Jennifer Greiner hopes it's not too late to get the county to reconsider. That land has served the refuge for decades as a buffer from the noise, light and pollution of nearby traffic and development, she said.

Greiner wrote the county's economic development chief in December suggesting that the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service would like to buy that tract, along with another 100-plus mostly wooded acres of adjoining county-owned land, to add to the refuge.

"There are a lot of reasons not to build in there," Greiner said in an interview. "Even if it weren't next to the wildlife refuge, it

still seems ill-advised to develop there."

Much of the 219 acres of public land between the refuge and Bowie State is high-quality forest, she said. Satellite images show more than 11,000 trees there that a NASA scientist estimated sequester 3,500 tons of carbon, she said.

Those woodlands also have effectively shielded sensitive forest habitat on the refuge used by birds and bats, Greiner added, including endangered northern long-eared bats.

Preserving the forest would help air quality, she said, while clearing trees and disturbing wetlands on the site would increase sediment runoff to streams that feed into the Patuxent River, a Chesapeake Bay tributary that flows through the refuge. Development in the D.C. suburbs is already taking an environmental toll. Prince George's, which is Maryland's second most populous county, lost more forest than any other county in the state from 2013 to 2018, according to a recent study by the Harry R. Hughes Center for Agro-Ecology of the University of Maryland.

[The refuge] "is beset by threats on every boundary now," said Richard Dolesh, board chair of the Friends of Patuxent. "Times have changed. What was kind of a sleepy rural undeveloped part of the Baltimore-Washington corridor is now facing intense development pressures."

Indeed, in addition to threatened encroachment along its borders, the refuge itself faces

potential incursion. A group of investors has proposed building a superconducting magnetic levitation rail line from D.C. to Baltimore, and one of the two routes being considered would run through the refuge.

During the decades since its establishment, scientists at Patuxent have worked on the captive breeding of endangered whooping cranes and traced the toxic DDT pesticide through the wildlife food chain, among other projects.

Since 1996, research there has been conducted by the U.S. Geological Survey. But the refuge, managed by the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, remains vital deep-forest habitat for migratory songbirds such as the scarlet tanager and the wood thrush. The late ornithologist Chandler Robbins, who spent 60 years working there, used it and nearby lands to document the harmful impacts of forest fragmentation on bird populations.

Angie Rodgers, the county's deputy chief administrative officer for economic development, referred queries about the project to others on staff. Jose Sousa, an assistant, replied by email that the county and Bowie State have been talking about developing the site for more than a decade. The county issued a public request for expression of interest from potential developers in 2021, he noted, and followed that up with a request for specific proposals in June 2022.

But Greiner said she only learned about the proposed development last summer from some-



PHOTO BY DAVID HARP

Signage guides hikers along a wooded section of the Cash Lake Trail at the Patuxent Research Refuge.

one who had seen the county's call for proposals. The wildlife service has long been interested in acquiring that land, she said. The agency attempted to buy it years ago when it was owned by a different public entity.

"As a neighbor, an immediate neighbor, and as a prospective buyer, we should have been engaged in the process," she said. She had planned to voice her concerns at a county public hearing on the development in September, but it was canceled and has not been rescheduled.

Thomas Dernoga, chair of the Prince George's County Council, said through a spokesperson that he knows the county and Bowie State are interested in developing around the MARC station but had not heard concerns about the project before. While unwilling to state a firm opinion without knowing more, he said that gen-

erally, "I am very supportive of expanding the Patuxent Wildlife Research Refuge."

Janet Gingold, chair of the Prince George's group of the Maryland Sierra Club, called it a "complex situation," noting that her group generally supports transit-oriented development.

"We hope that a plan can be developed that limits the development to the area closest to, and within walking distance, of the MARC station and preserves most of the forest land as part of the Patuxent Research Refuge," she said in an email.

Part of the county-owned land had been a sand and gravel mine, she noted, and is still recovering from that disturbance.

"I hope that appropriate biological and soil experts will be able to assess the property to

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Vultures Roost in Old Greenbelt

by Mike Reinsel



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Black vultures gather against an evening sky.

Black vultures have descended upon Old Greenbelt and are roosting in tall trees. From Ridge Road, vultures can be seen in flight and on high tree branches. Where do they go at morning rush hour, and why do they commute back each evening? What are they eating? The “committee of vultures” has grown to 50 in number. Where did they find the new recruits? All of the vultures look like they are the same size; they must grow up fast. Have their vulture chicks all grown to full size in one year?

It’s easy to tell that these are not regular turkey vultures. Turkey vultures have a neck like a gobbler and a red head. Black vultures have all black, shiny feathers. They both weigh about three pounds, much smaller than a farm turkey. There are actually 23 species of vultures on our planet, if one counts condors. They all live up to their reputation of spending each day soaring high and looking down for dead animals to eat together.

For those who are curious about birds, people who like to look for different bird types in various habitats (known as birdwatchers or birders) often enjoy taking newbies along. But everyone knows at least some bird names, and observes bird behavior. One can learn a lot in one hour with a seasoned birder, and most likely one will then try to find a way to watch birds again. There are lots of people strolling around in nature by themselves, with binoculars, khaki clothes and a fun hat. But those kinds are also in clubs of birders. Right around here, there is the Prince George’s Audubon Society and the Patuxent Bird Club of the Maryland Ornithological Society, and many folks are in both.

Four great local places to spot and watch birds are Greenbelt Lake in Buddy Attick Park, Lake Artemesia in nearby Berwyn Heights, Patuxent Research Refuge’s National Wildlife Visitors Center with its birding trail a few miles away, and one’s own yard. Although the author has birded in faraway places, he keeps walking down to Greenbelt Lake, a hotspot with an eBird tally of 189 bird species sighted. At the Luther Goldman Birding Trail at Lake Artemesia, organized bird walks happen every 1st and 3rd Thursday, offering a great classroom for beginners to take a dip into birding, and a

quite interesting afternoon splash for old-timers, too. There are 456 species of birds recorded in Maryland, and surprisingly, about half of those have been spotted at Lake Artemesia. Both lakes are excellent for birding on the coldest, most bitter days of February, when there are a variety of ducks and LBJs, little brown jobs.

For those who want to bird-

watch with people who are really enthusiastic, take some kids. And the children in Greenbelt really like to see our black vultures soaring way up high, in a spiral flock that is called a “kettle.”

As to our new roost of vultures, accept them as the older cousins of all the colorful warblers and those LBJs. And maybe get some binoculars.

Greenbelt Park Readies Trails For Phased Reopening Soon

Greenbelt Park Ranger Kevin P. Barry greeted the National Park Service Arborist Incident Response (AIR) team on Monday, January 23. The AIR team came to Greenbelt Park to aid the National Capital Parks–East maintenance personnel in clearing the trails that were closed in response to the July 13, 2022, storm that uprooted over a hundred trees and closed the park

for four months. On October 1, Greenbelt Park reopened the campgrounds, picnic areas, roads and park headquarters, but the trails had remained closed. The AIR team assisted in tree clearing operations on the Park’s trails from January 23 to February 3. Next, maintenance personnel will assess the trails’ condition and conduct a phased reopening.



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Greenbelt Park Ranger Kevin P. Barry greets the National Park Service Arborist Incident Response (AIR) team on January 23.

Greenbelt Lake Photography Exhibit

The Patuxent Research Refuge is exhibiting the work of Greenbelt Lake photographers through February 28 at the National Wildlife Visitor Center’s Hollingsworth Gallery. The exhibit features Greenbelt Lake’s natural beauty with local photographers’ images of the lake’s fauna, flora and landscapes.

The Visitor Center is located at 10901 Scarlet Tanager Loop, off Powder Mill Road, and is open Tuesdays through Saturdays 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

CHEARS Workshop On Winter Sowing

A workshop sponsored by CHEARS will show how sowing seeds in winter can be done without a lot of cost and effort resulting in hearty plants ready to go into the ground by spring.

The workshop will be held on Saturday, February 18 at 2 p.m. in Room 202 of the Community Center. To register, email susanmarycahill@gmail.com. The first 30 registrants will get free, prepped, upcycled-plastic jugs filled with seed-starting mix and sown with the seeds of a regionally native pollinator plant. One jug per household.

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determine its current status,” she concluded, “and that all efforts will be made to conserve the mature forests. The Patuxent Research Refuge is a treasure that must be safeguarded.”

The Patuxent River Commission, a multijurisdictional advisory body created by the legislature to look out for the river’s welfare, wrote the county in December urging it to consider the wildlife service’s offer to buy or protect via easement all or part of the 219-acre tract.

Dolesh of the Friends of Patuxent said he fears that the MARC station development project is “hardwired” at this point and it’s too late to head it off. He suggested there still could be a “win-win” outcome if the county would set aside the other 100-plus acres of county-owned land to buffer the refuge.

But refuge manager Greiner said that the acreage closer to the MARC station has the most mature forest.

“All of it is ecologically valuable land,” she said, “or we wouldn’t have had it [in mind] for so many years.” But she added, “A lot of the big trees are on what I call the front half, the half closer to Bowie State. That’s kind of the pickle of it.”

Greiner said that the county’s plan to develop this forested land appears out of step with its new “climate action plan.”

Adopted by the county council in July, the plan sets a goal of reducing greenhouse gas emissions in Prince George’s 50 percent below 2005 levels by 2030, with a further goal of carbon neutrality by 2050. Among its more than two dozen recommendations, the plan calls for maintaining county-wide forest and tree cover at 52 percent through 2030 and expanding it to 55 percent by 2050.

“This is a very important test of how we take climate change mitigation and adaptation into account as we make land-use decisions, not just developer profits,” the Sierra Club’s Gingold said.

Greiner said she’s not insensitive to the needs of Bowie State, Maryland’s oldest historically Black university. She hopes the refuge and the university could collaborate on using the forest as a “giant outdoor learning laboratory” for students while limiting development to the three acres or so of land the school owns adjacent to the MARC station.

Greiner said that she’s received no response to her letter seeking time to put in an offer to buy the tract. She did get a meeting in September with three county economic development staffers and told them then the federal wildlife service would need about six months to evaluate and assess the property, then another six months or so to get funding approved for a purchase.

“I’m hopeful that maybe they’ll press the pause button,” Greiner said.

Timothy Wheeler is an associate editor and senior writer at the Bay Journal

Talk on Resistance To Slavery on Feb. 18

The Montpelier House Museum is presenting a talk on Defying the Odds: Resistance to Slavery at Montpelier on Saturday, February 18 at 2 p.m. Register online at tinyurl.com/defyingodds.

Montpelier is also presenting free tours throughout February in celebration of Black History Month. The museum is open Thursdays through Mondays from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. No reservations necessary.



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can be used for tuition, expenses such as school/lab/class fees, and other costs directly related to education and training. They will be paid directly to educational institutions. The city allocated \$500,000 for scholarships. For those with goals for a university degree, this scholarship is even more powerful when combined with the University of Maryland College Park's commitment to provide up to \$20M for tuition and fees for in-state full-time students (UMCP Fills Funding Gaps for In-state Undergraduates, Greenbelt News Review, December 22, 2022)

Debi Sandlin, interim assistant city manager, and Liz Park, Greenbelt CARES director, described the target audience as 17- to 23-years old, emphasizing the scholarship is not merit-based, but focused on Covid impact, economic need, students who may have missed scholarships for new graduates because of pandemic-induced education delays and especially those who are the first in their family pursuing education beyond high school. So far, they have communicated the program to guidance counselors, PTAs, Greenbelt homeschoolers, unions, trade schools and Franklin Park residents.

The scholarship requires application by email, including an essay, references and documentation of Greenbelt residency, transcripts, income and application/acceptance at an educational institution. Applications must be received by 5 p.m. March 31, 2023, for the 2023-2024 school year. Greenbelt's Advisory Committee on Education will evaluate the applications, with applicants to be notified by mid-June. One resident has already applied. Learn more and apply at greenbeltd.gov/Home/Components/News/News/498.

First-time Homebuyers

Since the average DMV monthly rent is \$2,555, Sandlin noted it may be more economical to buy a house, with which a family can begin accumulating generational wealth. The Greenbelt Home Advantage Program will grant up to \$15,000 for closing costs and/or down payments for FHA, VA, USDA, Fannie Mae or Freddie Mac mortgages. Eligibility requirements include being an existing renter in ZIP code 20770 for 12 or more consecutive months; purchasing a home in 20770 for their own occupancy; income and purchase price limits; owning no other real estate at purchase time and taking a homebuyer education class. U.S. citizenship is not required. The program is for first-time

homebuyers, persons who haven't owned a home in the past three years, and honorably discharged veterans who previously used a first-time homebuyer program. The program currently does not support purchase of Greenbelt Homes, Inc. (GHI) homes, but support for GHI purchases is forthcoming. The city allocated \$400,000 for non-GHI grants, and \$100,000 for GHI grants.

Greenbelt partnered with the state's Department of Housing and Community Development/Community Development Administration Maryland Mortgage Program (MMP) to administer the service, since MMP already has similar programs and processes, including lower interest rates to first-time homebuyers. Buyers work with MMP to confirm eligibility, and select a lender and prequalify for loans; and identify a homebuyer class. Lenders advance the \$15K to the seller at closing, and the state's Community Development Administration reimburses the lender with Greenbelt's funds. One prospective Greenbelt homebuyer has prequalified so far. Learn more from <http://ow.ly/Xyyp50My37l>, realtors and lenders, and city-hosted information sessions expected to begin in February, where attendees can talk directly with city and MMP staff. Sandlin said realtors and lenders serving Greenbelt are already familiar with the program.

Healthcare Vouchers

Know someone who delayed healthcare because of the pandemic? To support healthy Greenbelters, this program partners with two Greenbelt healthcare providers, CCI Health Services and Old Greenbelt Family Health (OGFH), to provide free medical, dental and behavioral healthcare to Greenbelt residents affected by Covid. The city coordinated with the U.S. Treasury to allow the funds to be applied with broad guidelines, including delayed healthcare, pandemic impacts on mental health, and healthcare for those in Covid high risk groups. Eligibility requirements include being uninsured or underinsured, income limits and ineligibility for other programs such as Medicaid. The city allocated \$450,000 for vouchers at CCI, and \$50,000 at OG FH.

The program is already operational at CCI, and expected in mid-February at OG FH. Eligible residents will pay nothing for care, with no limit to the number of visits, while funds last. To speed patients' access to care, both CCI and OG FH plan simple processes. When patients arrive for their appointment, the office will assess their eligibility

according to family size, income and insurance. Care is available at CCI's two Greenbelt locations, and Silver Spring, Takoma Park, Wheaton, Rockville, Gaithersburg and Germantown, useful to Greenbelt residents who work near those locations. OG FH will provide care at its Granite Building location in central Greenbelt. Both CCI and OG FH have Spanish-speaking providers. Learn more at cciweb.org/for-patients/free-healthcare-greenbelt and ogfhealth.com.

The need for this financial support can be seen in that 39 percent of CCI's 2022 Greenbelt patients were uninsured. CCI President and CEO Dr. Sonya Bruton said, "Through this partnership with the City of Greenbelt, CCI Health Services is helping residents without health insurance alleviate the burden of finding affordable quality health care. We are grateful to the City of Greenbelt for taking an innovative approach to using federal dollars to help the community...."

Services Still to Come

The city is also planning the following to directly support residents: a childcare voucher program with up to \$400,000 in grants; grants for work-related training such as certification programs or other professional skills; and coordinating with Luminis Health (Doctor's Community Hospital) to provide funds to support Luminis' mobile diabetes clinic and expand its birth doula program, again for Greenbelt residents who are under- or uninsured and meet income limits. Readers can monitor the resources in the box below to watch for these service launches, the GHI first-time homebuyer program and still more ARPA-funded services on the way.

Watch These Sites For Services Updates

City of Greenbelt:
greenbeltd.gov/government/city-administration/public-information-communications/news-bites
facebook.com/cityofgreenbelt
instagram.com/cityofgreenbelt
twitter.com/CityofGreenbelt
 CCI: cciweb.org/for-patients/free-healthcare-greenbelt
 Old Greenbelt Family Health: ogfhealth.com

Suspect Sought for Shooting And Arson at Franklin Park

On Friday, February 3, at approximately 11:41 p.m., a man set fire to the front door of an apartment in Franklin Park before firing shots into the residence. Greenbelt Police Department's Criminal Investigative Unit is currently investigating and has released photos of the suspect taken as he was starting the fire. He is described as a Black male wearing a black coat with a red inner hood, black hoodie, skull face mask, black sweatpants with

a red and blue line on the outer portion and white lines on the inner portion of the legs, black shoes and black gloves. He fled from the residence, which is in the 6200 block of Breezewood Court. Police describe the event as a no-contact shooting and no injuries were reported.

If anyone has any information regarding the identity of the suspect, contact the Greenbelt Police Department at 301-474-7200 or greenbeltpd@greenbeltd.gov.



Suspect in arson and shooting incident



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PRELIMINARY AGENDA
Meetings of the GHI Board of Directors on
February 16, 2023

GHI Closed Meeting – starts at 7:00 p.m. - closed to members and visitors

- Contract for IT Management Support Services During 2023 to 2026- 2nd reading
- Approve Minutes of the Closed Meeting Held on January 5, 2023
- Request by a Non-member to Temporarily Reside at a GHI Unit
- Contract for Repairs to a Unit Assigned to GHI

GHI Open Meeting - starts at 7:45 p.m. - open to visitors and members

- Statement of a Closed Meeting Held on February 1, 2023
- Statement of a Closed Meeting Held on February 16, 2023
- Approve Minutes of the Open Meeting Held on January 5, 2023
- Proposed Changes to GHI's Bylaws
- Revisions to GHI's Records Retention Policy
- Request to Increase Employee Salary Scales Based on Bureau of Labor Statistics for 2022
- Motion to Hold a Closed Meeting on March 2, 2023

Members and visitors who wish to attend the Open meetings must register in advance via the following link:
<https://us06web.zoom.us/join/register/tZUocOGgpIiG9dSX9Z8Zcl8xQmls9q9rgov%C2%A0>

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

Police Blotter

Incidents reported here occurred from January 30 through February 5. Readers are encouraged to contact the police if they have information that may aid in an inquiry. Call the non-emergency number 301-474-7200 or email pd@greenbeltmd.gov. Note that the times provided are when the incidents were reported.

Anti-immigrant Slur

On February 2 at 7:40 p.m. near 6000 Greenbelt Road, three people were approached by an unknown man described as a Black male approximately 30 to 40 years of age, slim build, peach fuzz beard wearing all black with a black ski mask on and a black belt bag. He yelled at the victims to "go back to your own country" and threw a shopping cart and rocks at the victims. The suspect was gone by the time officers arrived.

Break-in

On January 31 at 8:33 a.m. near 6100 Breezewood Drive, the victim was in the residence when they heard the sliding glass door shatter. When they went out to investigate, they observed two men wearing all black on the balcony landing. The victim yelled at them and they ran away.

DUI Arrest

On February 4 at 12:48 p.m. near 6000 Greenbelt Road.

Fraud

On February 1 at 7:33 p.m. near 7800 Hanover Parkway, gift card fraud. On February 3 at 12:07 p.m. near 6400 Golden Triangle Drive, employee embezzled funds from company.

Missing Person

On January 30 at 1:00 a.m. near Kenilworth Avenue/Greenbelt Road, officers found a 10-year-old girl walking along Kenilworth Avenue barefoot and in pajamas. They determined where she lived and took her home. On February 5 at 2:46 p.m. near 400 Ridge Road, adult man reported missing, later located safe.

Shoplifting

On February 4 at 12:14 p.m. near 7400 Greenbelt Road, commercial theft; at 7:32 p.m. near 7400 Greenbelt Road commercial theft. On February 5 at 7:12 p.m. near 7400 Greenbelt Road, commercial theft.

Theft

On February 1 at 3:09 p.m. near 6000 Greenbelt Road, wallet stolen from shopping cart. On February 2 at 9:57 a.m. near 7600 Greenbelt Road, commercial theft. On February 4 at 6 p.m. near 9100 Edmonston Road, package theft. On February 5 at 3:25 p.m. near 7400 Greenbelt Road, commercial theft.

Vehicle Crimes

Attempted Auto Theft

On January 30 at 4:10 a.m. near 7800 Mandan Road, officers located a running and unoccupied 2011 Hyundai Sonata with the window broken and the ignition popped. Car impounded after officers could not get in touch with registered owner. At 7:14 a.m. near 7800 Mandan Road, a 2022 Hyundai Elantra had the window broken and steering col-

umn damaged; at 7:26 a.m. near 5800 Cherrywood Terrace, rental car's window smashed and the ignition column damaged; at 4:08 p.m. near 8000 Greenbelt Station Parkway, a 2020 Kia Forte had window smashed and ignition popped. On February 1 at 2:31 a.m. near 9200 Edmonston Road, a Hyundai Elantra was found with all four doors wide open, the ignition popped out, and damage to the windshield and the driver-side front tire. Car impounded after officers could not get in touch with registered owner. At 6:38 a.m. near 8200 Canning Terrace, a Kia Forte had its windows broken and the steering column damaged. On February 2 at 2:54 a.m. near Breezewood Court/Springhill Lane, officers found a 2014 Kia Optima with its window smashed and ignition popped. Car impounded after officers could not get in touch with registered owner. At 8:40 a.m. near 9100 Springhill Lane, 2014 Hyundai Elantra had its window broken and ignition damaged.

Auto Stolen

On January 30 at 5:39 a.m. near 5800 Cherrywood Terrace, a white 2016 Hyundai Sonata (Va. plate AEZ4956) stolen; at 10:57 a.m. near 7700 Mandan Road, a red 2016 Hyundai Elantra (Mass. plate 8WT813) was stolen; at 2:10 p.m. near 9000 Breezewood Terrace, a 2016 black Hyundai Sonata (Md. plate 2BX2515) was stolen. The victim's second car, a 2017 Hyundai Elantra, had its window smashed out and the ignition damaged. On January 31 at 9:18 a.m. near 7200 Hanover Dr, black 2023 Toyota Camry (Fla. plate CTGP85) was stolen; at 12:21 p.m. near 7800 Mandan Road, a silver 2013 Hyundai Elantra (Md. plate 7ER0680) was stolen. On February 1 at 12:15 p.m. near 100 Westway, a food delivery driver left car running and unlocked to make a delivery and the car, a white 2020 Toyota Camry (Md. plate 2DG7389) was stolen; at 2:23 p.m. near 8200 Canning Terrace, a 2016 Hyundai Sonata was reported stolen and found by Prince George's County Police. On February 2 at 7:28 a.m. near 6400 Cherrywood Lane, a black 2019 Hyundai Elantra (Md. plate 8DX4183) was stolen; at 8 a.m. near 9100 Springhill Lane, 2013 Hyundai Elantra was stolen and located nearby with ignition damage; at 3:05 p.m. near 6000 Cherrywood Court, a Kia Optima was found with the window smashed out and the ignition damaged. The car had been stolen from Prince George's County. At 3:31 p.m. near 9100 Edmonston Court, a 2021 Kia Forte (Md. plate 6ED6878) was stolen. On February 3 at 6:23

a.m. near 7500 Mandan Road, a blue 2015 Hyundai Sonata (Md. plate 1DM9067) was stolen; at 11:33 a.m. near 100 Westway, a silver 2013 Hyundai Sonata (Md. plate 6CK5969) was stolen; at 6:32 p.m. near 200 Lakeside Drive, a white Kia Soul (Md. plate 8CC3430) was stolen; at 6:50 p.m. near 7700 Hanover Parkway, a 2012 black Hyundai Elantra (Md. plate 2EH0014) was stolen. On February 5 at 5:13 a.m. near 9000 Breezewood Terrace, a brown 2018 Kia Optima (Md. plate 2EV0232) was stolen; at 10:18 a.m. near 8100 Mandan Terrace, officers found a black 2020 Kia Rio with a window broken out and the ignition popped.

Auto Vandalism

On January 30 at 8:15 a.m. near 5800 Cherrywood Lane, a window was broken, nothing taken. On February 1 at 9:49 a.m. near 8200 Canning Terrace, a 2018 Kia Soul with window shattered, nothing taken. On February 4 at 11:49 p.m. near 100 Westway, a 2015 Hyundai Sonata had its window shattered. On February 5 at 5:00 a.m. near 9100 Springhill Lane, a 2011 Mercedes Benz had its window broken.

Theft from Auto

On January 31 at 3:03 p.m. near 100 Westway, a window was broken and disabled placard stolen. On February 2 at 10:25 a.m. near 6000 Greenbelt Road, a 2019 Honda Civic had its front driver-side lower grill removed and radar sensor stolen. On February 4 at 11:42 a.m. near 7600 Ora Glen Drive, a window was smashed and purse stolen.

Teen and Youth Out on Bail Steal, Damage Car on Westway

At approximately 2:20 a.m. on the morning of Friday, February 3, Greenbelt police officers were called to the 100 block of Westway for a report of people looking into vehicles. Upon arrival, officers located the suspects in a stolen Hyundai Tucson. The suspects had also been seen inside a second car with a broken window and the ignition damaged. Police arrested the occupants,

20-year-old Christian Sundy Neal of Laurel and a 17-year-old girl from New Carrollton. Neal was out on bail after being arrested in December for motor vehicle theft and malicious destruction of property, among other charges. Both suspects were charged on Friday with motor vehicle theft and property damage. Neal was released on his own recognizance ahead of a trial set for March.

Stolen Cars Crashed; Teens from Greenbelt and Bowie Arrested

At approximately 2:18 p.m. on Saturday, February 4, Greenbelt Police officers responded to the 7800 block of Mandan Road where a Kia Soul had crashed into a tree. The car had been stolen from Lakeside Drive the day before. The occupants were seen fleeing from the car and getting into a Hyundai Sonata, which had been stolen from Mandan Road earlier that day. Minutes later, they crashed the Sonata into another car at the intersection

of Greenbelt Road and Hanover Parkway and the occupants once again fled from the wrecked car. Three were arrested: two 14-year-old boys from Greenbelt and a 16-year-old girl from Bowie. No injuries were reported during either collision but the intersection of Greenbelt Road and Hanover Parkway was temporarily closed.

This report was drawn from press releases from the Greenbelt Police Department.

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Love Notes



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Duckie,
You make me laugh and do the taxes...
for what more could I ask-es?

A trip to plan — a show to see...
you really make my Febu-ry.
Dinghy

**HER NEW ROSES WERE RED,
BY AUGUST OF '62,
AND ON THE MASTHEAD,
THERE HER NAME WAS, TOO.
WE THE STAFF
OF THE GREENBELT NEWS REVIEW
WISH A VERY SPECIAL HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY
TO OUR VERY OWN MARY LOU**

My dragon princess,
I love your imagination, zest for life,
warmth and will to do good. Te iubesc
orice ai face, even when I nag you
about hair brushing.
Mami

Fearless artist
in Forest Room
Draw hop hop bunnies,
watch crocuses bloom

Weather helper, what's the wheel say?
Shaya's forecast: Valentine's Day!

Chance of snuggles and a kiss
A rainstorm of chocolate bars
To soak and cover us in bliss
We love you to the Moon and Mars


Just down the street, my life's complete
With birds and bees, clear streams and trees.
Mushrooms growing, flowers glowing
In dark, starry night and sunny-bright light.
Forest Preserve, I love you!

And Greenbelt Lake, I won't forsake,
The beaver, butterfly, bluebird and bat
I love you, lots: that's that!


But won't forget the unnamed hollow
Where owl hoots in berry bramble,
Rabbit hops and fox does scramble.
Love you, too, the more I ramble!

Pops
We like to hear stories and learn your
perspective...
Ski adventures, veggies grown,
A good life perfected.
Happy Valentine's Day!
Love, the Waters Fam


MJW — you are 'paws-itively'
our favorite daughter. We like
your cat-itude.
Happy Valentine's Day!
Love M&M



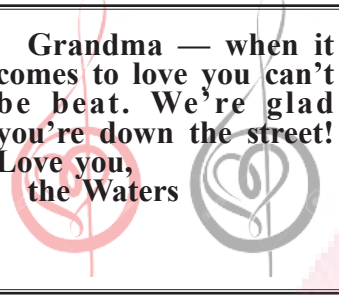
High Tech Henry!
What do squirrels give for Valentine's Day?
Email us for the answer
— Love, your kids




Dear Waggles, a hug (but no boops or bops) coming from the D this Valentine's Day



**Grandma — when it
comes to love you can't
be beat. We're glad
you're down the street!
Love you,
the Waters**




Dearest Raluca, Happy Valentine's Day, draga
mea. Thank you for being there for me and
for protecting me from pneumonia and an all-
spaghetti diet for 18 years and counting!




Dear Mommy,
thank you for everything you've
done (except the hair-brushing
reminders): the
hugs, the snuggles,
and the food you
make us all. Have
a great Valentine's
Day!

Roses are red,
Rosemary's green.
If Ruby's our princess,
Is Rosemary our
queen?
— G, O, J and E.




Snuggle Puppy
I'm not always the one
To say I love you.
But I hope you see it
In my eyes, my planning,
And our orderly life.
Happy 10 years!


be mine!



Dear Pickup Truck,
We love you to Titan and back.
toot and snuggles,
the Prius and the People Powered Scooter



Our LOVE is more than I
could have ever imagined!
Can't wait to celebrate the
YEARS to come!!!




MCRT —
You got us to a NEPA pause,
So we can
Transit responsibly,
Preserving our trees
and communities!




Goddess of Spring
It's joy you bring
Push the cold aside
Blooms will soon
arrive
Our love for you is
vast
Forever it will last
And you will always
be
Full of creativity
The one and only
Vibrant Persephone

TO MY BEAUTIFUL, INTELLIGENT, FUNNY,
COURAGEOUS DAUGHTER. HAVE A LOVELY
VALENTINE'S DAY. I LOVE YOU VERY MUCH,
ELIZABETH. FROM DAD.



Your laugh warms the room
With the dog you run and zoom
Through the yard outside
Making forts to play and hide
Our love for you explodes like a volcano
It is greater than the world's biggest potato
In the sky your star shines bright
Castor, thank you for sharing your light.




Always and Forever, my dear Valentine, Bill.
Miss you so much and always will.


Love,
Shobha

To all my Greenbelt friends, I am so grateful
for all of you!
Hugs and love from Buddy and me.
Happy Valentine's Day!

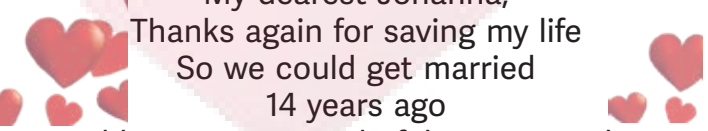
Ode to the Forest Preserve
How do I love thee?
Let me count the ways.
I love thee in
The hush, the crunch, the rush
Of breeze and leaves.




Bat-Dad is scary, but not for real.
We love his tuna-melts when he makes the meal.
Our Day-Day is goofy and good at the dance.
We tackle him with hugs when we get the chance.
He knows lots of stuff, like laser physics and such.
He's the best dad ever, we love him so much!




My dearest Johanna,
Thanks again for saving my life
So we could get married
14 years ago
and have many wonderful years together.
— Tom




All hail Dora, drawer of cuteness,
Blooket master, Scratch creator
extraordinaire, Founder of the
Squishmallow Society, and Queen of
Unnecessary Head-Bopping!
Happy Valentine's Day!
Love, Daddy



Dad Bod Squad, children, & Moose:
Thanks for another joyful year of Sunday
mornings together.
Wouldn't trade them for anything.




Puiule,
I love you and the life we made
together. Thank you for the joy
you bring every day to me and our
dragoness, for your patience, quiet
competence, care and support, for
your loving nudges toward doing
better.
Puica ta.



My hubby of one year:
Your cuddles are so sweet.
You bring me lots of cheer!
And your homebrew can't be beat.
Lately we've ventured near and far,
And plan to do so again very soon.
But no matter where we are,
Being with you is like a honeymoon.

MAPLE, OAK AND
PINE – WILL YOU BE
MINE?



An Ode to Your Butt

How I pine for the days pre-pandemic
when your feet brought you straight through my doors.
Though you may think it sad or pathetic,
Butt, your presence, my purpose restores.

Alas, without you here, nothing is right.
I am empty, holding nothing but air.
Return soon, and I'll squeak with delight
as I embrace you, my sweet Derriere.



Clad yourself in shorts, leggings, or jeans,
It's you, Fanny, not fashion, I seek.
I'll support you while watching both screens
and now I'm open each day of the week.

Ditch your couch and your TV screen rut.
I yearn you will make me complete.
My sole ambition is holding you, Butt.
Sent with love from your OGT Seat.



Love, The Old Greenbelt Theatre



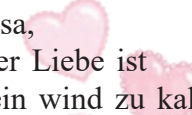
Dear Forest Preserve,
At this special time and all year long,
may you be healthy and inspire
us to take care of all forests.
Marj D


Roses may be red and
Violets may be blue
But who could ask for more
From our Co-op grocery
store


Lisa,
Der Liebe ist
kein wind zu kalt.




To Bellatrix,
My sweet Bella Bear
So fluffy and beautiful.
You are a good girl.
Love, Clark




Canyon Creek –
I love you when you roar,
When you ripple and
Even when you are a
trickle.



When I first laid eyes on you
I knew it was meant to be!
With a love so true, without you I'd be blue
Your smile and style captivated me!




I thought you were so good looking
I didn't even know how great was your cooking
The depth of your heart and soul envelop me
Will you be mine for eternity?





Love, Tom

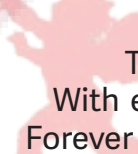

Inquisitor Jerec,
You are the best inquisitor
(definitely not dad) there is. You
totally do not snuggle with me,
play with me, hug me. Also thank
you for the Republic of the Two
Old Knights.
Love and Vanilla,
Satele Shan




Meree Kajol,
Humko humise chura lo
Dil mein kahin tum chupa lo
Humko humise chura lo
Dil mein kahin tum chupa lo
Hum akele kho na jaaye
Door tumse ho na jaaye
Paas aao gale se laga lo
– Tumhaara SRK

Aaron, Isaac, and Nancy,
Three bright shining lights,
With each of you my love doth grow,
Forever grateful for the love you bestow.
Happy Valentine's Day, my precious three!

To Ayla,
My radiant Bride.
You have my whole heart Always.
You are my desire.
Love, Michael




KHW —
Now that you've
grown taller —
there's more of
you to love.

(P.S. I texted you
this message too
but you haven't
texted back...)

Love M&M




Grateful for Greenbelt
News Review,
For keeping us all in
the loop,
And digging deep for
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So our democracy
doesn't get duped.


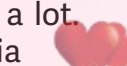


You fought the fight
like a noble knight
And now
You earned the
night
Of the HOBO fire
light!


Mary Jo & David
Ich und Du




Dear Nonna/MAMMA,
So happy to spend Valentine's Day
with you. We love you a lot.
– KAYLA and Gloria

With Love from GFP to
OK:
Through your science,
art and blogs
You are saving trees
squirrels and frogs!




Dear KAYLA, (KK),
Happy Valentine's
Day to a beautiful
daughter and
granddaughter. We
hope you have a
special day. Love
you most! – Mommy
and Nonna




To my DJ—20 years my soul provider:

“Love, love is a verb
Love is a doing word
Fearless on my breath
Gentle impulsion
Shakes me, makes me lighter
Fearless on my breath.”

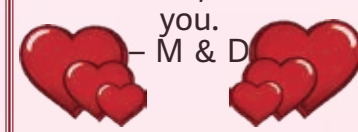
As long as there are great songs to be
sung, there will always be love to
come.



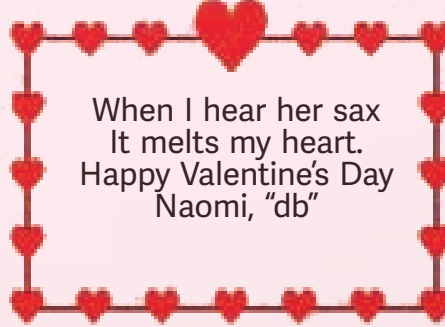
Evelina, I deer
eyed you. I liked
you a lot. I love
you. I'm keeping
you.
Happy Valentine's
Day! Raymond



Roses are red
Violets are blue
Ella Grace, we love
you.
– M & D




When I hear her sax
It melts my heart.
Happy Valentine's Day
Naomi, "db"




It's not the 3rd Thursday in April,
But it's still a special day
To tell you that I'm grateful
In every single way.

You give me your love,
You give me your time,
And like I do to you now,
You give me your rhyme.



Cold rain taps on the windows
The wind is at the door
The cats are curled up in their beds
High above the floor




The dogs are in their kennels
Soft toys beneath their chins
A rabbit cracks a sleepy eye
And closes it again

A meal for every belly
A pat for every head
Safe place for new beginnings
A better life ahead

Much love to the Animal Control Officers
At the City of Greenbelt Animal Shelter
– Anonymous

To my treehouse family
on the Ridge: whether
it's the train game,
dinnertime math,
blueberry hiking, or movie
night; thanks for the
good times & love.
Your Valentine, Daddy

Dear Forest
Preserve:
Your pine
needles on
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give me a thrill.



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TO R – On the small bookshelf, a book for a genus of flora. With only 500 species, it is not as varied as the *Dendrobium* genus with its 1800 or more species. It is still essential, and loved by blue jays. Latin name starts with Q. Check pg. 75. From B.

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Crisis Hotline's New Number is 988

The National Suicide Prevention Lifeline dialing code has changed, effective July 16. The new three-digit dialing code is 988 and it's available for phone calls and text messages.

The former Lifeline phone number (1-800-273-8255) will continue to be accessible.

Calls and text messages are confidential and free.

"No matter what problems you're dealing with, whether or not you're thinking about suicide, if you need someone to lean on for emotional support, call the Lifeline," the 988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline says on its website at samhsa.gov/find-help/988.



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NEEDED: Please include name, phone number and address with ad copy. Ads not considered accepted until published.

DROP ads and payments in the mail slot in the exterior door of the News Review office. The door is located to the left of the main entrance on the east side of the Community Center (side closest to Roosevelt Center and the Municipal Building).

OVERPAYMENTS: To properly account for overpayments too small to warrant refunding, the News Review accumulates overpayments of less than \$1.00 and periodically contributes the funds to a registered charity. Once the office reopens, this policy will not apply to payments made in person.

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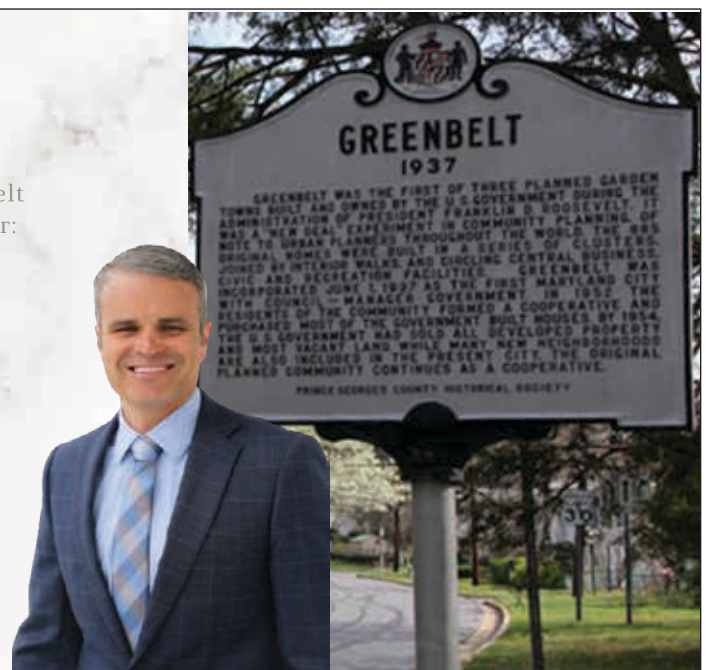


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GCF Grants \$5,000 To “Bridging the Gap”

by Kevin W. Parker

The Greenbelt Community Foundation (GCF) approved one grant for the fall 2022 cycle, awarding \$5,000 to the Higher Achievement Bridging the Opportunity Gap for Middle School Scholars program at Greenbelt Middle School (GMS). Higher Achievement has a well-established, successful program to support students at under-resourced schools in academic, leadership and social-emotional development, at GMS (since 2019) and elsewhere in the D.C. region.

Higher Achievement provides out-of-school time academic enrichment and social-emotional support to Greenbelt scholars during the critical middle school years. Through targeted academic support, small group mentoring and high school readiness, the staff works with scholars and families to reach short- and long-term goals that impact academic and personal trajectories. By increasing achievement during middle school, scholars develop

the academic and social-emotional skillsets that lead to success in high school and beyond.

GCF seeks to support a thriving, engaged community that is socially responsible, environmentally conscious and supports education, the arts and sciences. GCF does this by helping to fund community projects that serve Greenbelt citizens while building upon the ideals of collaboration, cooperation and engagement through the generous participation of individuals and organizations. GCF grant amounts are based on the application but can range from a few hundred dollars up to a maximum of \$5,000.

For more information or to make a donation, visit greenbeltfoundation.org.

Kevin W. Parker is chair of the GCF Communications Committee.

Black History Month Free Concert at St. John's

The Virginia State University (VSU) Concert Choir will perform a special selection of music in honor of Black History Month on Sunday, February 19 at 2 p.m. at St. John's Episcopal Church in Beltsville.

The concert is free of charge and part of a day-long celebration at St. John's that will begin with a Festival of Spirituals and Psalms service at 10 a.m. Inspired by lessons and carols, the service will feature the VSU choir singing traditional African American spirituals. St. John's Episcopal Church is located at 11040 Baltimore Ave, Beltsville, MD 20705. For more information contact office@stjohnsbeltsville.org or 301-937-4292.

Brentwood Arts Hosts Uhuru Quilters Exhibit

The Uhuru Quilters Guild is exhibiting their work this month in the Main Gallery at the Brentwood Arts Exchange, 3901 Rhode Island Avenue in Brentwood. There will be an opening reception for the exhibit, entitled FREEDOM, on Saturday, February 11 at 10 a.m.

The Uhuru Quilters Guild, a group of 80 predominantly African American quilters, has a mission to promote the work and accomplishments of African American quilters and preserve the traditions, culture and history of quilting. Included in the opening reception of this exhibition will be a live performance from artist Liz Ann Miller titled Rituals for Cleansing Racial Violence, celebrating the importance of hair as it relates to African American culture.

Greenbelt Artist Exhibits in Rockville

Rachel Ann Cross has a solo exhibition, Nature, Myth, and Magic at the Artist and Maker's Studio in Rockville until Wednesday, February 22. The studio is located at 11810 Parklawn Drive, Suite 210.

Cross is a Greenbelt arts program instructor and artist in residence at the Community Center. Her expansive body of work incorporates found objects, broken jewelry and non-traditional materials to create mixed media pieces inspired by nature and the rich cultural traditions of creation stories from around the world.

Cross will participate in a Meet the Artist event on Saturday, February 11 at 1 p.m.

For more information about the exhibit, visit bit.ly/3Hr1JdG.

Exhibit piece: Dream Home by Rachel Ann Cross



Aviation Museum Has Black Aviators Tour

The College Park Aviation Museum is having a Black Aviators Tour on Sunday, February 12 at 1 p.m. The tour highlights some of history's Black aviators, from the legendary Eugene Bullard to local aviator Gus McLeod, and their impact on aviation.

Also featured will be the story of the nearby Columbia Air Center, which was the first licensed airfield in the country owned and operated by Black aviators.

The tour lasts about 45 minutes to one hour and is geared toward those ages 12 and older. The tour is free with museum admission. Registration is not required.

Compost Workday Is February 18

“Methane, a potent greenhouse gas, is 80 times more powerful than carbon dioxide for its first 20 years in the atmosphere.” — The Washington Post

All are invited to join The Wigglers on Saturday, February 18 starting at 9 a.m. for an outdoor workday at the three-bin hot-composting station behind Roosevelt Center, alongside the Aquatic & Fitness Center. High school students can earn volunteer hours while learning how to prepare food waste, diverted from the Greenbelt Co-op Supermarket, for rapid hot-composting. Enjoy snacks and conversation while you work.

Help The Wigglers volunteers pre-compost food for the red wiggler composting worms that live on the loading dock of the New Deal Café, making vermicompost, a highly prized soil amendment and nutrient load for plants.

To learn more about how hot- and worm-composting turn food waste into a valuable resource used to grow plants and sequester carbon – instead of producing methane at the landfill – come by anytime between 9 and 11 a.m. on Saturday, February 18. Email NewDealWigglers@gmail.com with questions.

Yarn and Darn Meets Wednesdays

Knitters, crocheters, embroiderers, rug hookers, seamsters et al. bring your portable fiber arts to the Community Center to chat and socialize while working on individual projects.

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